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Fifth Sunday of Pascha: Sunday of the Blind Man

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Reflection: On the Divine Liturgy: The Lord's Supper Part IV

He dies to himself and is born again as a changed person. This sacrificial aspect of the Lord's Supper ought to have a practical expression: What shall I sacrifice today to the Lord, in order to unite myself to His sacrifice? How can I, for His sake, put to death in myself what ought to be put to death? In what form can I best accomplish this sacred "spiritual suicide" which is Holy Communion? Like the Lamb of God and with the Lamb of God, I must myself be "broken" and "ever eaten, offering myself to others, sacrificing myself to others, becoming "the man for others." " Lord Jesus, I surrender myself into Thy hands, to become by Thy hands, broken, shared, and distributed. The priest now pours a little hot water into the chalice, thereby signifying "the warmth of faith, full of the Holy Spirit. Once again Pentecost is associated with Pascha. Then the priest takes communion for himself and invites the people to come and receive the Holy Gifts. Over the centuries, diverse pious prayers were little by little inserted at this point in the liturgy. To become fully conscious, however, of the action which is being accomplished, it suffices to be attentive to the words which the priest speaks to each communicant: "The servant of God N. partakes of the precious and holy Body and Blood of our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ, for the remission of sins and unto life everlasting." This formula contains five fundamental affirmations. The person who receives is a servant of God, called by his or her own name. Am I really such a servant? Do I really hear this call by my own name, this intensely personal invitation? I am going to "receive"



Epistle:

Thou, O Lord, shalt keep us and preserve us. Save me, O Lord, for the godly man is no more.

The Reading from the Acts of the Holy Apostles. (16:16-34)

In those days, while we the apostles were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a slave girl who had a spirit of divination, who brought her masters much gain by soothsaying. She followed Paul and us, and cried out saying:

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Gospel:



St. John. (9:1-38)

At that time, when Jesus was passing, he saw a man blind from his birth. And His disciples asked Him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?"

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Please Pray For The Health And Spiritual Welfare Of:

David Khoury, Nichole Roedding, Michael, Andrew and James Muawad, Mark Mackool, Marion Severs, Fares Fakhoury, Yvonne Holwey, Gladys Solomon, Said Muawad, Minerva Basila, Nour Dahdal, Sue Williams, Jeannie Packard and Jacque Williams.

Gospel...

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Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be made manifest in him. I must work the works of Him who sent Me, while it is day; night comes, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." As he said this, he spat on the ground and made clay of the spittle and anointed the man's eyes with the clay, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam," which means "Sent." So he went and washed and came back seeing. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar, said, "Is not this the man who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is he;" others said, "No, but he is like him." He said, "I am the man." They said to him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash'; so I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. The Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for He does not keep the Sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" There was a division among them. So they again said to the blind man, "What do you say about Him, since He has opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight, and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age, he will speak for himself." His parents said this because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess him to be Christ, he was to be put out of the synagogue. Therefore, his parents said, "He is of age, ask him." So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and said to him, "Give God the praise; we know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "Whether he is a sinner, I do not know; one thing I know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did He do to you? How did He open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you too want to become His disciples?" And they reviled him, saying, "You are His disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where He comes from." The man answered, "Why, this is a marvel! You do not know where He comes from, and yet He opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does His will, God listens to him. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. If this man were not from God, He could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him He said, "Do you believe in the Son of God?" He answered, "And who is He, Sir, that I may believe in Him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen Him, and it is He who speaks to you." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped Him.

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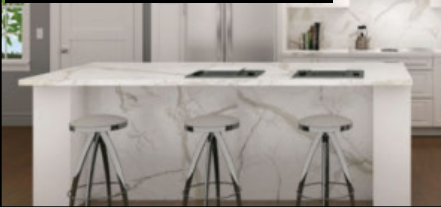
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- ◆ For the health and spiritual welfare of Adib, Sandy, Rudolph, & Yara Moussa, and In loving memory of Samar Moussa, Rodolf Moussa & Mounir Nasr, offered by the Moussa Family.

Coffee & Donuts

- ◆ This Sunday's coffee & donuts are offered by Dr. Adib & Sandy Moussa, In loving memory of Samar Moussa, Rodolf Moussa & Mounir Nasr & for the good health of The Moussa Family .

Family Church Picnic

- ◆ Plans are underway for a Family Picnic at Boulin Park in Troy on **Saturday, June 4th**, starting at 12 noon. There is a sign-up sheet in the galleria to help us know how many parushioners will attend as well as what type of food or supplies you can donate. More information to follow.

Special Coffee & Donuts sponsorship

Cost \$250.00

- ◆ **May 29** - Dr. Adib & Sandy Moussa
- ◆ **June 05** - Open
- ◆ **June 12** - Mr. & Mrs. Riad Katrib (Monthly Dinner).
- ◆ **Call the church office for sponsorship.**

Second Quarter Of Fiscal Year Update

- ◆ We are into the second quarter of the year. It would be greatly appreciated if you would update your donations to the Archdiocese Dues, General Fund, etc. Church membership implies proper stewardship.

Epistle:

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“These men are servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to us the way of salvation.” And she did this for many days. But Paul was annoyed, and turned and said to the spirit: “I charge you in the Name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.” And it came out that very hour. But when her masters saw that the hope of their gain was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the rulers; and when they had brought them to the magistrates, they said: “These men are disturbing our city, and they, being Jews, are setting forth customs which are not lawful for us to receive or observe, since we are Romans.” The multitude then rose up together against them, and the magistrates tore their garments off them, and commanded to beat them with rods. And when they had inflicted many stripes upon them, they cast them into prison, charging the jailer to keep them safely. Having received such a charge, he cast them into the inner prison, and fastened their feet in the stocks. But about midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and every one’s fetters were unfastened. And the jailer, being roused out of sleep and seeing the prison doors open, drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul cried out with a loud voice saying: “Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.” And he called for lights and rushed in, and fell down before Paul and Silas trembling with fear, and brought them out and said: “Masters, what must I do to be saved?” And they said: “Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household.” And they spoke the word of the Lord to him, and to all who were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes, and was baptized, he and his entire household. Then he brought them up into his house, and set food before them, and rejoiced greatly, with his entire house, in that he had believed in God.

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5/31- Issmat Nasr, Stella Kfouf

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5/28- Zack & Jandark George
5/31- Albert & Cheryl Sophiea,
Charles & Sarah DeVries

***May the Lord Jesus Christ bestow
his blessings upon them***

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St. George is a parish of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America, under the Primacy of His Eminence Metropolitan Joseph, Archbishop of New York and of all North America, and whose auxiliary Bishop is Anthony who resides in Toledo, Ohio The mission of St. George Church is to serve God in the Greater Detroit Area by commitment to the Gospel Command and to grow in the knowledge of Jesus Christ through faith, hope, and love.

St. George Church follows the faith and practice of the Apostles and Disciples of Christ handed down by the ancient Christian fathers and twenty centuries of Church tradition. Genuine Christian life nurtures and stimulates our spiritual and moral development.

To join the community of St. George of Troy or to find out more information, please give your name, address, and telephone number to one of the ushers. Father Joseph will be happy to contact you and answer any questions. We hope this day will be spiritually rewarding for you. Please join us in the

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