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Sunday After the feast of the Ascension

Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the First umenical Council

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

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" the Holy Gifts. These Gifts are manifestations of pure grace which I in no way deserve, but which the God of Love offers me through His inexhaustible generosity. What is given to me is the Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus. Beneath the physical signs there is the ultimate reality of the presence of my Savior and His redemptive activity on my behalf.

I am participating in the offering and the sacrifice of Golgotha. The Holy Gifts that I receive are the expression of the forgiveness of my sins, which the sacrificed Lamb has lifted from me and taken upon Himself. I am purified by His Blood, plunged into and washed by His Blood, like the particles of bread which the priest pours into the chalice. This Gift is for me a foretaste of eternal life, for the sacrificed Lamb in whom I participate is also the Lamb who rose from the dead on the third day.

Pascha includes the Resurrection every bit as much as it does the Crucifixion of our Savior. I receive communion in that Resurrection.

Epistle:

Blessed art Thou, O Lord, the God of our Fathers. For Thou art just in all Thou hast done to us. The Reading from the Acts of the Holy Apostles.
(20:16-18, 28-36)

In those days, Paul was determined to sail past Ephesus, so that he might not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hastening, if possible, to be at Jerusalem on the Day of Pentecost. And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called to him the priests of the church.

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Gospel:

Saint 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.

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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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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.”

Attention Parishioners

- ◆ The Church office wants to inform and remind you that if you want to place anything in the *Observer*, you have to give at least 10-day notice from the given date you wish to have it in the *Observer*. The *Observer* deadline to go to the printer is every Thursday by 12:00 p.m. Thank you !!

Sayings of the Fathers

“The virtues are born with tears and through them forgiveness is given. But when we cry, we must not raise the voice of our groaning in order to be heard by others. Let not our left hand, that is, our vanity, know what our right hand, the sorrow of the heart, does.”

Reminder

- ◆ 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. Despite irregular attendance, some parishioners continue to remember their obligations and mail their offerings in support of the needs of the church. We express our appreciation for their thoughtfulness and generous spirits.

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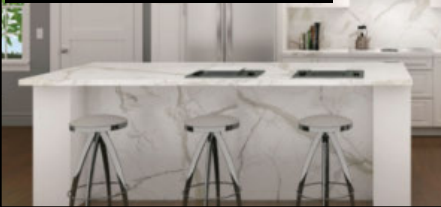
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Holy Bread Of Oblation

For Sunday, June 05, 2022

- ◆ In loving memory of wife, Cheryl Koory (One year memorial), offered with love by Michael Koory.
- ◆ In loving memory of William Swor (7 year obs.), offered by Bill Swor Jr.

Coffee & Donuts

- ◆ This Sunday's coffee & donuts are offered by Michael Koory, In loving memory of his wife Cheryl Koory (One year memorial). May her memory be eternal!

Congratulations

- ◆ The Clergy and Parishioners of St. George would like to extend their congratulations to **Ava McCall** on her recent graduation from Carlson High School with honors. She accepted an Academic Scholarship from Wayne State University and will be pursuing interests in Aviation. Specifically: A Pilot for search and rescue with rotary winged aircraft. Also, Congratulations to her proud parents, Ryan & Jennifer McCall and family and grandmother Rhoda McCall. God bless all of you and grant you many years!! Mabrook!!

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high school

or college graduation with our
Weekly Observer readers.

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unless you call the office

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Epistle:

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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 bishops, to shepherd the church of the Lord and God, which He purchased with His own blood. For I know that after my departure ravenous wolves will enter 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, remain watchful, remembering that for three years I did not cease to admonish every one, night and day with tears. And now, brethren, 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 such laboring we ought to help the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how He Himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" And when he had spoken thus, he knelt down on his knees with them all, and prayed.

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- ◆ **June 05** - Michael Koory
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- ◆ **June 19** - Open
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6/5- Samaa Al Khouri
6/6- Dr. Simon Katrib, Jackleen Mitri

Happy Anniversary...

6/5- Rainier & Jamilee Bellone

***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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Sunday, June 05, 2022

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