

ST. GEORGE EASTERN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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HOLY EUCHARIST (COMMUNION) is ADMINISTERED ONLY to MEMBERS of the ORTHODOX CHURCH who have prepared themselves by prayer, fasting, and recent confession of sins.

“The means to confirm and strengthen Christian Hope are prayers, especially frequent and sincere prayer, confession of our sins, frequent reading of the Word of God, and above all, frequent communion of the holy life-giving sacraments of the Body and Blood of Christ.” *St. John of Kronstadt*

November 15, 2009

THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE HOLY MARTYRS GURIAS, SAMONAS AND HABIB OF EDESSA

Tone -6

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THE TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION in tone 6

Angelic powers did stand above Thy tomb, and they that guarded were as dead, And Mary stood at Thy grave searching for Thy precious body. Thou didst conquer Hades, and was not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst bestow life. O Thou that art Risen from the dead, O Lord glory to Thee.

THE TROPARION OF THE MARTYRS in tone 5:

Since Thou hast given us the miracles of Thy holy Martyrs as an invincible battlement, by their entreaties scatter the counsels of the heathen, O Christ our God, and strengthen the faith of Orthodox Christians, since Thou alone art good and the Friend of man.

THE TROPARION OF ST. GEORGE in Tone 4

As Deliverer of captives, & defender of the poor, healer of the infirm, champion of kings; victorious Great Martyr George, intercede with Christ our God for our souls' salvation.

THE KONTAKION for the Presentation of the Theotokos in Tone 4

The all-pure temple of the Saviour, the most precious bridal-chamber and Virgin, the treasure-house of the glory of God, today entered the Temple of the Lord, bringing with her the grace which is in the divine Spirit: whom also the angels of God do celebrate in song; for she is the heavenly tabernacle.

THOSE IN NURSING HOMES and SENIOR CARE FACILITIES, Violette Chuairy, Walter Phillips, Eva Elias, Josephine Samra Shiepe, Fred Kiamie, Marjorie Clarridge, Hanna Nakkoul.

THOSE ILL, IN PAIN, OR SHUT IN BY INFIRMITY: Michael Kargatis, Geraldine Deschênes, Vivian Runions, Michel Chuairy, Pauline Barcellona, Elaine Orefice, Lorraine Kalil, Albert Kamal, Joseph Kamal, David Hadad, Nassif Hamaoui, Jeanette Hamaoui, Dearborn Samia, Wadad Hamuae, Geraldine Allaire, Christine Hassan, Gabriel Josiah Hassan, Caleb Hassan, Albert Hayek, Toni Orefice, F. Charles Cartier, Kim Goodspeed, Angela Scherer, Carole Farrell, Donna Najem Avakoff, Stephen Kamal, Mary Golightly, Jacob Malinchak, William Haddad, Lila Haddad, John Erban, Rose AbouHaidar, Elvyn Hajjar, Stacia Mullens, Sandra Widdall, Joanne Gray, Cheryl Brown, Joseph Palin, and John Ayoub.

THOSE IN DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES, FAR AWAY, OR OTHERWISE IN NEED OF PRAYER: Tom Girardi, Warren & Elizabeth Ferris, Carl, Lauren, Caitlin, Aalin, Aidan Bellinger, Alice Samia, Carole Moured, Ann Balsamo, Alice Ziady and Carol Aberizk, Maria Morales, Miguel Angel Morales, Santo Thomas Morales, Santa Maria Morales, Anderson Miguel Morales.

FOR CONTINUED GOOD HEALTH & GOD'S BLESSINGS: George Touma & family; Gebran Touma & family; Jihad, Lynn, Janelle & Jacob Hajjar; George Haddad & Clara Coutermarsh.

THE DIVINE LITURGY will be celebrated on Monday morning for the feast of St. Matthew the Evangelist.

THE PARISH COUNCIL will meet on Tuesday evening at 7:00 PM.

A FAITH DISCUSSION GROUP will begin exploring *Indication of the Way into the Kingdom of Heaven* on Wednesday evening at 7:00 PM. Everyone is welcome.

THE DIVINE LITURGY will be celebrated on Saturday morning for the feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple.

THE NATIVITY FAST begins on Sunday, Nov. 15th and lasts through Dec. 24th. From Nov. 15th through Dec. 13th, we abstain from meat, dairy products, and eggs. From then on we abstain from Fish, Olive Oil and Alcohol as well until Dec. 25th. (Olive oil and Alcohol are allowed on weekends.) May God grant us a spiritually profitable and peaceful fast, and bring us safely to His Glorious Nativity.

HOLY BREAD is available for those who would like to offer it in memory, or for the good health of someone, on anniversaries, birthdays, graduations, &cet. Anytime you would like to offer Holy Bread, consider buying from the Church rather than from one of the bakeries.

THE LADIES' GUILD has those very wonderful \$5.00 gift certificates available again for Panera Bread. These have been very popular in past years. Don't wait until they run out.

THE LORD'S PRAYER IN ARABIC

Abána ládhi fees samawát liyáta qáddas ismuk. Liyáti malakoótook. Lítakoon masheé'atook, kamá fis samáy kadhálik 'álal 'ard. Khúbzanal jówhary á'teenal yowm; wátrook lána ma aláina, kamá nátrooku náhnu leéman lána 'aláihy. Walá tudkhílna fy tájriba, lákin nájjeena meénash shareér.

MANY, MANY THANKS! To everyone who helped, prepared, served, cleaned and supported the annual Food Fair yesterday. **GOD GRANT YOU MANY, MANY YEARS!**

There are many items, including pastries and sweets yet for sale. Buy now and put things away for Christmas!