



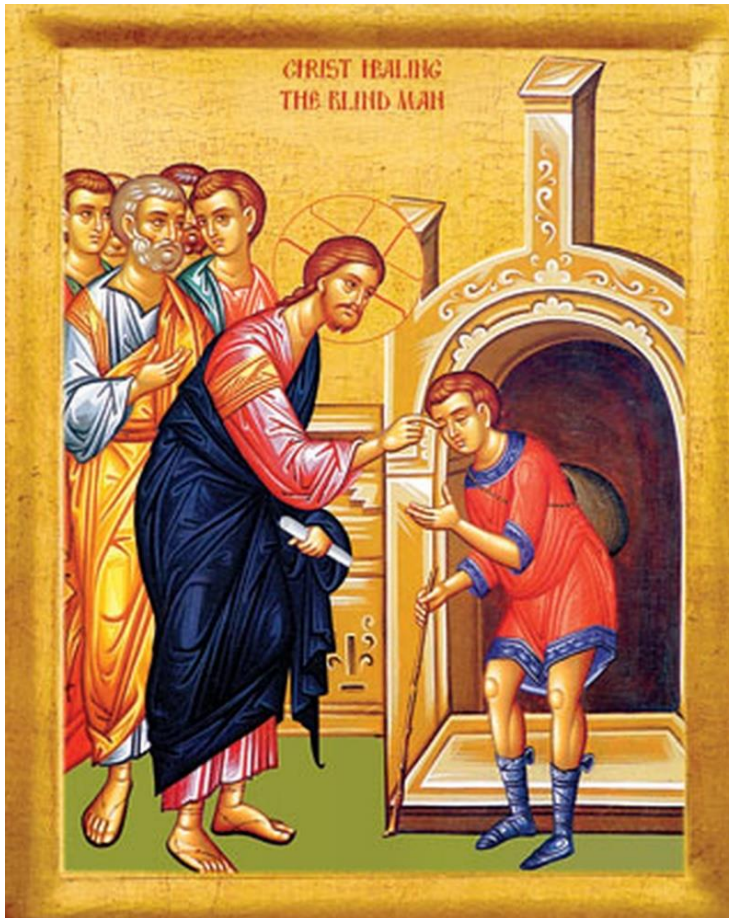
SUNDAY BULLETIN

Saint George Greek Orthodox Church
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Sunday of the Blind Man

May 24, 2020

ΧΡΙΣΤΟΣ ΑΝΕΣΤΗ!



CHRIST IS RISEN!

Today we celebrate Sunday of the Blind Man, Symeon the Stylite of the Mountain
Saint Vincent of Lerins, Meletios the Commander & his Companion Martyrs



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Memorial Day 2020

Today, we honor all the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military.

A special Trisagion will be chanted for all the departed souls of the servants of God in church today. Due to current restrictions, we will not be gathering at the Cemetery on Memorial Day.

**LIGHT A
CANDLE**

**PRAYERS FOR
THE LIVING**

**PRAYERS FOR
THE DECEASED**



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Archiepiscopal Visit

St. George, Schenectady

Saturday, June 6, 2020

6:30 PM Great Vespers for
Holy Pentecost

St. George welcomes
His Eminence Archbishop
Elpidophoros



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Upcoming Service Schedule 2020 Streaming Services

1. [To watch our services online click here.](#) The faithful are asked to worship from home.
2. [To follow along with the service texts at Ages DCS click here.](#)
3. **Our Book Club Will Continue via Conference Call on Mondays at 6:30pm.**
Dial-in number: (605) 313-5963 Access code: 572515
Sundays Services: Orthros: 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy: 10:00 AM

May

[Sunday, May 24](#) – Sunday of the Blind Man –
Memorial Day weekend

* 9am Orthros & 10am Divine Liturgy

[Tuesday, May 26](#) – Apodosis of Pascha -
Ἀπόδοσις τῆς Εορτῆς τοῦ Πάσχα

* 9:30pm Orthros & 10:45pm Divine Liturgy –
12:30am (night service)

[Thursday, May 28](#) – Holy Ascension

* 9am Orthros & 10am Divine Liturgy
* 5:30pm Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary

[Sunday, May 31](#) – Sunday Fathers of the 1st
Council

* 9am Orthros & 10am Divine Liturgy

[Monday, June 1](#)

* 6:30pm Bible Study/ Book Club Conference
Call (Dial-in number above)

June

[Thursday, June 4](#)

* 5:30pm Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary

[Saturday, June 6](#) – The Saturday of Souls

* 9am Orthros & 10am Divine Liturgy &
Memorial service

*6:30pm Great Vespers- His Eminence
Archbishop Elpidophoros of America
Presiding

[Sunday, June 7](#) – Holy Pentecost

* 9am Orthros & 10am Divine Liturgy &
Kneeling Vespers



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Parish Update on Reopening

Dear Brothers and sisters,

I am writing today to share an update on the status of St. George reopening. This past week, by the Grace of God, we started to receive guidance from both the state and the Archdiocese about starting to safely reopen churches. Multiple directives have been issued pertaining to strict details and procedures to implement, and we understand they are subject to change at any time. The Parish Council and I have been monitoring and discussing the situation on a regular basis and will be carefully considering the newly released guidance as we plan a safe and incremental reopening of St. George. Please be assured that the safety of our parishioners and staff is our highest priority now and, in the weeks ahead.

As of today, our church remains closed for group worship. The faithful are asked to continue worshiping from their homes via Facebook and digital means. Each church faces the challenge of deciding how to proceed and how quickly. As we long to be together again in prayer worship and fellowship, patience and prudence remain important in ensuring everyone's safe return. We ask that all remain patient as the Parish Council and I determine a safe plan of action.

We must make sure our staff and ushers are ready to accommodate our parish for the new safety measures we are required to strictly enforce. We will keep the flow of information coming as the situation progresses, with the understanding that directives received to date might change again. When the time to reopen does arrive, we ask all to humbly consider those who are most vulnerable in the parish and to assist in taking extra precautions.

These times are certainly challenging for all. The leadership team at St. George is dedicated to performing its duties and managing this situation the best it can within the given parameters. We are also here to support you spiritually. If you would like to come to the Church for quiet prayer as an individual or as a family, please call me or the Church Office to schedule a time and to discuss safety protocols. 518-393-0742

God bless you and we hope to see you very soon.

Xristos Anesti!

Respectfully,

Fr. Neofitos and the St. George parish council



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Today in Church

We commemorate the 40-day memorial for Spiro Mikropoulos. May his memory be eternal.
We commemorate the 40-day memorial for Ioannis Falidas. May his memory be eternal.
We commemorate the 13-year memorial for Greg Georgelos. May his memory be eternal.
We commemorate the 102-year memorial for Alex Halaburda.

The Altar Vigil Lamp Candle – Ακοίμητον is offered by Roubina Morgan.
The Communion wine and Altar Vigil Lamp Candle – Ακοίμητον are offered by Maria, Vasilios, and Kiriaki Tzoumas for the health of their family.

An Artoklasia is offered by Thomas and Kathy Chupka in honor of the feast of St. George.

Honoring our Graduates – June 14

Dear Graduates and Parents of Graduates,

Xristos Anesti!

On June 14, 2020, we will proudly honor our Graduates. These individuals deserve our love and support, ESPECIALLY this difficult year. Let us show our Christlike love and “embrace” them as a community.

We need your help:

1. Please send us a short bio (no more than 50 words) of the senior graduate. Include their name, where they are graduating from, and where they will be attending next year. Also, if there are any other special accolades to be highlighted. Below is an example.
2. Please send us a photo (a professional digital photo would be preferable).

Bio example:

Theodore "Teddy" Angelo Capsis is graduating from Chaminade High school. He is a member of the National Honor Society and has played Orchestra String Bass for four years. Teddy played Varsity Football and Baseball. He will be attending Holy Cross on a full athletic scholarship in football.

Please email all items to Fr. Neofitos at frneofitos@saintgeorgegoc.com no later than Monday, June 8. *Any information received after the June 8 might not be included in our bulletin.*

We wish them well in life and pray for Christ to guide their path.

Respectfully,

Fr. Neofitos and the St. George parish council



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Hymns of the Day

Resurrectional Apolytikion

Τὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι,
.τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν,
ἀνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν, ὅτι
ἠὺδοκῆσε σαρκί, ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ, καὶ
θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγείραι τοὺς τεθνεῶτας,
ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ Ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ

Apolytikion of St. George

Ὡς τῶν αἰχμαλώτων ελευθερωτῆς, καὶ τῶν
πτωχῶν υπερασπιστῆς, ἀσθενούντων ἰατρός,
βασιλέων υπέρμαχος, τροπαιοφόρε
μεγαλομάρτυς Γεώργιε, πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ
Θεῷ θῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Κοντάκιον τοῦ Πάσχα

Εἰ καὶ ἐν τάφῳ κατήλθες Ἀθάνατε, ἀλλὰ τοῦ
ἄδου καθεῖλες τὴν δύναμιν· καὶ ἀνέστης ὡς
νικητῆς, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, γυναιξὶ Μυροφόροις
φθενγᾶμενος, Χαίρετε, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις
εἰρήνην δωρούμενος, ὁ τοῖς πεσοῦσι παρέχων
ἀνάστασιν.

Resurrectional Apolytikion

Let us worship the Word who is unoriginate *
with the Father and the Spirit, and from a
Virgin was born * for our salvation, O believers,
and let us sing His praise. * For in His goodness
He was pleased * to ascend the Cross in the
flesh, and to undergo death, * and to raise up
those who had died, * by His glorious
Resurrection.

Apolytikion of St. George

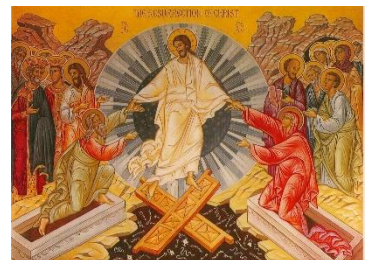
Liberator of captives, defender of the Poor,
physician of the sick, and champion of kings, O
trophy-bearer, Great Martyr George, intercede
with Christ God that our souls be saved.

Kontakion of Pascha

Though You went down into the tomb, O
Immortal One, yet You brought down the
dominion of Hades; and You rose as the victor,
O Christ our God; and You called out "Rejoice"
to the Myrrh-bearing women, and gave peace
to Your Apostles, O Lord who to the fallen grant
resurrection.

This is the last Sunday we chant ΧΡΙΣΤΟΣ ΑΝΕΣΤΗ and CHRIST IS RISEN. Join us as we close the Paschal season with the Resurrection Midnight service on Tuesday night at 9:30pm.

**This Tuesday, May 26 – Leavetaking of Pascha -
Ἀπόδοσις τῆς Εορτῆς τοῦ Πάσχα
* 9:30pm Orthros & 10:45pm Divine Liturgy –
12:30am (night service)**





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Epistle and Gospel Readings

The Epistle According to Acts 16:16-34

Ἐν ταῖς ἡμέραις ἐκείναις, ἐγένετο πορευομένων ἡμῶν τῶν Ἀποστόλων εἰς προσευχὴν παιδίσκην τινὰ ἔχουσαν πνεῦμα Πύθωνος ἀπαντῆσαι ἡμῖν, ἧτις ἐργασίαν πολλὴν παρεῖχεν τοῖς κυρίοις αὐτῆς μαντευομένη. Αὕτη κατακολουθοῦσα τῷ Παύλῳ καὶ ἡμῖν ἔκραζε λέγουσα· Οὗτοι οἱ ἄνθρωποι δοῦλοι τοῦ Θεοῦ τοῦ ὑψίστου εἰσὶν, οἵτινες καταγγέλλουσιν ὑμῖν ὁδὸν σωτηρίας. Τοῦτο δὲ ἐποίει ἐπὶ πολλὰς ἡμέρας. Διαπονηθεὶς δὲ Παῦλος καὶ ἐπιστρέψας τῷ πνεύματι εἶπε· Παραγγέλλω σοι ἐν ὀνόματι Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ ἐξελθεῖν ἀπ' αὐτῆς· καὶ ἐξῆλθεν αὐτῇ τῇ ὥρᾳ. Ἴδόντες δὲ οἱ κύριοι αὐτῆς ὅτι ἐξῆλθεν ἡ ἐλπίς τῆς ἐργασίας αὐτῶν ἐπιλαβόμενοι τὸν Παῦλον καὶ τὸν Σίλαν εἴλκυσαν εἰς τὴν ἀγορὰν ἐπὶ τοὺς ἄρχοντας, καὶ προσαγαγόντες αὐτοὺς τοῖς στρατηγοῖς εἶπον· Οὗτοι οἱ ἄνθρωποι ἐκταράσσουσιν ἡμῶν τὴν πόλιν Ἰουδαῖοι ὑπάρχοντες, καὶ καταγγέλλουσιν ἔθνη ἃ οὐκ ἔξεστιν ἡμῖν παραδέχεσθαι οὐδὲ ποιεῖν Ῥωμαίοις οὕσι. Καὶ συνεπέστη ὁ ὄχλος κατ' αὐτῶν, καὶ οἱ στρατηγοὶ περιρῆξαντες αὐτῶν τὰ ἱμάτια ἐκέλευον ῥαβδίζειν, πολλὰς τε ἐπιθέντες αὐτοῖς πληγὰς ἔβαλον εἰς φυλακὴν, παραγγείλαντες τῷ δεσμοφύλακι ἀσφαλῶς τηρεῖν αὐτοὺς· ὃς παραγγελίαν τοιαύτην εἰληφώς, ἔβαλεν αὐτοὺς εἰς τὴν ἐσωτέραν φυλακὴν καὶ τοὺς πόδας ἠσφαλίσατο αὐτῶν εἰς τὸ ξύλον. Κατὰ δὲ τὸ μεσονύκτιον Παῦλος καὶ Σίλας προσευχόμενοι ὕμνουσαν τὸν Θεόν, ἐπηκροῶντο δὲ αὐτῶν οἱ δέσμιοι· ἄφνω δὲ σεισμός ἐγένετο μέγας ὥστε σαλευθῆναι τὰ θεμέλια τοῦ δεσμοτηρίου, ἀνεψώθησάν τε παραχρῆμα αἱ θύραι πάσαι, καὶ πάντων τὰ δεσμὰ ἀνέθη. Ἐξυπνος δὲ γενόμενος ὁ δεσμοφύλαξ καὶ ἰδὼν ἀνεφωγμένας τὰς θύρας τῆς φυλακῆς, σπασάμενος τὴν μάχαιραν ἔμελλεν ἑαυτὸν ἀναιρεῖν, νομιζὼν ἐκπεφευγῆναι τοὺς δεσμίους. Ἐφώνησε δὲ φωνῇ μεγάλῃ ὁ Παῦλος λέγων· Μηδὲν πράξης σεαυτῷ κακόν· ἅπαντες γὰρ ἔσμεν ἐνθάδε. Αἰτήσας δὲ φῶτα εἰσεπήδησε, καὶ ἔντρομος γενόμενος προσέπεσεν τῷ Παύλῳ καὶ τῷ Σίλᾳ, καὶ προαγῶν αὐτοὺς ἔξω ἔφη· Κύριοι, τί με δεῖ ποιεῖν ἵνα σωθῶ; Οἱ δὲ εἶπον· Πίστευσον ἐπὶ τὸν Κύριον Ἰησοῦν, καὶ σωθήσῃ σὺ καὶ ὁ οἶκός σου. Καὶ ἐλάλησαν αὐτῷ τὸν λόγον τοῦ Κυρίου καὶ πᾶσι τοῖς ἐν τῇ οἰκίᾳ αὐτοῦ. Καὶ παραλαβὼν αὐτοὺς ἐν ἐκείνῃ τῇ ὥρᾳ τῆς νυκτὸς ἔλουσεν ἀπὸ τῶν πληγῶν, καὶ ἔβαπτίσθη αὐτὸς καὶ οἱ αὐτοῦ πάντες παραχρῆμα, ἀναγαγὼν τε αὐτοὺς εἰς τὸν οἶκον αὐτοῦ παρέθηκε τράπεζαν, καὶ ἠγαλλίασατο πανοικεῖ πεπιστευκῶς τῷ Θεῷ.

In those days, as we apostles were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners much gain by soothsaying. She followed Paul and us, crying, "These men are servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation." And this she did for many days. But Paul was annoyed, and turned and said to the spirit, "I charge you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of gain was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market place before the rulers; and when they had brought them to the magistrates they said, "These men are Jews and they are disturbing our city. They advocate customs which it is not lawful for us Romans to accept or practice." The crowd joined in attacking them; and the magistrates tore the garments off them and gave orders to beat them with rods. And when they had inflicted many blows upon them, they threw them into prison, charging the jailer to keep them



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safely. Having received this charge, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks. But about midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and every one's fetters were unfastened. When the jailer woke and saw that the prison doors were open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul cried with a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." And he called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas, and brought them out and said, "Men, what must I do to be saved?" And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all that were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their wounds, and he was baptized at once, with all his family. Then he brought them up into his house, and set food before them; and he rejoiced with all his household that he had believed in God.

The Gospel According to Jn. 9:1-38

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκεῖνῳ παράγων ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἶδεν ἄνθρωπον τυφλὸν ἐκ γενετῆς· καὶ ἠρώτησαν αὐτὸν οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ λέγοντες· Ραββί, τίς ἤμαρτεν, οὗτος ἢ οἱ γονεῖς αὐτοῦ, ἵνα τυφλὸς γεννηθῆ; ἀπεκρίθη Ἰησοῦς· Οὐτε οὗτος ἤμαρτεν οὔτε οἱ γονεῖς αὐτοῦ, ἀλλ' ἵνα φανερωθῆ τὰ ἔργα τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐν αὐτῷ. ἐμὲ δεῖ ἐργάζεσθαι τὰ ἔργα τοῦ πέμψαντός με ἕως ἡμέρα ἐστίν· ἔρχεται νύξ ὅτε οὐδεὶς δύναται ἐργάζεσθαι. ὅταν ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ ᾧ, φῶς εἰμι τοῦ κόσμου. ταῦτα εἰπὼν ἔπτυσεν χαμαὶ καὶ ἐποίησε πηλὸν ἐκ τοῦ πύσματος, καὶ ἐπέχρισε τὸν πηλὸν ἐπὶ τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς τοῦ τυφλοῦ καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ· Ὑπαγε νίψαι εἰς τὴν κολυμβήθραν τοῦ Σιλωάμ, ὃ ἐρμηνεύεται ἀπεσταλμένος. ἀπήλθεν οὖν καὶ ἐνίψατο, καὶ ἦλθε βλέπων. Οἱ οὖν γείτονες καὶ οἱ θεωροῦντες αὐτὸν τὸ πρότερον ὅτι τυφλὸς ἦν, ἔλεγον· Οὐχ οὗτός ἐστιν ὁ καθημένος καὶ προσαιτῶν; ἄλλοι ἔλεγον ὅτι οὗτός ἐστιν· ἄλλοι δὲ ὅτι ὁμοῖος αὐτῷ ἐστιν. ἐκεῖνος ἔλεγεν ὅτι ἐγὼ εἰμι. ἔλεγον οὖν αὐτῷ· Πῶς ἀνεώχθησάν σου οἱ ὀφθαλμοί; ἀπεκρίθη ἐκεῖνος καὶ εἶπεν· Ἄνθρωπος λεγόμενος Ἰησοῦς πηλὸν ἐποίησε καὶ ἐπέχρισέ μου τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς καὶ εἶπέ μοι· Ὑπαγε εἰς τὴν κολυμβήθραν τοῦ Σιλωάμ καὶ νίψαι· ἀπελθὼν δὲ καὶ νιψάμενος ἀνέβλεψα. εἶπον οὖν αὐτῷ· Ποῦ ἐστιν ἐκεῖνος; λέγει· Οὐκ οἶδα. Ἄγουσιν αὐτὸν πρὸς τοὺς Φαρισαίους, τὸν ποτε τυφλόν. ἦν δὲ σάββατον ὅτε τὸν πηλὸν ἐποίησεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς καὶ ἀνέωξεν αὐτοῦ τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς. πάλιν οὖν ἠρώτων αὐτὸν καὶ οἱ Φαρισαῖοι πῶς ἀνέβλεψεν. ὁ δὲ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· Πηλὸν ἐπέθηκέ μου ἐπὶ τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς, καὶ ἐνιψάμην, καὶ βλέπω. ἔλεγον οὖν ἐκ τῶν Φαρισαίων τινές· Οὗτος ὁ ἄνθρωπος οὐκ ἔστι παρὰ τοῦ Θεοῦ, ὅτι τὸ σάββατον οὐ τηρεῖ. ἄλλοι ἔλεγον· Πῶς δύναται ἄνθρωπος ἁμαρτωλὸς τοιαῦτα σημεῖα ποιεῖν; καὶ σχίσμα ἦν ἐν αὐτοῖς. λέγουσι τῷ τυφλῷ πάλιν· Σὺ τί λέγεις περὶ αὐτοῦ, ὅτι ἠνοιξέ σου τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς; ὁ δὲ εἶπεν ὅτι προφήτης ἐστίν. οὐκ ἐπίστευον οὖν οἱ Ἰουδαῖοι περὶ αὐτοῦ ὅτι τυφλὸς ἦν καὶ ἀνέβλεψεν, ἕως ὅτου ἐφώνησαν τοὺς γονεῖς αὐτοῦ τοῦ ἀναβλέψαντος καὶ ἠρώτησαν αὐτοὺς λέγοντες· Οὗτός ἐστιν ὁ υἱὸς ὑμῶν, ὃν ὑμεῖς λέγετε ὅτι τυφλὸς ἐγεννήθη; πῶς οὖν ἄρτι βλέπει; ἀπεκρίθησαν δὲ αὐτοῖς οἱ γονεῖς αὐτοῦ καὶ εἶπον· Οἶδαμεν ὅτι οὗτός ἐστιν ὁ υἱὸς ἡμῶν καὶ ὅτι τυφλὸς ἐγεννήθη· πῶς δὲ νῦν βλέπει οὐκ οἶδαμεν, ἢ τίς ἠνοιξεν αὐτοῦ τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς ἡμεῖς οὐκ οἶδαμεν· αὐτὸς ἡλικίαν ἔχει, αὐτὸν ἐρωτήσατε, αὐτὸς περὶ ἑαυτοῦ λαλήσει. ταῦτα εἶπον οἱ γονεῖς αὐτοῦ, ὅτι ἐφοβοῦντο τοὺς Ἰουδαίους· ἥδη γὰρ συνετέθειντο οἱ Ἰουδαῖοι ἵνα, ἐάν τις ὁμολογήσῃ Χριστὸν, ἀποσυνάγωγος γένηται. διὰ τοῦτο οἱ γονεῖς αὐτοῦ εἶπον ὅτι ἡλικίαν ἔχει, αὐτὸν ἐρωτήσατε. Ἐφώνησαν οὖν ἐκ



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δευτέρου τὸν ἄνθρωπον ὃς ἦν τυφλός, καὶ εἶπον αὐτῷ· Δὸς δόξαν τῷ Θεῷ· ἡμεῖς οἶδαμεν ὅτι ὁ ἄνθρωπος οὗτος ἀμαρτωλός ἐστιν. ἀπεκρίθη οὖν ἐκεῖνος καὶ εἶπεν· Εἰ ἀμαρτωλός ἐστιν οὐκ οἶδα· ἔν οἶδα, ὅτι τυφλός ὢν ἄρτι βλέπω. εἶπον δὲ αὐτῷ πάλιν· Τί ἐποίησέ σοι; πῶς ἤνοιξέ σου τοὺς ὀφθαλμούς; ἀπεκρίθη αὐτοῖς· Εἶπον ὑμῖν ἤδη, καὶ οὐκ ἠκούσατε· τί πάλιν θέλετε ἀκούειν; μὴ καὶ ὑμεῖς θέλετε αὐτοῦ μαθηταὶ γενέσθαι; ἐλοιδόρησαν αὐτὸν καὶ εἶπον· Σὺ εἰ μαθητῆς ἐκεῖνου· ἡμεῖς δὲ τοῦ Μωϋσῆως ἐσμὲν μαθηταί. ἡμεῖς οἶδαμεν ὅτι Μωϋσεὶ λελάληκεν ὁ Θεός· τοῦτον δὲ οὐκ οἶδαμεν πόθεν ἐστίν. ἀπεκρίθη ὁ ἄνθρωπος καὶ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· Ἐν γὰρ τούτῳ θαυμαστόν ἐστιν, ὅτι ὑμεῖς οὐκ οἶδατε πόθεν ἐστί, καὶ ἀνέωξέ μου τοὺς ὀφθαλμούς, οἶδαμεν δὲ ὅτι ἀμαρτωλῶν ὁ Θεὸς οὐκ ἀκούει, ἀλλ' ἐάν τις θεοσεβῆς ἦ καὶ τὸ θέλημα αὐτοῦ ποιῆ, τούτου ἀκούει. ἐκ τοῦ αἰῶνος οὐκ ἠκούσθη ὅτι ἤνοιξέ τις ὀφθαλμούς τυφλοῦ γεγεννημένου· εἰ μὴ ἦν οὗτος παρὰ Θεοῦ, οὐκ ἠδύνατο ποιεῖν οὐδέν. ἀπεκρίθησαν καὶ εἶπον αὐτῷ· Ἐν ἀμαρτίαις σὺ ἐγεννήθης ὄλος, καὶ σὺ διδάσκεις ἡμᾶς; καὶ ἐξέβαλον αὐτὸν ἔξω. Ἦκουσεν Ἰησοῦς ὅτι ἐξέβαλον αὐτὸν ἔξω, καὶ εὐρών αὐτὸν εἶπεν αὐτῷ· Σὺ πιστεύεις εἰς τὸν υἱὸν τοῦ Θεοῦ; ἀπεκρίθη ἐκεῖνος καὶ εἶπε· Καὶ τίς ἐστι, Κύριε, ἵνα πιστεύσω εἰς αὐτόν; εἶπε δὲ αὐτῷ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· Καὶ ἑώρακας αὐτόν καὶ ὁ λαλῶν μετὰ σοῦ ἐκεῖνός ἐστιν. ὁ δὲ ἔφη· Πιστεύω, Κύριε· καὶ προσεκύνησεν αὐτῷ.

At that time, as Jesus passed by, he saw a man blind from his birth. And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be made manifest in him. We must work the works of him who sent me, while it is day; night comes, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." As he said this, he spat on the ground and made clay of the spittle and anointed the man's eyes with the clay, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar, said, "Is not this the man who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is he"; others said, "No, but he is like him." He said, "I am the man." They said to him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash'; so I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. The Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put clay on my eyes and I washed, and I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" There was a division among them. So they again said to the blind man, "What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight, and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age, he will speak for himself." His parents said this because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess him to be Christ he was to be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age, ask him." So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and said to him, "Give God the praise; we



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know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "Whether he is a sinner, I do not know; one thing I know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you too want to become his disciples?" And they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Why, this is a marvel! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and it is he who speaks to you." He said, "Lord, I believe": and he worshiped him.

Liturgical Offerings: Koliva, Artoklasia, and other offerings

Dear Friends,

The Church of Saint George has several ecclesiastical needs for the upkeep of the liturgical practices of the year. You may make and bring these offerings on your own or order them through our office. Please contact our office if you wish to donate towards any of these items for the week or if you have any questions. All proceeds for offerings go to the church. A corresponding write up will be offered in the bulletin if the donor wishes.

Divine Liturgy - for the Health of the Living and the Repose of the Departed

During the Divine Liturgy the names of our loved ones are commemorated for their health and salvation and for the repose of the departed. Names for the living and the departed can be submitted to be commemorated during the Proskomidi at any time. In addition to names, you may also offer the Prosforo, Communion Wine and Altar Candles as a prayer for your loved ones. These are vital ingredients for every service during the liturgical year. You can bring these items yourself or we can provide them for you.

- **Communion Wine** - \$20 Donation
- **Altar Candles** for a week (ακοίμητων) - \$20 Donation
- **Prosforo** - \$20 Donation

Koliva - Memorial for the Departed

Koliva is offered in memory of our loved ones as a prayer for the repose and salvation of their souls on the following days:

- 40 Day Memorial



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- 1 Year Memorial
- Annual Memorial
- Soul Saturday's - for all our family members and friends who have departed.
The Church has established 3 Soul Saturdays at the beginning of the Triodion and 1 on the Saturday before Pentecost

We can make Koliva for you if you place an order with the office. **A large tray is \$100.**

Artoklasia - Prayers for the Health of the Living

Artoklasia (the breaking of the five loaves) is a festive celebration of a Saint's Feast Day and is offered for the health and salvation of the living on the following days:

- On the name day of an individual
- In honor of a saint that we especially revere
- On the feast day of our church

We can make Artoklasia for you if you place an order with the office. **The cost will be \$50.**

2020 PARISH COUNCIL: Brian Goodale, President; Maria Dostis, Vice President; Alexandra Casey, Treasurer; Scott Morlock, Secretary; Roubina Morgan, Lucy Brady, Dimitri Koutsopoulos

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ΧΡΙΣΤΟΣ ΑΝΕΣΤΗ!

Christ is Risen – Indeed He is Risen – in different languages

Albanian: Krishti Ungjall! – Vertete Ungjall!

Arabic: Al Maseeh Qam! – Haqqan Qam!

Armenian: Christos harjav i merelotz! – Orhniale harutjun Christosi!

Byelorussian: Khristos Uvoskros! – Zaprowdu Uvoskros!

Chinese: Helisituosi fuhuole! – Queshi fuhuole!

Coptic: Pikhirstof aftonf! – Khen o methni aftonf!

Czech: Kristus vstal zmrtvy'ch! – Skutec ne vstal!

Danish: Kristus er opstanden! – Ja, sandelig opstanden!

Dutch: Christus is opgestaan! – Hij is waarlijk opgestaan!

English: Christ is Risen! – Indeed, He is Risen!

Estonian: Kristus on surmuist ülestõusnud! – Tõesti ülestõusnud!



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Bible Study/Book Club News

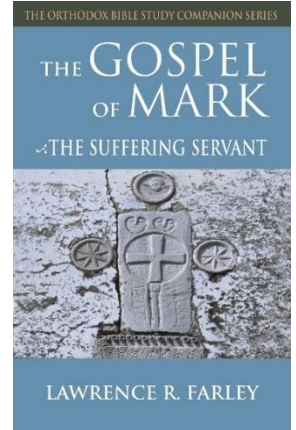
There will be no class on Memorial Day

Please Join us on Monday nights at 6:30pm

Our Book Club Will Continue via Conference Call. Our next conference call will be on 6/1/2020 at 6:30pm.

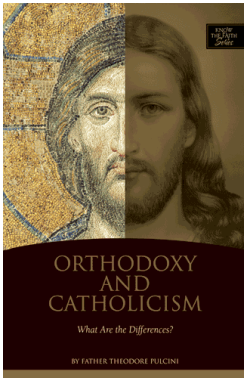
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Bookstore News

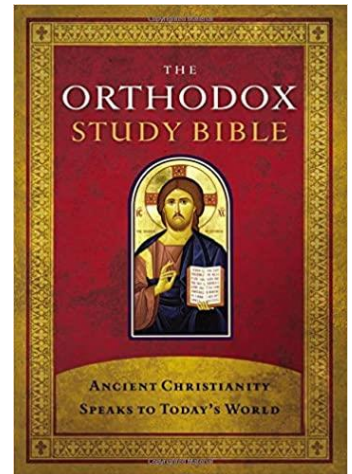
Visit our NEW site and get your Gospel of Mark and Orthodox Study Bible for our next Class. All featured books may be paid for through our Square site, they can be picked up at the church: <https://st-george-greek-orthodox-church.square.site/>



1) The Orthodoxy and Catholicism books are here! Great reference! Get yours.
Price: \$6

2) Orthodox Study Bibles are for sale!!!

- With the permission of Stephanie Cospito and her family, we will make available some of the barely used, like new bibles that were donated a few years ago for Stephen and Mary Markopoulos. Stephen and Mary have passed on since, but we continue to honor



their memory through this donation and through our continued prayers and love for them.

Price: \$25 – The Bible will come with one Red Votive Candle to be lit in Memory of Stephen and Mary by the purchaser.

3) Starting the Gospel of Mark soon in our Bible Study/Bookclub in one week!

Price: \$20

This is the next book we will be reading in our book club/ Bible Study.

Please arrange to pick up any of these books from our bookstore.

(9am-2pm Monday through Thursday you may call the office to arrange pickup)



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Sunday of the Blind Man

The Lord Jesus was coming from the Temple on the Sabbath, when, while walking in the way, He saw the blind man mentioned in today's Gospel. This man had been born thus from his mother's womb, that is, he had been born without eyes (see Saint John Chrysostom, Homily LVI on Matthew; Saint Irenaeus, Against Heresies, Book V:15; and the second Exorcism of Saint Basil the Great). When the disciples saw this, they asked their Teacher, "Who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind?" They asked this because when the Lord had healed the paralytic at the Sheep's Pool, He had told him, "Sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee" (John 5:14); so they wondered, if sickness was caused by sin, what sin could have been the cause of his being born without eyes. But the Lord answered that this was for the glory of God. Then the God-man spat on the ground and made clay with the spittle. He anointed the eyes of the blind man and said to him, "Go, wash in the Pool of Siloam." Siloam (which means "sent") was a well-known spring in Jerusalem used by the inhabitants for its waters, which flowed to the eastern side of the city and collected in a large pool called "the Pool of Siloam." Therefore, the Saviour sent the blind man to this pool that he might wash his eyes, which had been anointed with the clay-not that the pool's water had such power, but that the faith and obedience of the one sent might be made manifest, and that the miracle might become more remarkable and known to all, and leave no room for doubt. Thus, the blind man believed in Jesus' words, obeyed His command, went and washed himself, and returned, no longer blind, but having eyes and seeing. This was the greatest miracle that our Lord had yet worked; as the man healed of his blindness himself testified, "Since time began, never was it heard that any man opened the eyes of one that was born blind," although the Lord had already healed the blind eyes of many. Because he now had eyes, some even doubted that he was the same person (John 9:8-9); and it was still lively in their remembrance when Christ came to the tomb of Lazarus, for they said, "Could not this man, who opened the eyes of the blind man, have caused that even this man should not have died?" Saint John Chrysostom gives a thorough and brilliant exposition of our Lord's meeting with the woman of Samaria, the healing of the paralytic, and the miracle of the blind man in his commentaries on the Gospel of Saint John.

Kontakion of Sun. of the Blind Man –Plagal of the First Tone

I come to You, O Christ, as the man blind from birth. With the eyes of my soul blinded, I cry out to You in repentance, "You are the resplendent Light of those in darkness."

May 27 John the Russian of Evia

The Holy New Confessor John, a native of Russia, was captured during the Russian campaign against the Turks in 1711 and was thereafter sold into slavery in Asia Minor. In this condition he struggled to serve God in piety even while he served his earthly master in all that was needful. He remained steadfast in the Christian Faith in the face of the many enticements the Moslems provided to lure him to their error, and was granted the grace to work miracles by his prayers. He reposed in peace in 1730. His relics remained incorrupt and are found at New Procopion of Euboa in Greece.



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Prayer for Protection against a Pandemic

Lord Jesus Christ our God, You Who created human beings with utter goodness, the healer of our souls and bodies, heed now the supplication of Your children, and save us from the impending threat against the world. For this affliction has spread ferociously and the fear of death has surrounded us. Many have suffered and many have passed on to repose, and there is none to save us, except You, O Lord. We know, Merciful Lord, that all this will cultivate our faith, as we implore you, crying out in utter repentance. Undo, O Lord, the dangerous effects of the virus and heal all people, as a most Gracious Lord. For those, who repose in peace, give rest in Your heavenly abode. Grant peace to the world, so that all people know that You are the Only God, and your faithful are not bound by death, but live forever. For You are our hope and our whole life is in Your benevolent hands, and to You we give glory, as well as to the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Προσευχή διά πάσαν λοιμικήν νόσον

Κύριε Ἰησοῦ Χριστέ ὁ Θεός ἡμῶν, ὁ διά τήν πολλήν σου ἀγαθότητα ποιήσας τόν ἄνθρωπον, ὁ ἰατρός τῶν ψυχῶν καί τῶν σωμάτων ἡμῶν, πρόσχες νῦν ἐπί τήν δέησιν τῶν τέκνων σου, καί ῥῦσαι ἡμᾶς τῆς ἐπελθούσης τῷ κόσμῳ σου ἀπειλῆς· ὅτι νόσος ἐνέσκηψε δεινή, καί φόβος θανάτου ἐκύκλωσεν ἡμᾶς. Πλείστοι ἠσθένησαν, καί ἱκανοί ἐκ τοῦ λοιμοῦ ἐκοιμήθησαν, καί οὔκ ἐστιν ὁ λυτρούμενος μλήν σου, Κύριε. Οἶδαμεν, Ἀγαθέ, ὅτι πρὸς νοσησίαν ἡμῶν ἐπήγαγες ταῦτα ἐφ' ἡμᾶς· ἀλλά νῦν ἐπιστρέφοντες, ἐν μετάνοιᾳ κραυγάζομεν· τήν νομήν τοῦ λοιμοῦ ἀνάστειλον, καί πάντα ὡς οἰκτιρῶν θεραπεύσον· τοὺς δέ θανόντας ἀδελφοὺς ἡμῶν ἐν ταῖς σκηναῖς σου ἀνάπαυσον. Εἰρήνην τῇ οἰκουμένῃ δώρησαι, καί γνώτωσαν πάντες ὅτι Σὺ εἶ Θεός μόνος, καί οἱ πιστεύοντες εἰς Σέ οὐ δεδοίκασι θάνατον. Ὅτι σὺ εἶ ἡ ἐλπίς ἡμῶν, καί εἰς χεῖρας σου ἡ ζωὴ ἡμῶν ἅπασα, καί σοὶ τὴν δόξαν ἀναπέμπομεν, σὺν τῷ Πατρὶ καί τῷ Ἁγίῳ Πνεύματι, νῦν καί ἀεὶ καί εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

MEMORIAL DAY 2020

What can you do to honor the sacrifice of those who died serving our country?

1. Pray for the fallen and our nation. Worship with us. Spend some time praying for the souls of those who gave the ultimate sacrifice, for their family members, for our country's future and for peace in the world.
2. Wear or display a red poppy. Around Memorial Day, you usually can find Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) members selling paper red poppies in front of shopping centers. Now a widely recognized memorial symbol for soldiers who have died in conflict, the red poppy tradition grew from the World War I poem, "In Flanders Field," by Canadian Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae. The poem refers to the red poppies that grew over the graves of fallen soldiers in the lines: "In Flanders fields the poppies blow Between the crosses, row by row."



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3. Pause at 3 p.m. In accordance with the National Moment of Remembrance resolution, which was passed in 2000, pause from whatever you are doing at this time to reflect on the sacrifices made by so many to provide freedom to all.
4. Read the original Decoration Day proclamation. Less than 500 words in length, Logan's proclamation, officially titled General Orders No. 11, is a sobering call-to-duty for all U.S. citizens.
5. Watch the National Memorial Day Concert. Broadcast live from the U.S. Capitol Building's West Lawn, the National Memorial Day Concert has become a memorial service for the entire nation. Featuring the National Symphony Orchestra as well as military bands and choral groups, the concert is a moving tribute to the fallen and their families. This year's concert takes place on Sunday, May 29 at 8 p.m. and is broadcast on PBS.\
6. Display the U.S. flag. Do you have an American flag for your home? Since Memorial Day is a day of national mourning, fly the flag at half-staff from sunrise until noon to commemorate those who have died.

Donations

We would like to express our deepest appreciation and gratitude for your support. It is through such acts of kindness that we can continue to grow our ministry.

- [Stewardship contributions](#) – Can be mailed into our office or made through [PayPal](#)
- [One-Time Donations](#) – Can be made through our [new square site](#)

Please email or call the office if you have any questions 518-393-0742.

St. George Youth Corner

Welcome to St. George's Youth corner! Let's Color St. George on the next page!!

Try this word puzzle:

Celebrate the Resurrection! (Luke 24)

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GARMENTS	RESURRECTION	MORNING	SEPULCHRE
KING	JESUS	RISEN	APOSTLES

From your youth Advisers – Lucy Goodale and Anna Morlock

We miss seeing everyone and look forward to the time we can have events in person again. In order to stay connected please join our weekly zoom meetings with Fr. Neofitos on Wednesdays for a short spiritual lesson. Ages 4-12 meet Wednesday's from 5:30pm-6pm and Ages 13 and 18+ meet at 6pm. We send reminders through email and the remind app. To join the email Youth list please email Lucy Goodale at lgoodale7@gmail.com. Reminders and important Youth information are also sent through the Remind app. Please join our remind class using the link below or the class code.

<https://www.remind.com/join/f3fh94e> or use class code@f3fh94e

We are excited to be sharing minilessons, videos, puzzles, and crosswords with you each week. Join us on zoom for a youth video conference on Wednesdays. Ages 4-12 meet at 5:30pm and ages 13+ meet at 6pm. To join our list please email Lucy Goodale at lgoodale7@gmail.com. We will need your cell phone # and email.

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