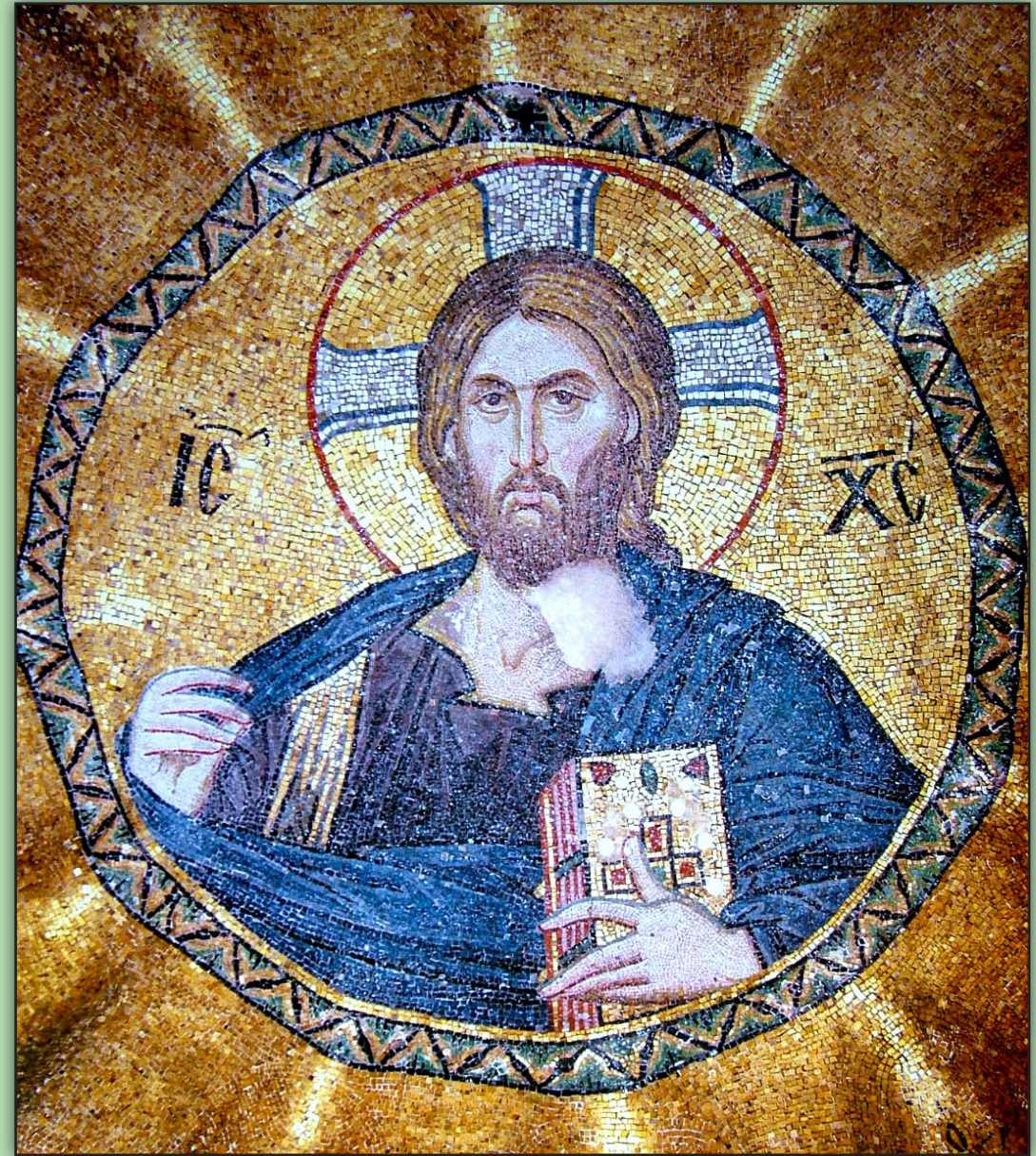


SUNDAY OF CHEESEFARE
FORGIVENESS SUNDAY



Icon of Christ Pantocrator

True Fasting

“Why do we fast, and you do not see it? afflict ourselves, and you take no note of it? Lo, on your fast day you carry out your own pursuits, and drive all your laborers. Yes, your fast ends in quarreling and fighting, striking with wicked claw. Would that today you might fast so as to make your voice heard on high! Is this the manner of fasting I wish, of keeping a day of penance: That a man bow his head like a reed, and lie in sackcloth and ashes? Do you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord?

This, rather, is the fasting that I wish: releasing those bound unjustly, untying the thongs of the yoke; Setting free the oppressed, breaking every yoke; Sharing your bread with the hungry, sheltering the oppressed and the homeless; Clothing

the naked when you see them, and not turning your back on your own.

Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your wound shall quickly be healed; Your vindication shall go before you, and the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer, you shall cry for help, and he will say: Here I am!

If you remove from your midst oppression, false accusation and malicious speech; If you bestow your bread on the hungry and satisfy the afflicted; Then light shall rise for you in the darkness, and the gloom shall become for you like midday.”

The Prophet Isaiah (58:3-9)

ST. GEORGE ROMANIAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL

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Fr. Deacon Remus Orian – 330-809-2500

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.

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

February 14, 2021

Cheese-Fare Sunday – Forgiveness Sunday

This Sunday: Epistle Rom 13:11-14 – 14:1-4

Gospel Matt 6:14-21

Next Sunday: Epistle Heb 11:24-26

Gospel John 1:43-51

Weekly Liturgy Schedule

Monday 2/15	6:30pm Presanctified Liturgy
Tuesday 2/16	No Divine Liturgy
Wednesday 2/17	6:30pm Presanctified Liturgy
Thursday 2/18	No Divine Liturgy
Friday 2/19	12:00pm Presanctified Liturgy
Saturday 2/20	9:00 Divine Liturgy – Saturday of the Deceased
Sunday 2/21	10:00am Divine Liturgy

*Church Bulletin donated in February 2021 by Mircea Cristea in memory of
Parents: +Metodie and +Mary Cristea.*

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. Also, we are every Sunday on St. George Cathedral Facebook.

Coffee hour will take place in the large hall offered by Mircea Cristea in memory of parents: +Metodie and +Mary Cristea. Thank you!

Sunday Collection: February 7, 2021

Loose	\$5.00
Sunday envelopes	\$2,282.00
+John Dragos by Daniel and Cyndi Ardelean	\$25.00
+John Dragos by Olivia Dearth and Tom	\$25.00
Candles	<u>\$315.00</u>
Total	\$2,652.00

Online Donations \$145.00

Donations

In memory of +Magdalene Florian by Philip Ross	\$200.00
In memory of +Magdalene Florian by Ginny Mogus	\$25.00
In memory of +Magdalene Florian by Wanda Gates	\$25.00
In memory of +John Dragos by Olympia Mucia, sister	\$20.00

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
Special Intention for Family	Mihai and Elena Florea
+Parents and Family	Danny and Cyndi Ardelean

+John Dragos	Danny and Cyndi Ardelean
H/S Maria Poplacean	Danny and Cyndi Ardelean
H/S Stella, Johnny and Adrian Lazar and Family	Mircea Cristea
+Mary Karadin	Mark Botean
+John Dragos	Tony Orlando
H/S Peggy Rocoles	Harry Walsh
H/S Greg Poppers	Harry Walsh
H/S Greg McElroy	Harry Walsh
+John Dragos	Charles and Denise Dragos
+John Dragos	Drew, Susie and Family
H/S Suzie Dragos	Drew, Susie and Family
+John Dragos	Ana and William Galida
H/S Johnnie Maier	Ana and William Galida
+John Dragos	Erik Ardelean
+Grandparents and Godparents	Erik Ardelean
H/S Ardelean Family	Erik Ardelean
H/S Dragos Family	Erik Ardelean
+John Dragos, husband	Suzie Dragos
In memory of deceased in Dragos and Eberhart Families	Suzie Dragos
H/S Stella Lazar	Suzie Dragos
H/S All Family	Suzie Dragos
Health of all sick friends and members of St. George	Suzie Dragos

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Special Announcement:

Please pray for: Scarlett Putt, Sonya Paul, Bryan Pryce, John Contini, Donna Pandullo, Missy Lawver, Carol Hoge, Veronica Maier, Sr. Agnes Scalero, Earl Adkins, End to Corona Virus attack, Clore Family, Liviu and 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: Amelia Botean (Home), 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 February 2021 is donated by **Earl and Amparo Adkins for our health.**

Left Iconostasis Candelabrum for February 2021 is donated by **Earl and Amparo Adkins for our niece's recuperation.**

Right Iconostasis Candelabrum for February 2021 is donated by **William Galida in loving memory of +Patricia Galida.**

Blessed Virgin Mary Candelabrum for February 2021 is donated by **the Dumea Family.**

If you would like to sponsor 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 February 2021: Amparo Adkins, Annie Collins, Suzie Dragos, Elena Florea, Ann Fosnaught, Mariana Greavu, Nancy Maciag, Maria Marcu, Debbie Murari, Kathy Walsh, P-sa. Patricia Wendt, and Psa. Gabriela Marginean.

Announcements

Please read the enclosed letter from Most Reverend John Michael Botean. We will hold a **special collection on February 21 and 28 in memory of Bishop Florentin Crihalmeanu** who passed away in January.

Reports for the St. Nicholas Dinner and the Three Saints Dinner are enclosed. Thank you to all who helped to make these successful!

Please prayerfully consider what God wants you to give to support our parish. **Pledge sheets** are in the 1/31/21 bulletin and are on the narthex table. Please return by the end of February 2021, so that we know how to plan for the year.

Operation Rice Bowl - Join our faith community—and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family’s CRS Rice Bowl from the Narthex on February 14. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on how hunger and malnutrition affect our human family, and on the need to take action to end this global injustice. Visit **crsricebowl.org** to learn more.

Saturdays of the Deceased Liturgies will start on Saturday, February 20. Please see the envelope on the Narthex table to update your list of loved ones who have passed away.

Use Amazon Smile and choose St. George Cathedral. Amazon donates a percentage of your purchases to the charity of your choice when you go to <https://smile.amazon.com/>. As you are shopping online, you can go to choose the St. George Cathedral. Thank you!

Purchases at **GFS (Gordan Food Service)**. St. George will get points when you purchase at GFS. Share the business name “St. George Cathedral on 44th Street” when they ask or remind them that you are purchasing for a business. Thank you for your help!

Parish events:

Curbside Fall Fish Fry will be hosted at St. George Cathedral on Friday, February 19, 26, March 5, 12, 19, 26 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. Parishioners are encouraged to order and pay through Ann in the office to save online fees. Thank you for your consideration!

To Tickle Your Funny Bone ☺

There are people who in their honest moments, ought to sing these familiar hymns as indicated.

I Surrender Some; There Shall Be Sprinkles of Blessings; Fill My Spoon, Lord; O How I like Jesus; When the Saints Go Sneaking In; I Love to Talk about Telling the Story; Take My Life and Let Me Be; Onward Christian Reservists; Where He Leads Me, I Will Think about Following; Just as I Make Believe I Am

Word of Life

“Married love differs from any other love in the world. By its nature, the love of husband and wife is so complete, so ordered to a lifetime of communion with God and each other, that it is open to creating a new human being they will love and care for together.” *USCCB, Married Love and the Gift of Life*

For all married couples:

That they may witness to the generous love of God,
through openness to new life

by joyfully welcoming the gift of children;

Let us pray to the Lord, Lord have mercy.

Happy Birthday! La mulți ani!

Doris Rotar – February 15th

Emma Baxter - February 16th

Alexandria Valentine - February 19th

	Mon 2/15	Tue 2/16	Wed 2/17	Thu 2/18	Fri 2/19	Sat 2/20	Sun 2/21
	Clean Week: Strict abstinence (no meat, dairy, fish)						Great Lent: common
	Doris Rotar's Birthday	Emma Baxter's	Great-Martyr	Holy Father Leo, Pope	Alexandrina Claire	Holy Father Leo,	Serena Emanuela
	Onesimus, Apostle of	Pamphilius, martyr			Holy Apostle		Maximus Murari's
	Clean Monday: 1st				Commemoration of		Chandler Crown's
	Presidents' Day						Ven. Father Timothy
							1st Sunday in Lent -
9am						Divine Liturgy: Saturday of the Deceased 9am - 10am	
10am							Divine Liturgy 10am - 11:30am
11am							
12pm					Presanctified Liturgy 12pm - 1:30pm		Coffee: 11:30am - 12:30pm
1pm							
2pm							
3pm							
4pm					Fish Fry 4pm - 6pm		
5pm							
6pm							
7pm	Presanctified Liturgy 6:30pm - 8pm		Presanctified Liturgy 6:30pm - 8pm				

Stewardship

Inspiring a deeper understanding of true giving

February 2021

Once there was a little village nestled securely in a valley between two mountains. Its people were very advanced compared with those who lived in the neighboring villages. They had learned how to build bridges, how to farm the slopes of the mountains, how to make laws to govern themselves, and how to write poetry about the beauty that surrounded them. They were indeed a clever people.


The villagers had a special treasure ... a chest filled with beautiful jewels. No one could remember just how or when the village had first come to possess the chest, except that it had been given to them as a gift from someone who had loved them very much. The villagers were very proud of their treasure. They took good care of it and even built a special room for it.

Life was good for the people who lived in the village, but one thing disturbed them. They longed desperately to share the beauty of the jewels with their children; to let them see the sparkling colors with their own eyes. But they could not. They had forgotten how to open the chest.

This was a very distressing situation, but the people rarely had a chance to address themselves to it. Their bridge-building, farming, law-making, and writing kept them very busy. However, one day they did hold a meeting to discuss the problem. Everyone agreed how very important it was for the children to be able to see the jewels with their own eyes and they drafted a strong resolution to that effect. But when they got around

to discussing how the chest might be opened, no one felt qualified to open it or had the time to try. Each year they passed a resolution about how important it was for their children to see the jewels with their own eyes. And yet each year no one felt qualified to open the chest or had the time to try.

The moral of this story is if you don't take time, it will take you. The trail of broken promises and commitments in our lives is paved with the excuse of not having time.

Stewardship is the experience of turning intentions into actions. Share your time and talents with others ... and don't forget committing some of both to your church. 

Time is a gift from God, to be used wisely, not frittered away. God allows us to choose how to use this gift. Do you use God's time for loving and caring deeds?



A Christian disciple is concerned about how he or she uses their time. The days and years at their disposal are a sacred trust. One who is faithful in the use of their time does not live in fear of the future, but constantly faces the question of whether or not they are making wise use of the years at their disposal. They ask themselves, "Am I being true to God if I devote all my time to work, pleasure and sleep, even if I do contribute my money?"

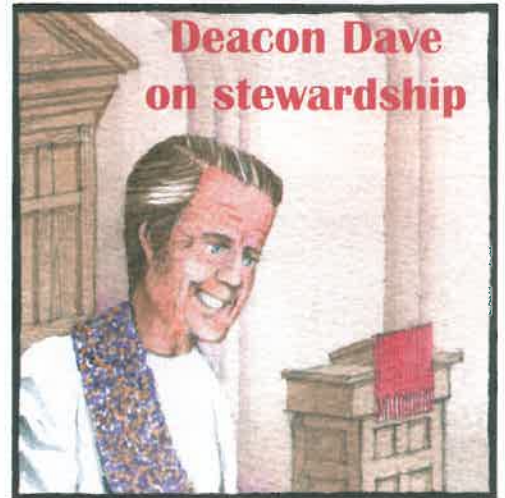
Active, Not Passive

Peter instructs us to prepare for the coming again of Jesus by being good stewards over all that God has given us.

"Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms" 1 Peter 4:10.

Every person who yields to Jesus Christ receives from God some special ability or quality that can be used to build the church, so that the church may become more effective in its mission to reach and transform the world. If you have committed yourself to Christ, then God has committed to your care some special gift or gifts ... an ability, a talent, or a quality of personality to be used in his service.

I see the people I meet every day and know the Bible rings true on this. They are a gifted group of people. I see those who are great teachers of



God's Word. I see others who possess the spiritual gift of "exhortation," which means that they are great affirmers of others. Still others have the gift of "hospitality." People feel especially warm and at ease when they come to their home and they help newcomers to feel welcomed in their midst on Sunday mornings. I praise God for all of these people. Use well and often your gifts.

To all of Christ's followers special
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Never Enough

A concert pianist one evening gave a stellar performance, receiving a standing ovation as the curtain fell. Afterwards, a reception was held in his honor. As the crowd gathered around him, one woman, who was a pretty good pianist in her own right, gushed, "Oh, I'd give anything to play as you do!" The concert pianist looked at her and slowly replied, "No, I don't believe you would." A hush fell over the room. "Yes, I would," insisted the woman.

The pianist continued, "No, you really wouldn't. If you wanted to pay the price, you could play as well ... possi-

bly even better than I. It has taken me seven or eight hours a day, seven days a week for at least seven years to play as well as I do. You would give anything to play as well as I do, except the time. When you say you would give anything, you don't really mean it."

Are we really willing to do whatever it takes to help? Or, do we sometimes think, "Enough is enough. No more help. No more for missions. No more time for the church. It has to stop!"

But as Jesus' actions make clear, enough is never enough. Jesus is filled with compassion (as we usually are too), and then he acts on that compas-

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Becoming Partners in God's Work

My child, I've often heard your question ...
This message is my answer:

- † You're concerned about the hungry in the world, millions who are starving ... and you ask, "What can I do?" **FEED ONE**
- † You're haunted by the homeless poor who wander city streets ... and you ask: "What can I do?" **SHELTER ONE**
- † You feel compassion for those who suffer pain, sorrow and despair ... and you ask: "What can I do?" **COMFORT ONE**
- † Your heart goes out to the lonely, the abused and the imprisoned ... and you ask: "What can I do?" **LOVE ONE**

Remember this, my child ... two thousand years ago the world was filled with those in need, just as it is today, and when the helpless and the hopeless called out to me for mercy, I sent a savior. ☩

Stewardship Prayer

Creator God,

Life is your gift to me.

Through Baptism, you invite me

to share the gift of my life in service to others.

Be with me as I choose each day

to show your presence in our world.

Give me the courage and generosity

to respond to your love, to your call.

May we bring the Good News to those in need.

Keep us close to you.

Open the minds and hearts of many others

that they may accept your challenge

to build the Kingdom.

We ask this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Are you cheerful in your heart about giving your offering to the Lord, or is it a task?

Do you pray about the amount you give and respond to the extra blessings God has given you during the previous week?

If you receive a raise at work, do you increase your giving proportionately?

It is traditional to make an offering as a way to show our gratitude to the giver of all gifts.

Are we going through the motions, or is our heart in our giving?



Are we really willing to do whatever it takes?

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Deacon Dave...


gifts are given. They are given to be used in his service so that his church might proclaim his message of love, forgiveness, peace and reconciliation to a world that desperately needs to hear and respond. And as we serve his church and proclaim the Good News to the world, we will be preparing ourselves for his coming again.

Come, Lord Jesus. We're ready!



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Never Enough...

sion by being willing to help. The willingness to help, however, must be reinforced by our doing whatever it takes to help others. 



St. George Cathedral
Profit & Loss Budget Performance
January 2021

	<u>Jan 21</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Jul '20 - Jan 21</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense					
Income					
Program Income				416.00	416.00
Catering Income	187.00	40.00	5,835.00	8,832.00	9,693.00
Fundraising Activities: Three Saints Dinner	5,864.38	7,500.00	42,059.69	47,708.00	83,164.00
Interest & Dividends	19.45	50.00	1,020.64	1,654.00	2,538.00
Offerings: Sunday and Special	16,608.00	10,430.00	88,927.43	75,254.26	131,115.70
Total Income	<u>22,678.83</u>	<u>18,020.00</u>	<u>137,842.76</u>	<u>133,864.26</u>	<u>226,926.70</u>
Cost of Goods Sold					
Cost of Goods Sold	135.86	409.00	2,957.52	4,759.00	6,960.00
Total COGS	<u>135.86</u>	<u>409.00</u>	<u>2,957.52</u>	<u>4,759.00</u>	<u>6,960.00</u>
Gross Profit	22,542.97	17,611.00	134,885.24	129,105.26	219,966.70
Expense					
Church Expenses: Insurance, Supplies	817.04	710.00	5,538.47	6,526.00	11,129.00
Fundraising Expense: Dinner	1,002.98	2,662.15	11,333.61	18,734.91	37,879.87
Administrative Expense	200.16	150.00	437.26	639.00	1,076.00
Auto Expense: Gas and repairs	707.22	298.00	1,923.86	2,921.00	4,337.00
Catering Expense	304.16	795.50	2,554.07	3,266.50	6,315.50
Diocese Support: Taxa and Retirement Fund	1,311.06	1,199.06	8,111.52	8,110.42	13,833.72
Dues & Subscriptions	189.00	110.00	1,406.78	976.00	1,532.00
Postage	116.65	169.00	715.10	1,278.00	2,223.00
Professional Services		120.00		120.00	120.00
Payroll Expenses: Fr. Ovi, Ann and loan's gift	4,324.26	4,425.00	30,269.82	30,375.00	52,600.00
Plant Maintenance: Church, House, Hall, etc	2,807.50	3,389.00	30,107.60	27,185.00	40,699.00
Real Estate Taxes					2,435.54
Travel & Meetings Expenses			37.08	605.00	1,175.00
Utilities: Gas, Water, Sewer, Internet, Phone, electric	2,535.70	3,376.00	13,856.04	17,752.00	28,655.00

St. George Cathedral
Profit & Loss Budget Performance
January 2021

	<u>Jan 21</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Jul '20 - Jan 21</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>
Program Expense: Candles, Social	472.63	1,989.00	7,975.30	11,477.50	15,392.00
Total Expense	<u>14,788.36</u>	<u>19,392.71</u>	<u>114,266.51</u>	<u>129,966.33</u>	<u>219,402.63</u>
Net Ordinary Income	7,754.61	(1,781.71)	20,618.73	(861.07)	564.07
Other Income/Expense					
Other Income					
Other Income			7.03		
Unrealized gain/loss: Edward Jones Market Change	(1,205.94)		20,499.01		
Total Other Income	<u>(1,205.94)</u>		<u>20,506.04</u>		
Other Expense					
Other Expense				1,250.00	3,750.00
Total Other Expense				<u>1,250.00</u>	<u>3,750.00</u>
Net Other Income	<u>(1,205.94)</u>		<u>20,506.04</u>	<u>(1,250.00)</u>	<u>(3,750.00)</u>
Net Income	<u><u>6,548.67</u></u>	<u><u>(1,781.71)</u></u>	<u><u>41,124.77</u></u>	<u><u>(2,111.07)</u></u>	<u><u>(3,185.93)</u></u>

St. George Cathedral
Balance Sheet
As of January 31, 2021

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

Edward Jones Investment	154,008.37
Bookstore Imprest account	100.00
Money Market	20,881.20
St. George Orphanage	479.38
Cash in bank - operating	12,493.09

Total Checking/Savings 187,962.04

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable (1,118.86)

Total Accounts Receivable (1,118.86)

Other Current Assets

Investments - other
Undeposited Funds 8,169.08

Total Other Current Assets 8,169.08

Total Current Assets **195,012.26**

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable

Accounts Payable 9,532.58

Total Accounts Payable 9,532.58

Credit Cards

Huntington - Master Card 1,084.89

Visa Business Card - St. George

Total Credit Cards 1,084.89

Other Current Liabilities

Building maintenance - projects

Liturgy Stipends 650.00

Collections payable 506.60

Total Other Current Liabilities 1,156.60

Total Current Liabilities 11,774.07

Total Liabilities **11,774.07**

St. George Cathedral Stewardship Council Meeting Minutes- January 20, 2021

- Members present via video conference included: Fr. Ovi, Emil Alecusan, Debbie Maier, Terry Seeberger and Harry Walsh. Jacqui Oprean and Johnnie Maier also participated.
- Emil called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.
- Fr. Ovi began the meeting with a prayer.
- Minutes of December 9, 2020 meeting were reviewed. Debbie motioned to approve and Fr. Ovi seconded. Motion approved.
- December 2020 financial results showed a Net Ordinary Income of \$5,136. Several hall rentals contributed about \$3,500 and the curbside sale of Sarmale contributed \$1,700. The Investment account had an unrealized gain of \$4,733 due to the financial markets. This brought the total Net Income to \$9,869.

Fiscal Year-to-date shows Ordinary Income of \$12,971 and unrealized gains of \$21,712 for a total Income of \$34,683.

- At December 31, 2020 current assets totaled \$192,136 offset by current liabilities of \$15,520 for a net cash position of \$176,616.

Debbie motioned to approve the financial report and Terry seconded. Motion approved.

- Jacqui reported that the investment portfolio had a return of 12.1% for the calendar year 2020. She also reported that she and Fr. Ovi had made some adjustments to the mix in order to minimize volatility going forward.
- Emil presented several reports that showed we were able to show Ordinary Income of almost \$27,000 for calendar 2020 and the benefit of having the various curbside fundraising events. He also showed how it is important to have the fundraising events because weekly offerings are not sufficient to cover fixed expenses.
- The meeting concluded at 8:00. The next Stewardship Meeting is scheduled for February 10, 2021 at 6:00. The audit will be conducted during the meeting.



Emil Alecusan, Stewardship Chairman



January 20, 2021

Dear Faithful in Christ-God,

Lent is a time of repentance and of uniting ourselves to Christ during his 40 days in the desert. During this sacred season, CRS Rice Bowl—Catholic Relief Services' Lenten faith-in-action program—invites us to reflect on how caring for our neighbor is caring for Christ. *For I was hungry and you gave me food, thirsty and you gave me drink* (Matthew 25:35).

CRS Rice Bowl provides resources to bring Lenten spirituality to life for families, parishes and school communities, while continuing to connect Catholics in our Eparchy of St. George with our global human family.


This year, CRS invites you to journey to Madagascar, El Salvador and Timor-Leste to learn about the root causes of hunger and how communities—with the support of CRS and faith communities like yours—are making sure they have the right nutritious food to thrive. Through stories, videos and lesson plans, our community will learn about the global issue of hunger and malnutrition and our Gospel call to feed the hungry. With prayer, fasting and almsgiving, we can continue Jesus' mission to care for all in need.

I encourage you to take home a CRS Rice Bowl and Lenten Calendar for each family in your community. These free materials are available in your parish. You may also visit crsricebowl.org or crsplatodearoz.org to find additional resources, including:

- Lenten devotions and prayers
- Lesson plans, videos and activity sheets for religious educators and parents
- Ideas for in-person or virtual community gatherings and simple Lenten meal events

Thank you for inviting families in your faith community to an enriched Lenten journey through CRS Rice Bowl. Together, we can respond to Christ's call to help those in need and ensure everyone reaches his or her God-given human potential.

Fraternally in Christ-God,


(Most Reverend) John Michael Botean, DD
Bishop of the Eparchy of St. George in Canton

Please be generous!
Thank you!

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Eparchy of St. George in Canton



Office of the Bishop

February 5, 2021

Beloved Faithful of our Eparchy,

As you may already know, Most Reverend Floretin Crihalmeanu, Bishop of the Eparchy of Cluj-Napoca in Romania passed away on January 12, 2021. He was an active bishop in the community and in the Church. I feel blessed to have known and worked with Bishop Florentin since before either of us was bishop. His generous spirit and fraternal love always made me feel welcome. Because he spoke English fluently, along with French and Italian, he was a helpful guide and generous host every time I went to Romanian. He visited us several times, including for the consecration of our wooden chapel, St. Panteleimon, in Canton. He will be missed in the Synod of Bishops of our Romanian Creek-Catholic Church, the Romanian Episcopal Conference, and episcopal conferences in Europe, as well as many from the USCCB who have known and worked with him, bishops and staff alike. All had great appreciation for his warmth, devotion and sense of humor. You can find out more about him at <http://www.bru.ro/cluj-gherla/ps-florentin-crihalmeanu/>.

His legacy includes a request that we should honor as Christian faithful. Instead of flowers or other memorials, he requested that money be donated to help the poor. To honor the memory of Bishop Florentin, the Romanian Catholic Diocese of Canton will hold a special collection on the weekends of February 21 and 28, 2021. This collection will be sent to a particular project that our diocese will coordinate with the Administrator of the Eparchy of Cluj in Romania to benefit a project that Bishop Florentin Crihalmeanu was supporting while he was still with us. We will inform you at a later date of the exact project to which the money will be donated so that you may know exactly where your generous donations went.

We greatly appreciate your generosity in this special collection in memory of Bishop Florentin! May his memory be eternal! *În veci pomenirea lui!*

Sincerely in Christ-God,

(Most Reverend) John Michael Botean, DD
Bishop of the Eparchy of St. George in Canton

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Three Saints Dinner Curbside – January 31, 2021

Financial Report

Revenue

Money collected Curbside and on-line sales \$4,600.00

Dinner Sponsors: food costs for the dinner

Frederick Bolon	\$ 300.00
John Puia	\$ 150.00
Emil Alecusan	\$ 100.00
Helen Bikis (in memory of John)	\$ 100.00
Timothy Reichel	\$ 100.00
Anonymous	\$ 100.00

Beverage Sold \$ 258.00

Donations \$ 242.00

Total Dinner Revenue **\$5,950.00**

Expenses

Food cost \$ 497.81

Supplies, Advertising & Mailing \$ 370.17

Fees – on-line payments \$ 80.62

Total Dinner Expense **\$ 948.60**

Net Dinner Revenue \$5,001.40

Thank you to all our sponsors named above for donating costs associated with food for dinner. Thank you to all who work so tirelessly to make this event such a success for our Church!! Thank you for your support and continuous dedication to the Church!!

St. Nicholas Dinner Curbside – December 6, 2020
(Diocesan Fundraiser for Clergy Retirement Fund)

Revenue

On-line orders + beverages + donations	\$2,585.00
Dinner Sponsors:	
Anonymous Sponsor	\$ 200.00
Ana Heim	\$ 100.00
Fr. Marginean's family (deserts donated)	\$ 375.00
Dave & Debbie Murari	\$ 50.00
Dave & Debbie Murari - supplies	\$ 54.98
Total Dinner Revenue	\$3,414.98

Expenses

Food	\$ 425.75
Supplies & cleaning	\$ 175.25
Postage and advertising	\$ 160.00
Fees – on-line orders	\$ 60.32
Total Dinner Expense	\$ 821.32

Net Dinner Revenue \$2,593.66

Thank you to our Anonymous sponsor, Ana Heim, Dave and Debbie Murari and Fr. Marginean's family for donating costs associated with food for dinner, thus being our dinner sponsors. Thank you for your support to the Church and our Diocese!