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Second Sunday after Pentecost & Second Sunday of Matthew

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Epistle:

Reflection: On the Divine Liturgy: We Have Seen the True Light Part III

Saint John Chrysostom speaks of those who bring to the stone altar precious offerings, but remain unaware of the living altars that stand in our streets in the form of the poverty stricken. Can we speak of the beauty of God's house as long as it is possible for someone to partake of the Eucharist, then having left the church building, to die of hunger? Can we speak of the fullness of the Church as long as it is possible for someone to be numbered among members of the congregation, without anyone ever paying attention to him or seeking to enter into contact with him? What kind of beauty is this? What kind of fullness?

The last word of the text of the liturgy sets forth in a marvelous way the divine reality which the liturgical signs express as if from beneath a veil. The priest asks Christ our God to have mercy on us and to save us. And he concludes: "for He is good and loves mankind.

The Divine Liturgy engages us vitally and pours out upon us both supreme Goodness and unbounded Love.

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous. The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (2:10-16)

Brethren, glory and honor and peace to everyone who does good, to the Jew first, and also to the Greek; for there is no respect of persons with God. For as many as have sinned without the Law will also perish without the Law;

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St. Matthew. (4:18-23)

At that time, as Jesus was walking by the Sea of Galilee, He saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea;

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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.

Epistle:

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and as many as have sinned under the Law will be judged by the Law (for it is not the hearers of the Law who are just before God but the doers of the Law are justified. For when the nations who do not have the Law do by nature the things contained in the Law, these then, in spite of not having the Law, are a law to themselves, in that they show the work of the Law written in their hearts, and their conscience also bears witness, and their conflicting thoughts accuse or perhaps excuse them) in the day when God judges the secrets of persons, according to my gospel, through Jesus Christ.

Gospel...

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for they were fishermen. And He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed Him. And going on from there He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and He called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him. And He went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the Kingdom and healing every disease and every infirmity among the people.

<u>Condolences</u>

The Clergy and Parishioners of St. George would like to extend their condolences to Michael & Lisa Elias, on the passing on Lisa's aunt, Gemma Disanto, & on the passing on Michael's aunt, Imsira Issa (*Imm Atif*). May they rest in peace, and their memory be eternal.

The Clergy and Parishioners of St. George would like to extend their condolences to the Metry, Muawad, & Conner families, on the passing on Fred Metry. May he rest in peace, and his memory be eternal.

Special Coffee & Donuts sponsorship Cost \$250.00

June 26 - David Sophiea
July 3 - Open
July 10 - Open
Call the church office for sponsorship.



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Holy Bread Of Oblation For Sunday, June 26, 2022

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 Last Sunday offered by father, Dea • For the health and spiritual welfare of Rose dear mother and grandmother, Marie Sophiea, in honor of her 90th offered with love by her children and grandchildren.

- In loving memory of dear husband, and giddo, Marvin Sophiea, offered by Rose Sophiea and family (6
- In loving memory of Lucik Pirali (12 year Obs.), offered by Dr. Sevak & Christina
- In loving memory of Angela Nasr (8 year obs.), offered by Fr. Joseph and Kh. Elen

Special Coffee & Donuts

• This Sunday's coffee & donuts are offered by David Sophiea in celebration of his grandmother's 90th birthday.

Offered but not posted

•Last Sunday's coffee & donuts were offered by Fred Baz in memory of his father, Deacon. Elias Baz.

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 !!

June's Parish Council Meeting

The June Parish Council meeting will be held, Wednesday, June 29th at 6:30 PM.

Attention Parishioners

We would appreciate when you use your church pledge envelope and write your check, if you would place your pledge number on your check. Also, add your name on the envelope. This will help our treasurer and staff in documenting your donation more efficiently. Thank you!

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<u>Happy Birthday</u>....

Rhonda Clark



Happy Anniversary

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May the Lord Jesus Christ bestow his blessings upon them

Welcome

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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\$6,000.00 a month for utilities alone?
<u>DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOU CAN</u> <u>DO TO HELP?</u>
Please use your pledge envelopes regularly and help us meet our

challenges.

Sunday, June 26, 2022

Epistle Readers:

English Reader: Hayat Katrib Arabic Reader: Michel Touma

Ushers and Greeters: Faiz and Raghda Fakhouri, Antoinette Touma, Joanne Ayoub