



ST. GEORGE EASTERN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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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 Kronstadt*

September 23rd , 2018

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE CONCEPTION OF THE PROPHET AND FORERUNNER,

JOHN THE BAPTIST

Tone - 8

Eothina – 6

THE TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION in tone 8

Thou didst come down from the Heights, O Compassionate One, that we might be delivered from suffering, Thou didst submit to be placed in the tomb for three days. Thou art our life, and our Resurrection, O Lord, Glory to Thee.

THE TROPARION OF THE CONCEPTION OF ST. JOHN in tone 4:

Rejoice, O thou barren one who hadst not borne until now; for low, in all truth thou hast conceived the lamp of the Sun, and he shall send forth his light over all the earth, which is afflicted with blindness. Dance, O Zacharias, and cry out with great boldness: The one to be born is the blest Prophet of God Most High.

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 REHAB FACILITIES, NURSING HOMES and SENIOR CARE FACILITIES, Norma Samra, Amaline Bastaty, Wadad Hamuae, Joanne Samra (Florida), Michel Chuaury, Henry Hyder

THOSE ILL, IN PAIN, OR SHUT IN BY INFIRMITY: Khalil Touma, Geraldine Deschênes, Lorraine Kalil, Claudette Erban, 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, Kenneth Keamy, 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, Theresa Girardi, Gianna Gehringer, Libby Morley, George Touma & Family; Naime Touma & Family, Jihad, Lynn, Janelle & Jacob Hajjar

Wadad Hamuae fell asleep in the Lord on Saturday morning. She will be buried from St. George later this week. Our prayers go with her as she continues her new life in the Lord. **MAY HER MEMORY BE ETERNAL!**

DIVINE LITURGY will be celebrated on Monday, Sept. 24, at 9:00 AM for the feast of the St.Thekla.

DIVINE LITURGY will be celebrated on Wednesday, Sept. 26, at 9:00 AM for the feast of the St.John the Theologian.

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 begin 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 LADIES OF NEW ENGLAND
ADOPT A SEMINARIAN PROGRAM**

We are looking for two (2) families, individuals, organizations, etc. that would like to “adopt” a seminarian from our Archdiocese.

You will be asked to:

Pray daily for him.

Communicate with them during the year.

Perhaps send them cards or messages on their birthdays, Christmas, Anniversaries...

We need to know who is interested by Sept. 30 so that we can forward their names to the program chairpeople. Please see Brenda Sayers for packets and names of seminarians as well as any questions you may have.

**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.