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Sunday of the After-feast of the Ascension
Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council
Hieromartyr Eutychios, bishop of Melitene; Martyr Heliconis of Thessalonica;
Venerable Andrew of Constantinople, fool-for-Christ; Germanos, bishop of Paris;
Ignatius the wonderworker, bishop of Rostov

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Why: The world is a battlefield. Society is harshly divided. We struggle with broken morality, health, jobs, relationships, and ultimately, death.

The voice of culture tells us that the way to combat these fears is through self-focus and political correctness. But this only perpetuates brokenness, fear, anger, and loneliness. Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ shows us a different Way. A better Way. At Sr. George we call that The Way of the Warrior Saint.

How: St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church trains Warrior Saints to follow Christ's Way. We teach the Gospel of Jesus Christ so that we are educated, strong, and independent leaders. We build a solid community, so that our lives are enriched through worship and fellowship. And we serve others, so that we are empowered to be selfless and outward looking.

What: Engaging and relevant bible studies, powerful worship and fellowship, and opportunities to minister to those in need.

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# FROM THE ST. GEORGE LADIES

### Ladies Auxiliary Meeting

The next meeting will be Thursday, June 8th at 11:30am at U.S. Egg on Shea Blvd. and Scottsdale Road. Please make your reservation by calling Sandy Hasbany at 602.277.1963 by Monday, June 5th. All are welcome.

#### Bunko Night

Back by popular demand...Bunko Game Night and Ice Cream Social! Mark your calendars for Sunday, June 25th at 6:00pm in The Legacy Ballroom. A great evening for the entire family that includes prizes, fellowship and fun! Adults are \$10 and children 12 and under are \$5. Tickets will be sold during Fellowship/Coffee hour. For additional questions, please contact Sandy Hasbany at 602.277.1963.

#### TEEN BIBLE STUDY

Join us Wednesdays at 5:30pm as we continue to look at the Gospel of Mark in preparation for this year's Bible Bowl. Whether or not you are planning on attending the Parish Life Conference. all teens are welcome to study scripture with us.

#### St. Joan of Arc Preschool Summer Program

Beat the heat of summer! Have your child come each morning to our summer program for ages 3–5 year old. Our program runs Monday to Friday from 8:30-11:30am for the weeks of June 5th, June 12th, June 19th, July 10th, July 17th and July 24th. Cost is \$150/week plus a \$25.00 one-time activity fee. Siblings get a 10% discount. Your kids will thank you!

#### Preschool Open Registration

St. Joan of Arc Preschool is currently accepting applications for the 2017-2018 academic year which begins on September 5th. Our program, which has a four star rating from Quality First, accepts children from 3-5 years of age (must be potty trained) with classes ranging from 2-5 days, from either 9:00am-noon or 9:00am-1:30pm. We also offer a Before Care Program which begins at 8:00am and an After Care program until either 1:30pm or 3:30pm. We have been awarded 14 FULL scholarships for the upcoming school year, so call now to see if you qualify. We are inspired by the Reggio Emilia philosophy and feel all of God's children are created with unique capabilities, curiosities, and a genuine love to learn about all of His marvelous creations! Each child is deserving of an aesthetic environment, both inside and out, in which to explore and make scientific observations. Parents, being the #1 teacher for their child, also play an integral role in our emergent curriculum. If you would like to learn more about our program, please call 602.867.9179 to schedule a personal tour of our secure campus. You can also review the preschool link at www.stjoanofarc.com, and download all of our registration forms.

Being a member in good standing at St. George includes being a member in good standing of the Antiochian Archdiocese. The family names published have made a 2017 pledge and have contributed to that pledge. Starting June 1, 2017, the Archdiocese Dues will be raised to \$75.00 per baptized soul in each household. If you have not already done so, May 31, 2017 is the deadline to submit your Archdiocese Dues for \$60.00. If your family name is not published and to track or update a tithe, payment and Archdiocese dues status may be viewed electronically through CCB. Or you may contact any member of the Stewardship Team, Salim Shleef at 602.793.8257 or sshleef@gmail.com, Eddie Khoury at 602.316.0965 or abujamz@aol.com and Steve Feldman at 973.461.2337 or steve@renovationangel.org.

Abdalah, Greg Abdelnour, Joe & Louise Abdoulah, Connie Agra, Catherine Alsayegh, Imad & Neda Ammari, Ihssan Arnouk, Mariam Bakhit, Hala Bandak, Christopher & Hnadi Bennion, Karen

Bousard, Rosaline Brewer, Philip & Monica Bronnenkant, Anna Catanese, Jason DeRienzo, James & Briggette Doumani, John & Nicole Feldman, Steve & Elisabeth Fender, William & Nannette Ferris, Scott Florence, Lorraine

Gavras, Chris & Willa Gebran, Assad & Ilham Gebran, Gebran

Gebran, George & Abeer Gebran, Mario & Amal Gharib, Munira Chiz, David & Melanie

Grove, Dn. Serafim & Mary Haddad, Michael & Valerie N Hakimeh, Fouad & Malake Hasbany, Louis & Sandy

Horan, Adnan & Lisa Hweimel, Enaam Hweimel, Sammer 1) Iacovelli, Rima

Kanaan, Eugene & Donna Karadsheh, John & Natascha Karamouzis, Elizabeth

Khoury, Eddie & Sandy Khoury, Jack & Samira Khoury, Rida & Sana Mas, Margaret

Mounts, Samia Musallam, Juliet Musallam, Rowana Mushahwar, Juliette

Nahat, Denise & Johnson, Ray

Nassif, Sam

Nichols, Richard & Sherry Peters, Matthew & Laura Qaqish, Ziad & Samiyah

Quomsieh, Nadia Rehm, Nathan

Ritchie, Rev. Dn. Basil & Barbara

Romley, Daniel & Jane

Saba, Garv

Sahawneh, Amanda Saigh, Caraline & Ray

Salamy, V. Rev. Fr. Dr. Chris & Allyson

Salem, Andy & Neda Salem, Kenny & Joy Salem, Robert & Buthaina Salem, S. Henry

Salem, Saman & Ensof (Fadia) Saliba, Anthony & Carrie

Saliba, James & Kathleen Saliba, John & Marybeth

Santana, Linda & Gerry Wiebers Sayegh, Abraham & Christine

Savegh, Dr. Edward & Luma Sayegh, Ghassan & May

Sayegh, Hani & Liana

Savegh, Issa & Ekhlas Sayegh, Jamal & Rinad

Savegh, John & Bolivia Sayegh, John & Rania

Sayegh, Dr. Steven & Mary

Savegh, Suzanne Corlett Sayegh, William & Ensaf

Shahla, Dr. Gobran & Evelyn

Shleef, Salim & Lara Simon, George & Christine

Simon, Michael & Nadia Simon, Noha & Donald

Spanovich, Nick & Elizabeth Stringer, Kim Sweilem, Issa & Jennifer Sweis, Sameeh & Janette

Sweis, Sameh & Juliet Toronto, Ray & Rose Marie Vintila, Pamela

Vogel, David & Debbie Wier, William & Valerie Zananiri, Tawfiq & Najwa Ziton, Michael & Feirouz

Zuraikat, Husam (John) & Jennifer



## Resurrectional Apolytikion (Tone 6)

When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb. And the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

## Apolytikion of the Ascension (Tone 4)

Thou hast ascended in glory, O Christ our God, and gladdened Thy disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit; and they were assured by the blessing that Thou art the Son of God and Redeemer of the world.

## Apolytikion of the Holy Fathers (Tone 8)

Most glorified art Thou, O Christ our God, Who hast established our Fathers as luminous stars upon the earth, and through them didst guide us all to the true Faith. O Most Merciful One, glory be to Thee.

## Apolytikion for St. George (Tone 4)

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

## Kontakion of the Ascension (Tone 6)

When Thou hadst fulfilled Thy dispensation for our sakes, uniting things on earth with Heavens, Thou didst ascend in glory, O Christ our God, departing not hence, but remaining inseparable from us and crying unto them that love Thee: I am with you, and no one can be against you.



Blessed art Thou, O Lord, the God of our Fathers. For Thou art just in all Thou hast done.

## The Epistle

#### The Reading from the Acts of the Apostles. (20:16-18, 28-36)

In those days, Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus, so that he might not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hastening to be at Jerusalem, if possible, on the day of Pentecost. And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called to him the elders of the church. And when they came to him, he said to them: "Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God which he obtained with the blood of his own Son. I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. Therefore, be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears. And now I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities, and to those who were with me. In all things I have shown you that by so toiling one must help the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, how He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" And when he had spoken thus, he knelt down and prayed with them all.

## The Gospel

#### The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (17:1-13)

At that time, Jesus lifted up His eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify Thy Son that the Son may glorify Thee, since Thou hast given Him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom Thou hast given Him. And this is eternal life, that they know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ Whom Thou hast sent. I glorified Thee on earth, having accomplished the work which Thou gavest Me to do; and now, Father, glorify Thou Me in Thy own presence with the glory which I had with Thee before the world was made. I have manifested Thy Name to the men whom Thou gavest Me out of the world; Thine they were, and Thou gavest them to Me, and they have kept Thy word. Now they know that everything that Thou hast given Me is from Thee; for I have given them the words which Thou gavest Me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from Thee; and they have believed that Thou didst send Me. I am praying for them; I am not praying for the world but for those whom Thou hast given Me, for they are Thine; all Mine are Thine, and Thine are Mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to Thee. Holy Father, keep them in Thy Name, which Thou hast given Me, that they may be one, even as We are one. While I was with them, I kept them in Thy Name, which Thou have given Me; I have guarded them, and none of them is lost but the son of perdition, that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to Thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves."

## Those to Remember in Prayer

LIVING: Rosie, Lily, Richard, Marion, Mary, Sandra, Aaron, Corrie, Shirley, Michael, Chase, Romy, Alex, Chet, Norma, Mike, Isam, Laila and Madeline

## Liturgical Offerings...

Congratulations and God's blessings to Salty and Razan Sayegh on the baptism of their children, Charbel and Isaac Sayegh. May God grant them many years.

Maher Rabadi offers Holy Bread in memory of Nada Jabbour. May her memory be eternal.

Birthdays	Anniversaries	Memory Eternal
Roman Karadsheh 5.28 Gloria El-Khouri 5.30 Nicole Azar 5.31 Daniel Romley 6.1	Edward & Luma Sayegh 5.28 Ray & Caraline Saigh 5.30 Grey West & Deborah Ziton West 5.30 George & Karmen Kalyoussef 6.3	Afifi Kalil 5.29.65 John Stoica 6.3.77

## Fellowship/Coffee Hour

Due to an event in The Legacy Ballroom today, there will be no coffee hour. Coffee hour will resume the following Sunday, June 4th.

## Divine Liturgy in Arabic

Join us on Thursday, June 1st at 6:30 pm for the Divine Liturgy celebrated in Arabic.

#### Bulletin Deadline

If you would like to include an oblation for the June 11th bulletin, we ask that you submit your text by Friday, June 2nd. Text received after June 2nd will be included in the June 18th bulletin. Text may be submitted to Tricia at office@stgeorgeaz.org.

#### Archdiocese Convention in South Florida

If you are attending the convention in July and are interested in representing St. George at the General Assembly, please contact the office as soon as possible.

#### Stay in Touch

Listen to the homily and read the bulletin online at http://www.stgeorgeaz.org/stay-in-touch/

To include an oblation in the bulletin, text must be submitted to Tricia Urbano Voltz at office@stgeorgeaz.org by the deadline of Wednesday at noon. All oblations received after the deadline will be included in the following Sunday's bulleting the deadline will be included in the following Sunday's bulleting the following Sunday S

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