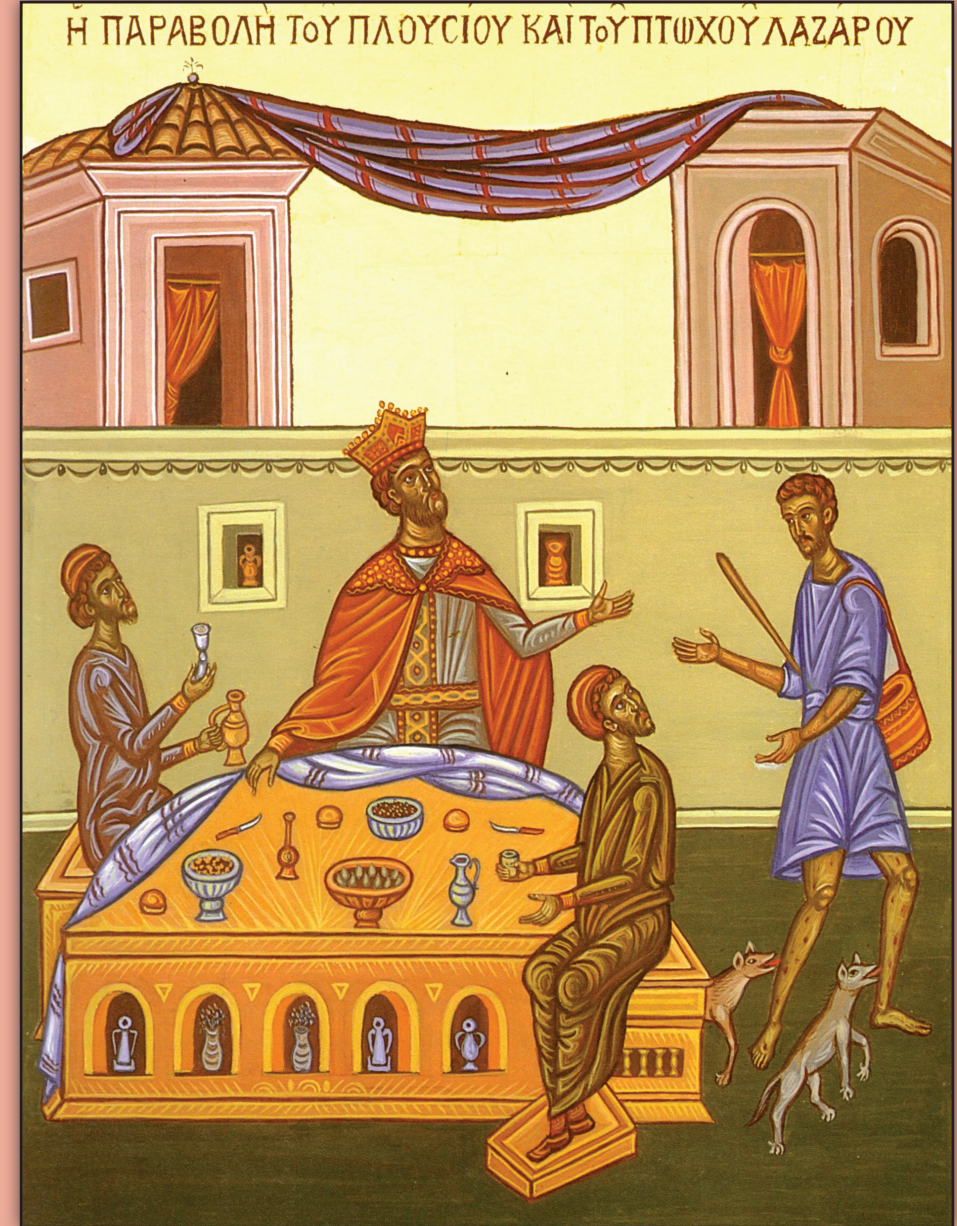


TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of the Rich Man and Lazarus (Luke 16:19-31)

The Rich Man vs. Lazarus

Lazarus, the beggar, is called by his name because he was a saint, but the man who is rich and proud is not deemed worthy of a name. ... The meaning of Lazarus' name is *boethoumenos*, one who has been helped; he is not a helper, but one who has been helped. He was a poor man and, in his poverty, the Lord came to his assistance. "Who lay at his gate, covered with sores." The rich man, in purple splendor, is not accused of being avaricious, nor of carrying off the property of another, nor of committing adultery, nor, in fact, of any wrongdoing; the evil alone of which he is guilty is pride. Most wretched of men, you see a member of your own body lying there outside at your gate, and have you no compassion? If the precepts of God mean nothing to you, at least take pity on your own plight, and be in fear lest you become such as he. Why do you save what is superfluous to your pleasures? Give in alms to your own

member what you waste. I am not telling you to throw away your wealth. What you throw out, the crumbs from your table, offer as alms.

"Who lay at his gate." He was lying at the gate in order to draw attention to the cruelty paid to his body and to prevent the rich man from saying, "I did not notice him; he was in a corner; I could not see him; no one announced him to me." He lay at the gate; you saw him every time you went out and every time you came in. When your throngs of servants and clients were attending you, he lay there full of ulcers. If your eyes disdained to look upon putrid flesh, did not your ears, at least, hear his plea? "Who lay at his gate, covered with sores." He did not have just one sore, his whole body was sores, so that the magnitude of his suffering might arouse your utmost compassion.

St. Jerome

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Schedule for Holy Days of Obligation: Vigil Vespers: 6:30 p.m.

Day of Feast: 10:00am and 6:30 p.m.

Confessions: See calendar or at any time by request.

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October 25, 2020

6th Sunday after the Holy Cross

21st Sunday after Pentecost

This Sunday: Epistle Gal 2:16-20

Gospel Lk 8:27-39

Next Sunday: Epistle Gal 6:11-18

Gospel Lk 16:19-31

Weekly Liturgy Schedule

Monday 10/26

No Divine Liturgy

Tuesday 10/27

8:30am Divine Liturgy: Successful surgery for Veronica Maier

Wednesday 10/28

8:30am Divine Liturgy: +Emil Neagu (3 weeks) by Greg and Cheti Bikis

Thursday 10/29

8:30am Divine Liturgy: +Maria Neagu (43 years) by Greg and Cheti Bikis

Friday 10/30

8:30am Divine Liturgy: +Mary Mailat, mother +Helen Martin, sister by Rose Maier

Saturday 10/31

No Divine Liturgy

Sunday 11/1

10:00am Divine Liturgy

Church Bulletin donated in October 2020 by Earl and Amparo Adkins for everyone's health.

All scheduled services will be held and can be viewed and prayed with at stgeorge.click2stream.com. Make sure to click on the volume to unmute at the bottom right hand corner. Also, we are every Sunday on St. George Cathedral Facebook.

All are invited to coffee hour in the large hall provided by Earl and Amparo Adkins in celebration of their birthdays. Thank you!

Sunday Collection: October 18, 2020

Loose	\$46.00
Sunday envelopes	\$945.00
Unirea	\$150.00
Candles	<u>\$64.00</u>
Total	\$1,205.00

Someone lit a candle and prayed for you last Sunday:

In memory of all Zagan Family Members	The Zagan Family
+Husband Dan Cseak	Natalie Cseak
+All family members and angel +Trisha	Del and Sandy
H/S All family members	Del and Sandy
Special Intention for Family	Doru Jacobs
Health and Salvation	Mihai and Elena Florea
In memory of loved one	Mihai and Elena Florea
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Special Intention	Earl and Amparo Adkins
H/S For Family	George and Maria Marcu
+Parents and Family	Danny and Cyndi Ardelean
H/S Veronica Maier	Danny and Cyndi Ardelean
H/S Maria and George Marcu	Danny and Cyndi Ardelean
H/S Earl and Amparo Adkins	Danny and Cyndi Ardelean
+Barbara Toma	Danny and Cyndi Ardelean
H/S Sue Sampson	Dave and Debbie Murari

H/S Susie Preston	Dave and Debbie Murari
H/S Deb Bredon	Dave and Debbie Murari
H/S All sick parishioners +John, husband	Dave and Debbie Murari
H/S All sick parishioners	Suzie Dragos
H/S Stella Lazar	Suzie Dragos
H/S All Family	Suzie Dragos
In honor of George and Maria Marcu's 55 th anniversary	Suzie Dragos
H/S Maria	George and Maria Marcu
H/S Parishioners	Mircea Cristea
H/S Stella, Johnny and Adrian Lazar and Family	Mircea Cristea
H/S Rita Cristea and Family	Mircea Cristea
Special Intention	Ann Fosnaught and Doru Jacobs

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Special Announcement:

Please pray for: Donna Pandullo, Missy Lawver, Carol Hoge, Veronica Maier, Sr. Agnes Scalero, Earl Adkins, End to Corona Virus attack, Clore Family, Georgeta Barcutian, Grace Mary Fein, Barbara Greavu, Connie McAdams, Suzie Dragos, Doris Rotar, Virginia Rogers, Stella Lazar and all who need our prayers.

Sick and homebound: Magdalene Florian (Florida), Alex and Theresa Gonyias (Home), Ann Stimer (Home), Maria Poplacean (Canton Regency Rm.#256), Aurelia Lupsor (Canton Christian Home) Natalie Cseak (St. Joseph, Louisville), Eugene Popa (St. Joseph, Louisville) and Irene Pontones (Chapel Hill Retirement Community)

For holy Baptism contact the parish office at least one month prior to the date requested.

For First Reconciliation contact the parish office when your child turns 7.

For Weddings contact the parish office at least six months prior to the date requested.

To guarantee announcements for the bulletin, they need to be given to the office by Wednesday prior to the Sunday bulletin. Thank you!

To facilitate **accurate counting**, please use separate checks/cash for the special collection, candle and Sunday collection envelopes. Thank you for your attention to this detail!

Please let the office know if you have an upcoming surgery, illness, etc., so we can put you on our prayer list. Thank you!

Altar Candelabrum for October 2020 is donated by **the Craciun Family for the health of Mrs. Georgeta Barcutian and Mrs. Mary Cornea.**

Left Iconostasis Candelabrum for October 2020 is donated by **Helen Bikis and Family in memory of +John Bikis, Jr.; 4 years.**

Right Iconostasis Candelabrum for October 2020 is donated by ...

Blessed Virgin Mary Candelabrum for October 2020 is donated **Tim Reichel.**

If you would like to sponsor a candelabra for any month of the year in honor of a living member or in memory of any loved ones that have passed away, please get in touch with the Church office and Ann will be able to schedule it for you. Thank you for your continuous support of the Church!!!

Prescura for October 2020: Amparo Adkins, Suzie Dragos, Elena Florea, Ann Fosnaught, Maria Marcu, Debbie Murari, Jacqui Oprean, Virginia Rogers, Patricia Wendt, Dodi Zbuka and Psa. Gabriela Marginean.

Announcements

The **sign-up sheet for 2021 Candelabrum and Bulletins** is available. They will be on the narthex table if you want to sign up. Contact Ann if you would like to sponsor for a specific month. Thank you for your support!

Thank you to Harry and Kathy Walsh for donation of disposable face masks for the church!

For the sick and homebound, St. George Cathedral offers a **live stream** of the Divine Liturgy which can be found at the following website: stgeorge.click2stream.com. Please make sure that you turn on the sound at the bottom right hand corner of the screen.

Amazon donates a percentage of your purchases to the charity of your choice when you go to smile.amazon.com. As you are shopping online, you can go to choose the St. George Cathedral. Thank you for using smile.amazon.com!

Virtual Benefit for the nuns of Christ the Bridegroom Monastery will be hosted on Saturday, November 7th with virtual event on Facebook every evening for a week prior to the virtual banquet. There is no cost to attend the dinner, but registration is requested by October 25 to receive a hand packed gift from the Nuns. Every person who registers before the event will be remembered at the Divine Liturgy once a month for a year. Learn more about and support the nuns and their life of prayer and hospitality. Donations given at the event or designated ahead of time will be doubled by matching donors. For more information and to register my please visit www.christthebridegroom.org or call 440-834-0290.

Parish events:

Curbside Fall Fish Fry will be hosted at St. George Cathedral on Friday, October 30 and November 13 and 20 from 4:00pm to 6:00pm. You can order and prepay online at <https://www.stgeorgeoh.org/> or call the office at 330-492-8413. **See P-sa. Gabi if you are available to volunteer to help!**

The Giving Tree: Pastoral Council chose to give to local food banks this year instead of helping a specific family or other group. Please bring in non-perishable foods to help those less fortunate in the area in celebration of Jesus' birth!

To Tickle Your Funny Bone ☺

Little Tony was in his uncle's wedding. As he came down the aisle during the ceremony, he carefully took two steps, then stopped and turned to the crowd. When facing the congregation, he put his hands up like claws and

roared loudly. So it went, step, step, turn, roar, step, step, turn, roar, all the way down the aisle.

As you can imagine, the congregation was near tears from laughing. By the time Little Tony reached the altar, he was near tears too. When later asked what he was doing, the boy sniffed and said, "I was being the Ring Bear."

Word of Life

"The Gospel of Life is at the *heart* of Jesus' saving message to the world. Through the Incarnation and birth of Christ, God reveals to us the dignity of all human life. Human life, as a gift of God, is sacred and inviolable. ... Not only must human life not be taken, but it must be protected with loving concern."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary" respectlife.org/gospel-of-life-summary

May God grant us the wisdom and courage
to lovingly protect His gift of human life
at every stage, in sickness and in health;

Let us pray to the Lord, Lord have mercy.



Happy Birthday!

La mulți ani!!

Madalyn Mae Putt – October 26th

Skylee Sousa – October 27th

Julie Shocksnyder – October 28th

Helena Parker – October 29th

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THE GOSPELS RECORD SEVERAL INSTANCES when the Lord Jesus called people to be His followers. At times He called people to leave their homes and livelihoods and follow Him. He called Peter and Andrew, James and John as they were busy fishing *“and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed Him”* (Mt 4:22).

Similarly, Matthew walked away from his toll booth and followed Jesus (see Mt 9:9); the other disciples, whose calls are not recorded in the Gospels, did the same.

Sometimes the Lord called but was refused. The cost of following Jesus was more than some people could bear. To the rich young man who wanted to be perfect Jesus said, *“If you want to be perfect, go – sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.”* When the young man heard this, *he went away sad, because he had great wealth*” (Mt 19:21-22).

In other instances, the Lord raised objections Himself before the would-be follower could discover through failure and discouragement that following Christ meant enduring hardships. Thus *“a teacher of the Law came to Him and said, ‘Teacher, I will follow you wherever you go.’ Jesus replied, ‘Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head”* (Mt 8:19-20). The Lord wanted this teacher of the Law to know that following Christ would

not provide the comfortable lifestyle he may have been anticipating.

To a procrastination, however, He gave the opposite advice. *“Then another disciple said to Him, ‘Lord, first let me go and bury my father.’ But Jesus told him, ‘Follow me and let the dead bury their own dead”* (Mt 8:21-22). The Lord surely wanted followers, but He had a different approach based on the readiness of the person before Him.

This passage suggests the hurdles that people in any age will face when they consider following the Lord in a radical way: fear of the unknown, self-concern, pre-occupation and attachment to other things – all can hinder us from following Christ.

The Vocation of the Gadarene

The Gadarene whom Jesus healed (Lk 8:27-39) wanted to follow Jesus as well; the Scripture says that he *“begged to go with Him,”* but the Lord had another plan for him. *“Jesus sent him away, saying, ‘Return home and tell how much God has done for you.’ So the man went away and told all over town how much Jesus had done for him”* (Lk 8:38-39).

The Gadarenes had made it clear that they wanted Jesus to go away. He would not force Himself on them. At the same time, He wanted to leave them with a permanent reminder of His presence: their own fellow countryman whom He had delivered. This man had once been a burden to the townspeople; now He would be a blessing.

The apostles were told to go through the world preaching the Gospel; this man’s call was to go home and do the same in his village. Was his call by Christ less of a vocation than that of the apostles? It was different, surely, but it was a vocation nonetheless.

Some people in the Church tend to think that “vocation” refers exclusively to the calling of a cleric or monastic, or as a member of a religious community. The Lord does call some people in every age to serve the Church as priests, deacons, chanters, etc. He does invite others to serve Him as a monk or nun, but these are not the only people whom He calls to serve Him.

Our Fundamental Vocation

Every person baptized into Christ has a vocation. The essence of that vocation is perhaps best expressed in the First Epistle of Peter: *“But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light”* (1 Pt 2:9).

There are three important aspects of our universal vocation expressed in this passage. First, our vocation is to a **priesthood**: what the Scripture calls a “royal priesthood.” Christ is the true kingly priest and, because we have been baptized into Him and sealed in His Holy Spirit, we share in His priesthood. As members of a people, the people of God. We are not individually priests, as are the ministers of the altar, but

members of a priesthood because of our common union with Christ the High Priest.

This passage also tells us *the reason for this priesthood*: “that you may declare the praises of” God. Our vocation as members of the royal priesthood is to support the Church’s call to proclaim the work of God in Christ. Some, like the apostles and evangelizers, are called to bring the Gospel to the ends of the earth. Others, like the Gadarene whom Jesus delivered in the Gospel or the Samaritan Woman, are called to show forth God’s love for mankind in their own corner of the world. Still others – most of us, in fact – are called to lend our assistance to these chosen vessels as they proclaim Christ to the world.

How Can We “Proclaim?”

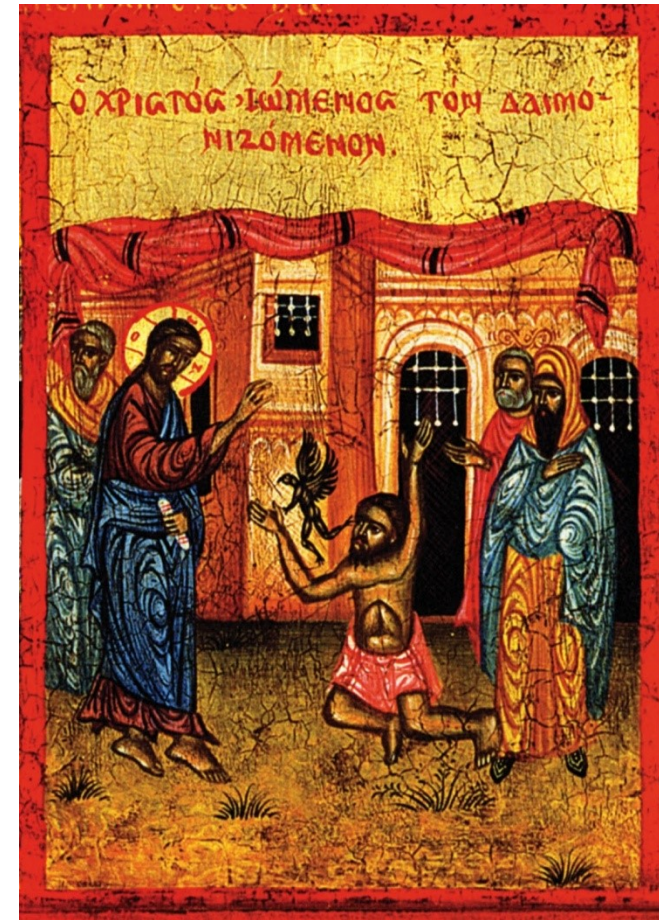
When we think about “proclaiming God’s work” we invariably think about speaking or writing. There is a host of other ways by which the Church makes the Good News present in our world. At the Bridegroom Matins on Holy Tuesday we are reminded that the abilities which we have received are often the way in which the Lord makes known to us our way of responding to this call:

“Come, O faithful,
let us work eagerly for the Master,
for He distributes wealth to His servants;
And let us increase the talent of grace,
each one according to his ability.
Let one adorn his wisdom with good deeds.
Let another beautify the celebration of the service.

Let someone strong in faith communicate
the word to the uninitiated,
And another dispense his wealth to the poor.
Thus, we shall increase what has been
loaned to us and,
Like faithful stewards of grace,
Shall be worthy of the Master’s joy.
O Christ God, make us worthy of that joy,
for You are the Lover of mankind.

Through each of these ways and countless others, believers can take their place in the royal priesthood, joining in the Church’s mission to declare through word or work “*the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light.*”

*Fifth Sunday after Holy Cross
(21 Pentecost, 6 St Luke)*



Spreading the Good News