



**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST  
& TENTH SUNDAY OF LUKE**

**DECEMBER 10, 2017**

Martyrs Menas, Eugraphos & Hermogenes of Alexandria  
 Venerable Thomas Dephourkinos of Bithynia; Blessed Angelina  
 Brancovich and her son Blessed John, king of Serbia;  
 Joasaph, bishop of Belgorod

*During the Little Entrance, chant the Resurrectional Apolytikion. The Eisodikon (Entrance Hymn) is "O come, let us worship... save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead..." After the Little Entrance, chant the apolytikia in the following order:*

### RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE TWO

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy hell with Thy Godly power. And when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ, Thou giver of life, glory to Thee.

### APOLYTIKION OF SS. MENAS, EUGRAPHOS & HERMOGENES IN TONE EIGHT

*(\*\*When the bodiless one\*\*)*

Since they had slain through their abstinence and struggles \* the fiery ragings and fierce motions of the passions, \* the staunch Martyrs of Christ God laid hold on the graces \* to drive off the pains and illnesses of the sick \* and work wonders both while living and after death. \* Strange indeed is the miracle: \* that these bare bones should pour forth \* such overflowing streams of cures. \* Glory be to our only God.

### TROPARION OF ST. GEORGE IN TONE FOUR

As deliverer of captives and defender of the poor, healer of the infirm and champion of kings, victorious Great-martyr George, intercede with Christ our God that our souls may be saved.

KONTAKION OF PREPARATION OF CHRIST'S NATIVITY  
IN TONE THREE

(\*\**The original melody*\*\*)

Today the Virgin cometh to the cave where she will give birth in an ineffable manner to the Word Who is before all the ages. Rejoice, therefore, O universe, when thou hearest it heralded: Glorify Him, with the angels and the shepherds, Who chose to be seen as a new-born babe, the God Who is before all the ages.

THE EPISTLE

(For the Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Pentecost)

*The Lord is my strength and my song.*

*With chastisement hath the Lord chastened me.*

**Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians (6:10-17)**

Brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we are not contending against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore, take the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand, therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the equipment of the gospel of peace; besides all these, taking the shield of faith, with which you can quench all the flaming darts of the evil one. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

## THE GOSPEL

(For the Tenth Sunday of Luke)

### **Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (13:10-17)**

At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And there was a woman who had had a spirit of infirmity for eighteen years; she was bent over and could not fully straighten herself. And when Jesus saw her, He called her and said to her, "Woman, you are freed from your infirmity." And He laid His hands upon her, and immediately she was made straight, and she praised God. But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, said to the people, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be healed, and not on the Sabbath day." Then the Lord answered him, "You hypocrite! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his ass from the manger, and lead it away to water it? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day?" As Jesus said this, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by Him.

## **Liturgical Services for the Weekend of Christmas**

**Friday, December 22 @ 10:00a**—Royal Hours (Christmas Service)

**Saturday, December 23 @ 6:00p**—Great Vespers (as usual)

**Sunday, December 24 @ 9:00a & 10:00a**—Matins and Liturgy

(as usual)

**Sunday, December 24 @ 8:00p**—Festal Matins and @ **9:00p** Festal

Liturgy (Christmas Services) followed by Christmas Carols and

Feasting Meal

## **Upcoming Events and Activities**

**Wednesday, December 13**—Nativity Paraklesis at 6:00p; an evening prayer service in preparation for the Incarnation of our Lord, the Feast of His Nativity.

**Wednesday, December 20**—Winter Discussion Series (Explanation of the Icon for the Feast of the Nativity) and Lenten Potluck Dinner. Evening begins with Nativity Paraklesis at 6:00p.

## **Church School Program UPDATE**

**\*TODAY, December 10**—Christmas Caroling and Visitation with the residents at Harrison's Crossing at 1:00p and Bethesda Gardens at 2:00p. The decorated Christmas tress will be passed out to the residents. Any one wishing to join us may do so!

\*There will be NO classes scheduled for Sundays, December 24 and 31.

## **Holy Oblation & Coffee (Fellowship) Hour**

Sign-up is now available for Sundays in 2018. It is the practice of our parish community for families to offer the holy oblation and host a fellowship meal after Divine Liturgy. Please check a date that will work for your family and sign-up TODAY or contact the Church Office. This is an important aspect of parish life!

# HAPPY DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

PETER TANOOS

13TH



## Graduation Open House Invitation to ALL Parishioners:

Jack and Laura Hendrix invite our St. George parishioners to the Graduation Open House for their daughter, Alexandra, graduating from Indiana State University. Open House is on Saturday, December 16 from 3-6p at Memorial United Methodist Church (2701 Popular St.) in their Fellowship Hall.

## SUMMARY – December 3, 2017

### WEEKLY INCOME

Pledges & Assessments	\$ 5,362.00
Candles/Cash	129.00
Donations	2,950.00
Church Flowers	95.00
Bookstore Income	90.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,531.00</b>

**Divine Liturgy Attendance** 80

December 3, 2017

## HOLY OBLATION

TODAY



Offered by the Russell Leo Family, for their health and well-being.

December 17

Offered by Daniel and Paula Powell on behalf of the church.

December 24 (Sunday Morning Liturgy)

Offered by the family of Helen Baghdan Nasser in her memory. There will be a 40-day Memorial for Helen.

December 24 (Evening Liturgy for Christmas)

Offered by Dn. Elias & Denise Corey, for the health and well-being of their family and in memory of their son, Abraham.

December 31

Offered by Tony Tanoos, for the health and well-being of his family and on the occasion of Gabriella's 11th birthday.

## COFFEE (FELLOWSHIP) HOUR

TODAY - Hosted by the Russell Leo Family

December 17 - Hosted by Daniel & Paula Powell

December 24 - Hosted by the family of Helen Baghdan Nasser

December 24 - Hosted by the Parish Council

## *LITURGICAL SCHEDULE THIS WEEK*

Wednesday, December 13	Nativity Paraklesis — 6:00p
Saturday, December 16	Great Vespers — 6:00p
Sunday, December 17	Matins — 9:00a
	Divine Liturgy — 10:00a
	followed by Church School

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## **Parish Council**

### **Chairman**

Kal Ellis

### **Vice Chairman**

Tony Tanoos

### **Treasurer**

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### **Secretary**

Jim Tanoos

Esther Simbol

## **Members**

Ray Azar  
Jason Lake

Sandy Kassis  
Jeremiah Turner

## **Parish Organizations**

### **Ladies Society**

Maria David

### **Society of St. George**

Zack Kassis

### **Maintenance**

Jason Lake

### **Choir**

Jaimie Ellis  
Joanna Dailey

### **Teen SOYO**

Jennifer Turner, Advisor  
Cache' Ellis, Advisor  
Jillian Turner, President

### **Stewardship**

Michael C. Ellis  
Zack Kassis

## **Social Center Coordinator**

Michael C. Ellis

## **Church School**

OPEN

## **Teachers**

### **Preschool:**

OPEN

### **K-1st:**

Maria David

### **2nd-3rd:**

Paula Powell

### **4th-5th:**

Jimmy Tanoos &  
Gina White

### **6th-8th:**

Stacey Bocard

### **High School:**

OPEN