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HOLY EUCHARIST (COMMUNION) is ADMINISTERED ONLY to MEMBERS of the ORTHODOX CHURCH who have prepared themselves by prayer, fasting, and recent confession of sins.

“The means to confirm and strengthen Christian Hope are prayers, especially frequent and sincere prayer, confession of our sins, frequent reading of the Word of God, and above all, frequent communion of the holy life-giving sacraments of the Body and Blood of Christ.”

St. John of Kronstad

September 24th, 2017

16th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Saint Thekla, Protomartyr and Equal to the Apostles

St. Silouan of Mount Athos

Tone -7

Eothina -5

THE TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION in tone 7

Thou didst shatter death with Thy Cross, and didst open Paradise to the thief. Thou didst change the sadness of the ointment bearers into joy, And Thou didst charge Thine Apostles to proclaim a warning that Thou hast risen O Christ our God, Granting to the people of the world Thy Great Mercy.

THE TROPARION OF ST. THEKLA in tone 3

O glorious Thekla, companion of Paul the divine; thou wert inflamed with the love of thy Creator, by the teaching of the divine preacher. Thou didst despise the passing earthly pleasures; and offered thyself to God as an acceptable and pleasing sacrifice, disregarding all suffering. Intercede with Christ thy groom to grant us His great mercy.

THE TROPARION OF ST. SILOUAN THE ATHONITE in tone 4

By prayer thou didst receive Christ as thy teacher in the way of humility, and the Spirit bore witness to salvation in thy heart. Wherefore, all peoples called unto hope rejoice in this day of thy memorial, O sacred Father Silouan. Pray unto Christ our God for the salvation of our souls.

THE TROPARION OF ST. GEORGE in Tone 4

As Deliverer of captives, defender of the poor, healer of the infirm, champion of kings; victorious Great Martyr George, intercede with Christ our God for our souls' salvation.

THE KONTAKION of the Theotokos in tone 2

O, undisputed intercessor of Christians, the mediatrix who is unrejected by the Creator, turn not away from the voice of our petitions, Although we be sinners, Come to us with aid in time who cry unto Thee in Faith, for Thou art good. Hasten to us with intercessions, O Theotokos Who dost ever intercede for those who honor Thee.

THOSE IN NURSING HOMES and SENIOR CARE FACILITIES: Amaline Bastaty, Wadad Hamuae, Hanna Nakkoul, Joanne Samra (Florida) Michel Chuairy, Henry Hyder,

THOSE ILL, IN PAIN, OR SHUT IN BY INFIRMITY: Claudette Erban, Geraldine Deschênes, Fouad Hajjar, Vivian Runions, Nassif Hamaoui, Jeanette Hamaoui, Christine Hassan, Gabriel Josiah Hassan, Caleb Hassan, Jessica Savory, Albert Hayek, Toni Orefice, Kim Goodspeed, Angela Scherer, Carole Farrell, Donna Najem Avakoff, Stephen Kamal, Jacob Malinchak, Charles Timko, Jr., William Haddad, Lila Haddad, Stacia Mullens, Sandra Widdall, Joanne Gray, Cheryl Brown, Joseph Palin, Christopher Boshar, Shaker Hajjar (Ohio), Ramy Bassit, and John Ayoub.

THOSE IN DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES, FAR AWAY, OR OTHERWISE IN NEED OF PRAYER: Brandon Touma, Tom Girardi, Warren & Elizabeth, Warren & Catherine Ferris, Carl, Lauren, Caitlin, Aalin, Aidan Bellinger, Ann Balsamo, Alice Ziady and Carol Aberizk, Maria Morales, Miguel Angel Morales, Santo Thomas Morales, Santa Maria Morales, Anderson Miguel Morales.

FOR CONTINUED GOOD HEALTH & GOD'S BLESSINGS: Charles Girardi, Gianna Gehringer, Libby Morley, George Touma & family; Naime Touma & family; Jihad, Lynn, Janelle & Jacob Hajjar.

DIVINE LITURGY will be celebrated on Tuesday morning at 9:00 AM. For the feast of St. John the Evangelist.

CREDIT CARDS are now accepted at St. George. If you prefer, we are able to accept all major credit cards in lieu of cash. However, if you prefer not, cash will always be gratefully accepted as well.

THE PARISH COUNCIL would like to remind our members that it is important to pay the special Archdiocese Assessment of \$100. Per pledging unit in addition to your pledge.

HOME BLESSINGS began in September, and usually continue throughout the year. Anyone who would like their home blessed at this time, please contact Fr. Edward.

SPONSORS are needed for Coffee Hour. Several families can join together. Very little is actually necessary – you don't have to serve a full luncheon. If no one has sponsored coffee hour, **please remember** to leave a donation to be used for the next week's coffee hour.

THE PARISH WEBSITE is a good source for information on current parish news. The website is listed at the top of the bulletin each week.

HOLY BREAD is available for those who would like to offer it in memory, or for the good health of someone, on anniversaries, birthdays, graduations, &cet. Anytime you would like to offer Holy Bread, consider buying from the Church rather than from one of the bakeries. Please contact Mrs. Ramza Touma for details.

THE LORD'S PRAYER IN ARABIC

Abána ládhi fees samawát liyáta qáddas ismuk.
Liyáti malakoótook.
Lítakoon masheé'atook,
kamá fis samá'y kadhálik 'álal 'ard.
Khúbzanal jówhary á'teenal yowm;
wátrook lána ma aláina,
kamá nátrooku náhnu leéman lána 'aláihy.
Walá tudkhílna fy tájriba,
lákin nájjeena meénash shareér.