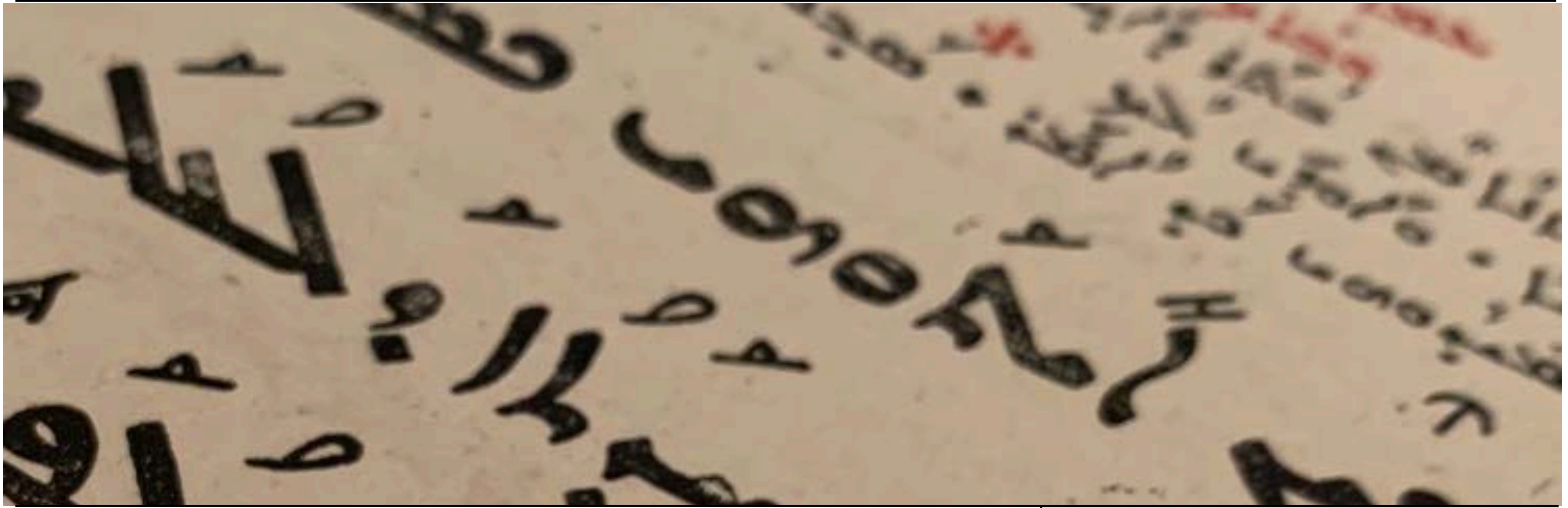


SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST



From the Desk of the Pastor

This week we celebrate the feast of St. Sharbel! But, you may be thinking, didn't we do that in July? Yes, but a different Sharbel - the much newer one! On 5 September the Church celebrates the Feast of St. Sharbel of Edessa and his Sister.

St. Sharbel of Edessa was one of the early martyrs of the Christian religion. He was a pagan priest of Edessa or Raha in what is modern day Turkey who converted to Christianity along with his sister Barabia who was then martyred during the reign of Roman Emperor Decius (AD236-250). He was beheaded by the sword and followed in martyrdom by his sister on 5 September.

In Syriac, *sharbo* **ܫܪܒܘ** is "story" and *El* **ܐܠܗܐ** is "God," so his name translates to "the story of God."

The life and martyrdom of Sharbel of Edessa inspired St. Sharbel Makhlouf to take as his monastic patron this holy martyr who gave his life to spread the story of God to the world. Because of his holy example the Maronite saint Sharbel also lived a life of holiness to give witness to the story of God in his own times. May we take their lives as a pledge to spread that same story with our own lives!



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Rev. Subdeacon Dr. Charles D. Machesky
Rev. Subdeacon Charles J.R. Michael

New to St. George?

Welcome! We are happy to have you worshipping with us! We hope that you will soon call our parish your spiritual home! Please contact the parish office for more information.

CLAP YOUR HANDS, ALL YOU MAIDENS, AND BLESS MARY, THE DAUGHTER OF DAVID, FOR FROM HER WOMB DAWNED THE HOPE AND LIFE FOR MORTALS, AND THEY LIVED AND WERE RENEWED. SHE CAUSED THE SHAME OF EVE, WHO HAD BEEN CURSED, TO PASS AWAY. SHE WOVE AND GAVE TO ADAM A GARMENT; INSTEAD OF THE LEAVES HE PUT ON IN SHAME, SHE GAVE HIM THE ROBE OF GLORY.

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Parish Stewardship

Week of 11-25 August 2024

1st Collection	\$5,501.00
Electronic Giving	\$909.00
Candles	\$195.00
Assumption	\$216.00

Received	\$6,821.00
Budget	\$10,500.00
Difference	-\$3,679.00

Stewardship | 2024 YTD

Received	\$162,969.00
Budget	\$119,000.00
Difference	\$43,969.00

Online stewardship is the easiest and most secure way of contributing to the financial stability and health of our parish. Please consider making your weekly or monthly contributions online. Instructions can be found on the parish website. Thank you for your continued generous support for St. George Church.

Liturgical Schedule

Sat | 4:00 pm

Sun | 8:30 am & 10:30 am

Tue | Vespers | 6:00 pm (var)

Tu - Fri | 8:30 am

Feasts | 7:00 pm

This Week @ St. George

Sat | 31 Aug | 4:00pm

St. Lawrence, M

+ Kherestine Risha

by Ricky & Fran George

Sun | 1 Sep | 8:30am

+ Emiline Elias

by Richard Elias

Sun | 1 Sep | 10:30am

+ Freda Kelly

by Family

Tue | 3 Sep | 8:30am

St. Myron of Cyzicus, M

+ Philip Michael

by Ricky & Fran George

Wed | 4 Sep | 8:30am

Letter of King Agbar to Christ

Intention Available

Thu | 5 Sep | 8:30am

+ Dora Burleson

by Fr. Aaron

Fri | 6 Sep | 8:30am

St. Eutyches of Sebastia, M

Intention Available

Sat | 7 Sep | 4:00pm

St. Titus, One of the 72 Disciples, Ap

+ First Responders of Fayette County

by First Responders Committee of St. George

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>01 Sept 16th Sunday of Pentecost St. Simeon the Stylite, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Emiline Elias</p> <p>Liturgy 10:30am + Freda Kelly</p> <hr/> <p>Amos 5:21-24 Rom 8:18-27 Luke 18:9-14</p>	<p>02 St. Mamma's the Great, M</p> <hr/> <p>Rom 9:14-22 John 12:44-50</p>	<p>03 St. Theodore the Great, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Phil Michael</p> <p>Vespers 6:00pm Bible Study 6:30pm</p> <hr/> <p>Jas 4:1-10 Luke 18:18-23</p>	<p>04 St. Babylas, Patriarch of Antioch, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available</p> <hr/> <p>Jas 4:11-17 Luke 18:24-30</p>	<p>05 St. Sharbel of Edessa & His Sister, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Dora Burleson</p> <hr/> <p>Col 1:1-9 Matt 10:28-33</p>	<p>06 St. Michael the Archangel, An</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available</p> <hr/> <p>Rev 12:7-12 Matt 18:1-10</p>	<p>07 St. Sozon, M</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm + First Responders of Fayette County</p> <hr/> <p>Jas 5:13-20 Luke 19:41-44</p>
<p>08 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Matthew Ryan John & Frank Kennedy</p> <p>Liturgy 10:30am + Ian McKenzie</p> <hr/> <p>Wis 8:1-8 2 Cor 4:1-6 Luke 8:16-21</p>	<p>09 Sts. Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Virgin Mary, C</p> <hr/> <p>Eph 5:22-32 Luke 3:23-38</p>	<p>10 St. Pulcheria the Queen, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available</p> <hr/> <p>1 Tim 1:18-2:7 John 13:31-35</p>	<p>11 St. Theodora of Alexandria, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available</p> <hr/> <p>1 Tim 2:8-15 John 15:12-17</p>	<p>12 St. Cornelius the Centurion, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Kherestine Risha</p> <hr/> <p>1 Tim 3:14:4:5 Matt 22:35-40</p>	<p>13 St. Christopher, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Kathryn Deeds</p> <hr/> <p>1 Tim 3:14-4:5 Luke 6:31-38</p>	<p>14 Exaltation of the Holy Cross</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm + George Unice Jr. + Barbara Unice & Helen Unice Durka</p> <hr/> <p>Exodus 17:8-15 1 Cor 1:18-25 John 12:20-32</p>
<p>15 1st Sunday of Holy Cross St. Shaina, C St. Sassine, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Richard (Rick) Davidson & Agnes (Aggie) Almes</p> <p>Liturgy 10:30am + Bernard T. John</p> <hr/> <p>Deut 17:14-20 2 Tim 2:1-10 Mark 10:35-45</p>	<p>16 St. Cyprian, Bishop of Carthage, M</p> <hr/> <p>Phil 1:1-12 Luke 21:10-19</p>	<p>17 St. Sophia & Her 3 Daughters, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available</p> <p>Vespers 6:00pm Bible Study 6:30pm</p> <hr/> <p>Heb 12:1-9 Mark 4:24-32</p>	<p>18 The Flight of the Lord Jesus to Egypt</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available</p> <hr/> <p>Rev 2:1-7 Mark 9:38-50</p>	<p>19 St. Januarius, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available</p> <hr/> <p>Rev 2:8-11 Mark 10:17-22</p>	<p>20 St. Eustatius & His Wife & Children, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available</p> <hr/> <p>Rev 2:12-17 Mark 10:28-31</p>	<p>21 St. Quadratus, Bishop of Athens, M</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm + George Unice Jr.</p> <hr/> <p>Rev 2:18-29 Matt 20:1-16</p>
<p>22 2nd Sunday of Holy Cross St. Phocas & His Companions, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Elias G. & Harriet Rafail</p> <p>Liturgy 10:30am + Thomas "Duke" & Amy George</p> <hr/> <p>Joel 2:1-16 1 Cor 15:19-34 Matt 24:1-14</p>	<p>23 Jonah the Prophet, C</p> <hr/> <p>Rev 3:1-6 Matt 10:16-22</p>	<p>24 St. Thecla, the First Woman Martyr, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available</p> <hr/> <p>2 Cor 10:1-7 Matt 25:1-13</p>	<p>25 St. Paphnutius the Confessor, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available</p> <hr/> <p>Rev 3:14-22 Matt 12:29-32</p>	<p>26 St. John the Evangelist, Ap</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Philip Michael</p> <hr/> <p>Rev 4:1-11 Matt 12:33-37</p>	<p>27 St. Vincent de Paul, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Fred "Hawk" David</p> <hr/> <p>Rev 5:1-10 Matt 12:38-42</p>	<p>28 St. Chariton, C</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm + Kherestine Risha</p> <hr/> <p>Rev 6:9-17 Matt 12:43-45</p>

PARISH EVENTS, HAPPENINGS, & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome!

We wish a **warm welcome** to all our visitors and to those who already call St. George home. We are happy to have you worshipping with us. Please feel free to introduce yourself to the parish clergy. We hope you will soon make St. George your spiritual home!

Faith Formation

There will be a **mandatory** Parent-Catechist Meeting at 9:30am on **Sunday, 15 September**. Catechists and students will receive a blessing for the new academic year during the 10:30am Liturgy.

Faith Formation classes begin on Sunday, 22 September. All school age children are expected to be enrolled and regularly attending Faith Formation, participating in the MYO, serving the Liturgy (for boys), or in other roles during and outside the liturgy (for girls).

Feast of the Holy Cross

We will celebrate the **Feast of the Holy Cross** with Vespers, traditional bonfire, and potluck reception on **Friday, 13 September at 7:00pm**.

Bible Study

Our Bible Study Program meets twice monthly for **Vespers at 6:00pm followed by Bible Study at 6:30pm**. Our new Bible Study Program will begin on **Tuesday, 3 September** and will cover the **Bible Timeline, The Story of Salvation**. The full schedule for the year is included in the bulletin. Please invite your friends!

Uniontown Rosary Walk

The Annual Rosary Walk will be held on **Sunday, 15 September at 2:00pm**.

Second Collection

A second collection will be taken the weekend of **8 September** for The Catholic University of America.

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Mass for Fayette County's First Responders
7 September 2024 | 4:00pm

Followed by Reception in the Parish Hall sponsored by the Ladies of St. George Church
First Responders are encouraged to attend Mass in uniform.

RSVP by 30 August | 724.880.3138 or 724.437.5589

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St. Sharbel of Edessa



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MEMORIALS

Sanctuary Light

James & Ann Mullen
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Altar Candles

Subdeacon Tom & Amy George
by Alan & Marsha George & Family

Altar Bread & Wine

Ellwood, Freda, & Michael Kelly
by Sherry, Ellwood, Mary, & Families

SACRAMENTAL & PASTORAL CARE

Mysteries of Baptism and Chrismation

Sacramental Preparation is required before a baptism can be scheduled.
We encourage this to happen before the birth of a child.

Mystery of Crowning

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance.
Marriage Preparation is required as part of the process.

Pastoral Care for the Sick

If a loved one is hospitalized, ill, or homebound, please call or email the Parish Office.
For emergencies, please call Father Aaron directly at 315.790.0059.

Religious Education

Faith Formation for both Children and Adults will be available during the academic year.

Confessions

Confessions are held on Saturday from 3:30-3:55pm or by appointment.

Liturgy Intentions

Liturgy Intention scheduling can be made by **contacting the Parish Office** or in the **binder in the narthex**. If you would like to schedule a liturgy for a living or deceased loved one or **any other intention**, please contact the parish office, send a note via mail or collection basket, or email. If you have already scheduled a specific or recurring monthly or yearly liturgy, please remember to send in your stipend before the liturgy is celebrated.

Stewardship

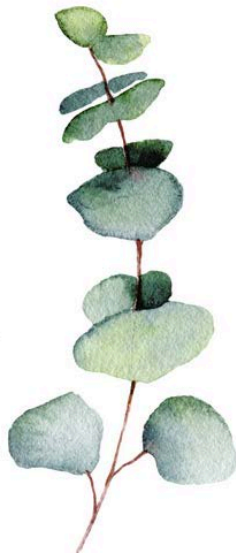
The **Eparchy has raised our monthly parochial assessment and our annual Lenten Bishop's Appeal**. Please prayerfully consider how you can help our parish to continue meeting our obligations to the Bishop and the Eparchy. Scripture tells us that ten percent of everything we have should be used for **the glory of God** and the **benefit of others**, and we suggest that **5% of your tithe be given to the parish** in your offertory donations, **1% be given to the Eparchy in the Lenten Appeal**, and the remaining **4% be given to charities of your choice** including our capital campaigns and building fund.

Collection Counters & Lectors

We are in need of volunteers for collection counters and Old Testament Lectors, and **substitutes** as well. Willing and interested parties are asked to contact the Parish Office.

AREA EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bulletin
Ads



PLEASE CONSIDER HELPING OUR PARISH DEFRAY THE COSTS OF PRINTING THE WEEKLY BULLETIN BY ADVERTISING YOUR BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION. AD SPACE IS AVAILABLE FOR \$250.00 PER YEAR. IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR BUSINESS TO BE REPRESENTED IN OUR BULLETIN AND EBULLETIN PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE.

Maronite Youth Organization

All youth in **Grades 6-12** are encouraged to sign up for MYO. Please call or text Subdeacon Chuck Michael at 724.323.4653. Also, please sign up on Remind to keep up to date with any MYO events and announcements by texting @myo202 to 81010. To be eligible for any Parish Scholarships, or to be recommended for any NAM or Eparchial awards, a child must be a regular communicant at Sunday and Festal liturgies and an active participant in the MYO/Faith Formation program.

Rosary Garden Revitalization

Our **ARS Rosary Garden and Grotto** is nearly 25 years old and in dire need of **revitalization, replanting, and a refocusing** to beautify the area and also provide **security to the campus**. If your family has a current memorialization in the garden **please see Fr. Aaron** or if your family would like to contribute to the revitalization project and would like to make a memorial please see Fr. Aaron or Donna George.

House Cleaner Needed

An **elderly handicapped gentleman** would like to hire someone to **clean his apartment** once a week or twice a month. He is in a motorized wheelchair and needs someone to freshen up his apartment, clean and arrange shelves and refrigerator, and run the sweeper and dust. If interested, or know anyone interested, please call Charles Conko, 724.438.0711 or the parish office.

St. John's Annual Car Show

St. John the Baptist Byzantine Church is hosting its **18th Annual "Classic Car and Truck Show"** on **Sunday, 22 September from 12pm-4:00pm**. They are in need of door prizes, Auction items, and donations. **Please save the date!**



St. George Church Bible Study Schedule

Date	Session (Video Times)
3 Sept 2024	Introduction
17 Sept 2024	1. Finding the Story in Scripture
1 Oct 2024	2. Early World – Part 1 <i>Genesis 1–11</i>
15 Oct 2024	3. Early World – Part 2 <i>Genesis 1–11</i>
12 Nov 2024	4. Patriarchs – Part 1 <i>Genesis 12–50</i>
19 Nov 2024	5. Patriarchs – Part 2 <i>Genesis 12–50</i>
3 Dec 2024	6. Egypt and Exodus – Part 1 <i>Exodus</i>
17 Dec 2024	7. Egypt and Exodus – Part 2 <i>Exodus</i>
7 Jan 2025	8. Desert Wanderings – <i>Numbers</i>
21 Jan 2025	9. Conquest and Judges – Part 1 <i>Joshua; Judges</i>
4 Feb 2025	10. Conquest and Judges – Part 2 <i>Joshua; Judges</i>
18 Feb 2025	11. Royal Kingdom – Part 1 <i>1 Samuel; 2 Samuel; 1 Kings 1–11</i>
4 Mar 2025	12. Royal Kingdom – Part 2 <i>1 Samuel; 2 Samuel; 1 Kings 1–11</i>
18 Mar 2025	13. Divided Kingdom – Part 1 <i>1 Kings 12–22; 2 Kings 1–17</i>
1 Ap 2025	14. Divided Kingdom – Part 2 <i>1 Kings 12–22; 2 Kings 1–16</i>
8 Apr 2025	15. Exile – <i>2 Kings 17–25</i>
6 May 2025	16. Return – <i>Ezra; Nehemiah</i>
20 May 2025	17. Maccabean Revolt – <i>1 Maccabees</i>
3 Jun 2025	18. Messianic Fulfillment – Part 1 <i>Luke</i>
17 Jun 2025	19. Messianic Fulfillment – Part 2 <i>Luke</i>
1 Jul 2025	20. Messianic Fulfillment – Part 3 <i>Luke</i>
15 Jul 2025	21. The Church – Part 1 <i>Acts</i>
5 Aug 2025	22. The Church – Part 2 <i>Acts</i>
19 Aug 2025	23. The Church – Part 3 <i>Acts</i>

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**35th Annual
Unionstown
ROSARY WALK**
Sunday 15 September 2024
2:00pm
Participants meet inside St. George Church
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MARONITE HAPPENINGS AROUND THE STATES



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SAINT GEORGE CHURCH



FRIDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2024 | 7:00PM

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On the mount, Moses showed us the mystery of the cross when he drew up battle lines with his enemies and foes. By it, Amalek was naught and Israel was clothed in great might.

Come, brethren, now let us take refuge in it in true faith and gain salvation.

To Him let us cry always, O Son, crucified for our sake, by Your cross preserve our souls from all harm.

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2024 SAINT GEORGE CHURCH

NIGHT AT THE RACES

SATURDAY
26 OCTOBER

6:00PM

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And the two shall become one.

"May the souls of the faithful departed
rest in the peace of The Lord."

In memory of the deceased members of
the Lebanese Club.



By Mr. Arthur Gabriel

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