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15TH SUNDAY OF LUKE ("ZACCHAEUS") & COMMEMORATION OF THE THREE GREAT HIERARCHS

الأحد والحامس عشر من لوقا أي أحد زكَّا وقد كار الأثمار اللّاعة

"The disciples were first called Christians in Antioch." Acts 11:26

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DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

CHANGES IN THE DIVINE LITURGY

تغييرات في القداس

At the beginning of the Divine Liturgy at 10:30 a.m., please turn to page 92 in the Red Service Book to follow along with the Divine Liturgy. Likewise, please follow along the inserts in this *Weekly Bulletin* for the changes in today's Divine Liturgy (SEE BELOW).

~ During the Little Entrance ~

Resurrectional Apolytikion (Tone Seven)

Thou didst shatter death by Thy Cross, Thou didst open paradise to the thief; Thou didst turn the sadness of the ointment-bearing women into joy. And didst bid Thine Apostles proclaim a warning, that Thou hast risen O Christ, granting to the world the Great Mercy.

حَطَمْتَ بِصَلِيْبِكَ الْمَوْتَ، وَفَتَحْتَ لِلصَّ الْفِرْدَوْسَ، وَحَوَّلْتَ نَوْحَ حَامِلَاتِ الطَّيْبِ، وَأَمَرْتَ رُسُلَكَ أَنْ يَكْرِزُوا، بِأَنَّكَ قَدْ قُمْتَ أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ الْإِلَهُ، مَانِحاً الْعَالَمَ الرَّحْمَةَ الْعُظْمَى.

The Entrance Hymn for Ordinary Sundays (Tone Two)

Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ, our King and our God. Save us, O Son of God, who art risen from the dead; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

هَلِّمُوا لِنَسْجُدَ وَنَرْكَعَ لِلْمَسِيحِ مَلِكِنَا وَإِلَهِنَا. خَلُّصْنَا يَا ابْنَ اللَّهِ، يَا مَنْ قَامَ مِنْ بَيْنِ الْأَمْوَاتِ، لِنُرْتِّلَ لَكَ، هَلِّلُويَا.

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Apolytikion of For the Three Hierarchs (Tone One)

The three most great luminaries of the Three Sun Divinity * have illumined all of the world with the rays of doctrines divine and true; * they are the sweetly-flowing rivers of wisdom, * who with godly knowledge * have watered all creation in clear and mighty streams: * The great and sacred Basil, and the Theologian, wise Gregory, * together with the renowned John, * the famed Chrysostom of golden speech. * Let us all who love their divinely-wise words * come together, honoring them with hymns; * for ceaselessly they offer entreaty for us to the Trinity.

هَلِّمُوا نَلْتَمِّمْ جَمِيعًا، وَنُكْرِّمُ بِالْمَدَائِحِ * الْكَوَاكِبَ الثَّلَاثَةَ الْعَظِيمَةَ لِلْأَهْوَتِ الْمُثَلَّثِ الشَّمُوسِ. * الَّذِينَ أَنَارُوا الْمَسْكُونَةَ بِأَشِعَّةِ الْعَقَائِدِ الْإِلَهِيَّةِ. * أَنهَارَ الْحِكْمَةِ الْجَارِيَةِ عَسَلًا، * الَّذِينَ رَوَّوْا الْكَنِيسَةَ بِسَوَاقِي الْمَعْرِفَةِ الْإِلَهِيَّةِ. * أَغْنِي بِهِمْ بِاسِيلْيُوسَ الْعَظِيمِ، وَغْرِغُورِيُوسَ الْلاهُوتِيِّ، * وَيُوحَنَّا الْمَجِيدَ الدَّهَبِيِّ اللَّسَانَ، * لِأَنَّهُمْ يَتَشَفَّعُونَ دَائِمًا إِلَى الثَّلَاثِ مِنَ أَجْلِنَا * نَحْنُ الْمُحِبِّينَ أَقْوَالَهُمْ.

Apolytikion of Saint George (Tone Four)

Since thou art a liberator and deliverer of captives, a help and support of the poor and needy, a healing physician of the sick, a contender and fighter for kings, O great among Martyrs, the victory-clad George; intercede with Christ God for the salvation of our souls. بما أَنَّكَ لِلْمَأْسُورِينَ مُحَرَّرٌ وَمُعْتَقٌ، وَلِلْفُقَرَاءِ وَالْمَسَاكِينِ عَاضِدٌ وَنَاصِرٌ وَلِلْمَرْضَى طَيِّبٌ وَشَافٍ وَعَنِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ مُكَافِحٌ وَمُحَارِبٌ أَيُّهَا الْعَظِيمُ فِي الشُّهَدَاءِ جَاورِجِيُوسُ اللَّابِسُ الظَّفَرَ تَشَفَّعْ إِلَى الْمَسِيحِ الْإِلَهِي فِي خَلَاصِ نُفُوسِنَا.

Kontakion of the Presentation of Christ (Tone One)

Thou, O Christ God, Who by Thy Birth, didst sanctify the Virgin's womb, and, as is meet, didst bless Simeon's arms, and didst also come to save us; preserve Thy fold in wars, and confirm them whom Thou didst love, for Thou alone art the Lover of mankind.

أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ الْإِلَهِيُّ، يَا مَنْ بِمَوْلِدِهِ قَدَّسَ الْمُسْتَوْدَعَ الْبَتُولِيِّ، وَبَارَكَ يَدَيْ سِمْعَانَ كَمَا لَاقَى، وَأَدْرَكَنَا الْآنَ وَخَلَّصَنَا؛ إِحْفَظْ رَعِيَّتَكَ بِسَلَامٍ فِي الْحُرُوبِ، وَأَيِّدِ الْمُلُوكَ الَّذِينَ أَحْبَبْتَهُمْ، يَا أَنَّكَ وَحْدَكَ مُجِبٌّ لِلْبَشَرِ.

Their sound hath gone forth into all the earth.

The heavens declare the glory of God..

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (13:7-16)

Brethren, remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the Word of God; consider the outcome of their life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings; for it is well that the heart be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited their adherents. We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat. For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through His own blood. Therefore, let us go forth to Him outside the camp and bear the abuse He endured. For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city, which is to come. Through Him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge His Name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

إِلَى كُلِّ الْأَرْضِ خَرَجَ صَوْتُهُمْ.
السَّمَاوَاتُ تُذَبِّحُ مَجْدَ اللَّهِ.

فَصَلِّ مِنْ رِسَالَةِ الْقِدِّيسِ بُولْسِ الرَّسُولِ إِلَى الْعِبْرَانِيِّينَ

يَا إِخْوَةَ، اذْكُرُوا مُدَبِّرِيكُمْ الَّذِينَ كَلَّموَكُمْ بِكَلِمَةِ اللَّهِ. تَأَمَّلُوا فِي عَاقِبَةِ تَصَرُّفِهِمْ وَاقْتَدُوا بِإِيمَانِهِمْ. إِنَّ يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحَ هُوَ هُوَ، أَمْسِ وَالْيَوْمَ وَإِلَى مَدَى الدَّهْرِ. لَا تَنْقَادُوا لِتَعَالِيمٍ مُتَنَوِّعَةٍ غَرِيبَةٍ. فَإِنَّهُ يَحْسُنُ أَنْ يُثَبَّتَ الْقَلْبُ بِالنَّعْمَةِ لَا بِالْأَطْعِمَةِ الَّتِي لَمْ يَنْتَفِعِ الَّذِينَ تَعَاطَوْهَا. إِنَّ لَنَا مَذْبَحًا، لَا سُلْطَانَ لِلَّذِينَ يَخْدُمُونَ الْمَسْكِنَ أَنْ يَأْكُلُوا مِنْهُ. لِأَنَّ الْحَيَوَانَاتِ الَّتِي يُدْخَلُ بِدَمِهَا عَنِ الْخَطِيئَةِ إِلَى الْأَقْدَاسِ بِيَدِ رَئِيسِ الْكَهَنَةِ، تُحْرَقُ أَجْسَامُهَا خَارِجَ الْمَحَلَّةِ. فَلِذَلِكَ يَسُوعُ أَيْضًا تَأَلَّمَ خَارِجَ الْبَابِ لِيَقْدَسَ الشَّعْبَ بِدَمِ نَفْسِهِ. فَلْتَخْرُجْ إِذَنْ إِلَيْهِ، إِلَى خَارِجِ الْمَحَلَّةِ، حَامِلِينَ عَارَهُ. لِأَنَّهُ لَيْسَ لَنَا هَهُنَا مَدِينَةٌ بَاقِيَةٌ، بَلْ نَطْلُبُ الْآتِيَةَ. فَلْنُقَرِّبْ بِهِ إِذَنْ ذَبِيحَةَ التَّسْبِيحِ كُلِّ حِينٍ، وَهِيَ مَمْرٌ شِفَاهٍ مُعْتَرِفَةٍ لِاسْمِهِ. لَا تَنْسُوا الْإِحْسَانَ وَالْمَوْاسَاةَ، فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ يَرْضِي مِثْلَ هَذِهِ الذَّبَائِحِ.

The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (19:1-10)

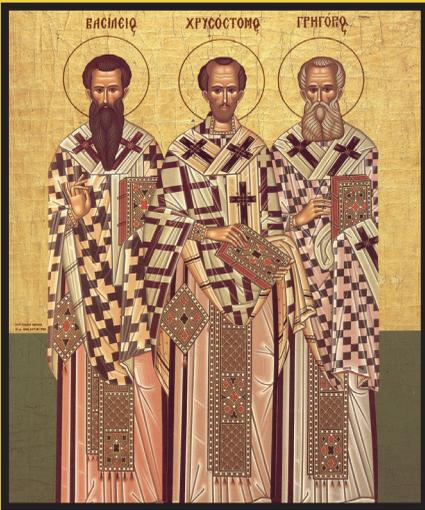
At that time, Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector, and rich. And he sought to see Who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Jesus, for He was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham; for the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost."

فَصَلِّ شَرِيفٌ مِنْ بَشَارَةِ الْقِدِّيسِ لَوْقَا الْإِنْجِيلِيِّ الْبَشِيرِ وَالتَّلْمِيزِ الطَّاهِرِ

فِي ذَلِكَ الزَّمَانِ، فِيمَا يَسُوعُ مُجْتَازٌ فِي أَرِيحَا، إِذَا بَرَجُلٍ اسْمُهُ زَكَا كَانَ رَتِيسًا عَلَى الْعَشَّارِينَ، وَكَانَ غَنِيًّا وَكَانَ يَلْتَمِسُ أَنْ يَرَى يَسُوعَ مِنْ هُوَ، فَلَمْ يَكُنْ يَسْتَطِيعُ مِنَ الْجَمْعِ لِأَنَّهُ كَانَ قَصِيرَ الْقَامَةِ فَتَقَدَّمَ مُسْرِعًا، وَصَعِدَ إِلَى جُمَيْزَةٍ لِيَنْظُرَهُ، لِأَنَّهُ كَانَ مُزْمَعًا أَنْ يَجْتَازَ بِهَا فَلَمَّا انْتَهَى يَسُوعُ إِلَى الْمَوْضِعِ، رَفَعَ طَرْفَهُ فَرَأَهُ، فَقَالَ لَهُ: يَا زَكَا أَسْرِعْ أَنْزِلْ، فَالْيَوْمَ يَنْبَغِي لِي أَنْ أَمْكُثَ فِي بَيْتِكَ فَاسْرِعْ وَنَزَلْ وَقَبْلَهُ فَرِحًا. فَلَمَّا رَأَى الْجَمِيعُ ذَلِكَ تَذَمَّرُوا قَائِلِينَ: إِنَّهُ دَخَلَ لِيَحُلَّ عِنْدَ رَجُلٍ خَاطِيٍّ. فَوَقَّفَ زَكَا وَقَالَ لِيَسُوعَ: هَاءَ نَدَا، يَا رَبُّ، أُعْطِيَ الْمَسَاكِينَ نِصْفَ أَمْوَالِي. وَإِنْ كُنْتُ قَدْ عَبَثْتُ أَحَدًا فِي شَيْءٍ، أَرُدُّ أَرْبَعَةَ أضعافٍ فَقَالَ لَهُ يَسُوعُ: الْيَوْمَ قَدْ حَصَلَ الْخَلَاصُ لِهَذَا الْبَيْتِ لِأَنَّهُ هُوَ أَيْضًا ابْنُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ لِأَنَّ ابْنَ الْبَشَرِ إِمَّا أَتَى لِيَطْلُبَ وَيُخَلِّصَ مَا قَدْ هَلَكَ.

After the Gospel, please turn to page 104 in the Red Service Book to follow the Divine Liturgy of St. John

THE SYNAXARION



On January 30 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate our **Fathers among the Saints and Ecumenical Teachers Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom.**

This common feast of these three teachers was instituted a little before the year 1100, during the reign of the Emperor Alexis I Comnenus. The common feast ended a dispute and strife that arose among the notable and virtuous men of that time. Some of them preferred Basil (calling themselves Basilians), while others preferred Gregory (Gregorians), and yet others preferred John Chrysostom (Johannites), quarreling among themselves over which of the three was the greatest. To end the contention, the three Saints appeared together to the saintly John Mavropous, a monk who had been ordained Bishop of Euchaita in Asia Minor. They revealed to him that the glory they have at the throne of God is equal, and told him to compose a common service for the three of them, which he did with great skill and beauty. Saint John of Euchaita (Oct. 5) is also the composer of the Canon to the Guardian Angel, the Protector of a Man's Life.

On this day, we also commemorate the **Hieromartyr Hippolytos, pope of Rome; Virgin-martyr Chrissa of Rome; New-martyr Theodore of Mitylene; and Julian, priest of Aegina.**

By the intercession of the Three Hierarchs, O Christ God, and of all the Saints, cast down the uprisings of the heresies and preserve us in oneness of mind and a peaceful condition, and deem us worthy of Thy heavenly Kingdom; for blessed art Thou unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Communion Hymn for The Three Hierarchs (Tone Eight)

Their sound hath gone forth into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world. Alleluia.

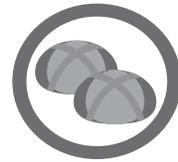
في كُلِّ الْأَرْضِ خَرَجَ صَوْتُهُمْ، وفي أَقْطَارِ الْمَسْكُونَةِ انْبَثَّ كَلَامُهُمْ. هَلِّلُويَا.



TODAY
January 30, 2022

EPISTLE READER

English: Jackson King
Arabic: Afram Mirza



HOLY BREAD OFFERING

<p>TODAY January 30</p>	<p>-Sunday School Staff For the good health of their students and staff celebrating birthdays on January</p> <p>-George and Widaa Khoury and family In memory of +Ibrahim Khoury</p>
<p>February 06</p>	<p>-Osama and Nadia Jahjah For the good health of their family especially Farid, on occasion of his birthday</p> <p>-Gwynn Elias and family For the 40-day memorial service of in memory of +Beverly Elias</p>
<p>February 13</p>	<p>- OPEN</p>
<p>February 20</p>	<p>-Osama and Nadia Jahjah For the good health of their family especially Angel & Lubna Atala, on their wedding anniversary</p> <p>-Wajdy Fahel For the good health of his family</p>

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The Holy Bread and Coffee Hour are ministries of the Antiochian Women. Please see the coordinator of these ministries, Mrs. Salma Zacur, to inquire on scheduling and requirements.



ALTAR VIGIL CANDLE

The Candle remains lit for an entire month on the Holy Altar. There is no fee required to offer the Altar Vigil Candle. The offering is by donation only. Please see schedule below (in order of submission by month).

January	Mouna Dahlan & Family Shammaseh Pat Nimer & Family In loving memory of Archdeacon +David Nimer
February	Mouna Dahlan & Family George & Widaa Khoury & Family In loving memory of +Ibrahim Khoury
March	Mouna Dahlan & Family
April	Mouna Dahlan & Family

PRAYER LIST

Prayer List of the Living	Prayer List of the +Departed
Noura Soufia; Eid Abu-Akel The Sunday School Students and Staff celebrating their birthdays; George and Widaa Khoury & family; Jeanette Haddad-Stern; The Entire Sayfie Family; Mouna and Laura Dahlan, Wadih Mabardi, Aregash Gabriel, Susan Panayotti Elias, George and Charme Elias, Virginia Elias, Gwynn Elias, Dr. Richard Elias, Dr. Lewis and Deanna Elias, Julian Kazal, Jean Joseph, Elias Dababneh, Martha Alfonso, Tala Ayyad, Kiwan Khoury; Najat Zacur, Marwan Farah, Yolanda Warwar-Feanny, Salam Al-Issa, Rita Zaidan.	+Ibrahim Khoury +Samira Abou Rjaily +Archdeacon David Nimer +Emile Farah +Dr. Eugene Sayfie +Dr. Maurice Bardawil +Michael Dahlan +Michel Husson +Jorge Diab Zacur +Kareem Zakharia +Asmerom Beyene



Cathedral Calendar



Today:	Orthros (Matins)	9:15 a.m.
	Divine Liturgy	10:30 a.m.
	Sunday School	After Communion
Tue., Feb. 01	Orthros for the Feast of the Presentation	5:15 p.m.
	Divine Liturgy	6:30 p.m.
Sat., Feb. 05	Great Vespers	5:00 p.m.

Save the Date!

Antiochian Women General Meeting	February 06 th , 2022
YAF Dinner	February 10 th , 2022
SOYO Meeting & Dinner	February 11 th , 2022
Sunday School Staff Meeting	February 13 th , 2022
DOMSE Winter Retreat (NEW SCHEDULE)	February 25 th -26 th , 2022

Feast of the Presentation of Christ to the Temple

Celebrations for the Feast of the Presentation of our Lord Jesus Christ to the Temple will take place this coming Tuesday, February 01, 2022, in the following order:

Tuesday February 01: Festal Orthros at 5:15 p.m.
Divine Liturgy at 6:30 p.m.





SAINT GEORGE CATHEDRAL

Congratulations to our Newly Elected

CATHEDRAL COUNCIL

**SAINT GEORGE CATHEDRAL EXTENDS HER
CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEW OFFICERS OF
THE CATHEDRAL COUNCIL:**

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VICE CHAIRMAN
TREASURER
FIN. SECRETARY
SECRETARY**

**ANDREA ABU AKEL
NASSER SOUFIA
LORA KHOURY
MUAZZI HATEM
JACKIE BARAKAT-WANNA**

**WE CONGRATULATE THE NEW MEMBERS & THANK THE
OUTGOING MEMBERS FOR THEIR DEDICATION & SUPPORT
TO OUR COMMUNITY!**

Saint George Cathedral
Antiochian Women

FAITH
MOVES
MOUNTAINS

Matthew 17:20

JOIN US IN PRAYER

THE SAINT GEORGE ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN'S PRAYER CIRCLE
WILL UNITE IN PRAYER

FOR THE HEALTH OF THE SICK AND THE SUFFERING,
AND THOSE WHO ARE IN NEED

EVERY SUNDAY EVENING AT 9:00 P.M. (INDEPENDENTLY). BE ON THE
LOOKOUT FOR A TEXT MESSAGE WITH THE LINK TO OUR PRAYER CIRCLE!

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Saint George Cathedral
JOIN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR

Strawberry Picking

Saturday, February 12, 2022
at 10:30am sharp

Meet at Knaus Berry Farm
15980 SW 248th St Homestead, FL 33031

OPEN FOR ALL!

***Fee per pound of
strawberries picked**





Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Cathedral, Coral Gables, FL 58 Stewardship Commitments received as of January 23, 2022 Thank you for your generous support and growing the Saint George Cathedral Family!!!

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If you have not already done so, please complete and submit a 2022 Stewardship Form- keeping our records accurate is important to us.
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Step 2: If any changes, please use Membership Information Form to update all personal information.

Membership Information Form located at the church front entrance / or ask for a Stewardship Committee member

Step 3: Know your Membership Number: _____

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Step 5: Be a Steward! – Share your Treasure by making your Stewardship Commitment TODAY!

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(Please Select):

- \$20/Week (S1,040 Annually)
 \$30/Week (\$1,560 Annually)
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 \$100/Week (\$5,200 Annually)
 Other \$_____/Week (\$_____ Annually)

Step 6: Please complete Payment Information below

Payment Options: (please select option A, B, or C)

A - Credit Card (please complete the following credit card information)

VISA MasterCard Discover

Name on Credit Card (Please Print): _____

Credit card number: _____ Expiration Date: ____ / ____

CSC code (back of card): _____ Zip Code of billing address: _____

Email address of credit card holder (used to send credit card receipt): _____

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Please select:

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\$_____ one-time donation

Credit Card Authorization Signature: _____ Date: _____

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C - One-time check enclosed

Step 7: Please sign below

By signing this form, I commit myself / family as a Steward of Saint George Cathedral.

Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Date: _____

Please note: For the General Assembly voting privilege in 2023, this form must be completed and 2022 pledge fulfilled.

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Please return your completed form to the Cathedral Office promptly.

For office use only Received by: _____ Date entered: _____

THE DUTIES OF CHURCH MEMBERS TO THE CHURCH

Editor's note: The following is from a booklet published by our Archdiocese in 1956. Some of the references are admittedly culturally dated because they reflect the circumstances of the 1950's in America. We print it here because it shows that the vision of our Church hierarchy for church membership and leadership has remained consistent. In the past we printed documents of St. Raphael expressing the same Orthodox vision for the Church on these American shores. This unsigned document is from the office, and I believe the pen, of Metropolitan ANTONY (Bashir).

PART 2: ATTEND CHURCH

Every Orthodox Christian is duty-bound to join at specified times in the public worship of God, especially on the Lord's Day (Sunday). We attend the celebration of the Liturgy to give to Almighty God the adoration, praise, and thanksgiving which is His due. Some people who do not "feel the need" of the religious help that can come to them through the Church services, conclude that it is right for them to stay away, excusing their absence from public worship on the grounds that they "get nothing out of it." But worship is a giving of ourselves to God, rather than a getting something from Him; it is a sacred duty, not merely something that we do to fulfill our own need. It is, of course, true that we do secure real help from God when first we have drawn near to Him; but the honoring of God is the primary thing, our own satisfaction secondary. For Orthodox Catholic Christians, worship is only complete when we join ourselves with the sacramental offering of Our Lord in the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Our motto ought to be, "The Lord's own service, on the Lord's day."

The reason we usually care for anything is because it has something to do with someone we love. We do not have to be told to do it. We just do it. Those who love God go to church to worship Him. The Divine Liturgy is the one really thrilling thing in all the world, even of sand, sea, and sky. It is the one undimmed truth and the one unfading splendor on earth and in Heaven. It is the one symphony that is celestial. It is the one drama that is divine. It is the one great, gleaming, golden arch that spans from earth to Heaven. The pontiff who build this Bridge to God. And over it walk men and angels.

The truth that the Liturgy contains is simply astounding. The act which expresses that truth is astoundingly simple. It is astounding because it announces that God came to earth and was Incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and dwelt with us, and suffered and died for our sins, and rose from the dead to restore to us everlasting life, and ascended into Heaven to prepare a place for us. But the supremely astounding climax in the Liturgy is the moment when God Who did all this appears in person, sacramentally veiled, and offers Himself as nourishment for our souls. The Liturgy is astoundingly simple. So simple that it shows forth in one act things which, if they should be written every one, even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written. So simple that old men and children, young men and maidens, virgins and matrons, the learned and the unlearned, may hear each in their own language of their own hearts, the wonderful works of God, and see with their own eyes the mighty thing which has come to pass.

When all the world is mixed and muddled and distracted, and willful and wanton and soiled, and mad and sad and wistful, the Liturgy is the massive miracle of truth and light and joy and hope and comfort and peace and sanity and stability, the one thing on earth that shall not pass away. Besides going to church to honor God, we go in order to help ourselves. It is difficult to make one coal burn alone, but together with other coals it burns readily. Who can resist the spirit of Christmas? It gets into the very atmosphere. Even Scrooge capitulated. And so with the spirit of corporate worship. It has been said that ordinary people at all levels help each other to be a little more supernatural than each could have been alone. This is another way of saying what Christ said. "Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

We need to worship because life proves too much for us, or not enough. Sometimes life terrifies us, and again it bores us. We need reinforcement in order to meet its tragic moments, and we need zest to meet its monotonous ones. Whether life proves too much for us or too little, sooner or later we succumb to spiritual weariness. And then public worship is our salvation. Life may have proved too much for us, have imposed on us a task too great, a sorrow too deep, a defeat too crushing, a temptation too dangerous. Or life may not have proved enough, so that we find ourselves "filled with a weariness of all that is old and habitual," we find "ambition's sails drooping," and come to a bitter doubt of the worth of all our efforts. In either case, public worship proves our spiritual self-preservation: it renews the spirit as sleep renews the body; it cleanses, sanctifies, and leads us along the road to salvation. Whether it be the "toobigness" of life or its "too-littleness" that distresses us, church worship brings us the experience of God which lifts us out of our burdened lives or out of our bored ones. "Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall: but they that wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; they shall walk, and not faint." There is more to being a Christian than going to church, but if you unnecessarily stop going to church, your interest in the Church will very probably die. You will in all likelihood become dead wood on the church roll, and it would be better had you not been baptized and joined the Church at all. Recall your vow of allegiance to Christ at Baptism spoken by your sponsors, attend church worship resolutely, and strive to bring your life into conformity with what Christian worship implies. Every true Christian will, without fail, be present in church every Sunday and Holyday. Attend the divine service of your church in worshipful attitude. Make your contribution to that corporate spirit a helpful one. Pray for the worship when you have entered . . . for yourself, your fellow worshippers, and those who minister. During the Liturgy give your whole attention to the divine drama being reenacted: pray with the priest as he prays, let the Liturgy be your prayer. Especially during the opening minutes of the Liturgy, take care to maintain an attitude of desire and expectation.

(Article to be continued next week!)

THE WORD

THE THEOPHANY AND THE BLESSING OF OUR HOMES

On January 6th, we celebrated the services for the Great Feast of Theophany (عيد الغطاس), in which we commemorate the Baptism of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We also prayed the service of the “Great Sanctification of Water”, which marks the beginning of the house blessing season. Traditionally, the blessed waters are used to sanctify the homes of all the faithful. In bringing the blessed water to the homes, and sprinkling it in each room, we rid our house of any evil influence, and re-dedicate it to God in a special way. As we were once renewed by the waters of our own baptism into Christ, so too our home, and our entire lives, are re-dedicated and renewed unto Christ our God each year at this time.

Due the current COVID-19 *Omicron* surge, the blessing of the homes will take place in the following manner:

1. The **house blessing form** MUST be filled out and submitted (either online or physically - see next page).
2. A follow-up call will take place from the Church Office to confirm the appointment.
3. Fr. Joseph will contact you before arriving to your home (at least 15 minutes prior to arrival). He will call you once more when he is in front of the house.

Traditionally, it has been a common practice of handing the priest an honorarium (and not GRATUITY) for the service rendered. This has lead to the misconception that if one cannot give the priest an honorarium, it is better to not to have the priest over to come and bless one’s home. As mentioned above, it is a misconception and it should be clarified: there is no “fee” attached to the blessing of one’s home! It is the priest’s DUTY, and therefore he must attend to his flock’s needs -in this case, the need of having one’s home blessed. The official Clergy Manual of the Antiochian Archdiocese of North America states the following under Section II: The Duties and Responsibilities of the Clergy / D. Duties Specific to Pastors: #4: The pastor MUST SEE that the home of EACH PARISHIONER is visited and blessed each year during the days following Epiphany or other Major Feast Days where the weather conditions are permissible. Therefore, please, let nothing stand in between the priest and the fulfillment of his priestly duty of blessing your home.

We thank you for your understanding regarding these protocols. They have been put into place out of concern for the well-being of our Cathedral Family. The last thing Fr. Joseph would want is to realize that one of his pastoral visits brought about an exposure (COVID-19) to a family rather than a Blessing.

May you all have a blessed Theophany season!



HOUSE BLESSING FORM

*** SUBMIT THIS FORM TO SCHEDULE A HOUSE BLESSING TO FR. JOSEPH AT THE END OF LITURGY ***

1. Full Name (First and Last): _____

2. Cellphone Number: _____

3. Home Address: _____

4. Preferred (Tentative*) Day of Week: _____

5. Preferred Time of Day:

6. At the time of filling out this form, do you or anyone in your household have any of the following symptoms (Circle any that apply)?

Fever or Chills Dry Cough Shortness of Breath or Difficulty Breathing Fatigue

Muscle or Body Aches Headache New Loss of Taste or Smell Sore Throat

Congestion or Runny Nose

7. Have you or anyone in your household tested positive for COVID-19 in the past 10 days (Circle the one that applies)?

Yes No

8. Are you or anyone in your household waiting for the results of a COVID-19 PCR Test?

Yes No

9. Please Sign: _____

By submitting this House Blessing Scheduling Form signed, I acknowledge the risks entailed to Fr. Joseph's potential visit to bless our home during this current COVID-19 Pandemic. I willingly consent to his visit and waive him or Saint George Cathedral from any responsibility.

*The exact date and time will be confirmed by the office once the form is submitted to the Church Office.



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