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Divine Liturgy

Hymns

Troparion of the Resurrection (tone 4):
The Women disciples of the Lord heard from the Angels the joyful news of the resurrection, and casting away the ancestral sentence, they announced with pride to the Apostles: Death is vanquished, Christ God is risen! And has bestowed great mercy upon the world.

Troparion of St. Luke: O Holy Apostle Luke, intercede with God all-merciful that He may grant us the remission of our sins.

Troparion of St. George: O Great among the saints and glorious martyr, George,

since you are a deliverer of captives and a defender of the poor, a doctor for the sick and a noble attendant to kings, intercede for us to Christ God, that he may save our souls!

Kontakion: O never failing Protectress of Christians and their ever-present intercessor before the Creator, despise not the petitions of us sinners, but in your goodness extend your help to us who call upon you with confidence. Hasten, O Mother of God, to intercede for us, for you have always protected those who honor you.

Prokimenon: Through all the earth, their voice resounds, and to the ends of the world their message.

Stichon: The heavens declare God's glory and the firmament proclaims the work of his hands.

Apostolic Reading: Col 4:5-11

Gospel: Lk 10:16-21

Prayer List

Please remember—All those who are sick and in need: Natalie Herder, Walter Lourdes Najera Herder (family of Katerina Lessard), Kevin Kenney (Archbishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis for the Latins), Nick Legendfield, Barb Moden (sister of Jan Taylor), Edin Najera, Sandy Rabuse (godmother of Katerina Lessard), the Rebholz family, Eva Saseen (Theresa and Janelle Herro's niece), Henry Shirley, Geri Spankowski, Fr Gregory and Presbyteria Elizabeth. For the people of the Middle East.

Schedule for this Week

Friday: *Hieromartyr James, First Bishop of Jerusalem*

Sunday *Sixth Sunday after the Holy Cross*

Coming Up

November 1st: End of Daylight Savings Time (*Fall* back one hour)

Stewardship

Last Sunday: ordinary collections=\$625; stole offerings=\$150; donations=\$90.32; candles=\$3. Thanks for your generosity!

Owed to eparchy (assessment, retirement and medical insurance; last updated September 13, 2026): \$54,612.89.

Want to automate donations? One-time or monthly payments via **PayPal**: byzantinemilwaukee.com/donate. Use your bank's **online billpay** (payee information): St. George's Syrian Congregation · 1617 W State St · Milwaukee, WI 53233-1246; phone: (414) 342-1543; email: info@byzantinemilwaukee.com.

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Next Week: World Mission Second Collection

There will be a second collection next week for World Mission Sunday.

This year marks the 100th anniversary of World Mission Sunday. In 1926, Pope Pius XI established World Mission Sunday, and the first worldwide collection took place the following year, in October 1927.

World Mission Sunday invites Catholics everywhere to recognize our shared responsibility for the evangelization of the world and to express our unity through prayer and generosity.

Donations are split between the Society of the Propagation of the Faith (91%) and the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (9%).

Eparchial Pastoral Appeal (Formerly the Bishop's Appeal)

"While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them." (Luke 24:15)

This weekend marks the beginning of the 2026 Melkite Catholic Pastoral Appeal, "Accompanied by the Risen Lord."

On the road to Emmaus, Jesus joined two disciples as they walked, listened to their concerns, and helped them understand what had taken place. That same Risen Lord continues to walk with us today, especially as we face the challenges and opportunities before our Church.

The Pastoral Appeal is one way we come together to care for our Melkite Catholic Church throughout the United States. It helps provide for the formation of our future priests and deacons, religious education, and the needs of our parishes and missions.



We invite every family to prayerfully consider participating in this year's Appeal. No gift is too small, and every contribution helps us continue this important work. May we always remember that, wherever our journey takes us, we are Accompanied by the Risen Lord.

Donate online: <https://melkiteeparchyofnewton.flocknote.com/give/27546>. Additional info on the back tables.

The Works of Jesus

Those who believe in one God the Father Almighty ought to believe in His only-begotten Son. Jesus says: "I am the door. No one can come to the Father but by me" (Jn 10: 9; 14: 6).

Anyone who does not accept the door cannot possibly reach the Father. Anyone who wishes to pray to the Father should adore the Son, or his prayer is not accepted.

The Son is called Christ, which means anointed, that is, consecrated. He was not anointed by human hands but consecrated by the Father to become a priest forever. He died, but He did not remain, as all human beings do, in the underworld. He is the only one free among the dead.

The Savior becomes all things to all, according to the need of each: to those who ask for joy, he becomes the vine; to those who wish to enter, he becomes the door; to those who are under the weight of sin, he becomes a lamb, a lamb slain for them. He becomes all things to all, but He remains nonetheless what He is.

He is called by a twofold name: Jesus because He gives us salvation, and Christ because He is priest. He is the healer of bodies and the doctor of souls. As He made whole those who were physically blind, so He gave light to their minds. As He gave the lame the chance to walk, so He urges the steps of sinners in the direction of the way of penitence.

St. Cyril of Jerusalem

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