ST. GEORGE MARONITE CHURCH

SUNDAY OF HOSANNAS



From the Desk of the Pastor

The rites and liturgies of Passion Week represent some of the most ancient and beautiful prayers and ritual gestures in our Syriac-Maronite patrimony:

Lazarus Saturday precedes Passion Week as a foretaste of the joy of the Resurrection we celebrate on Easter by commemorating Christ's raising of his friend Lazarus from the dead.

Hosanna Sunday, named for the praises sung by the children of Zion, commemorates with great joy the exultant praises offered to our Lord upon His entry into Jerusalem. Churches are decorated with, and are carried in festive procession, palms, olive branches, and other greenery. Upon nightfall, traditionally one of the night watches of the Midnight Office is celebrated. This rite, known as the Arrival to the Harbor, commemorates the arrival of the Church to Christ's Passion - the Harbor of Salvation. During this simple, but beautiful rite, candles are held by the clergy and congregation in a darkened church to welcome the Passion of Our Lord.

On Monday and Tuesday, we will celebrate Vespers, or Evening Prayer. The Divine Office is a cycle of daily prayers prayed by the Church as an extension of the perfect prayer of the Eucharistic Sacrifice. The rich texts and hymns of these hours of prayer draw us ever deeper into the mystery of Christ's Passion.

On Wednesday we will celebrate the Rite of the Lamp, the solemn liturgical form of the Anointing of the Sick. Traditionally, this rite was celebrated by seven priests each praying one of the seven watches of the Rite of the Lamp. After a long vigil of prayer, hymns, and scripture, oil would be blessed and a person (or persons) would be anointed. This is a beautiful expression of our sacramental life and draws attention to the sickness of soul and of body that we all experience as weak and sinful humans.

Thursday is a commemoration of the Mysteries, the Eucharist in particular. In cathedrals, monasteries, and larger parishes a separate rite would be celebrated at another time of the day where the bishop, abbot, or pastor would wash the feet of his clergy in obedience to Christ's mandate to His apostles.

Friday commemorates the Crucifixion of Our Lord with the Presanctified Liturgy celebrated in the morning using the Eucharist consecrated on Holy Thursday and the Adoration of the Cross in the evening commemorating the Burial of Christ.

Saturday of the Light is a day of reconciliation, between Heaven and Earth and between men. We celebrate the Rite of Forgiveness in the morning where we reconcile with one another so that we might celebrate the Peace that was wrought for us by Christ through his Descent to Sheol and his Resurrection from the Dead.

HOW COULD A FOAL CARRY HIM WHOM THE ANGELS BORE WITH FEAR?
ZION DENIES. BUT THE CHURCH CONFESSES THAT SHE WAS SAVED BY HIS LIFE-GIVING DEATH.



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St. George Church is committed to sharing the fullness of the Gospel and living the richness of the Syriac Maronite Tradition through worship, charity, and striving for personal and communal holiness.

Most Reverend Gregory John Mansour Eparchy of St. Maron of Brooklyn

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Rev. Father Aaron J. Sandbothe

Pastor

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Rev. Subdeacon Dr. Mallard T. George 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.

Parish Information

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Parish Stewardship

Week of 17 March 2024

Ist Collection	\$1,692.00
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Electronic Giving \$313.00

Candles \$50.00

Eparchial Lenten Appeal \$200.00

Fish Fry \$2,221.00

Easter Flowers \$405.00

Rice Bowl. \$120.00

Donations \$300.00 Misc Second Collections \$115.00

Received \$5,416.00

Received \$5,416.00 Budget \$3,500.00

Difference \$1,916.00

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Stewardship | 2024 YTD

Received \$49,519.00

Budget \$38,500.00

Difference \$11,019.00

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 | 23 Mar | 10:30am Lazarus Saturday

For the Children of the Parish by Fr. Aaron

Sat | 23 Mar | 4:00pm

St. Rafka

+ Loretta Joseph & Family by Joe T. Joseph

Sun | 24 Mar | 8:30am

St. Artemon, C

+ Shanini George by Joe & Barbara George

Sun | 24 Mar | 10:30am

+ Esther Bena by Dr. Mike & Paula George

Mon | 25 Mar | 8:30am Annunciation of Our Lord

+ Helen Unice Durka by Dr. Mabel and Phillip Howard & Sons

Tue | 26 Mar | 8:30am

St. Gabriel the Archangel + Ronald Sandbothe *by Fr. Aaron*

Wed | 27 Mar | 8:30am

St. Matrona of Thessaloniki, M

+ Jerome S. Toth Sr. & Jerome S. Toth Jr. by Family

Thu | 28 Mar | 7:00pm

St. Philetus & His Wife St. Lydia, & Their Children, M + Departed Priests of St. George Church by Fr Aaron

Sat | 30 Mar | 4:00pm

St. John Climacus, C + Barbara Unice by Bev & Eli George

Sun | 31 Mar | 10:00am

Pope St. Lucius I, M Intentions of Parishioners

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
24 Hosanna Sunday St. Artemon, C Liturgy 8:30am + Shanini George Breakfast 9:30am Liturgy 10:30am + Esther Bena Breakfast 11:30am Vespers & Arrival to the Harbor 7:00pm Zech 9:9-17 Phil 1:1-13 John 12:12-22	25 Announcement to the Mother of God Great Monday Annunciation Liturgy 8:30am +Helen Unice Durka Confessions 6:30pm Vespers 7:00pm	26 Creat Tuesday St. Gabriel the Archangel Liturgy 8:30am + Ronald Sandbothe Confessions 6:30pm Vespers 7:00pm Bible Study 7:30pm	27 Creat Wednesday St. Matrona of Thessaloniki, M Liturgy 8:30am + Jerome S. Toth Sr. & Jerome S. Toth Jr. Rite of the Lamp 7:00pm Fast Heb 2:5-12 John 11:47-54	28 Thursday of the Mysteries St. Philetus & His Wife St. Lydia, & their Children, M Chrism Mass 10am @ Blessed Sacrament Cathedral Greensburg, PA Liturgy 7:00pm Washing of Feet + Departed Priests of St. George Church Fast 1 Cor 11:23-32 John 13:1-20	29 Creat Friday of the Crucifixion St. Cyril of Baalbek, M Signing of the Chalice 8:30am Fish Fry 11-2pm Adoration of the Cross 7:00pm Fast Heb 12:12-21 John 19:31-37 Isaiah 53:7-12 Heb 4:14-16 Luke 23:33-47 John 19:17-30	30 Creat Saturday of the Light St. John Climacus, C Rite of Forgiveness 10:30am Vigil Liturgy of Easter 4:00pm + Barbara Unice Fast Jer 13:31-35 Zech 1:1-6 2 Cor 5:16-21 Matt 18:15-22
31 THE GLORIOUS RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD Pope St. Lucius I, M	O1 APR White Monday St. Mary of Egypt, C	02 White Tuesday St. Aphian & His Brother St. Aedesius, M	03 White Wednesday Isaiah and Ezekiel the Prophets, C	04 White Thursday Pope St. Anicetus, M	05 White Friday St. Robert, C	06 White Saturday St. Marcellinus, M
Liturgy of Easter Sunday 10:00am Intentions of Parishioners		Liturgy 8:30am + Jackie Burleson	Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available	Liturgy 8:30am + Patrina Marinelli Ross	Liturgy 8:30am + Helen Unice Durka	Liturgy 4:00pm + Helen Fetsko
Easter Egg Hunt & Fellowship 11:30am						
Jonah 2:1-11 1 Cor 15:12-26 Mark 16:1-8	1 Cor 15:1-11 Mark 16:9-14	Rom 6:3-11 John 21:1-14	Col 3:1-11 John 21:15-25	Eph 2:1-10 Mark 16:15-18	Rom 10:4-12 Luke 24:36-45	Col 2:8-15 John 20:19-25
07 New Sunday Liturgy 8:30am + Nina Napoleone	08 Nicaea II St. Barlaam, M	09 St. Hermas, M	10 The Miracle of the Icon of Christ in Beirut St. Agabus, C]] St. Antipas, M	12 Sts. Mennas, Hermogenes and Eugraphus, M	13 St. Zosimas, C
MCF 9:20am Liturgy 10:30am Gina Michael & Family & Wellbeing		Liturgy 8:30am + Richard Elias George Sr.	No Liturgy	No Liturgy	Liturgy 8:30am + Joe Faris	Liturgy 4:00pm + Loretta M. Joseph & Family
Isaiah 42:7-12 2 Cor 5:11-21 John 20:26-31	1 Pet 1:1-9 John 20:1-10	1 Pet 1:10-16 John 20:11-18	1 Pet 1:17-21 Matt 28:11-15	1 Pet 1:22-25 Matt 28:16-20	1 Pet 2:1-10 John 2:13-25	1 Pet 2:11-17 Matt 22:41-46
14 3rd Sunday of the Resurrection St. Hermenegild the King, M Liturgy 8:30am + Helen Unice Durka MCF 9:20am Rosary 10:00am Liturgy 10:30am + Elizabeth "Libby" John + Kherestine Rish 40 Day Potluck 11:30am	15 Pope St. Soter, M	16 St. Bernadette Soubirous, C No Liturgy	17 Pope St. Agapitus, C Liturgy 8:30am + John Dimitroff	18 St. Thais the Penitent, C Liturgy 8:30am + Richard Elias George, Sr.	19 St. Timon the Deacon, M Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available	20 St. Nathanael the Hermit, C Liturgy 4:00pm + Helen Unice Durka
Job 42:1-12 2 Tlm 2:8-13 Luke 24:13-35	1 Pet 2:18-25 Luke 24:44-49	1 Pet 3:1-12 John 6:28-33	1 Pet 3:13-22 John 6:34-40		1 Pet 4:12-19 John 6:48-59	1 Pet 5:1-14 John 6:60-71

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!

Eparchial Charities Appeal

The **Eparchial Charities Appeal** is the annual Bishop's Appeal that funds our **seminary**, **helps our retired clergy**, **and funds many initiatives** throughout the eparchy. For 2024 our parish has been assessed a goal of **\$7,500**.



Easter Flowers

For those who would like to do memorialize a loved one for Easter please note that the **Easter**Flower form or Easter Flower envelope is due by

26 March. You may use either the form in the bulletin or the envelope that comes with your weekly contribution envelopes.

Lenten Fish Fry

Our Lenten Fish Fry concludes on Great Friday of the Crucifixion. Lunch will be served from 11:00am-2:00pm. Preorders are available and recommended.

Second Collections

A Second Collection will be taken this weekend for the **Eparchial Charities Appeal**. A second Collection is traditionally taken on **Easter for the Pastor** and on **Great Friday for the Holy Land**. **Thank you** for your generosity!

Liturgy Schedule

Please note the **several** times of the Liturgies and Services of **Passion Week**. We have multiple services each day. Also, **carefully note the Easter Schedule**: **4:00pm on Saturday** and **10:00am on Sunday**. These are the **only** Liturgies that will be celebrated for Faster.

Annunciation of Our Lord

We will celebrate Liturgy for the Feast of the Annunciation of Our Lord on Monday, 25 March at 8:30am.

Great Friday

Please bring **freshly cut flowers** to be placed in the burial shroud for the procession and tomb during the **Adoration of the Cross** on **Great Friday of the Crucifixion.**

Easter Egg Hunt & Refreshments

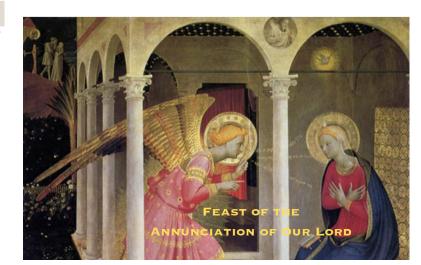
Following the 10:00am Liturgy on Easter Sunday the Children's Easter Egg Hunt will be held and Paschal Refreshments and Fellowship will be held under the Portico of the Church.

Centenary Kickoff Luncheon

Attention Ladies of St. George: We are so excited to begin our planning phase of the 100th Anniversary of the Founding of our Parish! You are cordially invited to a Ladies Luncheon at 11:30am on 7 April in the Parish Hall. Please RSVP to Paula in the Parish Office by 30 March 2024.

Bishop Visit & Potluck

Bishop Gregory will celebrate the **10:30am Liturgy on Sunday, 14 April**. A **potluck social** will follow the 10:30am Liturgy.



PRAYER LIST

Michelle Sante | Lynda Handlin | Teresa Rogers | Aliya Davis | Kimberly Steinmiller | Patty Benson | Leonard W. Neill II | Davey Rusko | Jim Delgreco | Joan Mickey | Josette Shady Abi-Nader | Brooklynn Dennis | Gina Michael | Cookie Shady Benson | Tammy McKenzie | Kamberly George | Lorraine Guynn | Marion Bryson | Eileen Crutchman | Barb Howard Misiak | Helen Adams celebrated. | Tanya Loring Kizner | John Mansberry | Donald George | Larry Hicks | Subdeacon Mallard George | Joe Joseph | Gerry Dawson

MEMORIALS

Sanctuary Light

James & Ann Mullen by Family

Altar Candles

Jerome S. Toth Sr. & Jerome S Toth Jr. by Family

Altar Bread & Wine

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

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

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. Willing and interested parties are asked to contact the Parish Office.

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.

AREA EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hosanna Sunday Breakfast

Breakfast will be served following the Sunday Liturgies this weekend. Breakfast for the children will be served following the 10:30am Liturgy only. This is the Liturgy with the procession, so please bring your children for church and stay for breakfast!

St. Sharbel Spiritual Life Center

The Grand Opening of the **Saint Sharbel Spiritual Life Center** in Pittsburgh will take place on
Saturday, **13 April 2024**. To register online for the
Open House, Dedication, or to purchase tickets for
the Dinner & Concert (\$50 pp), please visit
www.saintsharbelcenter.org. If you would like to
attend the dedication and dinner but need help
with transportation, or if the price of the ticket
would be prohibitive, please contact the Parish
Office.

<u>Confession</u>

Please note the following opportunities for confession before Easter:

Monday, 25 March | 6:30pm

St. George Church | Uniontown

Tuesday, 26 March | 6:30pm

St. George Church | Uniontown

Wednesday, 27 March | 6:30pm

St. George Church | Uniontown

Saturday, 30 March | 10:30am Rite of Forgiveness | Communal Penance

St. George Church | Uniontown

Catholic Men's Retreat

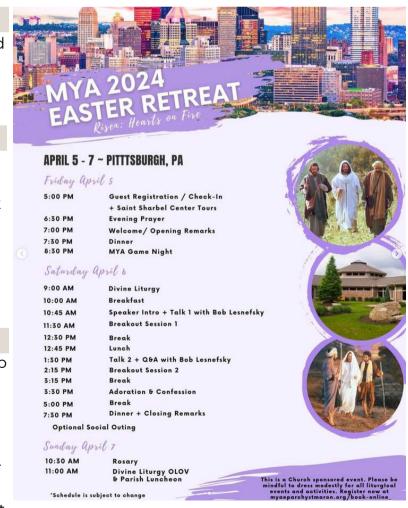
"Into The Wild, Catholic Men's Retreat" will be held **16-19 May** and is sponsored by "The King's Men". This is a fantastic experiential retreat for men. Contact Mike Aesoph for details 724.812.6191.

Monastic Led Pilgrimage

St. Vincent Archabbey's Retreat Office is going abroad with monastic-led pilgrimages. The pilgrimage will follow the **Footsteps of St. Patrick** across the **Emerald Isle of Ireland** by private coach. Pilgrims will be accompanied by Benedictine **Fr. Phillip Kanfush** from **21-29 July**. For more information, contact the retreat office at **svaretreats@gmail.com**.

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.



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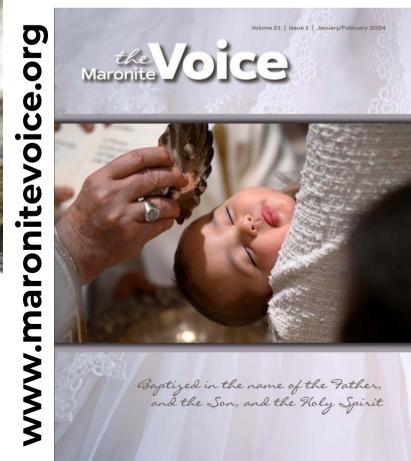
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