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Holy Communion Or-der

- 1. Please remain standing while following the direc-tions of our ushers.
2. Ladies, kindly re-move lipstick be-fore receiving.
3. When receiving Holy Communion, make the Sign of the Cross, state your name (baptismal name), and naturally re-ceive as if being fed.
4. Non-Orthodox Christians may not receive Holy Com-munion, but they may receive the Holy Bread at the end of the service.
5. All Orthodox Chris-tians must be spirit-ually prepared to receive the Sacra-ment of Holy Com-munion. Please see the priest if you have any questions.

THE LADDER
ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE



PRAYER FOR READING HOLY SCRIPTURES

Shine within our hearts, loving Master, the pure light of Your divine knowledge and open the eyes of our minds that we may comprehend the message of Your Gospel. Instill in us, also, reverence for Your blessed commandments, so that having conquered sinful desires, we may pursue a spiritual life, thinking and doing all these things that are pleasing to You. For You are the Light of our souls and bodies and to You we give glory together with Your Father Who is without beginning and Your all-holy, good, and life-giving Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages. Amen.

EPISTLE- ACTS 5:12 - 20

In those days, many signs and wonders were done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high honor. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and pallets, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. But the high priest rose up and all who were with him, that is, the party of the Sadducees, and filled with jealousy they arrested the apostles and put them in the common prison. But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out and said, Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life.

GOSPEL-St. John 20:19 - 31

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them: Peace be with you. When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the

disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you. And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them: Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained. Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him: We have seen the Lord. But he said to them: Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in His side, I will not believe. Eight days later, His disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. The doors were shut, but Jesus came and stood among them, and said: Peace be with you. Then He said to Thomas, Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side; do not be faithless, but believing. Thomas answered Him, My Lord and my God! Jesus said to Him: Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe. Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO
ALL MOTHERS, GRANDMOTHERS & GODMOTHERS

### Liturgical Notes

1. Following "Blessed is the Kingdom...", "Christ is Risen from the dead" is chanted 3 times.
2. Entrance Hymn: "Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death and bestowing life on those in the graves." / Χριστός Ανέστη...
3. Instead of "Come, let us worship...", the following is chanted: "In the congregations bless God, the Lord who springs out of Israel. Save us, O Son of God, Who rose from the dead, as we sing to You, Alleluia." / Εν εκκλησίαις...
4. Apolytikion: "By Your Cross, O Christ our God, You destroyed death by death. You opened paradise to the thief. You transformed the lament of the Myrrh-bearing Women, and You commanded the Apostles to proclaim You are risen, granting the world Your great mercy." / Εσφραγισμένου του μνήματος...
5. Kontakion: "Though You went down into the tomb, You destroyed Hades' power, and You rose the victor, Christ God. To the myrrh-bearing women, saying 'Hail' and granting peace to Your disciples. You are He Who raises up the fallen." / Ει και εν τάφω κατήλθες αθάνατε...
6. Instead of "It is truly fitting to call You blessed..." ("Axion Estin"), the following is chanted: "Shining torch, and Mother of God, immeasurable glory, greater than all of the created, with hymns, we magnify You." / Σε την φαεινήν λαμπάδα...

### WEEKDAY CALENDAR

Tuesday, May 14th.....Bible Study – 10:00 a.m. / AHEPA Meeting- 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 15th....Orthodox Catechism (online) - 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 18th.....St. George Annual Golf Tournament at Eldorado CC – 12:15 p.m.  
Awards Dinner- 6:00 p.m.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SUNDAY SCHOOL – Next Sunday, May 19th, is our Special Sunday School class.**

#### PHILOPTOCHOS –

- o The Ladies Philoptochos would like to express our gratitude to **Michael Carroll, Mary Piggott,** and **Kalitsa Xitco** for their contributions to **today's Mother's Day coffee hour.**
- o Philoptochos Board meeting will be held **Wed., May 15th** starting at **11:00 AM** at the church hall.
- o **Philoptochos General Members Meeting** is scheduled for **Monday, May 20th starting at 4:00 PM** at the Palm Desert location of Las Casuelas Restaurant. **RSVP no later than May 17th to Rhonda Latkovic via phone, text, or email.**

**ST. GEORGE GOLF TOURNAMENT** – Saturday, May 18th. Tee-off is at 12:00 p.m. at Eldorado Country Club; Awards dinners is at our parish hall at 6:00 p.m.

**PAINT-N-SIP** – Our next Philoptochos "Paint-N-Sip" event takes place next **Sunday, May 19th at 12:00 noon.** See enclosed flyer.

**AHEPA SUNDAY** – AHEPA Meeting- **Tuesday, May 14th at 6:30 p.m.** Next **Sunday, May 19th...** We will honor deserving college students of our parish community with the **Fr. T.P. Theophilos Memorial Scholarship** awards.

### ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

"The doubt of Thomas is described in the Church hymns as 'blessed,' for it was not a doubt of resistance to truth, but one that desperately desired a truthful answer -- a 'doubt which gave birth to faith' when the answer was revealed. In hymns of the Church, Christ says to Thomas, 'Your doubt will teach My Passion and Resurrection to all,' and we affirm that his doubt 'brought the hearts of believers to knowledge.' The conversion of Thomas' doubt into faith led him to the clearest confession of Christ's divinity, addressing Jesus as '**my Lord and my God**' (St. John 20:28)" - Orthodox Study Bible, pg.1465

# Happy Mother's Day



5/12/24



Calling All MOM'S!  
Join Us for a Special Coffee Hour  
After Divine Liturgy

Sponsored by Ladies Philoptochos



St. George Greek Orthodox Church, Palm Desert

# SAINT GEORGE GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH GOLF TOURNAMENT

Saturday, May 18, 2024 | 12:15pm Shotgun Start | Eldorado Country Club



## ENTRY INFORMATION

Saturday, May 18, 2024

- \$185 per player (includes Golf and Awards Dinner)
- 12:15 PM Shotgun Start at Eldorado Country Club
- 5:00 PM Social Hour at St. George Greek Orthodox Church
- 6:00 PM Traditional Greek Dinner at St. George Greek Orthodox Church | Silent Auction and Live Music

## ENTRY INFORMATION

- Individual Player(s) \_\_\_\_ (# of players) x \$185 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Tee Sponsorship(s) \_\_\_\_ (# of sponsorships) x \$100 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Traditional Greek Dinner \_\_\_\_ (# of dinners) x \$50 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Total Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

CREDIT CARD (please mark one)  VISA  MASTER CARD

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## EVENT REGISTRATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

## PLAYER NAMES

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## REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MONDAY, MAY 6, 2024**

Sign up online at [www.go-stgeorge.org/Events/Golf/](http://www.go-stgeorge.org/Events/Golf/)

Mail Checks and Registration Form to:  
74109 Larrea Street | Palm Desert, CA | 92260

Make Checks Payable To:  
"Saint George Greek Orthodox Church"

ST GEORGE PHILOPTOCHOS, PALM DESERT, CA

# PAINT & SIP

## FLORAL PAINTED CANVAS BAG



**Sunday – May 19<sup>th</sup> 2024**

**PLEASE SIGN UP  
OR RSVP BY  
MAY 17<sup>TH</sup>**

**TO**

**RHONDA  
714-875-4661**

**OR**

**ATHENA  
219-313-6940**

**12:00 P.M.**



**Limited to 30  
participants!**

**\$15 Per  
person**

**Paint on canvas and  
learn a new special  
technique to apply  
flowers and  
embellishments.**

