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Reflection... The Call

The call that our High Priest addresses to those whom He wishes to make collaborators of His unique priestly ministry takes three specific forms.

In the first place, there is a purely visible element, consisting of the commission, the election, the choice, the mandate. These terms are synonymous. This commission refers to the act by which a local Christian community, or the bishop, acting in the name of that community, designates a particular man to exercise the priestly ministry. The priesthood should never be obtained by unworthy means. He who appears to be the best candidate is the one who should be chosen.

The call to the priesthood involves a second aspect which is both visible and invisible: the laying on of hands, otherwise called the "ordination." Priesthood is not conferred simply by majority vote within a Christian community. Through ordination, the new priest must be publicly and officially integrated into the long line of priests upon whom bishops have laid hands. Responsible for transmitting the witness and the faith of the Apostles, the bishop unites the new priest to the apostolic tradition. The rites of ordination give visible expression to this continuity. But such continuity cannot be a merely external factor. The apostolic succession of bishops and priests does not consist simply in a series of ordinations beginning with the earliest days of the Church and continuing down to the present day.



Epistle:

Thou, O Lord, wilt preserve us and keep us from this generation. Save me, O Lord, for the Godly man hath disappeared. St. Paul to the Romans. (12:6-14)

Brethren, having gifts that differ according to the grace that was given to us, let each use them accordingly: whether prophecy, let him prophesy according to the proportion of the faith; or ministry, let him give himself to the ministry; or the teacher, to the teaching;

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Gospel:



St. Matthew. (9:1-8)

At that time, Jesus got into a boat, crossed over and came to His own city. And behold, they brought to Him a paralytic, lying on his bed; and when Jesus saw their faith He said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven."

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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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or he who exhorts, in the exhorting; he who gives, let him do it with simplicity; he who presides, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good. Love one another with brotherly affection; in honor preferring one another; in diligence not slothful; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing steadfastly in prayer; communicating to the necessities of the saints; given to hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless, and do not curse.

Gospel...

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And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—He then said to the paralytic—"Rise, take up your bed and go home." And he rose and went home. When the crowds saw it, they marveled, and they glorified God, Who had given such authority to men.

Coffee & Donuts sponsorship

- We are looking for sponsors sponsors to host. The donation will be \$250 for donuts and coffee and will serve approximately 100 people. We are looking forward to gathering again in fellowship. If you are interested please call the church office @248-589-0480.

Special Coffee & Donuts sponsorship Cost \$250.00

- ♦ August 7—Ghassan Elian
- ♦ August 14—Open
- ♦ August 21—Open
- ♦ August 28- Open
- ♦ ***Call the church office for sponsorship.***

Attention:

- ♦ *If you wish to have your birthday or anniversary listed in the Observer, please call the church office and we will add it. Also, if you are going out of town on vacation or moving, please notify the office so we may change the mailing of the Observer. **Thank You!***

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July's Parish Council Meeting

- The July Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 27th, 2022 at 6:30p.m.

Condolences

- The Clergy and Parishioners of St. George would like to extend their condolences to Laila Abud & V. Rev. Fr. Joe Abud and family, on the passing on of Laila Abud's daughter, Vicki Toma. May she rest in peace, and her memory be eternal.

Offered but not posted

- In loving memory of Imsara Issa (40 day memorial), Miguel Issa & Atiff Issa, Nawal & Jabra Moussa, Manah Tannous, offered by the Issa Family.
- In loving memory of father George Elias, offered by Frank Elias & family.

Monthly Dinner Sponsors:

Thank you all, sincerely, for generous sponsors. The purpose of the monthly dinners is to bring our parishioners together, and break bread, in love and fellowship. Call the church office for arrangements.

Monthly Dinner Schedule for the year

2022-2023

September- Open

October - Open

November - Walid Khalife

December - Mr. George Semaan

January - Open

February - Open

March - Open

April - Mr. & Mrs. Fadi Issa

May - Open

June - Open

Holy Bread Of Oblation
For Sunday, July 24, 2022

◆ In loving memory of mother Rose Baz (6 months memorial), offered by Fred Baz.

Important things to Remember...

- The most useless thing to do: Worry
- The greatest Joy: Giving
- The greatest loss: Loss of self-respect
- The most satisfying work: Helping others
- The ugliest personality trait: Selfishness
- The most endangered species:
Dedicated leaders
- The greatest "shot in the arm":
Encouragement
- The greatest problem to overcome: Fear
- Most effective sleeping pill: Peace of mind
- The most crippling disease: Excuses
- The most powerful force in life: Love
- The most dangerous pariah: A gossip
- The world's most incredible computer:
The human brain
- The worst thing to be without: Hope
- The deadliest weapon: The tongue
- The two most power-filled words: "I Can"
The greatest asset: Faith
- The most worthless emotion: Self-pity
- The most prized possession: Integrity
- The most beautiful attire: A Smile
- The most powerful channel of
communication: Prayer
- The most contagious spirit: Enthusiasm
- The most important of all in life is: GOD

Third Quarter Of Fiscal Year Update

We are into the third quarter of the year. It would be greatly appreciated if you would update your donations to the Archdiocese Dues, General Fund, etc.

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Happy Birthday...

7/23- Evelyn Fadel

7/25- Andrew Mazer

Happy Anniversary

7/24- Ziad & Maha Fakhouri



***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

Do You Know It Costs....

- \$ 60.00 per baptized Soul for Archdiocese dues totaling \$40,000 per year?
- Utilities in June 2022 cost us . \$4200.00 . Help us meet our chalolenge

DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP?

Please use your pledge envelopes **regularly. Thank you!**

Sunday, July 24, 2022

Epistle Readers:

English Reader: Bill Swor

Arabic Reader: Sandy Moussa

***Ushers & Greeters: Angie & Maria Jahshan,
Mina Shammas & David Sophiea***

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