

December 3, 2023

14th Sunday of Luke

Saints of the Day: Zephaniah the Prophet; John, Bishop and Hesychast

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!!!

WEEK IN PREVIEW

Sun,	Dag	9
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Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am

Library Speaker Series: author Jonathan Exaros on <u>A Village Murder</u> In Library 12:15pm

Mon, Dec 4

Basketball Grades 3/4 Coed 5:30pm Grades 7/8 & HS Boys 6:45pm

Tues, Dec 5

Andromahi Nakos Calling Hour 9am Funeral 10am

Basketball HS Boys 5:30pm

Library Memory Project Picture ID by Zoom 7pm

Great Vespers at St. Nicholas 6pm

Wed, Dec 6

Divine Liturgy at St. Nicholas 9:30am

** Bible Study noon **

Greek Preschool 4pm Girl Scouts 6pm

Thurs, Dec 7

Basketball
Grades 5/6 & 7/8 Boys
6pm

HS Boys 7:15pm

Sun, Dec 10

Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am

Hymns Chanted Following the Small Entrance

Resurrectional Hymn in the First Tone

Τοῦ λίθου σφραγισθέντος ὑπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίων, καὶ στρατιωτῶν φυλασσόντων τὸ ἄχραντόν σου σῶμα, ἀνέστης τριήμερος Σωτήρ, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὴν ζωήν. Διὰ τοῦτο αὶ Δυνάμεις τῶν οὐρανῶν ἐβόων σοι Ζωοδότα Δόξα τῆ ἀναστάσει σου Χριστέ, δόξα τῆ βασιλεία σου, δόξα τῆ οἰκονομία σου, μόνε Φιλάνθρωπε.

The stone having been sealed by the Pharisees and chief priests, * and Your all[1]immaculate body being guarded by soldiers, * You rose on the third day, O Lord and Savior, granting life unto the world. * Then the powers of the heavens cried out to You, O Giver of Life, and shouted, * "Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ! * Glory to Your eternal rule! * Glory to Your plan for saving us, only benevolent God!"

Anthem of St. George in the Fourth Tone

Ώς τῶν αἰχμαλώτων ἐλευθερωτής, καὶ τῶν πτωχῶν ὑπερασπιστής, ἀσθενούντων ἰατρός, βασιλέων ὑπέρμαχος, Τροπαιοφόρε Μεγαλομάρτυς Γεώργιε, 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 Third Tone

Ή Παρθένος σήμερον, τὸν προαιώνιον Λόγον, ἐν Σπηλαίῳ ἔρχεται, ἀποτεκεῖν ἀπορρήτως. Χόρευε ἡ οίκουμένη ἀκουτισθεῖσα, δόξασον μετὰ ἀγγέλων καὶ τῶν Ποιμένων, βουληθέντα ἐποφθῆναι, Παιδίον νέον, τὸν πρὸ αίώνων Θεόν.

On this day the Virgin Maid * goes to the grotto to give birth * to the pre-eternal Word * in an ineffable manner. * Dance for joy, all the inhabited earth, on hearing. * Glorify along with Angels and with the shepherds * Him who willed that He appear as * a newborn Child, * the pre-eternal God.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Ephesians 5:8-19

Brethren, walk as children of light (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), and try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is a shame even to speak of the things that they do in secret; but when anything is exposed by the light it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it is said, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light." Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart.

Εφεσιους 5:8-19

Αδελφοί, ώς τέκνα φωτὸς περιπατεῖτε - ὁ γὰρ καρπὸς τοῦ πνεύματος ἐν πάση ἀγαθωσύνῃ καὶ δικαιοσύνῃ καὶ ἀληθεία - δοκιμάζοντες τί ἐστιν εὐάρεστον τῷ κυρίῳ· καὶ μὴ συγκοινωνεῖτε τοῖς ἔργοις τοῖς ἀκάρποις τοῦ σκότους, μᾶλλον δὲ καὶ ἐλέγχετε· τὰ γὰρ κρυφῆ γινόμενα ὑπ' αὐτῶν αἰσχρόν ἐστιν καὶ λέγειν. Τὰ δὲ πάντα ἐλεγχόμενα ὑπὸ τοῦ φωτὸς φανεροῦται· πᾶν γὰρ τὸ φανερούμενον φῶς ἐστίν. Διὸ λέγει, Ἔγειρε ὁ καθεύδων καὶ ἀνάστα ἐκ τῶν νεκρῶν, καὶ ἐπιφαύσει σοι ὁ Χριστός. Βλέπετε οὖν πῶς ἀκριβῶς περιπατεῖτε, μὴ ὡς ἄσοφοι, ἀλλ' ὡς σοφοί, ἐξαγοραζόμενοι τὸν καιρόν, ὅτι αὶ ἡμέραι πονηραί εἰσιν. Διὰ τοῦτο μὴ γίνεσθε ἄφρονες, ἀλλὰ συνιέντες τί τὸ θέλημα τοῦ κυρίου. Καὶ μὴ μεθύσκεσθε οἴνῳ, ἐν ῷ ἐστὶν ἀσωτία, ἀλλὰ πληροῦσθε ἐν πνεύματι, λαλοῦντες ἑαυτοῖς ψαλμοῖς καὶ ὕμνοις καὶ ψδαῖς πνευματικαῖς, ἄδοντες καὶ ψάλλοντες ἐν τῆ καρδία ὑμῶν τῷ κυρίῳ.

Luke 18:35-43

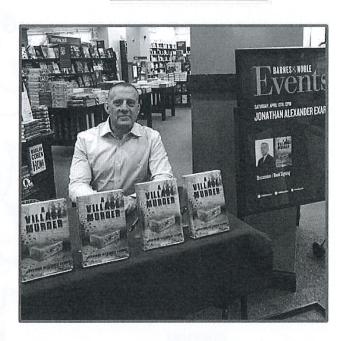
At that time, as Jesus drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging; and hearing a multitude going by, he inquired what this meant. They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." And he cried, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" And Jesus stopped, and commanded him to be brought to him; and when he came near, he asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, let me receive my sight." And Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you well." And immediately he received his sight and followed him, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

Λουκαν 18:35-43

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, Ἐγένετο δὲ ἐν τῷ ἐγγίζειν αὐτὸν εἰς Ἱεριχὼ τυφλός τις ἐκάθητο παρὰ τὴν ὁδὸν προσαιτῶν ἀκούσας δὲ ὅχλου διαπορευομένου ἐπυνθάνετο τί εἴη ταῦτα. ἀπήγγειλαν δὲ αὐτῷ ὅτι Ἰησοῦς ὁ Ναζωραῖος παρέρχεται. καὶ ἐβόησε λέγων Ἰησοῦ υἱὲ Δαυΐδ, ἐλέησόν με· καὶ οἱ προάγοντες ἐπετίμων αὐτῷ ἵνα σιωπήση· αὐτὸς δὲ πολλῷ μᾶλλον ἔκραζεν· υἱὲ Δαυΐδ, ἐλέησόν με. σταθεὶς δὲ ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἐκέλευσεν αὐτὸν ἀχθῆναι πρὸς αὐτόν. ἐγγίσαντος δὲ αὐτοῦ ἐπηρώτησεν αὐτὸν λέγων· τί σοι θέλεις ποιήσω; ὁ δὲ εἶπε· Κύριε, ἵνα ἀναβλέψω. καὶ ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτῷ· ἀνάβλεψον· ἡ πίστις σου σέσωκέ σε. καὶ παραχρῆμα ἀνέβλεψε, καὶ ἡκολούθει αὐτῷ δοξάζων τὸν Θεόν· καὶ πᾶς ὁ λαὸς ἰδὼν ἔδωκεν αἷνον τῷ Θεῷ.

The St. George Library – Speaker Series

A presentation by author **Jonathan Exaros** on <u>A Village Murder</u>



On Sunday, December 3, 2023 after coffee hour, the St. George Library Speaker Series will welcome author Jonathan Exaros as he discusses his book, "A Village Murder" and takes us on a journey from the villages of Pentalofos and Avgerinos in Greece, to Manchester, NH and Marlboro, MA.

Sunday, Dec. 3, 2023 at 12:15pm
In the Library, following the coffee hour. Admission is free.

St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral 650 Hanover St. Manchester, NH 03104 603-622-9113 Library@StGeorgeNH.org





Community Christmas Card

We enjoy wishing everyone a very blessed and happy season as we joyously celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

You are invited to add your name on the St. George Community Christmas card.

The donation this year is \$25. Any greater amount you wish to contribute will be most welcome.

You are welcome to share this wonderful opportunity with relatives and friends.

Your participation is greatly appreciated.

Please print legibly and fill out the form completely. Thank you.

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Make checks payable to St. George Cathedral.			
Name		-	
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Phone	Amount donated \$		

~~~ THE DEADLINE TO PARTICIPATE IS TUESDAY DECEMBER 12. ~~~
No names will be taken after this date in order to ensure delivery.

#### THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC - OUR CHOIR

Many people in our congregation are blessed with beautiful voices. You may stand near one of them in your pew; perhaps you yourself are one such person. Would you like to do more than just follow along with the choir in the singing of our worship? You are welcome to be a part of the choir, we would love to have you join us.

The choir accepts everyone, no matter what your musical level is. Help us create a sound that matches the beauty of our services. We will help you grow your knowledge of music.

For more information, please contact Cathy Moufarge: 603-669-4165 or 603-867-3323 or cmoufarge@comcast.net

## **Scholarship Information**

ST. PHOTIOS NATIONAL SHRINE 2023 ESSAY CONTEST is accepting submissions through January 5, 2024. Winners will be chosen from each category and will receive an award of \$1,000: 13-15 year old participants and 16-19 year old participants. For more information, please scan this QR code.





PAN HELLENIC SCHOLARSHIPS - Apply online through January 31, 2024 for this scholarship. For application, qualification criteria, requirements, and guidelines, scan this QR code. For more information regarding the scholarship program, contact Elizabeth Danielides at edanielides@panhellenicsf.org.

Our St Goerge Cathedral is pleased to share with you...

## **ADVENT SEASON BIBLE STUDY**



Prepare for Christmas and Epiphany with bible study. Immerse your spirit in the biblical world to meet Christ in Bethlehem and Jordan.

Join the Virgin Mary and Joseph, David the Prophet, John the Baptist, Paul the Apostle, and of course, the angels, shepherds, and magi to contemplate the message of God's Good News this holiday season! We will meet on Wednesdays at 11am, please note that on December 6 we will meet at 12pm

November 29: Matthew 1, Luke 2:1-7

December 6: Matthew 2, Luke 2:8-21 \*\*\* Start time 12pm\*\*\*

December 13: Matthew 3, Luke 3, John 1

December 20: Hebrews 1-2, Colossians 1, Romans 8



## WINTER CAMP 2024

#### SO CHILL, WE NEEDED TWO

Grades 6-12 | Register on November 27th

Winter Camp Session 1

ARRIVE: Friday, January 19 DEPART: Sunday, January 21 DEPART: Monday, February 19

Winter Camp Session 2

ARRIVE: Saturday, February 17

FALL CAMP SOLD OUT IN LESS THAN 60 SECONDS! DON'T DELAY IN REGISTERING!







Maple Syrup Factory **Cow Milking Farm** Ice Skating / Ice Fishing

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Skiing Snowboarding

Tubing

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#### PRAYER LIST

Pondering on the words of St. Paul, "Let no one seek his own, but each one the other's wellbeing. (I Cor. 10:24).

Give rest to the weary, visit the sick, support the poor, for this is also worship. Aphahat

For any prayer concern (salvation, health, employment, stress and anxieties, etc.) please send baptismal names only to: office@stgeorgenh.org

We may not be able to help others materially or medically, but God does hear our prayers and always asks us to pray for each other and so build up the Body of Christ (Eph. 4:11-16).

For health, recovery from illness and surgery: Fr. Nicholas, Fr. Peter, Leah, Thomas, Soultana, Nick, Maura, Ernie, Dean, Vasilios, Rigley, Zachary, Rachel, Daniel, Kathy, Andrew, Jamie, Megan, Stephanie, Katherine, Christos, Maureen, Vasiliki, Maria, Faye, Emily, Nicole, Olivia, Georgia, Mark, James, Vasilios, Maria, Anna, Efthimios, Christopher, Katerina, Debra, Pavlos, Ken, Star, Maria, John, Chris, Anthony, Laurie, Emily, Kleoniki, Michael, Nicholas, Paul, George

For comfort, spiritual help & strengthening of faith: Pres. Patricia and family, Pres. Diane, Pres. Sophia, Pres. Dianthe, Barbara, Nancy, Amantha and Family, Maddie, Dino, Nick, Connie, Amy, Christopher, Joanna, Paris and Family, Helen & Jim and family, Mary, Fr. Elias and family

<u>For couples, parents, and their families:</u> Neal and Elena, Penelope & Florence, Teddy, Tracy & family, Christina & Casey, Melanie and Michael, Alex, Fr. George and Pres. Harriet

#### For those engaged to be married:

#### For conceiving of children:

For childbearing: Despina, Karleigh

For those in the Armed Forces: Benjamin, Michael, Gabriel, Felipe, Matt

#### For those travelling abroad:

For those seeking employment: Lia, Jillian, Nick

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS: UNFILLED NEED** – Please sign up to be a teacher and share the teachings of our faith with the future of the church – the children! For more information on how you can help, contact Athena Bevan.

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**LIBRARY SPEAKER SERIES TODAY** – Join us after coffee hour in the library with author Jonathan Exaros on A Village Murder.

<u>ADVENT CHRISTMAS RESOURCE TABLE</u> - We welcome all faithful to visit this area in the Community Center. You will find articles, reflections, and information about this beautiful Season in the life of the Church!

<u>METROPOLIS WINTER CAMP</u> - Be quick to sign up for Winter Camp 2024 before it sells out! Choose from Tour De Tooky or Pat's Peak Ski Mountain field trips. See the enclosed flyer for more information.

<u>ST. GEORGE LIBRARY IS OPEN</u> – Please stop by the St. George Library after coffee hour. You might find an interesting book or newspaper to borrow.

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

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY - You are invited to join us for our weekly Bible Study which meets on Wednesdays at 11am in the Library. We do respect one's time and therefore the Bible Study will be one hour. If you are unable to join the morning session, please consider attending Bible Study at Assumption Church on Thursdays at 7pm.

<u>ST. NICHOLAS WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES</u> – St. Nicholas invites you to join them on Tuesday December 5 for Great Vespers at 6pm and on Wednesday December 6 for Orthros at 9:30am and Divine Liturgy at 10am.

<u>LEARN TO CHANT</u> – Fr. Andrew is continuing the Learn to Chant classes at Assumption Parish on Wednesdays at 7pm. Join them weekly to find out what chanting is all about.

<u>ANAGENNESIS MAGICAL MYSTERY TOUR</u> - On Friday, December 15 there will be a Magical Mystery Tour! Sign up by December 9 to participate. See the enclosed flier for more information.

ST. PHOTIOS NATIONAL SHRINE 2023 ESSAY CONTEST - St. Photios National Shrine is a living memorial to the first Greek settlers on the American continent and to all immigrants whose love of freedom and desire for a better life brought them to the New World. For more information, please scan the QR code inside.

UPCOMING MEMORIALS - December 24: Mark Adam (3 years)

#### A SAINTLY EXAMPLE OF PURITY

HE GREAT MARTYR BARBARA lived and suffered during the reign of the Emperor Maximian in the early years of the 4th century. Her pagan father Dioscorus was so protective of her that he placed her in a tower so that she could have no contact with anyone he considered to be unworthy. Alone in her tower, Barbara would often ponder the beauty of creation that she could study from her lofty perch. She was able to reach the conclusion that all of this was the work of the One, True God.

When Barbara became old enough to marry, her father brought her many suitors, whom she rejected one by one. Thinking she might change her mind if she was exposed to the world outside her tower, Dioscorus allowed her to leave and mingle with others. Little did he realize that many of the new people she met were Christians! Soon Barbara became one of them herself.

Upon returning from a trip, Dioscorus was furious to find that Barbara had cut a cross into one of her marble walls. When she told him that she was a Christian, he tried to kill her with his sword. Barbara was able to flee and hide on a nearby mountain, but the next day, her father captured her and took her to the local governor for execution. She willingly submitted to brutal torture and ultimately to martyrdom, understanding that this was the greatest way she could show her love for Christ. Before dying, Barbara prayed to God that everyone who would remember her in prayer should not be subjected to a sudden death and deprived of receiving the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

She met her end by the merciless hand of her father. Divine justice prevailed though, as Dioscorus was struck down and killed that same day.

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Lord's Day (Sunday) Services: Orthros/Matins: 8:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy: 9:30 a.m.

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