



Hosanna Sunday | Sunday, 05 April 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 | 5:00 pm

Sun | 8:30 am & 10:30 am

Tue & Thu | 6:00 pm

Wed & 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,

The rites and liturgies of Passion Week represent some of the most ancient and beautiful prayers and ritual gestures in our Syriac Maronite patrimony:

Lazarus Saturday precedes Passion Week as a foretaste of the joy of the Resurrection we celebrate on Easter by commemorating Christ's raising of his friend Lazarus from the dead.

Hosanna Sunday, named for the praises sung by the children and people of Jerusalem, commemorates with great joy the exultant praises offered to our Lord upon His entry into Jerusalem. Churches are decorated with, and are carried in festive procession, palm branches, olive branches, and other greenery. Upon nightfall, traditionally one of the night watches of the Midnight Office is celebrated. This rite, known as the Arrival to the Harbor, commemorates the arrival of the Church to Christ's Passion - the Harbor of Salvation. During this simple, but beautiful rite, candles are held by the clergy and congregation in a darkened church while the Gospel of the Twelve Virgins is proclaimed.

On Monday and Tuesday we will celebrate Vespers, or Evening Prayer, before the celebration of the Liturgy. The Divine Office is a cycle of daily prayers prayed by the Church as an extension of the perfect prayer of the Eucharistic Sacrifice. The rich texts and hymns of these hours of prayer draw us ever deeper into the mystery of Christ's Passion.

On Wednesday we will celebrate the Rite of the Lamp, the solemn liturgical form of the Anointing of the Sick. Traditionally, this rite was celebrated by seven priests each praying one of the seven watches of the Rite of the Lamp. After a long vigil of prayer, hymns, and scripture oil would be blessed and a person (or persons) would be anointed. This is a beautiful expression of our sacramental life and needed more than ever in the current circumstances.

Thursday is a commemoration of the Mysteries, the Eucharist in particular. In cathedrals, monasteries, and larger parishes a separate rite would be celebrated at another time of the day where the bishop, abbot, or pastor would wash the feet of his clergy in obedience to Christ's mandate to His apostles.

Friday commemorates the Crucifixion of Our Lord with the Presanctified Liturgy celebrated in the morning using the Eucharist consecrated on Holy Thursday and the Adoration of the Cross in the evening commemorating the Burial of Christ.

Saturday of the Light is a day of reconciliation, between Heaven and Earth and between men. We celebrate the Rite of Forgiveness in the morning where we reconcile with one another so that we might celebrate the Peace that was wrought for us by Christ through his Descent to Sheol and his Resurrection from the Dead.

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LITURGY INTENTIONS

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Intention</u>	
SAT	04 APR	10:30AM	For the Children of the Parish	
SAT	04 APR	5:00PM	+ Martha Toth	<i>by Connie & Lisa Ferris</i>
SUN	05 APR	8:30AM	Intentions of Parishioners	
SUN	05 APR	10:30AM	+ T.R. Unice	<i>by Dee & Family</i>
MON	06 APR	7:00PM	For the End of the Pandemic	
TUE	07 APR	7:00PM	For the End of the Pandemic	
WED	08 APR	8:30AM	+ Peggy Williams	<i>by Janet Michael & Family</i>
THU	09 APR	7:00PM	Intentions of Parishioners	
SAT	11 APR	5:00PM	+ Herschel & Eric Kefover	<i>by Family</i>
SUN	12 APR	8:30AM	For the End of the Pandemic	
SUN	12 APR	10:30AM	Intentions of Parishioners	

LITURGICAL READINGS

SUN	05 APR	EPISTLE PHIL 1:1-13	GOSPEL JOHN 12:12-22
MON	06 APR	EPISTLE HEB 6:1-9	GOSPEL MATT 21:17-27
TUE	07 APR	EPISTLE 1 THES 2:13-17	GOSPEL LUKE 13:22-30
WED	08 APR	EPISTLE HEB 2:5-12	GOSPEL JOHN 11:47-54
THU	09 APR	EPISTLE 1 COR 11:23-32	GOSPEL LUKE 22:1-23
FRI	10 APR	EPISTLE HEB 12:12-21	GOSPEL JOHN 19:31-37
SAT	11 APR	EPISTLE PHIL 2:1-11	GOSPEL MATT 28:1-10
SUN	12 APR	EPISTLE 1 COR 15:12-26	GOSPEL MARK 16:1-8



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. 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.

Michelle Sante | Kimberly Steinmiller | Josette Shady Abi-Nader | Lynda Handlin
Leonard W. Neill II | Ron David | Teresa Rogers | Davey Rusko
Cookie Shady Benson | David Gallo | Rick Frazee | Patty Benson
Aliya Davis | Catherine Delgreco | Tammy McKenzie | Loretta Joseph
Joan Mickey | Devona Unice

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

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

Parish Events and Points of Interest

Staying Connected. During these difficult, and ever-changing times, it is important that we be able to communicate **quickly** and **efficiently**. I ask you, if you haven't already, to sign up for our **email list**, subscribe to our **Remind** text message service, and follow St. George Church on our **social media**.

Hosanna Sunday. Palms will be blessed at the weekend liturgies and will be made available for the faithful following the liturgy and throughout the week in the **narthex**.

Rite of the Lamp. Containers with **dough** and **oil** blessed during the Rite of the Lamp will be available following the liturgy for those who would like to take a portion home for their use.

Stewardship. If you are unable to physically attend liturgies you may drop off your weekly stewardship offering at the **Parish Office** or **mail-in** your offering. Alternatively, I **encourage you to enroll in electronic giving** via our parish website. Electronic giving is the most secure and reliable form of stewardship, especially in uncertain times like these. **Thank you for your continued generous support for St. George Church.**

Annual Lenten Bishop's Appeal. Thank you to all who have contributed towards the annual appeal this year. This Sunday is our **last opportunity** for this effort. We are currently **\$966.00 short of our goal**. If you have not yet contributed, please discern how you might be able to participate. **Thank you all!**

CRS Rice Bowl. The **final date** for contributing to the CRS Rice Bowl campaign will be **Easter Sunday**. For further information, please contact Gina Michael at 724.366.4561.

Food Sale. Our Food Sale has been **postponed**. A new date will be forthcoming soon.

Second Collections. The Second Collections traditionally taken **in appreciation for the Pastor on Easter** and for the **Holy Land on Good Friday** are **postponed to a later date**.

MYA. We encourage **all young adults** in the parish (ages 18-35) to join the Maronite Young Adults Organization. For additional information, contact Noah Michael at 724. 322.1084 to coordinate a date and time for our first meeting.

LIVE STREAMING

All of our Liturgies during the Novel Coronavirus crisis are being live streamed on our parish Facebook and archived on YouTube.

Facebook | @stgeorgeuniontown



April Memorials

Sanctuary Light

James & Ann Mullen

By Family

Vigil Lights

Christopher "Buffy" Kelly

By Mother & Family

Altar Bread & Wine

Ellwood, Freda, and Michael Kelly

By Sherry, Ellwood, Mary, & Families

Parish Stewardship

Stewardship for the
Week of 29 March 2020

1 st Collection	\$2,933.00
E-Giving	\$1,168.00

CRS Rice Bowl	\$80.00
Candles	\$10.00
Easter	\$5.00
Lenten Appeal	\$50.00

Received	\$4,246.00
Budget	\$3,100.00
Difference	\$1,146.00

Stewardship Year to Date

Received	\$53,815.00
Budget	\$40,300.00
Difference	\$13,515.00

Annual Lenten Bishop's Appeal

Goal	\$5,500.00
Received	\$4,534.00
Balance	\$966.00

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.

Parish Calendar

Sunday	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 Healing of the Blind Man Liturgy 8:30am Liturgy 10:30am	30 [Fast] St. John Climacus	31 [Fast] Liturgy 6:00pm	1 [Fast] St. Mary the Egyptian Liturgy 8:30am	2 [Fast] Liturgy 6:00pm	3 [Fast] The Triumph of Christ over Satan in the Desert Sts. Isaiah and Ezekiel the Prophets Liturgy 8:30am	4 Lazarus Saturday Liturgy 10:30am followed by Church Decorating Liturgy 5:00pm
5 Hosanna Sunday Liturgy 8:30am Liturgy 10:30am Arrival at the Harbor 7:00pm	6 [Fast] Monday in Passion Week Vespers 6:00pm Liturgy 7:00pm	7 [Fast] Tuesday in Passion Week Vespers 6:00pm Liturgy 7:00pm	8 [Fast] Tuesday in Passion Week Liturgy 8:30am Rite of the Lamp 7:00pm	9 [Fast] Thursday of the Mysteries Liturgy 7:00pm The Church will remain open for silent prayer until 10:00pm	10 Fast Great Friday of the Crucifixion Anaphora of the Signing of the Chalice 8:30am Rite of the Adoration of the Cross 7:00pm	11 Great Saturday of the Light Rite of Forgiveness 10:30am Vigil Liturgy of Easter 5:00pm
12 The Glorious Resurrection of Our Lord Liturgy 8:30am Liturgy 10:30am and Rite of Peace	13 Monday in White Week Liturgy 6:00pm	14 Tuesday in White Week Liturgy 6:00pm	15 Wednesday in White Week Liturgy 6:00pm	16 Thursday in White Week Liturgy 6:00pm	17 Friday in White Week Liturgy 6:00pm	18 Liturgy 5:00pm
19 New Sunday Liturgy 8:30am Liturgy 10:30am	20 No Liturgy	21 St. Anselm No Liturgy	22 No Liturgy	23 St. George Liturgy 6:00pm	24 St. Saba the Commander Liturgy 8:30am	25 St. Mark the Evangelist Liturgy 5:00pm
26 3rd Sunday of the Resurrection Liturgy 8:30am Liturgy 10:30am	27 St. Simon, Brother of the Lord	28 St. John, One of the 72 Disciples Liturgy 6:00pm	29 St. Catherine of Siena Liturgy 8:30am	30		

Parish Meetings

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

Reader Schedule

04 Apr | 5:00pm | Dr. Mabel George Howard
 05 Apr | 8:30am | Mr. Richard Brower
 05 Apr | 10:30am | MYO Sunday
 11 Apr | 5:00pm | Subdeacon Charles Machesky
 12 Apr | 8:30am | Charles Michael
 12 Apr | 10:30am | Subdeacon Mallard George

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 4:00-4:45pm or by appointment.

Bulletin Advertising. Please consider helping our parish defray the costs of printing the weekly bulletin by advertising your business or organization. Ad space is available for \$250.00 per year. If you would like your business to be represented in our Bulletin and eBulletin please contact the Parish Office.



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