November 6, 2022

7th Sunday of Luke

Saints of the Day: Paul the Confessor; Luke the Monk

WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS!!!

Thank you for worshipping with us!!! Please join us for fellowship immediately following The Divine Liturgy. For those visiting an Orthodox Church for the first time, please be aware that Holy Communion is a sign of unity of faith which is only offered to Baptized or Chrismated Orthodox Christians. All present are welcome, and encouraged, to receive the antidoron (bread given to those who do not/are not able receive Holy Communion) which is distributed at the end of the service. For those interested in learning more about the Orthodox Christian faith, please feel free to speak with Fr. Demetri after the service.

WE ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO FOLLOW ALONG AND PARTICIPATE IN THE DIVINE LITURGY WITH THE BOOKS PROVIDED!!!

40 DAY BLESSING

40-day blessing for Nicholas Scott Moutsioulis, son of Nick and Kelly Moutsioulis.

FELLOWSHIP

The coffee hour today is sponsored in honor of Deacon Andrew Otto by the Board of Directors.

WEEK-IN-PREVIEW

Sun., Nov 6
Orthros 8:45am
Divine Liturgy 10am
Sponsored Coffee Hour
Baptism 12:30pm

Mon., Nov 7
Basketball
3/4 Coed 6pm
HS Boys 7:30pm

Tues., Nov 8
Synaxis of the Archangels
Divine Liturgy 9:30am
Orthodoxy 101 6pm
Library Memory Project
Photo ID by Zoom 7pm
Basketball HS Boys 7pm

Wed., Nov 9
St. Nectarios
Divine Liturgy 9:30am
DOP 6:30pm
Last Day for Friendsgiving

Thurs., Nov 10
Basketball
5/6 Boys 6pm
7/8 & HS Boys 7:30pm

Sat., Nov 5
Greek Preschool 9am
Fr. Mike Wilson Retirement Celebration noon

Sun., Nov 6
Orthros 8:45am
Divine Liturgy 10am
Hymns Chanted Following the Small Entrance

Resurrencional Hymn in the Fourth Tone
Τὸ φανδρὸν τὴς ἀναστάσεως κήρυγμα, ἐκ τοῦ Ἁγγέλου μαθοῦσαι αἱ τοῦ Κυρίου Μαθήτριαι, καὶ τὴν προγονικὴν ἀπόφασιν ἀπορρίφαισαι, τοῖς Ἀποστόλοις καυχόμεναι ἔλεγον· Ἐσκύλευται ὁ θάνατος, ἡγέρθη Χριστὸς ὁ Θεός, δωροῦμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

When the women Disciples of the Lord had learned from the Angel the joyful message of the Resurrection and rejected the ancestral decision, they cried aloud to the Apostles triumphantly: Death has been despoiled, Christ God has risen, granting His great mercy to the world.

Anthem for the Hierarch in the Third Tone
Θείας πίστεως ὁμολογία, ἀλλόν Παύλον σε τῇ Ἐκκλησίᾳ, ζηλωτὴν ἐν υἱοῖς ἀνέδειξε. Συνεκβοᾷ σοι καὶ Ἀβέλ πρὸς Κύριον, καὶ Ζαχαρίου τὸ αἷμα τὸ δίκαιον, Πάτερ Ὀσιε, Χριστὸν τὸν Θεὸν ἱκέτευε, δωρήσασθαι ἡμίν τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Your confession of the true divine faith * manifested you unto the whole Church * as another Paul and zealot among the priests. * With you together is shouting the righteous blood * of Zacharias and Abel unto the Lord. * Holy Father Paul, beseech Christ our God fervently, * entreating that He grant us His great mercy.

Anthem of St. George in the Fourth Tone
Ὡς τῶν αἰχμαλώτων ἐλευθερωτής, καὶ τῶν πτώχων ὑπερασπιστής, ἀσθενοῦντων ἰατρός, βασιλέων ὑπέρμαχος, Τροπαιωθόρῳ Μεγαλομάρτυρις Γεώργιο, πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Liberator of captives and defender of the poor, physician of the sick and champion of kings, oh Trophy-bearer and Great Martyr George, intercede with Christ our God, that our souls be saved.

Seasonal/Kontakion Hymn in the Second Tone
Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσετεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδης, ἀμαρτωλῶν διήσεων φοναύς, ἄλλα πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶν κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχον εἰς προσβείαν, καὶ σπεύσον εἰς ἰκεῖσαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἡμῖν, θεοτόκε, τὸν τιμῶντον σε.

A Protection of Christians unshameable, intercessor to our Holy Maker unwavering; reject not, the prayerful cries of those who are in sin. Instead, come to us for you are good; your loving help bring unto us who are crying in faith to you: Hasten to intercede and speed now to supplicate, as a protection for all time, Theotokos for those who honor you.
SCRIPTURE READINGS

Galatians 2:16-20

Brethren, knowing that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Γαλάτας 2:16-20

Αδελφοί, εἰδότες ὅτι οὐ δικαίωνται ἀνθρώπος ἐξ ἔργων νόμου, ἐὰν μὴ διὰ πίστεως Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, καὶ ἡμεῖς εἰς Χριστὸν Ἰησοῦν ἐπιστεύσαμεν, ἵνα δικαίωθωμεν ἐκ πίστεως Χριστοῦ, καὶ οὐκ ἐξ ἔργων νόμου· διότι οὐ δικαίωθησαι ἐξ ἔργων νόμου πάσα σάρξ. Εἰ δὲ, ζητοῦντες δικαίωθηναι ἐν Χριστῷ, εὑρέθημεν καὶ αὐτοὶ ἁμαρτωλοί, ᾧς Ἰησοῦς ἁμαρτίας διάκονος· Μή γένοιτο. Εἰ γὰρ ἐκατέλυσα, ταῦτα πάλιν οἴκοδομῶ, παραβάτην ἔμαυτόν συνίστημι. Ἐγὼ γὰρ διὰ νόμου νόμῳ ἀπέθανον, ἵνα θεῷ ζήσω. Χριστῷ συνεσταύρωμαι· ζῶ δὲ, οὐκέτι ἐγώ, ζῇ δὲ ἐν ἐμοὶ Χριστῷ· δὲ νῦν ζῶ ἐν σαρκί, ἐν πίστει ζῶ τῇ τοῦ υἱοῦ τοῦ θεοῦ, τοῦ ἀγαπησάντος με καὶ παραδόντος ἑαυτόν ὑπὲρ ἐμοῦ.

Luke 8:41-56

At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As he went, the people pressed round him. And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years and had spent all her living upon physicians and could not be healed by anyone, came up behind him, and touched the fringe of his garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter and those who were with him said, "Master, the multitudes surround you and press upon you!" But Jesus said,
"Some one touched me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. And he said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace.' While he was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, 'Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more.' But Jesus on hearing this answered him, 'Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well.' And when he came to the house, he permitted no one to enter with him, except Peter and John and James, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but he said, 'Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand he called, saying, 'Child, arise.' And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and he directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but he charged them to tell no one what had happened.

Δουκάν 8:41-56
Τῷ καίρῳ ἐκείνῳ, ἀνθρώπος τῆς προσήλθε τῷ Ἰησοῦ ὁ ὀνομα Ἰάειρος, καὶ αὐτὸς ἄρχον τῆς συναγωγῆς ὑπήρχε: καὶ πεσὼν παρὰ τοὺς πόδας τοῦ Ἰησοῦ παρεκάλει αὐτὸν εἰσέλθεσθι εἰς τὸν οἶκον αὐτοῦ, ὅτι θυγάτηρ μου γεννηθή ἐν αὐτῷ ὡς ἐτῶν δώδεκα, καὶ αὐτῇ ἀπέθνησεν. Ἐν δὲ τῷ ὑπάγειν αὐτὸν οἱ ὀχλοὶ συνέπνιγον αὐτὸν. καὶ γυνὴ οὕσι ἐν ρόσει αἵματος ἀπὸ ἐτῶν δώδεκα, ἣς ἱεροὺς προσαναλύσασα ὅλον τὸν βίον οὐκ ἠχουσαν ὅπ’ οὐδὲνος θεραπευθήναι, προσελθοῦσα ὑπὸ τοῦ κρασπεδοῦ τοῦ ἱματίου αὐτοῦ, καὶ παραχρῆμα ἐστὶ ἢ ρόσις τοῦ αἵματος αὐτῆς. καὶ εἶπεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς τῆς ὁ ἀξίωμανός μου; ἀρνούμενων δὲ πάντων εἶπεν ὁ Πέτρος καὶ οἱ σύν αὐτῷ ἐπιστάτα, οἱ ὀχλοὶ συνέχουσι σε καὶ ἀποθλίβουσι, καὶ λέγεις τίς ὁ ἀξίωμανός μου; ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν ἔρημος μοῦ τις; ἣ γὰρ ἔγνων δύναμιν εξελθοῦσαν ὑπ’ ἐμοῦ. ἱδού, δὲ ἡ γυνὴ ὅτι οὐκ ἔλαθε, τρεῖμοσα ἢλθε καὶ προσελθοῦσα εὐθὺς δὲ ἦν αἰτιά ἦγατο αὐτοῦ ἀπήγγειλεν αὐτῷ ἔννοιαν πνεύμονος τοῦ λαοῦ, καὶ ὡς ἱάθη παραχρῆμα. ὁ δὲ εἶπεν αὐτῇ θάρσει, θύγατερ, ἡ πίστις σου σέσωκε σε προεύχοντα εἰς εἰρήνην. Εἴ τις αὐτοῦ καλοῦντος ἔρχεται τις παρὰ τοῦ ἄρχων συναγωγῆς λέγων αὐτῷ ὅτι τεθνηκεν ᾧ θυγάτηρ σου μὴ σκύλλε τὸν διδάσκαλον, ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς ἀκούσας ἀπεκρίθη αὐτῷ λέγων μὴ φοβοῦ μόνον πίστευε, καὶ σωθήσῃ. ἔλαβον δὲ εἰς τὴν οἰκίαν οὐκ ἁρίζειν εἰσέλθεν οὐδένα εἰ μή Πέτρον καὶ Ἰοάννην καὶ Ἰάκωβον καὶ τὸν πατέρα τῆς παιδός καὶ τὴν μητέρα. ἐκλαιον δὲ πάντες καὶ ἐκκοπτοντο αὐτὴν. ὁ δὲ εἶπε μὴ κλαῖετε οὐκ ἐπάθεαν, ἀλλὰ καθεύδει. καὶ κατεγέλων αὐτοῦ, εἰδότες ότι ἀπέθανεν. αὐτὸς δὲ ἐκβαλὼν ἔξω πάντας καὶ κρατήσας τῆς χειρὸς αὐτῆς ἐφόνησε λέγων μή παῖς ἔγειρον, καὶ ἐπέστρεψε τὸ πνεῦμα αὐτῆς, καὶ ἀνέστη παραχρῆμα, καὶ διέταξεν αὐτῇ δοθήναι φαγεῖν, καὶ ἐξέστησαν οἱ γυναῖκες αὐτοῖς. ὁ δὲ παρήγγειλεν αὐτοῖς μηδενί εἰπεῖν τὸ γεγονός.
Evaluation of Essays

Judges take into consideration the following:

- The essay is interesting and inspirational; focused and engaging
- Clarity of the essay introduction and whether or not the thesis presentation draws the reader into the essay
- Developed paragraphs with relevant points and examples
- Use of proper grammar and flow of ideas
- Artistic use of language
- Source documentation and bibliography

Judges

Dinanna Christakos, M.Ed.
High School English Teacher (retired)

The Honorable Eleni Elia, J.D.
Circuit Court Judge

Timothy Johnson, Ph. D.
History Chair, Flagler College, St. Augustine, FL

St. Photios Greek Orthodox National Shrine

2022 Essay Contest

Open to all persons 13-19 years of age

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Essay Contest Theme
Most Americans treasure an immigrant story as it is a precious thread in the legacy of most families. There is a curiosity as to why the immigrant left their homeland. We wonder what opportunity presented itself for a change. We want to know what was met upon arrival in the New World and what course their life took.

In an essay of 950 - 1,050 words, compare and contrast the immigrant story of the Greek Colonists of 1768 with the immigrant story of a family member or of a personal friend.

Additional Details
- Essay submission deadline: December 2, 2022
- PDF Format
- Emailed to info@stphotios.com
- Minimum 950 words
- Maximum 1,050 words
- Submission must include on separate page:
  - Author’s name
  - Date of birth
  - U.S. mailing address
  - Email address
  - Phone number
  - Home parish name, city and state
- Winners will be chosen from the following categories:
  - 13-15 year old participants
  - 16-19 year old participants

All essays become property of St. Photios National Shrine and may be shared publicly.

Winners of each category will receive an award of $1,000.

All will receive a Certificate of Participation from The Archbishop of America.
Veterans Day is a public holiday that is dedicated to honoring anyone who has served in the United States military.

The holiday began as a day to remember the end of World War I and was declared a holiday by President Woodrow Wilson in 1919. Originally known as Armistice Day, the holiday became Veterans Day in 1954. It is always officially observed on November 11th.

We as a Parish Family want to be sure to express our appreciation to all the Veterans who have served our Country! Some of you reading this are Veterans, and without you, and many others like you who have sacrificed, there is a distinct possibility we would not have the freedom we have to worship in such a setting. The price of freedom is very high. Many have paid the ultimate price on behalf of their nation, yet we realize there is also the price of saying “good-bye” to a spouse, fiancé, or even looking into the big round eyes of a child as the plane or ship is about to board with Dads and Moms heading off to serve. Rest assured...you are appreciated.

We ask all Veterans to be with us next Sunday, November 13 in which we will offer a prayer for all Veterans prior to dismissal.

On behalf of a grateful Cathedral Family, we want to say “Thank You.”
Our St. George Family is looking for individuals to join our TCI Team. If you would like to learn more about this please scan the qr code which has past zoom meetings and presentations. If you would like to be a part of our team, please contact the Church Office.
What is TCI???

On the evening of Tuesday, February 16th, 2021 over 200 participants comprised of clergy, parish council members, and ministry leaders from the 62 parishes of the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Boston met for the first meeting of an introductory series for the Metropolis of Boston’s new *Thriving Congregations Initiative*. Over the course of the evening, members of the Thriving Congregations Parish Teams met to discuss this five year initiative to revitalize parish life and embrace the call to, “go and make disciples of all nations.” (Matthew 28:18) Participants who enthusiastically responded to the opportunity to strengthen the spiritual fabric of New England will gather over the next two months to learn more about this project and about what it means to be a thriving congregation. For more information about the *Thriving Congregations Initiative*, see below.

In order to assist 62 Greek Orthodox New England parishes with the knowledge necessary to thrive in a rapidly-changing society, the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Boston submitted a proposal requesting grant funding from Lilly Endowment Inc. The Indianapolis-based foundation has made grants available to organizations seeking to revitalize parishes and other congregations through its Thriving Congregations Initiative. The Metropolis of Boston focused its proposal on establishing an educational program to reconstruct the framework of outreach from Greek Orthodox parishes in New England.

In its Thriving Congregations Initiative document, Lilly Endowment announced that charitable organizations may submit proposals for grants to be used for up to “a five-year period to design and implement programs that support Christian congregations and help them develop and strengthen the community” by working with the congregations directly. The following five-year program plan is open to all parishes in the Metropolis and will be carried out as follows:

The project’s four phases:

- Understanding social and cultural context.
- Crafting mission and vision.
- Cultivating Orthodox Christian practices.
- Sustaining ministry.

Throughout the duration of the program:

- Parish leadership and clergy will receive extensive leadership training necessary to ensure the success.
• The youth and young adult community will be engaged to provide insight into the changing cultural and social contexts of parishes and their neighboring communities.

• District seminars will be hosted twice yearly in each of the nine districts of the metropolis or the purposes of:
  o Conveying knowledge of each of the program's aforesaid four 'phases.
  o Equipping parishes with the tools necessary to research parish
  o Providing a framework for understanding research findings and creating a path
  o Parish teams and the metropolis-level program will be Key insights and parish efforts will be documented, memorialized and distributed to all parishes.
  o Starting in September of 2021, the parishes will be introduced to the first of the four program phases, each running from September to August.
  o Toward the end of the program, all parish efforts and findings will be documented and distributed.

Seminarians and students from Hellenic College Holy Cross will be heavily involved in supporting this program. Extensive training will be developed for and offered to them, thus developing the future lay and ordained ministry leaders of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America.

Expected result:

• Growth in membership and stewardship.

• Rise in number of parishioners engaged in ministries in all age groups, especially young adults.

• Realization of strong leadership driven by clergy and parish council members.

• New and existing ministries that invite those outside the current community are created/strengthened.

Parishioners interested in assisting on the parish level can contact their parish priest. Individual inquiries may be directed to the Metropolis directly.
THRIVING CONGREGATIONS INITIATIVE

Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Boston

SAVE THE DATE
DISTRICT SEMINAR FALL 2022
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH
9:30AM - 3PM
THEME: EXPLORING MISSION AND VISION
The Department of Religious Education (DRE) is pleased to announce the release of the 2023 St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival Topic Tips & Resources. Formerly known as 'Topic Tips' just for the youth participants, this year, the DRE has expanded it to 'Topic Tips & Resources' for participants, parents, mentors, GOYA advisors, and religious educators.

The Topics Tips & Resources includes a bibliography with expansive resources such as books, articles, videos, websites, and liturgical documents. As well as suggestions, things to ponder, and questions on each topic to assist participants in brainstorming, developing, and writing their Oratorical Festival speeches. Now parents, mentors, and GOYA advisors can better assist participants on the vast range of topics with ease and confidence. And now, Sunday School teachers can guide their students through a discussion on any of the ten topics, and even turn a class into a writing session to encourage all youth to participate in their Church Oratorical Festival.

Check out the 2023 Topic Tips & Resources:

Scan the QR code or go to https://www.goarch.org/-/oratorical-festival-topics-2023
Friendsgiving Luncheon

Please join us for a very Thankful Friendsgiving on Sunday, November 13th Following Church Services Serving turkey and all the trimmings $20/person Children 16 and under free Please bring a favorite dessert to share Tickets available @ church office (603) 622-9113 St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral 650 Hanover Street, Manchester, NH

Children’s area:
*Thanksgiving craft*

Deadline for Tickets is Wednesday November 9.
Archiepiscopal Encyclical for the Feast of the Archangels

November 6, 2022

*Who makes His Angels spirits, and His ministers a flame of fire. (Psalm 103:5)*

Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Every year, on the 8th of November, as we celebrate the Synaxis of the Holy Archangels, Michael and Gabriel, together with all the ranks of the Bodiless Powers of Heaven, we remember our precious Archdiocesan Institution, Saint Michael’s Home. Although most of us will never see an Angel face to face before we pass from this life, we do often feel their presence. They bring us messages of God’s love and strength in trying times, especially when our faith is tested. But as much as we need to receive the aid and consolation of such Heavenly Beings, we must also be willing to be “angelic” in character—meaning, that we should also carry messages of love, mercy, compassion and forgiveness to others, and thus serve in the ministry of the “flame of fire,” spoken of in the Psalm.

The mission of Saint Michael’s home is a ministry that we can all embrace with a fiery love and devotion, especially because it is in the service of those precious members of our community who not only have given so much to the Church we now enjoy, but also are in need of our compassion and care in their twilight years. As it says in the Book of Leviticus: Stand up in the presence of the elderly, and show respect for the aged (19:32). Saint Michael’s Home 2 affords every member of our Archdiocese an opportunity to take a stand for the elderly, and show concrete respect and appreciation for those who have labored from the “first hour.”

With this year’s commemoration of the Heavenly Hosts, led by the Princes of the Angelic Powers, Michael and Gabriel, let us take inspiration from their ministrations throughout the history of both the Old and New Israel. Let us take up the cause of Saint Michael’s Home as a spiritual devotion, and light a flame of fire within our hearts that burns with love and compassion for our seniors — whether they are of our own parishes and families, or of this God-pleasing and venerable Institution of our Sacred Archdiocese of America.

With paternal love in our Lord Jesus Christ,

† ELPIDOPHOROS

Archbishop of America
2022/2023
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
Now Available - Apply Online!

Applications from eligible college students accepted through January 31, 2023.
The application and qualification criteria, requirements, and guidelines are available at www.panhellenicsf.org.

To be eligible to apply for a scholarship, applicants must fulfill the following requirements:
• Be a US Citizen or US permanent resident
• Be of Hellenic descent
• Be a full time undergraduate attending a 4-year accredited university this Fall, 2022
• Have a minimum 3.5 cumulative GPA

— To apply, visit panhellenicsf.org/apply —

For more information regarding our scholarship program, contact our Director of Scholarships, Georgia Arvanitis at garvanitis@panhellenicsf.org

Van and Joanna
Christy Scholarship Applications
Are Now Available

This fund was established through the generosity of Van and Joanna Christy. Preference is given to students who graduate from high schools located in Manchester, NH, or its surrounding communities. Students must be of Greek origin or descent; have earned an overall B+ or equivalent during high school; be an all-around student who has participated in a variety of activities, which may be school as well as non-school activities.

Applications available in the St. George Facebook Group or in the office.
St. George
Sunday School

FALL
PHILANTHROPY
PROJECT

WE ARE COLLECTING
TOOTHBRUSHES & TOOTHPASTE

All items will be donated to the Families in
Transition Food Pantry & Emergency Shelter

Greek Preschool at
St George Greek Orthodox Cathedral, 650 Hanover Street, Manchester, NH
603-622-9113

Join us as we begin our 8th year of learning about our Greek Language, Culture
and Traditional Dances.

Children in Preschool to 1st grade elementary school level
join us on Saturdays 9:00am-10:00am in the church hall.

Children who are elementary school 2nd graders and up
go to Greek School at
Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, 111 Island Pond Road, Manchester, NH
603-623-2045
Come and learn (or relearn) the basics of Orthodox Christianity in this 6 Session Zoom Course.

Our St. George Family will be blessed to be working with another Parish of our Archdiocese, The Holy Trinity Cathedral in Toledo, Ohio!

Schedule of Sessions:
Every Tuesday night 6pm - 7pm

Week 5: Nov 8 "Salvation"

Week 6: Nov 15 "Worship, Prayer, Icons and Sacraments"

Please scan this QR Code in order to register!!

Library Memory Project Opportunities

Come for a walk down memory lane with the weekly Library Memory Project Zoom Session on Tuesdays at 7pm. As the people are identified, hearing and sharing stories about those people is so much fun! We are enjoying pictures from the mid 70’s.

If you are at least 75 years of age and are a current or former member of the St. George community, we would very much like to speak with you. We will be scheduling Oral Histories throughout the Fall. Please contact us through the office or by email: library@stgeorgenh.org
PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

AXIOS DEACON ANDREW AND FAMILY - Last week Deacon Andrew was Ordained through the Laying on of Hands by His Eminence Metropolitan Methodios. Today following the Divine Services, a sponsored coffee hour will be hosted the Board of Directors in honor of Dn. Andrew, Diak. Jennifer and their sons John and Benjamin. Pictures from the Ordination and from the tonsuring of the Altar boys can be found by scanning this QR code.

LIBRARY OPENING - If you or loved ones were not able to be here yesterday for the re-opening of the library, we have great news... The library will be opened today following the Divine Services (doors will be closed at 130pm). We encourage all take a few moments to see firsthand all the great work that has been done!!!

BOARD OF DIRECTOR NOMINATIONS - Board of Directors Nomination forms are due by 7pm on Tuesday November 8th. Elections will be held on Sunday November 20. Absentee Ballots will be available after Wednesday November 9th.

ORTHODOXY 101 - Join us Tuesday, November 8, 6pm for the 5th Orthodoxy 101 Session “Salvation.” Come and learn (or relearn) the basics of Orthodox Christianity. Scan the QR code in the flyer in this bulletin or use this link to sign up https://my.gobluelfire.com/App/Form/089d0fce-4b7c-48c5-bc06-01b4d5d67da7.

FRIENDSGIVING NOVEMBER 13 - Join us for a very Thankful Friendsgiving on Sunday November 13. Deadline is November 9. See the flyer for more details.

HOSPITAL VISITS - If there is a loved one or someone you know that is in the hospital please contact Fr. Demetri so he may reach out for pastoral visits. Thank you!

COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS WANTED - The coffee hour ministry needs your help! Join a team of men, women, and teens to continue this fellowship time for our community. Please let a member of the team know you are interested.

PROSFORA, PLEASE - You are invited to make Prosfora to be used during the Sunday Services. Thank you for helping with this special need.

CHOIR INVITATION - Please consider joining the choir in singing our beautiful hymns of our church. Contact Cathy Mouflarge for more information.
A WARRIOR FOR OUR LORD

The GREAT MARTYR MENAS was born an Egyptian and served as a soldier in the mighty Roman army. The emperors at that time issued a decree ordering that all Christians were to worship idols or face torture. The blessed Menas renounced his rank and withdrew to a life of ascetic struggles in the mountains. He felt it better to live among beasts that in the midst of people who abandoned God.

During this time, Menas studied the Bible and cleansed his soul with prayer and fasting. He desired to live out his life in peace. But after much time had passed, he was made aware of a pagan festival being held nearby. The heathen population intended to honor their vile gods with spectacles in an arena. Filled with zeal and courage, Menas entered the space and proclaimed “I am the servant of Jesus Christ, Who rules over heaven and earth!”

Menas was immediately detained and tortured. Even extreme cruelty failed to bend the will of this devout Christian. Ultimately he was beheaded and burned.

Today we as Christians face a difficult situation in giving witness to our faith in Christ. Society bids us to sacrifice before the gods of pleasure, power, self-indulgence and glamour. We need to respond to all these allurements by keeping our eyes on Jesus and our ears tuned to His words.

One may think that the world has changed so radically that none of the old beliefs and traditions are valid in our day. But this is not so. We should be careful about dumping our old traditions for all too often nothing but a void is left. As St. Paul said: “Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever . . . .” Let Christ be as vital to us as He was to the Great Martyr Menas.

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Orthros/Matins: 9:00 a.m.  Divine Liturgy: 10:00 a.m.

An electronic copy of this bulletin is available on the website.
Do you ever look around your church and think about how beautiful it is? The icons, the gold, the special wood carvings, the priest’s vestments, even the building itself? When you walk in, you know it is a special place.

Our church is different from anywhere else you might go throughout your week. We take care of our church—we’re respectful and clean and quiet too. That’s because church is a special place. It’s a temple, where we worship our Lord!

We know that our church temple is a place where God is. But today in the epistle reading, Saint Paul tells us, “You are the temple of the living God.” That’s right! We are temples, because we have our God in us, in our hearts. We take care of our church temple, but we especially have to take of ourselves too, because we have God with us. Saint Paul tells us how we keep ourselves clean too, on the inside.

When we are baptized Christians, we’re different. We try to follow Christ now. We try to be good to our families and our friends, and even to strangers too. We try to watch out for what we say, what we do, what we see, where we go, who we hang out with, and even what we think about! It’s a tough job sometimes, but we are “temples of the living God.” Let’s promise to keep our temple clean and pure, and our Lord promises to be our loving God.
### WORD SEARCH

Can you find these words in the jumble?

- Church
- Clean
- Faith
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- Monk
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### WHAT'S IN AN ICON?

Saint Symeon learned a lot from his teacher. His name was Symeon too, and he's a saint too!

Here are the two Saint Symeons together. We call the older teacher Saint Symeon the Devout, and we celebrate his feastday on March 12th.
SAINT SYMEON
THE NEW THEOLOGIAN

Do you know what a theologian is?
Theology is the study of God, so a theologian is somebody who studies God. Lots of people call themselves theologians, but in our Church, we call only three people (who are all saints) theologians. Those are Saint John (the apostle), Saint Gregory, and a saint we celebrate this week, Saint Symeon.

These three saints get that name, theologian, because they studied God in a different way, a very deep way. They didn’t just read a ton of books and give a lot of lectures on God. They knew God in a special way because they were very holy people. They loved God very much, so God let them know Him even better.

Saint Symeon was a monk who lived a little more than a thousand years ago. He lived his life in prayer, deep prayer, always trying to know and love God better. We still have many of Saint Symeon’s writings that we can read today.

Saint Symeon gave lots of good advice to other monks and to other faithful people. One thing he said was that we should always be very, very careful with our thoughts. Sometimes we might let our mind wander and think bad things about people, maybe even when we are praying! We should always try to bring our thoughts back to attention. We can follow this special theologian’s words, but especially his holy way of life!

We celebrate St. Symeon on Wednesday, October 12th (OC: October 25th).
You are a temple of the living God!