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**THE WEEKLY MESSENGER**

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**21st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 4.** St. Paul the Confessor, Archbishop of Constantinople (350). Ven. Varlaam, Abbot of Khutyn' (Novgorod—1192). Ven. Luke, Steward of the Kiev Caves (Near Caves—13th c.). Repose of St. Herman, Archbishop of Kazan' (1567). Ven. Barlaam of Keret Lake (16th c.). Martyrs Tecusa, Alexandra, Claudia, Matrona, Polactia, Euphrosynē, and Athanasia, of Ancyra (3rd c.). Ven. Luke of Sicily

**EPISTLE:**  
 Galatians 1:11-19

Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

**GOSPEL:**  
 Luke 8:26-39

**GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST!**

**GLORY FOREVER!**

**\*\*FLOWERS FOR THIS WEEK\*\***

In front of the Icon of Our Lord, In front of the Icon of The Theotokos, and on the Center Icon Table are donated by St. George Orthodox Church!

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Altar Vigil Candles are offered by Anthony De!Nuovo in Loving Memory of Thy Departed Servants of his family. May their memory be eternal.

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**TODAY'S WEEKLY MESSENGER IS SPONSORED BY:**

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**WELCOME TO ST. GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH**

We welcome all of you to the Divine Liturgy this morning, especially those who are visiting with us here at St. George Orthodox Church. Everyone is invited to the Parish Fellowship Hall following the Divine Liturgy for Christian Fellowship. It is our prayer that your experience this morning was spiritually uplifting and you will return very soon to pray with our parish family. In the Orthodox Church, we do not practice open Communion. However we do invite everyone to come and participate in the Divine Liturgy. Hence only those Orthodox Christians who have properly prepared themselves through prayer and fasting may receive Holy Communion. May the Lord bless you with many years of good health and happiness.

## **HYMNS FOR THE DIVINE LITURGY**

### **Troparion for The Resurrection – Tone 4**

When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the joyous message of Thy Resurrection, they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the apostles: “Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen,// granting the world great mercy!”

### **Troparion for St. Paul the Confessor – Tone 4**

For confessing the divine faith, among her priests the Church has shown thee to be another Paul. Abel cries out to the Lord together with thee, as does the righteous blood of Zachariah.// Venerable Father, entreat Christ God to grant us His great mercy.

### **Kontakion for The Resurrection – Tone 4**

My Savior and Redeemer as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains. He has shattered the gates of hell, and as Master,// He has risen on the third day!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

### **Kontakion for St. Paul the Confessor – Tone 2**

Paul, thou hast shone on the earth like a star of heavenly splendor; now thou dost enlighten the universal Church for which thou didst suffer, for thou didst lay down thy life,// and thy blood cries out to the Lord like that of Zachariah and Abel.

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

### **Steadfast Protectress Tone 6 (Hymn to the Theotokos)**

Steadfast Protectress of Christians, constant advocate before the Creator. Despise not the entreating cry of us sinners, but in Your Goodness come speedily to help us who call on You in faith! Hasten to hear our petition and to intercede for us, O Theotokos!! For You always protect those who honor You!

### **PROKEMEINON Tone 4**

O Lord, how manifold are Thy works; / in wisdom hast Thou made them all.

*v. Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord, my God, Thou art very great!*

### **ALLELUIA VERSES**

*Go forth, prosper and reign, for the sake of meekness, righteousness and truth!*

*For Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest iniquity.*

### **THE HYMN TO THE THEOTOKOS**

It is truly meet to bless You, O Theotokos, ever blessed and most pure and the Mother of our God. More honorable than the Cherubim and more glorious beyond compare than the Seraphim. Without defilement, You gave birth to God the Word, true Theotokos, we magnify You!

### **COMMUNION HYMN**

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## EPISTLE LESSON FOR TODAY

### **Brethren:**

Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified.

But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is Christ therefore a minister of sin? Certainly not!

For if I build again those things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor.

For I through the law died to the law that I might live to God.

I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

## GOSPEL LESSON FOR TODAY

### **Let us Attend!**

And behold, there came a man named Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue. And he fell down at Jesus' feet and begged Him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter about twelve years of age, and she was dying. But as He went, the multitudes thronged Him.

Now a woman, having a flow of blood for twelve years, who had spent all her livelihood on physicians and could not be healed by any, came from behind and touched the border of His garment. And immediately her flow of blood stopped.

And Jesus said, "Who touched Me?" When all denied it, Peter and those with him said, "Master, the multitudes throng and press You, and You say, 'Who touched Me?'"

But Jesus said, "Somebody touched Me, for I perceived power going out from Me."

Now when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling; and falling down before Him, she declared to Him in the presence of all the people the reason she had touched Him and how she was healed immediately. And He said to her, "Daughter, be of good cheer; your faith has made you well. Go in peace."

While He was still speaking, someone came from the ruler of the synagogue's house, saying to him, "Your daughter is dead. Do not trouble the Teacher."

But when Jesus heard it, He answered him, saying, "Do not be afraid; only believe, and she will be made well."

When He came into the house, He permitted no one to go in except Peter, James, and John, and the father and mother of the girl. Now all wept and mourned for her; but He said, "Do not weep; she is not dead, but sleeping."

And they ridiculed Him, knowing that she was dead.

But He put them all outside, took her by the hand and called, saying, "Little girl, arise." Then her spirit returned, and she arose immediately. And He commanded that she be given something to eat.

And her parents were astonished, but He charged them to tell no one what had happened.

## **THE MONTHLY SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 2022**

**NOVEMBER 2022**{Nativity Fast Begins: Nov. 15-Dec. 24}

6 - Youth Sunday (Children Sermon and Children Sing during The Liturgy)

Church School Q&A with Fr. Jay

Church School Nativity Outreach Project

- Start New Pajamas Collection for Roswell Park
- Start Collection for Christmas Gifts for Baker Victory
- Start Christmas Cookie Collection for Hearts for Homeless
- Start Food Collection for Resurrection Life Food Pantry

Daylight Savings Time Ends!

7 - Eve of the Feast of Archangel Michael and the Bodiless Powers of Heaven

Great Vespers at 6:00 PM

8 - The Feast of Archangel Michael and the Bodiless Powers of Heaven

Divine Liturgy at 9:30 AM

12 - Great Vespers - 3:30 PM Parish Council Meeting (Via Zoom) (5:15pm)

13 - Stewardship Sunday (Special Parish Thanksgiving Luncheon and Presentation)

**Make Health/Snack Kits for Mats for Mission**

14 - Monthly Community Healing Prayer Service at 6:30 PM

15 - {Nativity Fast Begins: Nov. 15-Dec. 24}

20 -Eve of the Great Feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple

The Hours - 9:40 AM Divine Liturgy followed by Great Vespers - 10:00 AM

21 - The Great Feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple

Festal Divine Liturgy at 9:30 AM

21 - Monthly Community Healing Prayer Service/

Thanksgiving Prayer Service - 6:30 PM

24 - THANKSGIVING DAY

Moleben Service of Thanksgiving - 9:00 AM

**\*\*Education Sermon on Sunday November 27\*\***

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### **BIBLE STUDY**

EVERY TUESDAY (6:30 - 8:00 PM)

### **ADULT EDUCATION/BIBLE STUDY**

EVERY WEDNESDAY (10:00 - 11:30 AM)

EVERY WEDNESDAY (6:45 - 8:00 PM)

### **BOOK CLUB**

EVERY MONDAY DURING THE NATIVITY FAST AND GREAT LENT  
(6:30 to 8:00 PM)

November 14      November 21      November 28

December 5      December 12      December 19

**\*\*PLEASE REFER TO THE WEEKLY EMAILS AND PARISH WEBSITE  
FOR CHANGES TO THE CALENDAR!\*\***

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### **ST. GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH (Buffalo, NY)**

### **PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRIES**

To the Glory of God, every year our beloved parish family answers The Call of Our Lord of ministering to those in need by fulfilling The Gospel of Our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ with participating in 5 on-going Parish Outreach Ministries within the local Buffalo Area on an on-going basis and especially during the Nativity Season.

Every year, we look forward to another wonderful blessed Nativity Season of bringing the joy, the love, and the peace of The Nativity of Our Lord to everyone especially through the following the outreach ministries:

**Hearts for The Homeless** – which is a mobile soup kitchen/thrift shop that feeds the poor and chronic homeless on the street. Characterized by a profound spiritual motivation. The program offers nourishing food, as well as clothing, pertinent information regarding area services, companionship and hope for the future.

- Each Month we collect a different canned good/non-perishable food item along with hygiene products and drop them off at the Hearts for The Homeless Distribution Center

**Buffalo City Mission** – exists to meet the spiritual and practical needs of the poor through the demonstration of the love and preaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in providing love, care, shelter, food, and other means necessary to those in need.

- Each Month we collect hygiene products, clothing for men, women, and children and drop them off at the Buffalo City Mission Distribution Center

**HomeSpace** – is a local community organization ministering to local teens and pre-teen moms which provides comprehensive care to 14-21 yr old moms (providing those essential items necessary for caring for their children: diapers, wipes, baby food, clothing (infants through 7/8 years old). HomeSpace Corporation supports at-risk young women to achieve independence two generations at a time.

- Each Month we collect hygiene products, clothing for young women and children along with those essential items necessary for caring for their children: diapers, wipes, baby food, clothing (infants through 7/8 years old) and drop them off at the HomeSpace Distribution Center

**Mats for Mission/Resurrection Life Food Pantry** – A Local Organization assisting with providing rest mats made out of plastic bags for the less fortunate as well as providing food and other means necessary to those in need.

- Each Month we collect plastic bags as well as canned goods and non-perishable food items and drop them off at the Resurrection Life Food Pantry Distribution Center.
- Beginning in January 2022, our church school children will be volunteering here on a regular basis assisting with collecting and sorting out Food Bags for those in need.

**Baker Victory** – A Local Organization dedicated to fostering the highest possible quality of life and personal achievement by partnering with children, adults, their families and the WNY community through a diverse array of social, health and human services.

- Twice a year we collect gifts and other essential items necessary for the children and drop them off at the Baker Victory Distribution Center.

\*\*We also support Compass Care Pro-Life Agency on a regular basis!



## **Remember our Loved Ones during Our Daily Prayers**

*'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the  
least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.'*

{Matt. 25:40}

As we say our daily prayers, let us also take time out to remember our loved ones who are homebound, who are in hospitals and who are in nursing homes. Let us remember them that GOD will continue to watch over them and protect them. Also, during the Year, let us take to either send them a card, give them a call, or visit them to let them know how much we love them, how much we remember them, and how much we pray for them.

Please refer to the of our Parish Shut-Ins below.

If anyone has any questions or would like to add someone to our List of Parish Shut-Ins, please see or contact Fr. Jason. May God continue to bless you and guide you!

## **ST. GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH PARISH SHUT-INS (2022)**

Mr. Anthony Dipiano  
305 North Street  
Apt. 77  
Buffalo, N

Reader Victor Shanchuk  
McAuley Residence  
1503 Military Rd.  
Buffalo, NY 14217  
716.881.3096

Mrs. Luba Japadjief  
Elderwood Nursing Home  
104 Old Niagara Rd.  
Lockport, NY 14221 (Room 47A)

Mr. Albert Fadell  
317.376.2562

Andrew Wityk  
Ellicott Center  
200 Seventh Street  
Buffalo, NY 14201

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**MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS YOU AND GUIDE YOU  
FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND PRAYERS!**  
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## **THE SCHEDULE OF WEEKLY SERVICES and ACTIVITIES SUNDAY NOVEMBER 6, 2022 YOUTH SUNDAY**

The Hours – **9:40 AM**      Divine Liturgy – **10:00 AM**

Coffee Hour Fellowship in The Parish Fellowship following Divine Liturgy  
Q&A with Fr. Jay Class in The Parish Fellowship Hall following Divine Liturgy

## **MONDAY NOVEMBER 7, 2022**

**EVE OF THE FEAST OF ARCHANGEL MICHAEL AND THE BODILESS POWERS OF HEAVEN**

Great Vespers – **6:00 PM**

## **TUESDAY NOVEMBER 8, 2022**

**THE FEAST OF ARCHANGEL MICHAEL AND THE BODILESS POWERS OF HEAVEN**

Divine Liturgy – **9:30 AM**

Bible Study Class (Via Zoom) – **6:30-8:00 PM**

## **WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 9, 2022**

Adult Education Class (Via Zoom) – **10:00 to 11:30 AM**

Paraklesis Service to The Theotokos – **6:00 PM**

Bible Study Class (Via Zoom) – **6:30-8:00 PM**

## **SATURDAY NOVEMBER 12, 2022**

Baptism of Benjamin White – **10:30 AM**

Great Vespers– **3:30 PM [PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE]**

Parish Council Budget Meeting (In-Person) – **4:30 PM**

## **SUNDAY NOVEMBER 13, 2022**

**PARISH STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY**

The Hours – **9:40 AM**      Divine Liturgy – **10:00 AM**

Annual Stewardship Luncheon in The Parish Fellowship following Divine Liturgy  
Parish Stewardship Presentation in The Parish Fellowship Hall during Luncheon  
Church School Class in The Parish Fellowship Hall following Divine Liturgy





**\*\*A REMINDER FOR HOSTING COFFEE HOUR \*\***

When hosting coffee hour, please check the refrigerators in the Parish Fellowship Hall the week before we are hosting to see what supplies we will/may need.

We will also be using real coffee cups for coffee hour. If anyone needs assistance with cleaning them or using the dishwasher following Coffee Hour, please see or contact Mat. Katia.

If there is no host for coffee hour, then we will not have coffee hour on that particular Sunday.

Please refer to the email from Mat. Fran to see which Sundays are available to host coffee hour.

If we do not have a host for a particular Sunday, then we will not have coffee hour!

If anyone would like to host coffee hour or has any questions regarding one's preparations for Coffee Hour, please see or contact Mat. Fran ([610.698.1666/frances.vansuch@yahoo.com](mailto:610.698.1666/frances.vansuch@yahoo.com))

May all of us have a Blessed, Joyous, Holy and Prayerful Fall Season!

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**COFFEE HOUR DATES AVAILABLE**



SUNDAY NOVEMBER 27

SUNDAY DECEMBER 18 (Elephant Raffle)

**PLEASE SEE MATUSHKA FRAN**

**FIND YOUR SPIRITUAL HOME  
In The Orthodox Christian Church**

SATURDAY Great Vespers 4:00 PM  
SUNDAY Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM (Sept-May)  
9:30 AM (May-September)

~ All are Welcome ~

Do we have questions about our life, its meaning, purpose, destiny?  
Are we desiring to know Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God?  
Are we seeking forgiveness, healing, and wholeness?

Do we wonder where to go to find answers?

We can find the answers to these questions and so many other questions  
in The Holy Orthodox Church through Her Sacred Tradition,  
Holy Scriptures, Her Teachings and Dogmas.

The Orthodox Church is the original Christian Church, the Church founded by the Lord Jesus Christ and described in the pages of the New Testament. Her history can be traced in unbroken continuity all the way back to Christ and His Twelve Apostles, empowered and sent forth on the day of Holy Pentecost. Incredible as it seems, for over twenty centuries she has continued in her undiminished and unaltered faith and practice. Today her apostolic doctrine, worship, and structure remain intact. The Orthodox Church maintains that the Church is the living Body of Jesus Christ. Many of us are surprised to learn that for the first 1000 years of Christian history there was just one Church.

Where is "**The Church**" to be found and experienced today? Come Taste and See How Good The Lord is every Sunday by joining us for The Divine Liturgy at 10:00 AM.

What is Orthodox Christianity all about? How does it differ from other Christian confessions? This section will attempt to answer these questions and many more.

For a visual introduction to the Orthodox Church, please view the video link below:  
[http://www.youtube.com/v/Gj4pUphDitA&color1=0xb1b1b1&color2=0xcfcfcf&feature=player\\_embedded&fs=1](http://www.youtube.com/v/Gj4pUphDitA&color1=0xb1b1b1&color2=0xcfcfcf&feature=player_embedded&fs=1)

For a brief introduction and in depth study to The Orthodox Faith and to find answers to: 'What we Believe?', 'Who we Are?', and 'How we Live?', please view the PDF link below:

<http://orthodoxdelmarva.org/files/studies/InquirersClassV1final.pdf>

or you may visit the OCA website by clicking the link below:

<http://oca.org/orthodoxy/the-orthodox-faith>

or you can begin a Journey Through Orthodoxy by clicking the link below:

<http://journeytoorthodoxy.com>

To learn more ways that we can teach our children about the Orthodox Faith, The OCA has provided a wonderful website for us to use that provides great resources such as (handouts, texts, articles, stories, and much more)! To see this great website, please view the PDF link below:

<http://dce.oca.org/page/resources/>

If you have any questions or would like to know more about The Orthodox Faith or needs and help or assistance, please contact our parish priest: V Rev. Jason Vansuch (jvansuch@hotmail.com) or 716.875.4222 and he will be able guide you.

## Come and See how we are all called to be Stewards of The Church!

- Stewardship is our active commitment to use all our time, talent and treasure for the benefit of humankind in grateful acknowledgment of Christ's redeeming love.
- Stewardship is caring for the needs of others.
- Stewardship is offering one's self to God as He offered Himself to us.
- Stewardship is what a person does after saying "I Believe . . .", as proof of that belief.
- Stewardship is learning how to be a responsible and concerned caretaker of Christ's Church; it is learning how to enjoy Church life and be happy in Church work, for in Her dwells the fullness of the Spirit of God.

If you would like to make a donation to our parish, please feel free to use the QR Code or link to our parish website donation page below. Thank you for your continued support and generosity for our parish in bringing The Love and Faith of Our Lord Jesus Christ to all! May God continue to bless and guide you and keep all of you in His loving care today and always!



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## ST. GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH PRAYER LIST

*Please remember in prayer Thy Servants of God...*

### FOR THE HEALTH OF THY SERVANTS:

#### HIERARCHS

Metropolitan TIKHON      Archbishop MICHAEL  
Archbishop BENJAMIN      Archbishop ALEJO  
Archbishop NATHANIEL      Bishop DANIEL

#### CLERGY

Archpriest Herman, Matushka Cynthia and George, Elizabeth  
Archpriest Leonid      Archpriest David  
Archpriest Alexey and his family      Archpriest Vladimir and Matushka Jeanne  
Archpriest Timmothy/Mat. Michelle      Archpriest John and Presbyter Nancy  
Archpriest Ken and Matushka Natalie      Archpriest Robert  
Archpriest Andreja, Popadija Anica and Family  
Archpriest Timmothy      Priest Peter and Mat. Mary  
Dn. Sean and Mat. Heather      Archpriest John (Onofrey)

#### MATUSHKI

Mat. Katia	Mat. Paraskeva	Mat. Joanna	Popadia Vicki	Christine
Mat. Patricia	Mat. Gloria	Popadija Sara	Mat. Gayle	Mat. Natasha
Catherine	Ivan/Marina/Inna	Bonnie/Silviu	Coard Karen	Aliscia
Walter/Paul	Edwina, Irene	Luba	Jim, Darren, Marsha	
Iman.Serena/Asma, Sarah, Lillian, Olga	Reader Victor	Nicholas, Andrew, Theresa		
Xenia, Justin, Danielle	Albert	Frank	June	
Marilyn	Amanda, Chase, Ronald, Candice	Boris	Oscar	
Larry Joseph Frank	Billy	Clyde	Amy	
Victor Catherine	Susan	Svetlana	Juliana	
Evelyn	Robert	Paul	Brian	
Jeanne Angela, Jason, Michelle	Linda	Justin	John, Helen	
Joseph, John, Margaret, Thomas, Victoria, Tyler	Ashley	Steven	Barbara	
Lia/Isaiah	Lee, Bridget	Matthew	William	
Melody Kelly, Robert, Boris, Zaeb, Tirza, Sabas	Sada, Charles, Thlisinitsa, Gemmal, Geesa, and Patric			
Olga and Eugene	Jeremy Stewart	Susan	Mary	John
Susan Justin Louis Alex	John, Kevin, Sean	Anthony	Aldona, Melinda	
Yuri/Elena	James	Lee, Benjamin, Harry Patrick		
Jaime/Sammy, Juliana	Anthony	Roscoe	Rosemary	
Aspasia/Stavros, Harry	Charles, Seraphim	Emma/Alexander		
Elias, John, Joseph, Nadim, Theresa		Amelia, Emily		
Vadym Iryna Yuriy Anastasia				



Mary, Hal, Autumn, Ariana, and Amber, Judithann Anita, James, Jeffry, Dominic, Douglas, Rachel, Dennis  
 Brian John, Roberta, Barbara John, Michael John Ron, Illiana, Jillian, Joel  
 George Costa Jonathan, Kevin, Lary, Carly, Sherry, Mary Jo, Clara, Karl, Dragica, Mary  
 Stephen, Larry, Olga, Olga, Sally, Deborah, David  
 Rdr Nicholas, Judithann, Michael, Mary, Cate, Michael, Gary, Damian, Olga,  
 Alexandra, Barbara, Damian  
 Kyriaki and Konstantinos (*Pete Thanos parents*) Amy (*friend of Molly Burke*)

Children of God -Keely, Isla, Talia, Lane, Liam  
 Alyssa Marie and the child to be born of her

Diocese of NY&NJ Prayer List

Archpriest Samuel	
Mitred Archpriest Joseph Lickwar	Mitred Archpriest Daniel and Mat. Myra
Archpriest George	Archpriest Paul
Archpriest Jonathan	Archpriest Paul

Those Serving in The Armed Forces

Kenneth, Nadine, Jason, Robert, Andrew, Justin, Shawn, William and Darlene  
 Austin, Chris, John, Daniel, Gjorgie, Thomas

Catechumens

**For All of our Parishioners and their families, the communicants of this holy house, those who pray here, our loved ones and their families and for those who are praying with us today and all of those whom we have in our hearts and minds  
 For All of our parishioners who are in hospitals, nursing home, and those who are homebound.**

**For All of the ill-afflicted of our parishes and families especially those affected with the Coronavirus and other ailments and for their continued full recovery and good health**

**For All of our doctors, nurses, physicians, and medical professionals**

**For our Nation that The Lord our God will continue to bless us and guide and teach us to love another, pray for one another and forgive one another.**

**For All of those who are travelling and for their safe journey and return to their homes**

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**FOR THY DEPARTED SERVANTS OF GOD:**

For all of those who tragically lost their lives to the Coronavirus and other ailments  
 All of the clergy and parishioners of This Holy House who have departed this life, who now lie asleep in the Lord

Metropolitan HERMAN	Ever-Memorable Archpriest Bernard
Metropolitan THEODOSIUS	Ever-Memorable Archpriest George
Ever-Memorable Archpriest Eugene	Ever-Memorable Archpriest George
Ever-Memorable Priest John	Ever-Memorable Archpriest George
Ever-Memorable Archpriest Rastko	Matushka Dorothy
Ever-Memorable Dn. Mark	Khouria Grace

Priest Leonid Gregory, Priest Peter, Archpriest Kirill, Dn. Michael, John Robert, Sister Thomas, Frank, Jenny, Charles, Florence, Michael Stevens, William, George, Marion

Ever-Memorable Pdn Gregory	Ever-Memorable Sbdn Gregory
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Martha, Akhtar, Barkat, Rehmat

Newly-Departed Servants of God

John (Hutnyan) - Grandfather of Danielle Geeza [Spiritual Daughter of Fr. Jason]  
 40<sup>th</sup> Day - December 11

\*If anyone would like to have their loved ones added to the prayer list for remembrance during the Divine Liturgy and Divine Services, please see or contact Fr. Jason.

**ST. GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH BOOKSTORE**

As you are in the Parish Fellowship Hall for coffee hour, don't forget to check out our newly-formed Bookstore. We have some new items that just arrived. These items include: Icon ornaments, jewelry, Icons, prayer books, prayers ropes, and much more. If you need a Gift, come check out the Bookstore...you may find something you like!! We are now also offering Gift Certificates for our Bookstore. Please speak with Dave or Andrea for more details/information!! We thank David and Andrea Chmiel who are managing of our Bookstore for us. If you have any questions or if you would like to order something that you do not see, please see or contact David or Andrea Chmiel and they will be able to assist you. You may also email them at: bookstore@stgeorgebuffalo.com. May GOD continue to bless and guide all of you.

Also in the Parish Fellowship Hall, we have the Giving Tree! If anyone would like to sign up for Readers, Bulletin, Collection, Communion Cloth, Home Blessing, please see or contact Fr. Jason!



**A SINCERE AND HEARTFELT THANKS AND APPRECIATION FOR THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS TO THE PARISH FROM OUR PARISH GIVING TREE**

Please be sure to check out “The Giving Tree” in the Parish Fellowship Hall as well as on our parish website ([www.stgeorgebuffalo.com](http://www.stgeorgebuffalo.com)) to see how we may be able to donate towards the needs of our parish through our continued support and stewardship for our beloved parish.

Some of the items on the leaves are as follows:

- Candles
- 7-Day Vigil Candles
- Flowers for Feast Days
- Charcoal
- Altar Wine
- Cups for Zapifka
- Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper

If anyone has any questions, please see or contact Fr. Jason or Barbara. Thank you for your continued prayerful support and stewardship. May God continue to bless and guide all of you, your families and our entire Parish family and keep all of us in His Loving Care!

**DAILY FAMILY PRAYER RULE WE CAN PRAY TOGETHER AT HOME WITH OUR FAMILIES**

A Prayer Rule must be done in front of the icons and the Gospel in our Icon Corners with a lit candle.. It is important to remember that we must make time for God, for the “Kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force”(Matt. 11:12).The best time to pray is in the morning or in the evening when we as a family can come together in prayer. Also, when using a Rule of Prayer, we must be flexible and do what we can and do it attentively and consistently. Our goal is to maintain the connection with God and cultivate a real relationship with Him.

With that in mind, please find below The Rule of Prayer offered by our Diocese for us to use at home especially during this most difficult time when we are not able to be in church together as a parish family.

<https://www.nynjoca.org/files/2020/praying-at-home/A-FAMILY-PRAYER-RULE.pdf>

**May God bless you and keep you always in His Loving Care!**

**An Invitation to Support the Stewards of the OCA!**

The Orthodox Church in America (OCA) set the direction for expanding our apostolic work in North America at the 18<sup>th</sup> All-American Council. The foundation for this work is Jesus Christ, Whom we encounter in our spiritual lives, stewardship, evangelism and outreach, and relations with others as we engage the world. Being a steward of the OCA goes beyond the financial gifts which support the work of our church. Being a steward is about caring for and knowing the history of the mission of the Orthodox Church here in North America and finding your place in that history. Having received this great gift of our Orthodox Faith, we bear the responsibility to continue the legacy of Saint Herman and Saint Tikhon; Saint Innocent and Saint Alexis and all the other saints known and unknown who have worked to build up and expand Christ's Church here in North America. Please consider being a part of that mission today by giving to the Stewards of the OCA. For more information, please visit The OCA Website: <https://oca.org/become-a-steward>

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**An Invitation to Support the Ministry of the DDB!**

In order to fund necessary ministries and fulfill the work of the Church in the Diocese of New York and New Jersey, **Distinguished Diocesan Benefactors** generously contribute financial support. To learn more about the DDB, please go to the following link: <http://vimeo.com/71021182> and watch a 60 second video inviting you to join the ever-growing list of Distinguished Diocesan Benefactors of The Diocese of New York and New Jersey who joyfully support the on-going work of our diocese. Their support allows us to provide assistance to new mission parishes, scholarships to seminarians, support the departments of The Diocese, and much-needed encouragement to older struggling parishes. How about you? Our parish is a member of the DDB. If anyone would like to join, please see Fr. Jason as well as take a pamphlet from the table in the back of the church. May God continue to bless and guide you for your continued support. The Diocese of New York and New Jersey has two monthly newsletters: "**First Fruits**" and "**Beyond the Plateau.**" The goal, as expressed by Archbishop Michael, is to increase communication and grow the communal spirit of diocesan fellowship in the building-up and strengthening of our parish communities. To learn more about these monthly diocesan publications, please refer to the diocesan website: <http://www.nynjoca.org/newsletters.html>.

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**"Lessons in Our Faith" Video presented by His Eminence Archbishop MICHAEL**

His Eminence Archbishop Michael presents a series of talks on matters of faith, belief, and the teachings of the Church. These instructional videos are concise and "to the point," offering Orthodox Christians much-needed information, helpful advice for their spiritual journey, and assistance in answering questions that may come from non-Orthodox friends or acquaintances. The goal is that we might better know and better live our faith. These instructional videos can be found at the Diocesan Website: <http://www.nynjoca.org>! For those who do not have internet, please see the handouts from each lesson which are located on the table in the back of the church. **There are 14 videos! Be sure to check them out!**

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**WEEKLY VIDEO SERMONS GIVEN BY HIS EMINENCE ARCHBISHOP MICHAEL**

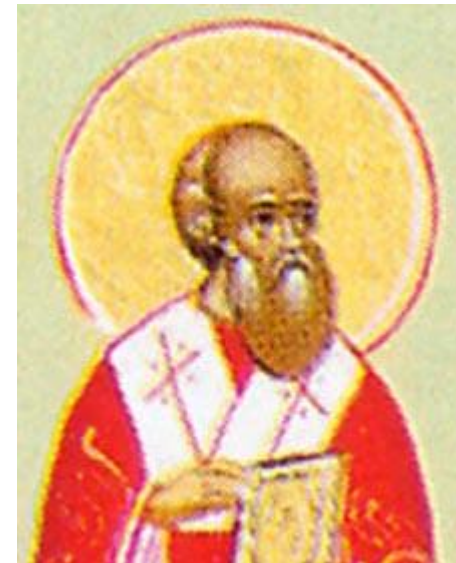
These sermons offered to us by The Diocese via video can be found on the Diocesan Website: <http://www.nynjoca.org>!

There are videos for each week beginning with The Feast of Feasts – Holy Pascha! Be sure to check them out!

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**ST. GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH EDUCATION CENTER**

**Saint Paul the Confessor,  
Archbishop of Constantinople  
Commemorated on November 6**



Saint Paul the Confessor, Archbishop of Constantinople, was chosen to the patriarchal throne after the death of Patriarch Alexander (+ 340), when the Arian heresy had again flared up. Many of the Arians were present at the Council which selected the new Archbishop of Constantinople. They revolted in opposition to the choice of Saint Paul, but the Orthodox at the Council were in the majority.

The emperor Constantius, ruling over the Eastern half of the Roman Empire, was an Arian. He was not in Constantinople for the election of the Archbishop, and so it took place without his consent. Upon his return, he convened a council which illegally deposed Saint Paul, and the emperor banished him from the capital. In place of the saint they elevated Eusebius of Nicomedia, an impious heretic. Archbishop Paul

withdrew to Rome, where other Orthodox bishops were also banished by Eusebius.

Eusebius did not rule the Church of Constantinople for long. When he died, Saint Paul returned to Constantinople, and was greeted by his flock with love. But Constantius exiled the saint a second time, and so he returned to Rome. The Western emperor Constans wrote a harsh letter to his Eastern co-ruler, which he sent to Constantinople along with the holy exiled archpastor. The threats worked, and Saint Paul was reinstated upon the archepiscopal throne.

But soon the pious emperor Constans, a defender of the Orthodox, was treacherously murdered during a palace coup. They again banished Saint Paul from Constantinople and this time sent him off in exile to Armenia, to the city of Cucusus, where he endured a martyr's death.

When the Archbishop was celebrating the Divine Liturgy, Arians rushed upon him by force and strangled him with his own omophorion. This occurred in the year 350. In 381, the holy Emperor Theodosius the Great solemnly transferred the relics of Saint Paul the Confessor from Cucusus to Constantinople. In 1326, the relics of Saint Paul were transferred to Venice.

Saint Athanasius the Great, a contemporary of Saint Paul, writes briefly about his exiles, "Saint Paul the first time was sent by Constantine to Pontus, the second time he was fettered with chains by Constantius, and then he was locked up in Mesopotamian Syngara and from there moved to Emesus, and the fourth time to Cappadocian Cucusus in the Taurian wilderness."

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# Synaxis of the Archangel Michael and the Other Bodiless Powers

Commemorated on November 8



The Synaxis of the Chief of the Heavenly Hosts, Archangel Michael and the Other Heavenly Bodiless Powers: Archangels Gabriel, Raphael, Uriel, Selaphiel, Jehudiel, Barachiel, and Jeremiel was established at the beginning of the fourth century at the Council of Laodicea, which met several years before the First Ecumenical Council. The 35th Canon of the Council of Laodicea condemned and denounced as heretical the worship of angels as gods and rulers of the world, but affirmed their proper veneration.

A Feastday was established in November, the ninth month after March (with which the year began in ancient times) since there are Nine Ranks of Angels.

The eighth day of the month was chosen for the Synaxis of all the Bodiless Powers of Heaven since the Day of the Dread Last Judgment is called the Eighth Day by the holy Fathers. After the end of this age (characterized by its seven days of Creation) will come the Eighth Day, and then “the Son of Man shall come in His Glory and all the holy Angels with Him” (Mt. 25:31).

The Angelic Ranks are divided into three Hierarchies: highest, middle, and lowest.

The Highest Hierarchy includes: the Seraphim, Cherubim and Thrones.

The six-winged SERAPHIM (Flaming, Fiery) (Is 6:2) stand closest of all to the Most Holy Trinity. They blaze with love for God and kindle such love in others.

The many-eyed CHERUBIM (outpouring of wisdom, enlightenment) (Gen 3:24) stand before the Lord after the Seraphim. They are radiant with the light of knowledge of God, and knowledge of the mysteries of God. Through them wisdom is poured forth, and people’s minds are enlightened so they may know God and behold His glory.

The THRONES (Col 1:16) stand after the Cherubim, mysteriously and incomprehensibly bearing God through the grace given them for their service. They are ministers of God’s justice, giving to tribunals, kings, etc. the capacity for righteous judgment.

The Middle Angelic Hierarchy consists of three Ranks: Dominions, Powers, and Authorities:

DOMINIONS (Col 1:16) hold dominion over the angels subject to them. They instruct the earthly authorities, established by God, to rule wisely, and to govern their lands well. The Dominions teach us to subdue sinful impulses, to subject the flesh to the spirit, to master our will, and to conquer temptation.

POWERS (1 Pet 3:22) fulfill the will of God without hesitation. They work great miracles and give the grace of wonderworking and clairvoyance to saints pleasing to God. The Powers assist people in fulfilling obediences. They also encourage them to be patient, and give them spiritual strength and fortitude.

AUTHORITIES (1 Pet 3:22, Col 1:16) have authority over the devil. They protect people from demonic temptations, and prevent demons from harming

people as they would wish. They also uphold ascetics and guard them, helping people in the struggle with evil thoughts.

The Lowest Hierarchy includes the three Ranks: Principalities, Archangels, and Angels:

PRINCIPALITIES (Col 1:16) have command over the lower angels, instructing them in the fulfilling of God’s commands. They watch over the world and protect lands, nations and peoples. Principalities instruct people to render proper honor to those in authority, as befits their station. They teach those in authority to use their position, not for personal glory and gain, but to honor God, and to spread word of Him, for the benefit of those under them.

ARCHANGELS (1 Thess 4:16) are messengers of great and wondrous tidings. They reveal prophecies and the mysteries of the faith. They enlighten people to know and understand the will of God, they spread faith in God among the people, illuminating their minds with the light of the Holy Gospel.

ANGELS (1 Pet 3:22) are in the lowest rank of the heavenly hierarchy, and closest to people. They reveal the lesser mysteries of God and His intentions, guiding people to virtuous and holy life. They support those who remain steadfast, and they raise up the fallen. They never abandon us and they are always prepared to help us, if we desire it.

All the Ranks of the Heavenly Powers are called angels, although each has its own name and position by virtue of their service. The Lord reveals His will to the highest ranks of the angels, and they in turn inform the others.

Over all the Nine Ranks, the Lord appointed the Holy Archangel Michael (his name in Hebrew means “who is like unto God”), the faithful servitor of God, as Chief Commander. He cast down from Heaven the arrogantly proud Lucifer and the other fallen spirits when they rebelled against God. Michael summoned the ranks of angels and cried out, “Let us attend! Let us stand aright before our Creator and do not consider doing what is displeasing unto God!”

According to Church Tradition, and in the church services to the Archangel Michael, he participated in many other Old Testament events.

During the Exodus of the Israelites from Egypt he went before them in the form of a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night. Through him the power of the Lord was made manifest, annihilating the Egyptians and Pharaoh



who were in pursuit of the Israelites. The Archangel Michael defended Israel in all its misfortunes.

He appeared to Joshua Son of Navi and revealed the will of the Lord at the taking of Jericho (Josh 5:13-16). The power of the great Chief Commander of God was manifest in the annihilation of the 185,000 soldiers of the Assyrian emperor Sennacherib (4/2 Kings 19:35); also in the smiting of the impious leader Heliiodorus (2 Macc. 3: 24-26); and in the protection of the Three Holy Youths: Ananias, Azarias and Misail, thrown into the fiery furnace for their refusal to worship an idol (Dan 3:22-25).

Through the will of God, the Chief Commander Michael transported the Prophet Habbakuk (December 2) from Judea to Babylon, to give food to Daniel in the lions' den (Dan. 14:33-37).

The Archangel Michael disputed with the devil over the body of the holy Prophet Moses (Jude 1:9).

The holy Archangel Michael showed his power when he miraculously saved a young man, cast into the sea by robbers with a stone about his neck on the shores of Mt Athos. This story is found in the Athonite Paterikon, and in the Life of Saint Neophytus of Docheiariou (November 9).

From ancient times the Archangel Michael was famed for his miracles in Rus. In the Volokolamsk Paterikon is a narrative of Saint Paphnutius of Borov with an account of Tatar tax-gatherers concerning the miraculous saving of Novgorod the Great: "Therefore Great Novgorod was never taken by the Hagarenes... when... for our sins the godless Hagarene emperor Batu devoured and set the Russian land aflame and came to Novgorod, and God and the Most Holy Theotokos shielded it with an appearance of Michael the Archangel, who forbade him to enter into it. He [Batu] was come to the Lithuanian city and came toward Kiev and saw the stone church, over the doors of which the great Archangel Michael had written and spoken to the prince his allotted fate, 'By this we have forbidden you entry into Great Novgorod'."

Intercession for Russian cities by the Most Holy Queen of Heaven always involved Her appearances with the Heavenly Hosts, under the leadership of the Archangel Michael. Grateful Rus acclaimed the Most Pure Mother of God and the Archangel Michael in church hymns. Many monasteries, cathedrals, court and merchant churches are dedicated to the Chief Commander Michael.

In old Kiev at the time of the accepting of Christianity, a cathedral of the Archangel was built, and a monastery also was named for him. Archangel cathedrals are found at Smolensk, Nizhni Novgorod, Staritsa, at Great Ustiug (beginning of the thirteenth century), and a cathedral at Sviyazhsk. In Rus there was not a city where there was not a church or chapel dedicated to the Archangel Michael.

One of the chief temples of the city of Moscow, the burial church in the Kremlin, is dedicated to him. Numerous and beautiful icons of the Chief Commander of the Heavenly Hosts are also in his Cathedral. One of these, the Icon "Blessed Soldier," was painted in the Dormition Cathedral of the Moscow Kremlin. The saintly soldiers, Russian princes, are depicted under the leadership of the Archangel Michael.

We invoke Saint Michael for protection from invasion by enemies and from civil war, and for the defeat of adversaries on the field of battle. He conquers all spiritual enemies.

Holy Scripture and Tradition give us the names of the Archangels:

Gabriel: strength (power) of God, herald and servitor of Divine omnipotence (Dan 8:16, Luke 1:26). He announces the mysteries of God.

Raphael: the healing of God, the curer of human infirmities (Tobit 3:16, 12:15)

Uriel: the fire or light of God, enlightener (2 Esdras 5:20). We pray for him to enlighten those with darkened minds.

Selaphiel: the prayer of God, impelling to prayer (2 Esdras 5:15). He prays to God for mankind.

Jehudiel: the glorifying of God, encouraging exertion for the glory of the Lord and interceding for the reward of efforts.

Barachiel: distributor of the blessings of God for good deeds, entreats the mercy of God for people.

Jeremiel: the raising up to God (2 Esdras 4:36)

On icons the Archangels are depicted in according to the character of their service:

Michael tramples the devil underfoot, and in his left hand holds a green date-tree branch, and in his right hand a spear with a white banner on which is outlined a scarlet cross, or sometimes a fiery sword.

Gabriel with a branch from Paradise, presented by him to the Most Holy Virgin, or with a shining lantern in his right hand and with a mirror made of jasper in his left.

Raphael holds a vessel with healing medications in his left hand, and with his right hand leads Tobias, carrying a fish for healing (Tobit 5-8).

Uriel in his raised right hand holds a naked sword at the level of his chest, and in his lowered left hand “a fiery flame.”

Selaphiel in a prayerful posture, gazing downwards, hands folded on the chest.

Jehudiel holds a golden crown in his right hand, in his left, a whip of three red (or black) thongs.

Barachiel is shown with a white rose on his breast.

Jeremiel holds balance-scales in his hand.

Each person has a guardian angel (Matt 18:10), and every nation also receives its own guardian angel from God (Dan. 10:13). When a church is consecrated, it also receives a guardian angel (Palladius, Dial. Ch. 10).

# Jairus and The Healing through Faith: Homily on Luke 8:41-56

*[Taken from The Ancient Faith Ministries Website –  
Homily by Fr. Philip LeMasters]*



Sometimes we think that everyone has to approach God in exactly the same way. After all, we are Orthodox Christians. The Divine Liturgy and other services are set; they don't change and are celebrated in by the Orthodox around the world. Our beliefs were defined through ancient councils. Our spiritual practices have been passed down over the centuries by countless generations. The Holy Spirit has preserved our church in a unity that is unique among Christians. But that unity doesn't mean complete uniformity in the sense that we all must or should do exactly the same thing. We are all distinct, free persons; and it's as such that we will find God's blessing and salvation in our lives.

We read in today's gospel passage about two very different people who approached Jesus Christ in different ways. One was Jairus, a ruler of the

synagogue. He was an upstanding man in the Jewish community. His position indicates that he had a good reputation and was thought to be a righteous man. The other person was very different. She was a woman who had been bleeding for twelve years, and had spent all her money on treatments that did not work. Not only was she now poor, she was also considered unclean because of the flow of blood. She was isolated: anyone who had physical contact with her would also become unclean. She could not even enter the Temple or have a normal social life. She had been treated for twelve years as though she was cut off from God and everyone else.

Jairus sought out the Lord and asked Him to heal his daughter, who was dying. But the woman—whose name we do not know—could not bring herself to do even that. She knew her place: a poor, isolated, unclean woman not worthy of the attention of the Messiah. She couldn't ask Him to lay hands on her for healing, for that would make Him unclean also. She was surely embarrassed to discuss her medical condition with Him in the midst of a large crowd. All that she could find the courage to do was to reach out anonymously and touch the hem of His clothing. She had enough faith, enough hope, and enough courage to do that.

And when she did, she was healed. She had not made Him unclean; instead, He had made her well. But she was scared to death when Jesus Christ asked, "Who touched me?" She knelt down before the Lord in humility, and trembling with fear, confessed to Him—and to the rest of the crowd—that she was the one. Yes, she said out loud why she had touched Him and how she was healed immediately. And then the Lord said, "Daughter, be of good cheer; your faith has made you well. Go in peace."

This story shows the tremendous mercy of our Lord. This woman had not said a word to Christ and had not even identified herself to Him. She didn't ask Him to make a decision to help her. She was probably too afraid and humble to do those things. But she did what she could, reaching out to Christ in faith. The Son of God knew who had touched Him, of course, but asked who it was in order to give her an opportunity to confess her faith, to make clear to herself and to those in the crowd that our Lord's healing mercy extended even to her, that His mercy overcomes all the uncleanness and misery of those who come to Him in humble repentance.

At different times in our lives, we will all identify this woman. Perhaps we have a long-term struggle, a weakness or cross that we have borne for years. Perhaps we wrestle with some deep embarrassment or humiliation in

our lives that we are afraid to acknowledge even to God, let alone other people. Maybe we have done or suffered something that makes us feel unclean or unworthy in our relationship. Maybe we can't find the words to express our pain even to God in prayer, much less to others. We may feel cut off from the Lord and separated from family and friends.

If that's the case, we should follow this woman's example of touching the hem of His garment, of reaching out to Christ for mercy, healing, strength, and forgiveness as best we can. He will not embarrass us or send us away. Instead, He will respond graciously, as He always did to humble, sincere people who came to Him with faith, love, and repentance. We won't make Him unclean; instead, He will make us His beloved sons and daughters.

Jairus approached Jesus Christ differently, openly asking Him to heal his dying daughter. But his faith is then put to a very hard test. For the girl dies, but the Lord says that she is only sleeping. Everyone ridicules the Savior for this. But Jairus somehow believed the astonishing word of the Lord: "Do not be afraid; only believe, and she will be made well."

Can you imagine how hard it must have been for Jairus and his wife to hear this news and to believe in the Lord's promise? Their daughter had just died and the mourning had begun. It was time to start getting ready for the funeral, and here was Christ saying that the girl would soon be alive again. Their faith was put to the test, but they did believe. And the Lord did as He said: He gave them back their daughter alive and healthy.

This healing was not as simple as Jairus had hoped. He was probably used to getting what he wanted. Surely if anyone deserved the help of the Messiah, it was an upstanding leader of the synagogue. But just as Abraham's faith was tested by the command to sacrifice Isaac, his faith is tested when—to all appearances—his daughter is dead and gone. It is one thing to heal the sick, but quite another to believe that someone can raise the dead. But probably with a great deal of fear and all kinds of doubts going through his head, Jairus believes. He trusts as best he can. And through his faith, the Lord works a great miracle.

People are different. We have distinct personalities, occupations, interests, and spiritual strengths and weaknesses. But we can all have faith. When we open the wounds and sorrows of our lives to Christ as best we can, He will hear us. And He will respond in the way that is best for our salvation, for our growth in holiness. No two people have exactly the same journey to

the Kingdom. No two people pray, fast, give alms, forgive, and serve in precisely the same way. Jairus and the woman with the flow of blood were very different people who approached Christ differently. But the one constant factor is the mercy of our Lord, which extends to all who call upon Him from their hearts with humble trust.

If you are prepared to receive Communion today, I urge you to approach the chalice with “the fear of God and faith and love.” For we do not simply touch the hem of Christ’s clothing in the Eucharist or ask him to heal our sick child. We do far more, for we eat His flesh and drink His blood. We commune in the most intimate way possible with the One Who has conquered sin and death. And we do so praying that Jesus Christ will heal the deepest wounds of our souls and make us participants in the eternal life of the Kingdom. We receive Communion by name, as unique individuals whose only hope is in our Lord. Jairus and the woman came to Him in faith as best they could. We should do the same.

***LET ALL THAT YOU DO BE DONE IN LOVE. 1 Cor.16:14***

***YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND. Matt. 22:37***

***YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF. Matt. 22:39***

***LOVE YOUR ENEMIES AND PRAY FOR THOSE WHO PERSECUTE YOU. Matt. 5:44***

***LOVE IS PATIENT, LOVE IS KIND, LOVE DOES NOT ENVY, LOVE DOES NOT BOAST, LOVE IS NOT PROUD, LOVE IS NOT SELFISH, LOVE IS NOT PROVOKED. 1Cor. 13:4***

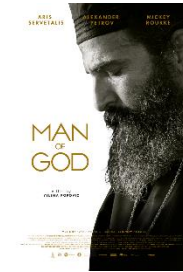
***LOVE BEARS ALL THINGS, LOVE ALWAYS HAS FAITH, LOVE ALWAYS HAS HOPE, LOVE ENDURES ALL THINGS. LOVE NEVER FAILS! 1Cor. 13:7,8***

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**=== Scriptural Readings for the Week ===**

<b>Monday</b>	Colossians 2:13-20	Luke 12:13-15, 22-31
<b>Tuesday</b>	Hebrews 2:2-10	Luke 10:16-21
<b>Wednesday</b>	Colossians 3:17-4:1	Luke 12:48-59
<b>Thursday</b>	Colossians 4:2-9	Luke 13:1-9
<b>Friday</b>	Colossians 4:10-18	Luke 13:31-35
<b>Saturday</b>	2 Corinthians 5:1-10	Luke 9:37-43
<b>Sunday</b>	Hebrews 7:26-8:2	John 10:9-16
	Galatians 6:11-18	Luke 10:25-37

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*Exiled unjustly, convicted without a trial, slandered without cause. The life of St. Nektarios of Aegina was one of persecution and prosecution. A priest of the common people, his popularity provoked the jealousy of the clergy in Alexandria and as a result, he was defrocked and expelled from Egypt. In contrast to his religious “superiors”, Nektarios cared for the poor, taught peasant girls to read and write, and performed miracles. Even his last moment on earth was used to help another: upon his death, Nektarios’ undergarment was removed, and as it fell upon a paralyzed man in the hospital bed next to him, the lame man arose to walk. So, too, do we hope MAN OF GOD will awaken the paralyzed faith in audiences around the world.*

We are thrilled to announce that tickets for Sight & Sound Film’s debut feature are on sale now! I HEARD THE BELLS tells the inspiring true story behind the beloved Christmas carol and its author, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. We invite you to join us this holiday season as this story of resounding hope and rekindled faith comes to life in movie theaters nationwide— December 1, 3, and 4 only

**WHEN** - Thursday 1 December at 7:00 pm

**WHERE** - Regal Elmwood Center 16  
2001 Elmwood Avenue, 14207, Buffalo

**COST** - \$12.50/PERSON \$10.00 CHILD

We will meet at the Church at 6:00 PM for Pizza and then head over to the Theater around 6:30 PM.

Please see or contact Fr. Jason if you are interested in going so that we can order tickets! Deadline is Sunday November 27!

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The DVD is available to borrow for free at the Buffalo and Erie County Public Library ([www.buffalolib.org](http://www.buffalolib.org)). It is also free on YouTube.

If you have a Buffalo & Erie County library card and a pin number, you can request the dvd be sent to a library near you through the website above . You will be notified by phone or email when it is available to be picked up. It can be borrowed for 7 days.

If you have no pin number on your library card, contact your local branch and request the DVD.

If you live in Erie County but do not have a library card, bring proof of address (utility bill) to your local branch and fill out an application. Library cards are free.

If you do not live in Erie County, but work in the county, you are eligible for a library card with proof of place of employment.

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We will be holding a Parish Family Movie Night during The Nativity Fast to watch "The Man of God" together as a Parish Family....look for more details coming soon:)