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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

October 22nd, 2017
20th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
The Fifth Sunday after the Feast of the Cross
The Heiromartyr and equal to the Apostles, St. Averkios
The Holy Seven Sleepers, martyrs of Ephesus

Tone -3

Eothina -9

THE TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION in tone 3

Let the Heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own hand. He has trampled death by His death, and has become the first born from the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of Hades, Granting to the people of the world His Great Mercy.

THE TROPARION OF ST. AVERKIOS in Tone 4:

Thy work of justice did reveal Thee to Thy community as a Canon of faith, The like ness of humility and the teacher of abstinence. O, Thou Father and great Bishop Averkios. Wherefore by humility thou didst achieve exaltation, and by Thy meekness wealth, Intercede therefore, with Christ that He will save our souls.

THE TROPARION OF THE HOLY SEVEN YOUTHS OF EPHEBUS in Tone 4:
 Thy Martyrs, O Lord, by their struggles have received from thee, our God, imperishable crowns; because, acquiring thy strength, they demolished usurpers and crushed the powerless might of Satan. Therefore, through their intercessions, O Christ God, save our souls.

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, Fran Brown, Anita Brown, Andrew Brown, Christopher Boshar, 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.

WE WELCOME TODAY Fr. John Bacon who is serving today while Fr. Edward and others are at the Worcester Cathedral for the ordination of Dn. Seraphim Solof to the Priesthood. **AXIOS! HE IS WORTHY! MUSTAHIQ!**

DIVINE LITURGY will be celebrated on Monday morning at 9:00 AM for the feast of St. James the brother of the Lord. It will be Fr. Seraphim's first Liturgy.

DIVINE LITURGY will be celebrated in the night between Wednesday and Thursday. The Vigil begins at 9:00 PM we should finish around 2:00 AM for the feast of St. Demetrius.

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.

**St. George Orthodox Church
8 Lowell Street
Lawrence, Massachusetts
Will hold its
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
On Sunday,
October 29th, 2017
Immediately following the Divine Liturgy
Please join us.**