

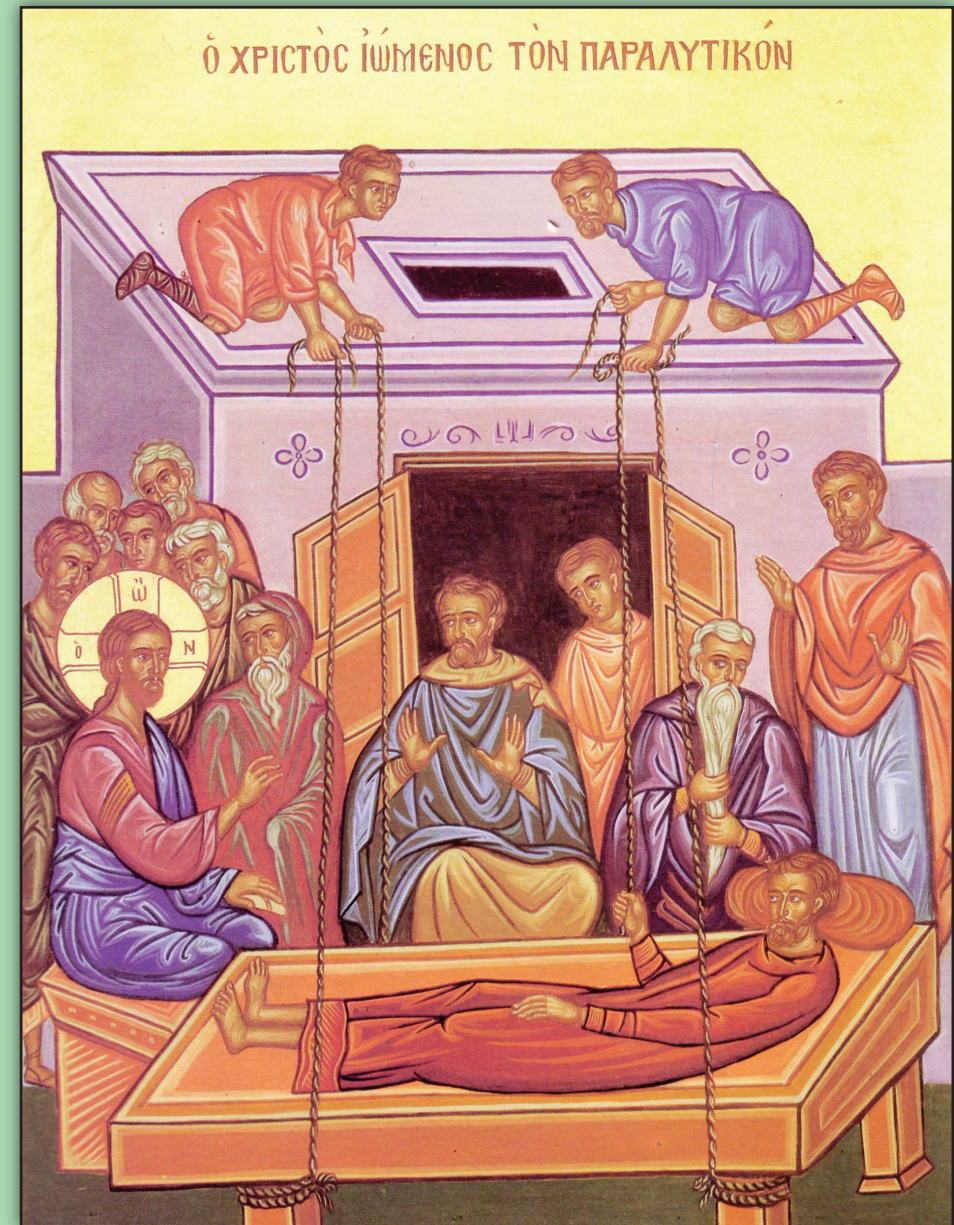
You are Forgiven and Healed

In Capernaum Jesus is surrounded by great numbers of people. As He preaches to the crowd, four friends of a paralyzed man lower him on his mat through the roof so that he can be close enough for Jesus to see him and cure him. Jesus responds to this act of faith, not by healing the man immediately, but by touching off the first of a series of controversial dialogues with the Scribes and Pharisees. When Jesus says, "Child, your sins are forgiven," He is as much as saying, "It is God whom you approach." In the Old Testament, only God is capable of forgiving sins; and it was expected that He would do so only at the end of time. It becomes clear why the Scribes murmur "he is blaspheming" and why Jesus brings it all out in the open. His claim to be able to forgive sins better reveals His identity as Son of God than do the miracles He performs.

Aware of the silent censure His forgiving word has caused in the crowd, Jesus proceeds to prove that "the Son of Man has authority to forgive sins on earth" by commanding the man to rise and walk in the sight of everyone. In concluding this miracle, Mark asks his readers to praise God for His presence in their midst as the forgiver-healer, just as the crowd did, even in the face of those who did not believe.

It is significant that Mark has chosen to present this miracle and teaching about Jesus' power to forgive sins so early in his Gospel drama. It shows that the need for the experience of God's forgiveness was as important to first-century Christians as it is today. Mark's readers praise God for saying clearly, and even today, "My sons, my daughters, I absolve you from your sins."

SECOND SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST SUNDAY OF ST. GREGORY PALAMAS



Icon of Healing the Paralytic

ST. GEORGE ROMANIAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL

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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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February 28, 2021

Second Sunday in Lent – Gregory Palamas

This Sunday: Epistle Heb 1:10-14 2:1-3

Gospel Mark 2:1-12

Next Sunday: Epistle Heb 4:14 – 5:6

Gospel Mark 8:34 – 9:1

Weekly Liturgy Schedule

Monday 3/1

No Divine Liturgy

Tuesday 3/2

No Divine Liturgy

Wednesday 3/3

6:30pm Presanctified Liturgy

Thursday 3/4

No Divine Liturgy

Friday 3/5

12:00pm Presanctified Liturgy

Saturday 3/6

9:00 Divine Liturgy – Saturday of the Deceased

Sunday 3/7

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 Walsh Family. Thank you!

Thank you to Deacon Remus and Gabriela Orian for coffee hour in celebration of his birthday on February 21!

Sunday Collection: February 21, 2021

Loose	\$11.00
Sunday envelopes	\$787.00
+John Dragos by Virginia Rogers	\$25.00
+Bishop Florentin Crihalmeanu	\$60.00
Candles	<u>\$95.00</u>
Total	\$978.00

Donations

Amazon Smile	\$37.03
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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
Special Intention	Anonymous
H/S Stella, Johnny and Adrian Lazar and Family	Mircea Cristea
+John Dragos, husband	Suzie Dragos
H/S Mircea and Rita Cristea	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
+Deceased in Family	Suzie Dragos
Health and Salvation	Mihai and Elena Florea
Special Intention for Family	Mihai and Elena Florea
H/S All parishioners	Liviu and Georgeta Barcutian
+John Dragos	Liviu and Georgeta Barcutian
+John Dragos	Amelia and Mark Botean
+Maria Pop	Ileana Hotiu

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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

Thank you to all who helped with the Fish Fry! On February 19, we served 294 dinners and brought in \$5,112 in total sales (food, beverages and raffle tickets).

Thank you to Harry and Kathy Walsh for their donation of masks!

Thank you to Earl and Amparo Adkins for coffee and hand sanitizer.

Thank you to Bob and Nancy Maciag for coffee and sugar.

LAST SUNDAY – please turn in your **Pledge sheets**.

St. Nicholas Church in Alliance will host a curbside dinner on March 7 between 1pm and 3pm. Place order by March 3 at 330-843-0207 or text 330-206-7189. Dinner includes sausage with peppers and onions, baked cabbage, *mamaliga*, green beans, roll and dessert.

Operation Rice Bowl - BETTER MEALS IN MADAGASCAR - In Madagascar, half of all children are undernourished. That means 50% of kids won't grow to reach their full potential. But communities are changing this by focusing on improving health and nutrition. What role has food played in your life? How can you help those who lack access to enough nutritious food. Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

Saturdays of the Deceased Liturgies have started. 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 "Spt. 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, 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!

The Ladies Auxiliary will be selling **Lilies** to decorate the church for Easter. The cost is \$10 and envelopes are available on the narthex table. Thank you for your support to help us beautify the church for Easter.

To Tickle Your Funny Bone ☺

The unhappy pastor and his frustrated church bell ringer are standing in the steeple, and the minister is explaining, “No, no, Higby. It's ding before dong except after bong.”

Word of Life

“The essence of our identity is that we are created in God's image and likeness and loved by Him. Nothing can diminish the priceless worth of any human life. Every person is **cherished**.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

Respect Life Reflection: Cherished, Chosen, Sent

usccb.org/cherished-chosen-sent-reflection

May every human person,
from conception to natural death,
be recognized as precious and beloved
in the eyes of the Lord;

Let us pray to the Lord, Lord have mercy.

Happy Birthday! *La mulți ani!*

	Mon 3/1	Tue 3/2	Wed 3/3	Thu 3/4	Fri 3/5	Sat 3/6	Sun 3/7
	Great Lent: common abstinence (except Annunciation 3/25)						
	Ven. Eudochia, First Day of Women's	Hieromartyr	Eutropius, Cleonicus	Ven. Gerasimus of	Conon of Isauria,	42 Martyrs of	Philip Wynn's Hieromartyrs of 3rd 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: Ana Heim and Gretel Heatherly 11:30am - 12:30pm
1pm							
2pm							
3pm							
4pm					Fish Fry 4pm - 6pm		
5pm							
6pm							
7pm			Presanctified Liturgy 6:30pm - 8pm				

St. George Cathedral Stewardship Council Meeting Minutes- February 10, 2021

- Members present included: Fr. Ovi, Emil Alecusan, Debbie Maier, and Terry Seeberger.
- Emil called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm.
- Fr. Ovi began the meeting with a prayer.
- Minutes of January 20, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Debbie motioned to approve and Terry seconded. Motion approved.
- January 2021 financial results showed a Net Ordinary Income of \$7,755. The Three Saints curbside dinner contributed \$5,000 as 230 dinners were sold. The Investment account had an unrealized loss of (\$1,206) due to the financial markets. This brought the total Net Income to \$6,549.

Fiscal Year-to-date shows Ordinary Income of \$20,619 and unrealized gains of \$20,506 for a total Income of \$41,125.

- At January 31, 2021 current assets totaled \$195,012 offset by current liabilities of \$11,774 for a net cash position of \$183,238.

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

- The audit was conducted for the period July 1, 2020-December 31, 2020. No discrepancies were found. Fr. Ovi was commended for keeping very thorough and accurate records.
- The Approval of Purchasing Authority for FY20-21 was reviewed. Terry motioned to approve and Debbie seconded. Motion approved.
- The meeting concluded at 8:15. The next Stewardship Meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2021 at 6:30.



Emil Alecusan, Stewardship Chairman