

Christ Is Born!



*"Christ is born, glorify Him.
Christ comes from heaven, meet Him.
Christ is on earth, be exalted.
Sing unto the Lord, all the earth,
And sing praises in gladness, O you people.
For He is glorified."
Katavasíai of the Nativity of Christ
Ode One*

Dear Family and Friends of St. George,

We will soon be arriving at the radiant and all Holy Feast of the Nativity of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. This time of year is known to all as the Christmas Season. Yet, we can easily be swallowed up in the materialistic and commercialized world that presents itself with ribbons and tinsel, shopping sprees, online ordering, and finally exhaustion...and we are spent in more ways than one!

Our Faith allows us to take the time to focus on this what St. John Chrysostom calls the "Capital of Feasts". Please look at the icon above and see how all are portrayed. There is Someone in the middle, Someone who brings all toward Him. He is the center. He is the Christ Child. "For unto us a Child is born unto us a Son is given: and the government will be upon His shoulder. His name will be called the Angel of Great Counsel, for I shall bring peace upon the rulers, peace and health by Him." Isaiah 9:5

Are we able to say that, during this time of year, we are centering ourselves, our families, and our loved ones around Him? If not, there is still time...time for us to see and to think...time to pray and to thank God...time to really focus on this glorious day God condescended to take on human flesh; the Virgin Mary, who gave birth to the Incarnate Word; and the reality of eternal life was revealed to the world!

May the peace, joy, love and grace of the Birth of our Lord in the Flesh, strengthen you, your loved ones, and our entire parish family.

Yours in our Incarnate Lord,

Fr. Demetri Costarakis
Presiding Priest

George Skaperdas
Board of Directors President

Here at St. George, we have been blessed with a community that is dedicated to living the promise and hope of Christmas throughout the year.

During this Holy Season we ask that you consider a special gift to our St. George parish in the enclosed envelope, which supports our ministries and helps bring all closer to Christ.

We thank you for your continued support through your prayers and participation.

"...And the Whole of Creation Rejoices!"