

Returning to St. George

Media, PA

In an effort to maintain and respect appropriate social distancing and to keep our blessed St. George safe the following guidelines have been established.



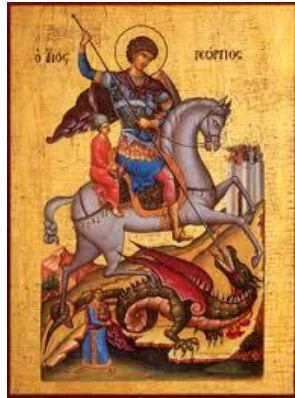
Services

All parishioners will be required to register for services they wish to attend.

Registration will be open weekly and close the day prior at 5:00 pm (link to be provide). Multiple services will be offered throughout the week to accommodate parishioners.

Every parishioner will be required to fill out complete contact information.

All attendees will be asked a few health screening questions before entering. If you are not feeling well, kindly refrain from attending services.



General Guidelines

No groups are to congregate in any area of the church.

No coffee hour is to take place.

Please limit movement throughout the church.

5 day candles must be lit and placed on the altar by a member of the Parish Council.

Masks must be worn at all times with the exception being during Holy Communion. Please provide your own mask.



General Guidelines

Candles: Candles will be available as usual - but will be laid out so that you are able to take a candle and only touch the one you wish to light.

Change and collection baskets: For the foreseeable future we will be unable to make change and will not be passing a collection basket. Please come with the appropriate change and your offering prepared to drop in the basket that will be placed by the exit doors.

Please remember that church begins at 9:30 am.

Capacity: We will have a maximum limit of 40 people/parishioners per service.



Entering and Exiting the Church

Entering: The only available entrance to the church (at all times) shall be the Front Doors of the church, please do not enter by any other door.

The doors will remain propped open during all services.

This door will be an entrance only.

Exiting: From inside the church, the door on the right side (facing the altar), will be the exit during and after services.

Once you exit this door, please exit the building.



Seating

With respect to social distancing we will skip every other pew.

Families of four (4) or more will be seated in the sections along the sides of the church.

Groups of 2 or 3 from the same household will be seated in pews with others but a safe distance will be maintained in between.



Holy Communion

There will be no change in the distribution of Holy Communion.

Please continue to wear your mask until it is your turn to receive.

Please do not touch the Communion cloth.

At the direction of an usher, please line up in the center aisle to receive, maintaining social distancing, with the cues marked on the floor.



Restrooms

From inside the church, the door on the right side (facing the altar) will be the exit during and after services.

To return to church, please enter using the door closest to the choir loft.

Please do your best to limit bathroom breaks and movement during the services to respect appropriate social distancing.

Limit of one parishioner in the restroom at a time.



Thank you for your patience, love and understanding during these times.

These regulations were designed and implemented with your safety and the safety of our volunteer staff and council in mind. We took into account the recommendations of the Metropolis as well as State and Local Regulations.

In Christ,

The St. George Greek Orthodox Church

Media, PA

Parish Council

