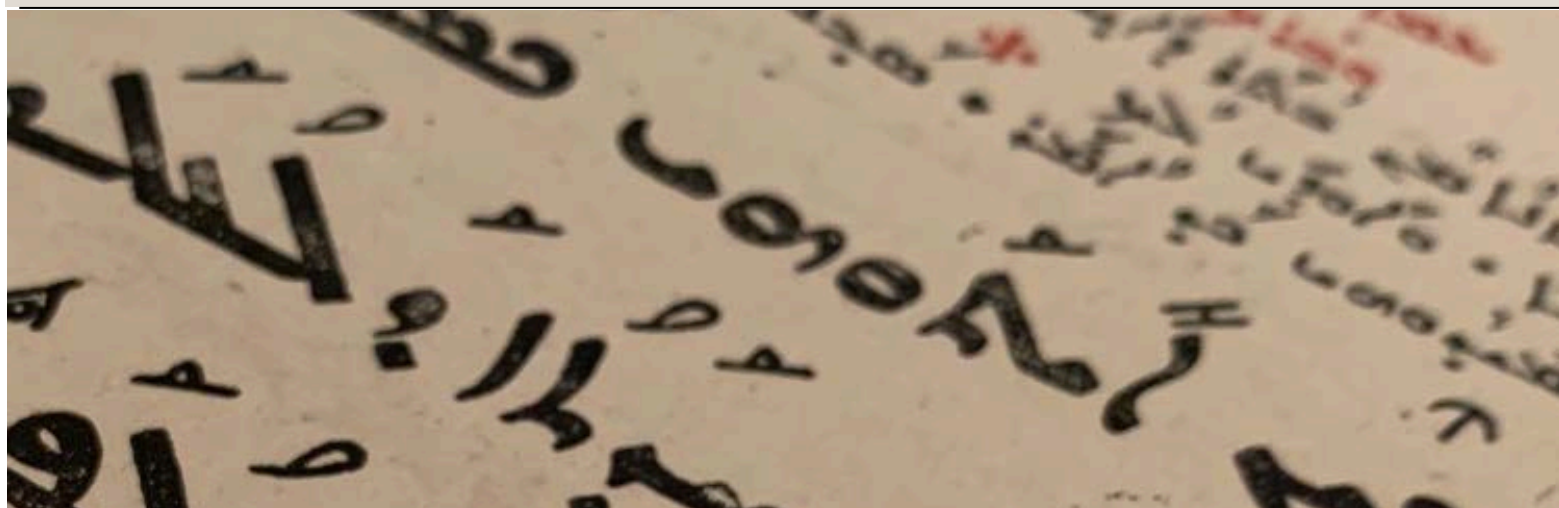


SECOND SUNDAY OF HOLY CROSS



From the Desk of the Pastor

The Syriac Churches sing a hymn on Friday night that prays:

Adam instructed his children of what reason he and Eve were called to depart from Paradise. He spoke to them of his former authority and of his fall and his exile when he was shamed. It is not fitting for the foot that ran to the Tree to tread the Holy Place when it is not clean. It is not right for the hand that plucked the fruit in Eden to wave over the Offering of the Lord. Christ, who came and walked on the earth and uprooted its thorns, by you Adam returned to Paradise.

All of us, by birth, are children of Adam. Because of his fall it is not fitting that Adam's children would minister to the Lord in worship. However, because of the Incarnation and because of the Cross, we are not merely children of Adam.

All Christians, by the new birth of Baptism, are children of the Father once again. This is why Christians may again offer prayer, sacrifice, and worship to God. Adam walked through the Garden to the Tree and plucked Its Fruit leading to Death. Christ walked upon the Earth to the Tree and became Himself the Fruit that we pluck in the Eucharist leading to Life. May we walk always with the Lord towards the Tree of Life, and not follow the footsteps of our father Adam in his path of disobedience, exile, and shame. For the Cross is our refuge, our protection, and our joy!



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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.

O YOU, THRICE-BLEST TREE UPON WHOM WAS STRETCHED OUT THE LORD OF AGES, OLD ADAM WAS MADE NEW BY YOU FOR SECOND ADAM HANGED ON YOU... THE SNAKE MISLED EVE IN EDEN AND GAVE HER THE FRUIT FULL OF DEATH. THEN, FROM MARY, DAUGHTER OF EVE, GREW FOR US THE FRUIT FULL OF LIFE. BY THAT TREE ADAM HAD FALLEN; ON THAT TREE ADAM'S LORD WAS HANGED.

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Parish Stewardship

Week of 15 September 2024

1st Collection	\$1,903.00
Electronic Giving	\$231.00
Candles	\$237.00
Capital Improvement	\$50.00

Received	\$2,421.00
Budget	\$3,500.00
Difference	-\$1,079.00

Stewardship | 2024 YTD

Received	\$171,211.00
Budget	\$129,500.00
Difference	\$41,711.00

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 | 21 Sep | 4:00pm

St. Quadratus, Bishop of Athens, M

+ George Unice, Jr.

by Family

Sun | 22 Sep | 8:30am

St. Phocas & His Companions, M

+ Elias G. & Harriet Rafail

by Family

Sun | 22 Sep | 10:30am

+ Subdeacon Thomas "Duke" & Amy George

by Ernie & Corrine Monaco

Tue | 24 Sep | 8:30am

St. Thecla, the First Woman Martyr, M

Intention Available

Wed | 25 Sep | 8:30am

St. Paphnutius the Confessor, C

Intention Available

Thu | 26 Sep | 8:30am

St. John the Evangelist, Ap

+ Philip Michael

by Jim & Kim Michael

Fri | 27 Sep | 8:30am

St. Vincent de Paul, C

+ Fred "Hawk" David

by Patricia Joseph

Sat | 28 Sep | 4:00pm

St. Chariton, C

+ Kherestine Risha

by Shirley Sokol

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>22 2nd Sunday of Holy Cross St. Phocas & His Companions, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Elias G. & Harriet Rafail</p> <p>MCF 9:20am</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> <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>
<p>29 3rd Sunday of Holy Cross St. Romanos, or Rouhanna the Cantor, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Helen & Dan Zamora</p> <p>MCF 9:20am</p> <p>Liturgy 10:30am + Kherestine Risha</p> <p>Ladies Guild 11:30am</p> <hr/> <p>Dan 7:9-14 Phil 3:17-4:1 Matt 24:23-31</p>	<p>30 St. Gregory the Illuminator, M</p> <p>Rev 7:9-17 Matt 24:32-44</p>	<p>01 OCT</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available</p> <p>Vespers 6:00pm Bible Study 6:30pm</p> <hr/> <p>Rev 10:1-11 Luke 6:20-26</p>	<p>02 Sts. Cyprian & Justina, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Loretta M. Joseph & Family</p> <p>Pastoral Life Council 7:00pm</p> <hr/> <p>Heb 10:32-39 Matt 24:3-14</p>	<p>03 St. Dionysius the Areopagite, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Kherestine Risha</p> <hr/> <p>Rev 12:1-12 Luke 21:34-38</p>	<p>04 St. Francis of Assisi, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Fred "Hawk" David</p> <hr/> <p>Rev 13:1-18 John 5:17-23</p>	<p>05 St. Paul the Simple, C</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm + Philip Michael</p> <p>Blessing of Animals 5:00pm</p> <hr/> <p>Rev 14:1-13 John 5:24-30</p>
<p>06 4th Sunday of Holy Cross St. Thomas the Apostle, Ap</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am +Helen Unice Durka <i>One Year Memorial</i> + Helen Sloboda</p> <p>MCF 9:20am</p> <p>Liturgy 10:30am Living Members of the Altar Rosary Society</p> <hr/> <p>Gen 41:38-44 1 Thes 5:1-11 Matt 24:45-51</p>	<p>07 Sts. Sarkis & Bacchus, M</p> <p>2 Cor 4:70-15 Mark 13:9-13</p>	<p>08 St. Pelagia of Antioch, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available</p> <p>Funeral 11:00am + Goldie Faris</p> <hr/> <p>Rev 18:1-8 John 16:20-24</p>	<p>09 St. James, Brother of the Lord, Ap</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available</p> <hr/> <p>2 Cor 5:20-6:7 Luke 6:12-19</p>	<p>10 St. Eulampius & His Sister Eulampia, & Their Companions, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Esther Bena</p> <hr/> <p>Rev 21:1-14 Luke 13:6-9</p>	<p>11 St. Phillip the Deacon, C Nicaea I</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Palmar Sabatine, Jr.</p> <hr/> <p>Rev 21:22-22:5 Luke 15:3-7</p>	<p>12 St. Edno, M</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm + John R. Joseph <i>Birthday Remembrance</i></p> <hr/> <p>Rev 22:16-21 Luke 15:8-10</p>
<p>13 5th Sunday of Holy Cross Sts. Carpus & Papyrus, & Their Companions, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Lorraine George</p> <p>MCF 9:20am</p> <p>Liturgy 10:30am +Helen Unice Durka</p> <hr/> <p>Song 5:2-8 Phil 2:12-18 Matt 25:1-13</p>	<p>14 St. Isaiah. the Monk, C</p> <p>Rom 6:18-23 Matt 10:28-33</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available</p> <p>Vespers 6:00pm Bible Study 6:30pm</p> <hr/> <p>1 Cor 1:10-17 Luke 18: 1-8</p>	<p>16 St. Longinus the Centurion, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available</p> <hr/> <p>1 Cor 1:26-31 Luke 19:11-28</p>	<p>17 Sts. Cosmas & Damian, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Kherestine Risha</p> <hr/> <p>1 Cor 3:10-23 Mark 4:21-25</p>	<p>18 St. Luke the Evangelist, Ap</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Fred "Hawk" David</p> <hr/> <p>2 Cor 8:16-22 Luke 10:1-7</p>	<p>19 St. Aaron of Antioch, M</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm + John R. Joseph + Nancy Faris <i>Forty Day Memorial</i></p> <p>Trunk or Treat 5:00pm</p> <hr/> <p>Rev 7:9-17 Matt 10:16-22</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

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).

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 continue on **Tuesday, 1 October** 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!

Massabki Martyrs Luncheon

In celebration of the **Massabki Brothers Canonization** we will have a luncheon at 11:30am on **20 October in the Parish Hall.** Please **RSVP by 15 October**, directly to the Parish Office.

Uniontown Rosary Walk

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

Blessing of Animals

We will have a **Blessing of Animals** at **5:00pm** on **Saturday, 5 October** in honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. The blessing will be offered under the Portico of the Church following the Vigil Liturgy.

Trunk or Treat

Our annual **Trunk or Treat** will be held on **Saturday, 19 October at 5:00pm.** Donations for a small dinner would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Danita if you are able to help!

Ladies Guild Meeting

The **Ladies Guild** will meet on **Sunday, 29 September at 11:30am.**

20 Oct MASSABKI MARTYRS
Canonization Celebration

10.30 am: Divine Liturgy
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by Family

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

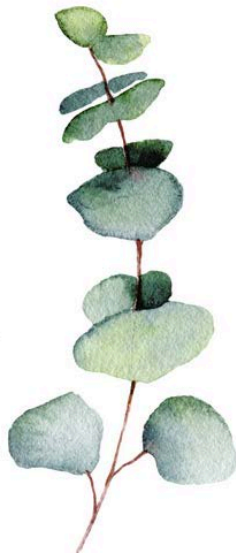
The **Eparchy has raised our monthly parochial assessment and our annual Lenten Bishop's Appeal**. Please prayerfully consider how you can help our parish to continue meeting our obligations to the Bishop and the Eparchy. Scripture tells us that ten percent of everything we have should be used for **the 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
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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 Apr 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>

Order of St. Sharbel

13 October is **Order of St. Sharbel Sunday** where the Eparchy encourages new enrollment in the Order. The Order of St. Sharbel is vitally important in providing **spiritual and financial support** for our seminarians, who are crucial for the future of our Maronite Church. This year we have **three men preparing for the priesthood** for our Eparchy. Please prayerfully consider joining the Order. You may enroll online at www.orderstsharbel.org or ask Abouna for more information.

MARONITE HAPPENINGS AROUND THE STATES

TRUNK OR TREAT

19 OCTOBER 2024 | 5 PM
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Blessing of Animals | Saturday 5 Oct @ 5pm

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