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**Ninth Sunday after Pentecost & Ninth Sunday of Matthew
Forefeast of the Dormition of the Theotokos**

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Reflection...
The Washing of the Feet
Part I

If we look through the Scriptures for a brief summary of the whole of Christ's priestly ministry and of the ministry of every priest, we need simply to read and meditate upon the account of the Last Supper, just before our Lord's Passion. During this solemn moment in the Upper Room, Jesus accomplished two acts essential to the priestly ministry. On the one hand, He shared with His disciples the bread of the Word. In the most compassionate and intimate way, He gave them His final instructions which He concluded by the prayer so appropriately called the "High-Priestly Prayer." On the other hand, He broke the bread and poured the wine that expressed the sacrifice of His own Body and Blood. Thereby He manifested the two major aspects of the priesthood: the priest's relation to the Word of God and his relation to the sacrifice of the Cross. Yet Jesus introduced this double priestly action by another gesture: He washed the feet of His disciples. The washing of feet does not merely signify a necessary purification - take away the dust accumulated along the roadway, take away the errors due to human weakness.



Epistle:

Make your vows and pay them to the Lord our God. God is known in Judaea; His Name is great in Israel. The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (3:9-17)

Brethren, we are God's fellow workers; you are God's husbandry, God's building. According to the grace of God which was given to me,

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Gospel:



St. Matthew. (14:22-34)

At that time, Jesus made the Disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He dismissed the crowds. And after He had dismissed the crowds,

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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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as a wise architect I laid a foundation, and another builds upon it. Let each one take heed how he builds upon it. For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble; everyone's work will become manifest; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire itself will test each one's work of what sort it is. If anyone's work which was built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. If anyone's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, but he himself will be saved, yet so as by fire. Do you not know that you are a temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone corrupts the temple of God, God will corrupt him. For the temple of God is holy, whose temple you are.

Gospel...

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He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray. When evening came, He was there alone, but the Disciples' boat by this time was many furlongs distant from the land, beaten by the waves; for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night He came to them, walking on the sea. But when the Disciples saw Jesus walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. But immediately He spoke to them, saying, "Take heart, it is I; have no fear." And Peter answered Him, "Lord, if it is Thee, bid me come to Thee on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus; but when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out His hand and caught him, saying to him, "O man of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped Him, saying, "Truly, Thou art the Son of God." And when they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret.

Coffee & Donuts sponsorship

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

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Holy Bread Of Oblation

For Sunday, August 14, 2022

- ◆ For the continued blessings of good health and abiding love of Linda and Neal Norgrove, on the occasion of their 56th wedding anniversary, offered by their children.

Special Coffee & Donuts

- ◆ This Sunday's coffee & Donuts are offered by the Norgrove family, for the good health of Neal & Linda Norgrove. May God Grant them many years!

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 the last four spaces..

Monthly Dinner Schedule for the year 2022-2023

September- Open

October—Mr. Bill Swor

November - Mr. & Mrs. Walid Khalife

December - Mr. George Semaan

January - Dr. & Mrs. Adib Moussa

February - Open

March - Mr. & Mrs. Riad Katrib

April - Mr. & Mrs. Fadi Issa

May - Open

June - Open

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the Holy Cross***

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***Please turn into the Church office
by Thursday, September 1st.***

“All Aboard the Titanic”

- ◆ Mark your calendars and plan to set sail with the Ladies Society on **Saturday, October 15 at 12 pm** for a luncheon and exciting presentation about the “Titanic”. Lynn Anderson, professional actress and Titanic historian will share her expertise with us in a most entertaining way. Plan to bring your family and friends for lunch and so much more. Also, please consider being a **sponsor** to help contribute toward expenses. Any contribution would be appreciated. For information, please contact Pat Elian at 313.885.7283 or Janice Gutierrez at 586.978.1903

Attentions Parishioners

- ◆ *Mark Saleh is one of our pharmacists that works for Binson’s Pharmacy. Come and support him and fill your medications with him! He is in Centerline (586) 757-2755.*

Thank You Note!

A special thanks for those who have already responded to our (HV. / AC).

Dr. Elias & Nancy Antypas

Dr. Dima & Carlo Shalhoub

Neal & Linda Norgrove

Ghassan & Pat Elian

Bill Swor

Minerva Basila

Francois Elias

We are presently in the second week of the fasting Period of the mother Mary. Monday and Wednesday, Aug. 8th and 10th we will have the service of the paraklisis. Send us the names of your loved ones so we may remember them during these services.

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Happy Anniversary...

8/13- Neal & Linda Norgrove

***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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Sunday, August 14, 2022

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