

### *Invited to the Banquet*

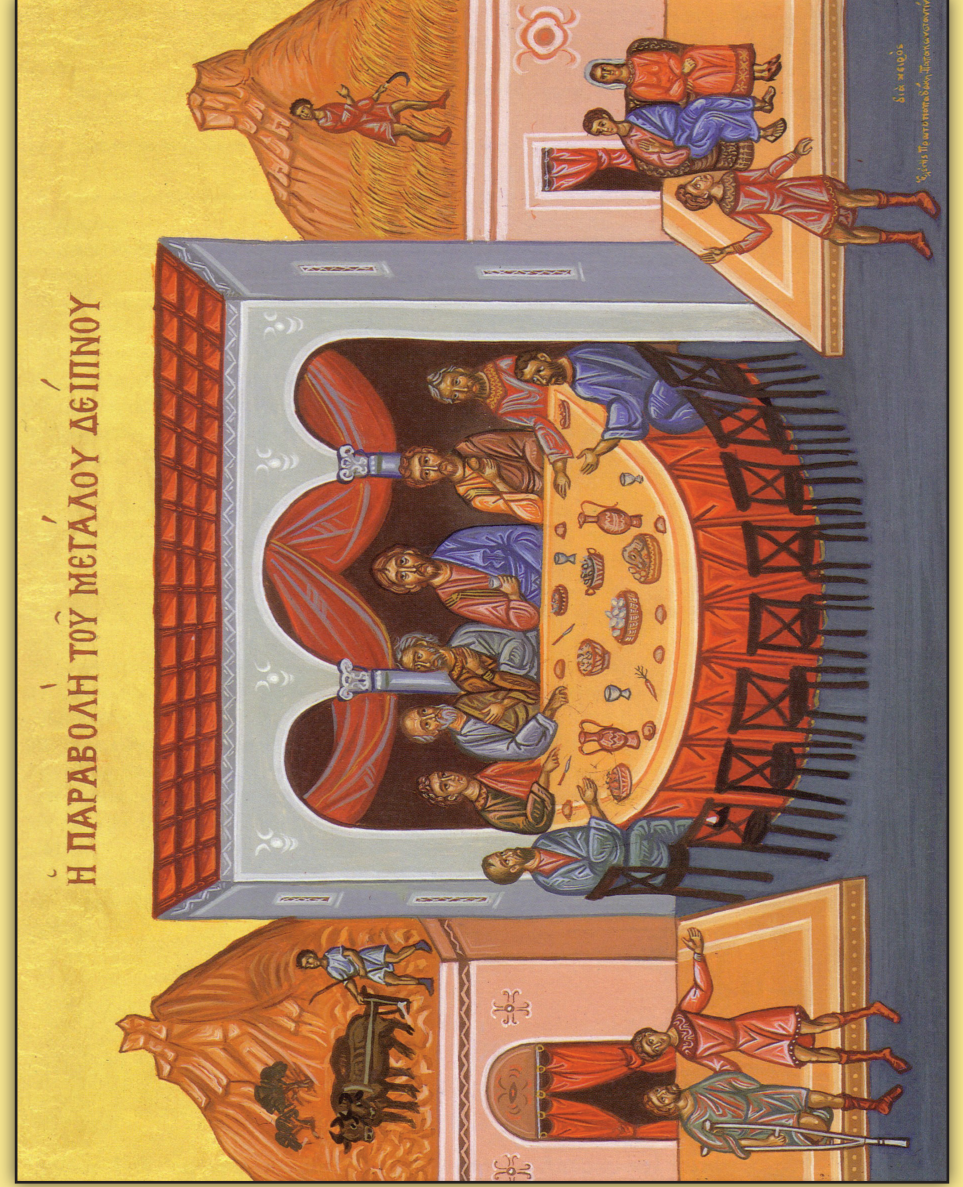
It is written in the Gospel: The Master sent out his servants to call them who wish to come, inviting them: “My banquet is ready.” But those who were called began to excuse themselves, one saying: “I bought some yoke of oxen.” Another: “I have married” (Luke 14:16ff). You see, he was ready who called, but the invited refused. They themselves were alone responsible in the way they answered.

Thus, so great is the dignity of Christians. Consider, the Lord has prepared for them the Kingdom and has called them to enter, but they have refused.

Concerning the gift that Christians will receive by way of their inheritance, one could rightly say that if anyone, from the time of Adam’s creation to the end of the world, should battle against Satan and put up with afflictions, it would be nothing in comparison to the glory which he is to obtain. For he will reign forever together with Christ. Glory to Him who so loved such a person that He gave himself and His grace and entrusted himself to Him. Glory to His greatness!

*Pseudo-Macarius*

### ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF LUKE



*Icon of the Great Banquet (Luke 14:16-24)*

# **ST. GEORGE ROMANIAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL**

EPARCHY OF ST. GEORGE IN CANTON

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**Schedule for Holy Days of Obligation:** Vigil Vespers: 6:00 p.m.

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

**Confessions: See calendar or at any time by request.**

**Ann Fosnaught, Secretary 330-492-8413 or annf@rcdcanton.org**

## **December 11, 2022**

### **11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

### **Sunday of the Holy Ancestors**

**This Sunday: Epistle Colossians 3:4-12**

**Gospel Luke 14:16-25**

**Next Sunday: Epistle Hebrews 11: 9-10;17-23;32-40 Gospel Matt 1:1-25**

### **Weekly Liturgy Schedule**

Sunday 12/11

Parastas: +Crihalmeanu Family

Monday 12/12

No Liturgy

Tuesday 12/13

8:00am Divine Liturgy: H/S Tim Shocksnyder

Wednesday 12/14

8:00am Divine Liturgy: H/S Suzie Dragos

Thursday 12/15

8:00am Divine Liturgy: H/S Ardelean Family

Friday 12/16

8:00am Divine Liturgy: +Br. Matthew Burke

Saturday 12/17

No Liturgy

**Sunday 12/18**

**10:00am Divine Liturgy: Sunday before the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ**

*Church Bulletin donated in December by Pete and Dodi Zbuka.*

All scheduled services will be held and can be viewed and prayed with at <https://stgeorge.click2stream.com/>. Make sure to click on the volume to unmute at the bottom right hand corner.

Coffee Hour is in the small hall provided by Aurel and Angie Bosca. Thank you!

**Sunday Collection: December 4, 2022**

Loose	\$22.00
Sunday envelopes	\$2,338.00
Clergy Retirement Fund	\$395.00
Candles	<u>\$84.00</u>
Total	\$2,839.00

Someone lit a candle and prayed for you last Sunday:

In memory of all Zagan Family Members	The Zagan Family
+All family members and angel +Trisha	Del and Sandy
H/S All family members	Del and Sandy
In memory of loved ones	Doru Jacobs and Ann Fosnaught
+Neculai Neagu	Greg and Cheti Bikis
+Parents and Family	Danny and Cyndi Ardelean
Special Intention	Danny and Cyndi Ardelean
H/S Family	Liviu and Georgeta Barcutian
+Patricia Galida	William Galida
+Nicolae	George and Maria Marcu

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**Special Announcement:**

**Please pray for:** Joe Oprean(Akron General Hospital), Thomas, Vicky Dash (Doug Babb's sister), Tony Orlando, Tim Shocksnyder, Troy Kilpatrick, Sadie Dexter, Jack Figel, Neil Weakland, Edward Sutek, Lanette Fliger, Baby Gage Glyder-Roska, Friedrich Neading, Clore Family, Rodriguez Family, Patron Family, Seesan Family, Suzie Dragos, George and Maria Marcu, Bob and Barbara Greavu, Virginia Rogers and all who need our prayers.

**Sick and/or homebound:** Mary Cornea (Home), Esther Dershaw (Sprenger Health Care Rose Lane Nursing and Rehabilitation; 5426 Hill Mill Ave NW; Massillon 44646), Alex and Theresa Gonyias (Home), Ann Stimer (Home), Aurelia Lupsor (Canton Christian Home), Doris Rotar (home in Florida)

**Altar Candelabrum** for December 2022 is donated **by Deb and Tim Reichel** in celebration of our wedding anniversary.

**Left Iconostasis Candelabrum** for December 2022 is donated **by Ileana and Romulus Mihalteanu.**

**Right Iconostasis Candelabrum** for December 2022 is donated **by Del and Sandy Schock** in loving memory of **+Trish Schock, daughter** for her birthday on December 2.

**Blessed Virgin Mary Candelabrum** for December 2022 is donated **by sons and daughters** in loving memory of **+Judge Novak's birthday Danny and Cyndi Ardelean** in loving memory of **+Charles and +Mary Ardelean.**

**Prescura for 2022:** Amparo Adkins, Annie Collins, Esther Dershaw, Suzie Dragos, Elena Florea, Ann Fosnaught, Mariana Greavu, Ileana Hotiu, Nancy Maciag, Maria Marcu, Debbie Murari, Virginia Rogers, Kathy Walsh, P-sa. Patricia Wendt, Dodi Zbuka and P-sa. Gabriela Marginean

### **Announcements:**

**Thank you** to all who pledged in 2022. Funds are needed in order to meet the expenses every month of the year in order to sustain our church. Contact Ann in the office to check if you need to verify if you completed your pledge. Tax letters will go out in the middle of January. Make sure all 2022 giving is done by December 31, 2022!!

**2023 Pledge forms** are on the Narthex table. Please fill one out!!

**Thank you** to all who donated towards the **Clergy Retirement Fund.** Your generosity is greatly appreciated! Every cent is used for this eparchy's clergy. Thank you!

**Thank you** for your generosity to the **Giving Tree!** Items are due today!



**Thank you** to all who helped to **decorate** the church for Christmas!

**Save the Date: The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Women's Retreat:** From Fallen Passions to Apatheia-Pursuing the Virtuous Life. At Our Lady of the Pines Retreat Center, Fremont, Ohio. February 24-26, 2023. Retreat Master: Fr. Thomas Loya, STB, MA. Contact Joan for info at 865-696-7809

**Save the Date: The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Men's Retreat: The Gift of Prayer.** At Our Lady of the Pines Retreat Center, Fremont, Ohio. March 10-12, 2023. Retreat Master: Fr. Cyril Pinchak, SJ. Contact Karl Busam for more information at 419-626-6811 or [karl.busam.77@gmail.com](mailto:karl.busam.77@gmail.com).

**Parish events:**

**TODAY, Carpathian Men's Club** will meet at 5:30pm.

**Stewardship committee** will meet on Wednesday, December 14 at 6:30pm. It is a virtual meeting. Email Fr. Ovi for an invitation.

**Pastoral Council** will meet on Thursday, December 15 at 6:30pm in the small hall.

**Colinda/Christmas Caroling** will take place the weekend of December 17 and 18. Sign up in the narthex if you would like the carolers to come to you and/or if you want to share the joy of Jesus' birth through music.

**Sarmale (Cabbage rolls)** can be purchased! \$25 per baker's dozen (13 pieces). Order by Tuesday, December 20. Pick up is between NOON and 1pm on Saturday, December 24.

There will be a **reception** following Divine Liturgy on Christmas day, Sunday, December 25. All are invited to bring some appetizers or desserts to share. Thank you for your generosity at this celebration of Jesus' birth!

St. George Romanian Byzantine Catholic **Prayer Group** in cooperation with **Our Lady of Montligeon** will meet on Wednesday, December 28. The focus will be praying for our deceased loved ones. We will aim to meet the last Wednesday of each month starting with Divine Liturgy, Rosary and other

prayers. See Tony Orlando or Annie Collins for more details or information. See for <https://montligeon.org/en/> for more information.

There are plans for a **New Years Eve party** for parishioners and close friends. It will start at 8:00pm and BYOB. Food will be provided. \$30 per person or \$50 per couple.

The **Ladies Auxiliary** will be selling **poinsettias** to decorate the church. The cost is \$10 per flower. Envelopes are on the narthex table. Return your envelope to Debbie Murari or you may put it in the offering basket. Thank you for your support!

### **To Tickle Your Funny Bone 😊**

The following is a confidential report on several candidates being considered for a ministry position.

**Solomon:** great preacher, but our parsonage would never hold all those wives. Good with building projects, but rather extravagant.

**Samson:** hair too long.

**Elijah:** prone to depression. Spends too much time by himself – a loner. No wife that we know of.

**Methuselah:** too old. Way too old.

**Jonah:** ran away from God's call. Known to pout when things don't go his way. Tells questionable fish stories.

**John:** says he's a Baptist, but definitely doesn't dress like one. Has a weird diet. Offends politician and is known to lose his head.

### **Do Something Beautiful for God by Mother Theresa**

Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be all holy. Act in me, O Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, that I love but what is holy. Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, to defend all that is holy. Guard me then, O Holy Spirit, that I always may be holy. Amen.

Each one of us is here today because we have been loved by God who created us, and by our parents who cared enough to give us life. Life is the most beautiful gift of God. That is why it is so painful to see what is happening

today in so many places around the world; life being deliberately destroyed by war and every type of violence.

## **Happy Birthday! La mulți ani!!**

Scarlett Lynn Putt – December 12<sup>th</sup>  
Chandellor David Bollon – December 14<sup>th</sup>  
Sutton Shaheen – December 14<sup>th</sup>  
Robert Greavu – December 15<sup>th</sup>  
Coleen Roska – December 17<sup>th</sup>  
Gregory Cole – December 17<sup>th</sup>  
Jean Sarris – December 17<sup>th</sup>  
Rdr. James Dershaw – December 17<sup>th</sup>  
Lucretia Bikis – December 18<sup>th</sup>

## **Advertising Opportunity – business card size:**

outside businesses - \$50 per month or \$450 per year  
cathedral businesses - \$20 per month or \$150 per year

This is a good opportunity to know the talent in our parish and to grow your business!



**Financial strategies.  
One-on-one advice.**

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	Mon 12/12	Tue 12/13	Wed 12/14	Thu 12/15	Fri 12/16	Sat 12/17	Sun 12/18
	Christmas Fast - Common abstinence (unless otherwise noted)						
	Scarlett Lynn Putt's	Eustratius, Auxentius.	Chandellor David	Robert Greavu's birthday	Abstinence	Coleen Roska's birthday	Lucretia Bikis' birthday
	St. Spyridon the		Sutton Shaheen's	Eleutherius, martyr.	H. Prophet Haggai.	Gregory Cole's birthday	SUNDAY BEFORE
			Abstinence			Jean Sarris' birthday	Sebastian and others.
			Thryces, Leucius.			Reader James	
						The Holy Prophet Daniel	
8am		Liturgy: H/S Tim Shocksneider 8am - 9am	Liturgy: H/S Suzie Dragos 8am - 9am	Liturgy: H/S Ardelean Family 8am - 9am	Liturgy: +Br. Matthew Burke 8am - 9am		
9am							
10am							Divine Liturgy 10am - 11:30am
11am							
12pm							
1pm							
2pm							
3pm							
4pm							
5pm							
6pm							
7pm			Stewardship Committee meeting Virtual Meeting - invitation needed 6:30pm - 8pm	Pastoral Council meeting Small hall 6:30pm - 8:30pm			
8pm							