



12<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost | Sunday, 16 August 2020

# Saint George Maronite Church

A Catholic Parish of the  
Antiochene Syriac Maronite Church

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St. George Church is committed to sharing the fullness of the Gospel and living the richness of the Syriac Maronite Tradition through worship, charity, and striving for personal and communal holiness.

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## Liturgical Schedule

Sat | 4:00 *ē* 5:00 pm

Sun | 8:30 am *ē* 10:30 am

Tue *ē* Thu | 6:00 pm

Wed *ē* Fri | 8:30 am

Feasts | 6:00 pm

## New to St. George's?

Welcome! We are happy to have you worshipping with us! We hope that you will soon call our parish your home! Please contact the parish office for more information.



## Letter from our Pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,

In his Homily *On the Mother of God*, St. Jacob of Serug writes, “Through Eve’s silence came defeat and disrepute, through Mary’s words, Life, Light, and victory.” It is opportune for us in these times of uncertainty and anxiety, to reflect upon her life during this holy feast in her honor.

Throughout our lives we are confronted with many challenges, obstacles, and temptations and often through our silence or inaction we allow ourselves and others to succumb to the temptations of the world. Like Eve, we unquestioningly heed the serpent’s suggestions, and allow the world to take hold of us. It is our Christian obligation, however, to embrace Mary’s loquaciousness rather than Eve’s silence! Not only did Mary question Gabriel and enter into dialogue with him at her Annunciation but she then broke into a beautiful hymn of praise to God saying, “My Soul doth magnify the Lord! And my Spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior!” It is our calling to engage God in dialogue, questions, and discourse through prayer and meditation. Further, we are called to respond to this dialogue with praise!

It is because of this hymn of praise uttered by the lips of Mary that the Lord did receive the soul of the Mother of God upon her death and usher her through the Gates of Paradise! Indeed, Mary’s hymn “My Soul doth magnify the Lord!” was made clear to the Apostles when they found the Tomb of Mary to be empty.

It is from the Empty Tomb of Christ that the Apostles went forth the first time and from the Empty Tomb of Mary that the Apostles went forth to complete their apostolic missions. One by one each apostle met death and were laid in a tomb as well. But these men went happily to their tombs because they had seen in the Empty Tomb of Mary the foretaste of what they will experience at the Second Coming.

May we all join in the praise of God offered by Mary: “He hath received Israel His servant, being mindful of His Mercy. As he spoke to our Fathers, to Abraham and his seed forever.” Being mindful of the Mercy of God, shown to Mary at her death and promised to us upon our own deaths, let us ask the intercession of the Mother of God that we might be always singing of the mysteries of God with open lips and open hearts in expectation of the Lord’s Coming.

Abouna Aaron

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## LITURGY INTENTIONS

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Intention</u>	
SAT	15 AUG	10:00AM	+ Alice Deeb	<i>by Subdeacon Tom &amp; Any George</i>
SAT	15 AUG		No Vigil Liturgies (Assumption Pilgrimage)	
SUN	16 AUG	8:30AM	+ Deceased Members of the Gestin & Hassoun Rafail Family	<i>by Family</i>
SUN	16 AUG	10:30AM	+ Bernard T. John	<i>by Simon &amp; Sharon John</i>
MON	17 AUG		No Liturgy	
TUE	18 AUG		No Liturgy	
WED	19 AUG		No Liturgy	
THU	20 AUG		No Liturgy	
FRI	21 AUG		No Liturgy	
SAT	22 AUG	4:00PM	+ Helen Nesser Dufour	<i>by Family</i>
SAT	22 AUG	5:00PM	+ Z.G. and Ann Gabriel	<i>by Art Gabriel</i>
SUN	23 AUG	8:30AM	Intentions of Parishioners	
SUN	23 AUG	10:30AM	Intentions of Parishioners	

## LITURGICAL READINGS

SUN	16 AUG	EPISTLE   EPH 3:1-13	GOSPEL   MATT 15:21-28
MON	17 AUG	EPISTLE   ACTS 27:1-26	GOSPEL   LUKE 12:54-59
TUE	18 AUG	EPISTLE   ACTS 27:27-44	GOSPEL   LUKE 13:1-5
WED	19 AUG	EPISTLE   ACTS 28:1-10	GOSPEL   LUKE 13:6-9
THU	20 AUG	EPISTLE   ACTS 28:11-15	GOSPEL   LUKE 13:10-17
FRI	21 AUG	EPISTLE   ACTS 28:16-22	GOSPEL   LUKE 13:18-21
SAT	22 AUG	EPISTLE   ACTS 28:23-31	GOSPEL   LUKE 13:22-30
SUN	23 AUG	EPISTLE   1 COR 3:1-11	GOSPEL   LUKE 8:1-15



### Bulletin Deadline

If you would like anything published in the parish bulletin, you must submit it no later than 1:00pm Monday, 5 days before publication via email at [info@stgeorgeuniontown.org](mailto:info@stgeorgeuniontown.org). Thank you!



PRAYERS FOR THE  
**SICK**  
 and the homebound  
 Heal all Your servants, who are sick or troubled, O Lord, and send them help and comfort from Your Holy Place. Look upon them with the eyes of Your Mercy; comfort them with a sense of Your Goodness; preserve them from the temptations of the Enemy; and give them patience that they may have their trust in Your Love.

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As well as all other Parishioners who are sick and in need of prayer.

If a loved one is hospitalized, ill, or homebound, please call the Parish Office.

# Parish Events and Points of Interest

**Staying Connected.** If you haven't already, please sign up for our **email list**, subscribe to our **Remind** text message service, and follow St. George Church on our **social media** as this is the **primary** and most **efficient** means of communication for the parish.

**Aid to Lebanon.** If you would like to make a donation for the ongoing **humanitarian crisis** in Lebanon please make an **online** donation through our **eparchial website**: [www.stmaron.org](http://www.stmaron.org). If you are unable to make an online donation but would still like to contribute please write a check to **The Eparchy of St. Maron** and clearly note in the **memo** line that the donation is "For Lebanon" denoting if you would prefer your donation go to **Caritas Lebanon** or the **St. Vincent de Paul Society** of Lebanon.

**Pastor's Collection.** **Thank you** to everyone for your gifts and your generosity! It has been an interesting first five months at St. George but I am looking forward to many many more!

**Second Collection.** This week's **second** collection will be taken for the **Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon** in **North Jackson, OH**. Thank you for your generosity!

**First Communion.** We congratulate our First Communion class who received the Holy Eucharist last week: Conner Barton, Michelle Shandor, Toufie Michael, and Isaac Handlin. May this be the first of many Communion to come!

**Feast of the Assumption.** Please note that we will celebrate the Feast of the Assumption on **Saturday, 15 August at 10:00am**. There will be no evening liturgies at St. George on Saturday, 15 August. The Sunday schedule **remains unchanged**.

**Daily Liturgies.** There will be **no** daily liturgy celebrated until **Friday, 28 August**.

**Ladies Guild Breakfast.** The Ladies are back with their traditional breakfast on **Sunday, 23 August from 8:30 until 10:30am**. There are a few changes to follow CDC guidelines: we ask that you respect others by following social distancing guidelines and wearing a mask when not eating. Dine-In and Take-Out are both available with a full menu. Breakfast Platter \$8.00 includes scrambled eggs, potatoes, sausage, olives, bread, and vegetables. Luban \$1.00 | Spinach Pies \$3.00 | Fried Dough 3/\$1.00 or 12/\$4.00 | Milk/Juice \$1.00

**Bread Order.** If you would like to purchase bread or spinach pies you may call or text **Claudia Chisler** at 724.557.1338 by 19 August.

**Rosary Walk.** The Annual Rosary Walk will be held on **Sunday, 20 September at 2:00pm**.

**Liturgy Intentions.** If you would like to schedule a liturgy for a loved one or any other intention, please **contact the parish office**, send a note via **mail** or **collection basket**, or **email**. Suggested stipend is \$20. If you have already scheduled a recurring monthly or yearly liturgy please **remember** to send in your stipend before the liturgy is celebrated.



## August Memorials

### Sanctuary Light

James & Ann Mullen

### *By Family*

### Vigil Lights

Ike & Jessie Salim Risha, George & Sandy

Risha Fabian, Jess & Joanne Risha

*By Joe & Ronda Risha & Family*

### Altar Bread & Wine

Ellwood, Freda, and Michael Kelly

*By Sherry, Ellwood, Mary, & Families*

## Parish Stewardship

### Stewardship for the Week of 09 August 2020

1 <sup>st</sup> Collection	\$2,418.00
E-Giving	\$1,097.00
Capital Campaign	\$100.00

Candles	\$17.00
Assumption	\$5.00

Received	\$3,637.00
Budget	\$3,100.00
Surplus	\$537.00

### Stewardship Year to Date

Received	\$141,108.00
Budget	\$99,200.00
Surplus	\$41,908.00

## Electronic Giving

Online stewardship is the easiest and most secure way of contributing to the financial stability and health of our parish. Please consider making your weekly or monthly contributions online. Instructions can be found on the parish website.

23 AUGUST | 8:30-10:30AM

LADIES GUILD BREAKFAST



## Parish Calendar

Sunday	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>2</b> <b>10<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost</b>  Liturgy   8:30am Liturgy   10:30am	<b>3</b> David the Prophet	<b>4</b>  Liturgy   6:00pm  Syriac Class   7:00pm	<b>5</b> Moses the Prophet  Liturgy   8:30am	<b>6</b> <b>Transfiguration of Our Lord</b>  Liturgy   6:00pm	<b>7</b> St. Doumit, C  Liturgy   8:30am  Fast	<b>8</b> St. Dominic Pope St. Sixtus II  Liturgy   4:00pm Liturgy   5:00pm
<b>9</b> <b>Transfiguration of Our Lord (Observed)</b> St. Matthias  Liturgy   8:30am Rosary   10:00am Liturgy   10:30am First Holy Communion	<b>10</b> St. Laurence, M.  Fast	<b>11</b> St. Clare, C  Liturgy   6:00pm  Fast	<b>12</b> St. Shaina, C  Liturgy   8:30am  Fast	<b>13</b>  No Liturgy  Assumption Pilgrimage  Fast	<b>14</b>  No Liturgy  Assumption Pilgrimage  Fast	<b>15</b> Assumption of the Mother of God  Liturgy   10:00am  No Evening Liturgies
<b>16</b> <b>12<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost</b> St. Roch  Liturgy   8:30am Liturgy   10:30am	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> No Liturgy	<b>19</b> St. Luke of Baalbek, M  No Liturgy	<b>20</b> No Liturgy	<b>21</b> No Liturgy	<b>22</b>  Liturgy   4:00pm Liturgy   5:00pm
<b>23</b> <b>13<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost</b> St. Isaac the Syrian Ladies Guild Breakfast  Liturgy   8:30am Liturgy   10:30am	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> St. Titus, Ap  No Liturgy	<b>26</b>  No Liturgy	<b>27</b> St. Biyameen the Hermit, C  No Liturgy	<b>28</b> St. Moses the Ethiopian, C  Liturgy   8:30am	<b>29</b> Beheading of St. John the Baptist, M  Liturgy   4:00pm Liturgy   5:00pm
<b>30</b> <b>14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost</b>  Liturgy   8:30am Liturgy   10:30am	<b>31</b> St. Abda St. Zakhia St. Aegidius	<b>1</b> St. Simon the Stylite  Liturgy   6:00pm	<b>2</b> St. Mammias the Great  Liturgy   8:30am	<b>3</b>  Liturgy   6:00pm	<b>4</b>  Liturgy   8:30am	<b>5</b> St. Sharbel of Raha and His Sister  No Evening Liturgies

### Parish Meetings

Parish Council | TBA  
 Men's Group | TBA  
 MYO | TBA  
 ARS | TBA  
 Ladies Guild | TBA  
 MYA | TBA

### Reader Schedule

15 Aug | 10:00am | Mr. Ferris George  
 16 Aug | 8:30am | Mr. Randy Richey  
 16 Aug | 10:30am | Mr. Pete Williams  
 22 Aug | 4:00pm | Dr. Mabel Howard  
 22 Aug | 5:00pm | Mrs. Marsha Marhefka  
 23 Aug | 8:30am | Mrs. Barbara George  
 23 Aug | 10:30am | Mr. Pete Williams

# Sacramental & Pastoral Care

**MYSTERIES OF BAPTISM AND CHRISMATION** | Sacramental Preparation is required before a baptism can be scheduled. We encourage this to happen before the birth of a child.

**MYSTERY OF CROWNING** | Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. Marriage Preparation is required as part of the process.

**PASTORAL CARE FOR THE SICK** | If a loved one is hospitalized, ill, or homebound, please call or email the Parish Office. For emergencies please call Father Aaron directly at 315.790.0059.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION** | Faith Formation for both Children and Adults will be available during the academic year.

**CONFESSIONS** | Confessions are held on Saturday from 3:00-3:45pm or by appointment.

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