



**St George the Great Martyr  
Orthodox Church - Weekly Bulletin**

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14 Tone 3 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost/ Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ecumenical Council

**Tone 3 Troparion** (Resurrection)

Let the heavens rejoice! / Let the earth be glad! / For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. / He has trampled down death by death. / He has become the first born of the dead. / He has delivered us from the depths of hell, / and has granted to the world// great mercy.

**Tone 8 Troparion** (Fathers)

Thou art most glorious, O Christ our God! / Thou hast established the Holy Fathers as lights on the earth. / Through them Thou hast guided us to the true Faith./ O greatly compassionate One, glory to Thee!

**Tone 3 Kontakion** (Resurrection)

On this day Thou didst rise from the tomb, O Merciful One, / leading us from the gates of death. / On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices; / with the Prophets and Patriarchs// they unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Thy power.

**Tone 6 Kontakion** (Fathers)

The Son who shone forth from the Father / was ineffably born, two-fold in nature, of a woman. / Having beheld Him, we do not deny the image of His form, / but depict it piously and revere it faithfully. / Thus, keeping the True Faith,// the Church venerates the icon of Christ Incarnate.

**Tone 3 Prokeimenon** (Resurrection)

Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises! (Ps 46/47:6)

## Luke 8:5-15 (*Gospel*)

“A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell by the wayside; and it was trampled down, and the birds of the air devoured it. Some fell on rock; and as soon as it sprang up, it withered away because it lacked moisture. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it and choked it. But others fell on good ground, sprang up, and yielded a crop a hundredfold.”

When He had said these things He cried, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear!” Then His disciples asked Him, saying, “What does this parable mean?” And He said, “To you it has been given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God, but to the rest it is given in parables, that ‘Seeing they may not see, And hearing they may not understand.’ Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. Those by the wayside are the ones who hear; then the devil comes and takes away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. But the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, who believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. Now the ones that fell among thorns are those who, when they have heard, go out and are choked with cares, riches, and pleasures of life, and bring no fruit to maturity. But the ones that fell on the good ground are those who, having heard the word with a noble and good heart, keep it and bear fruit with patience.”

## **Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council**

Today the Church remembers the 350 holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council under the holy Patriarch Tarasius (February 25).

The Synod of 787, the second to meet at Nicea, refuted the Iconoclast heresy during the reign of Empress Irene and her son Constantine VI.

The Council decreed that the veneration of icons was not idolatry (Exodus 20:4-5), because the honor shown to them is not directed to the wood or paint, but passes to the prototype (the person depicted). It also upheld the possibility of depicting Christ, Who became man and took flesh at His Incarnation. The Father, on the other hand, cannot be represented in His eternal nature, because “no man has seen God at any time” (John 1:18).

In Greek practice, the holy God-bearing Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council are commemorated on October 11 (if it is a Sunday), or on the Sunday which follows October 11. According to the Slavic MENAION, however, if the eleventh falls on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday, the service is moved to the preceding Sunday.

## Calendar of Events – Starting today: October 14

Sunday	10/14	<b>9:10am</b> - Hours <b>9:30am</b> - Divine Liturgy
Monday	10/15	
Tuesday	10/16	
Wednesday	10/17	<b>2:00-5:00pm</b> Office Hours
Thursday	10/18	
Friday	10/19	
Saturday	10/20	<b>Memorial (Demetrius) Saturday</b> <b>9:10am</b> - Hours <b>9:30am</b> - Divine Liturgy <b>6:00pm</b> - Great Vespers, confessions
Sunday	10/21	<b>9:10am</b> - Hours <b>9:30am</b> - Divine Liturgy

### Weekly announcements, looking ahead:

- ◆ Office Hours this Wednesday 2-5pm.
- ◆ Memorial Saturday this week (10/20) Liturgy begins at 9:30am
- ◆ Join us today at the social hall, in thankfulness that Dn George escaped from harm, and celebrate his 8th anniversary to the diaconate.  
Many many good and happy years to you, Deacon George!
- ◆ Saturday, October 27 is our Children’s Fall Party. We will have an early vespers. After vespers we will celebrate together in style. Everyone is encouraged to bring costumes for the celebration. **Please no scary costumes.** We will share delicious chili, games, and joy together. We are looking for 2-3 volunteers to hand out sweets at the games, also for candy donations and chocolate coins. **Please bring your children, grandchildren, and yourselves.**
- ◆ Saturday November 10th is our annual parish Fall Festival dinner and fundraising evening. We will have an early Vespers followed by the

**Please keep our brothers and sisters in your prayers during the week.**

**For good health and healing:** Abram, Souraya, Alice, Basil, Jacob, Collette, Christina, Eddie, Gary, Gary, Ruth, Fred, Donald, Gloria, Nick, Nadia.

**For a new Job:** Mario, Jason, Janice, Jamileh, Tim.