

# St. Mark Antiochian Orthodox Church

Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese, Diocese of the West

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Church Office Hours: M-F, 10:00 am – 3:30 pm

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*Church School after Holy Communion*



**JANUARY 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2020**

**VENERABLE MAKARIOS THE GREAT OF EGYPT, THE ANCHORITE  
VENERABLE MAKARIOS OF ALEXANDRIA; ARSENIOS, BISHOP OF KERKYRA;  
VENERABLE MARK EUGENIKOS, METROPOLITAN OF  
EPHESUS, PILLAR OF ORTHODOXY**

## HYMNS AFTER THE LITTLE ENTRANCE

**Troparion for the Resurrection, in the Sixth Tone:** When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb; and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

**Troparion of St. Makarios in the First tone:** Thou didst appear making the wilderness thy home, an angel in the flesh, a doer of wonders; and by fasts, vigils, and prayers thou didst receive heavenly gifts. Therefore, thou dost heal the sick and the souls of those who hasten to thee, O God-mantled Father Makarios. Glory to him who hath given thee power; glory to him who hath crowned thee; glory to him who through thee accomplished healing for all.

All: **Troparion to St. Mark in the Fourth Tone:** From thy childhood the light of truth enlightened thee, O Mark, and thou didst love the labor of Christ the Savior. Wherefore thou didst follow Peter with zeal and didst serve Paul as a fellow laborer and didst enlighten the world with thy holy Gospel.

Clergy: **Kontakion of the Presentation Tone 1:** Thou, O Christ God, who by thy Birth, didst sanctify the Virgin's womb, and, as is meet, didst bless Simeon's arms, and didst also come to save us; preserve thy fold in wars, and confirm them whom thou didst love; for thou alone art the Lover of mankind.

**Prokeimenon** (Psalm 103:24,1) Tone 4: O Lord, how magnificent are your works. You have made all things in wisdom. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

### **The reading from Saint Paul's Epistle to the Colossians (3:4-11)**

Brethren, when Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

**Alleluia Verses** (Psalm 44:4,7) Tone 4: Draw your bow and prosper and reign, for the cause of truth and meekness and justice. You have love righteousness and hated wickedness

## The Reading from the Gospel according to St. Luke (17:12-19)

And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then said Jesus, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

**Holy Oblations are offered today by** Danice & Marina Najjar and Edna Deeb for the Name feast day of Walid, Danice's husband and Anthony her son, by Joanna and Vladimir Chendler for the health and salvation of her sister Christine Nelson and for the soul of Ludmilla (Lucy) Listvinsky, departed this life one year, and by the Turk family for husband, father, and grandfather Anton Turk on his birthday 1/24. We also remember today the soul of the Archpriest Patrick Kinder, who departed this life on January 15 in Louisville KY. Many of us remember Fr. Patrick from his time in the Orthodox recording group called Kerygma.

**Coffee Hour is given today by the coffee hour committee.**

*Please remember in your prayers: Eleanor Wackeen, Jamal El-Sayegh, Francois & Maureen Maatouk, Tarek Fakhouri, Adele Bahbah, Paul Qaqundah, Theresa Joubran and the suffering people of Syria, Iraq, Lebanon, Egypt, Libya, Ethiopia, Somalia, Palestine, Venezuela, Ukraine, and all people afflicted by disease and violence.*

**Ushers this week:** James Goson & Paul Habeeb

**Ushers next week:** Melad Hanna & Richard Jirjis

**Please call the Church Office to schedule your home and/or business for Blessing with the Theophany Water. The House blessing Season is from Theophany (January 6) to the start of the Triodion period (February 9).**

## Good Samaritan Fund

Several years ago, St. Mark Church established a fund for assisting those in need, both within our parish and in the general community. From time to time we ask for

contributions to the Good Samaritan Fund, and this is one of those times. If you are in need of assistance or you are aware of someone in our parish that needs financial assistance, please speak with Fr. Michael.

### **Church Etiquette**

- Please be on time for services; those arriving late should not approach the Chalice for Communion.
- To receive Communion, one must be a baptized/chrismated Orthodox Christian who has prepared by prayer, fasting, alms giving, and regular confession.
- Confessions are heard on Wednesday and Saturday evenings after Great Vespers and during the week by appointment.
- Men, women, and children: please dress modestly for services.
- Please remove lip balm or lipstick before receiving Communion or kissing the holy icons, Chalice, or Gospel.

### **TO THE PARENTS OF OUR YOUNG CHILDREN**

- Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's home. All are welcome!
- Sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on at the altar. They tire of seeing the back of others' heads.
- Quietly explain the actions of the Liturgy (what the priests, deacon, altar boys are doing)
- Sing the hymns and responses. Children learn how to worship in church by copying you.
- Incidental noise and movement are not reasons to take your child out of church. If a child's crying or movements become a distraction to others, then it is time to leave until they are calm.
- If you have to leave the church with your child, do so but please come back. Our Lord said, "Let the children come to me and forbid them not, for such is the Kingdom of Heaven."
- Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, and one another. Let them know that they are at home in our house of worship.

### **TO THE MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH**

The presence of children is a gift to the Church and they are a reminder that our parish is growing!

Please welcome our children and give a little encouragement to their parents.

### **Today**

**The new Calendars for 2020 are here. Please take one per family from the table by the bulletin board.**

### This Week

**Tuesday January 21**, Adult Education 6:45 p.m.

**Wednesday January 22**, Vespers 7:00 p.m.

### Next Week s

**Sunday January 26**, Antiochian Women Meeting

**Tuesday January 28**, Adult Education 6:45 p.m

**Wednesday January 29**, 6:30 p.m. Evening Divine Liturgy, (Vespers 5:00 p.m., Orthros 5:45 p.m.)

### Upcoming Services & Event

**Sunday February 2, Feast of our Lord Presentation in the Temple**

**Super Bowl Viewing Party, Sunday February 2. See flyer for more info.**

**Mark your calendar for the 68<sup>th</sup> Annual Diocese of Los Angeles and the West Parish Life Conference hosted by St. Nicholas Church – San Francisco, CA July 1<sup>st</sup> –July 5<sup>th</sup> 2020. Register on-line: [www.laplc.org](http://www.laplc.org)**

### **BUY SCRIP**

Our Ladies Guild buys scrip from many and various stores and Restaurants (see list included in this Bulletin) at a 3 to 10% discount. When you buy the scrip, which is accepted just like cash at the issuing store, the Parish benefits. You pay no more for these goods and services and are making a donation to our parish. You can purchase this scrip from Saeda Turk at the coffee hour.

### **St. Mark 2020 Stewardship Pledge Drive – We're getting closer to our goal for the New Year!**

Since we started the pledge drive, we've had a great response with 64 families turning in their 2019 Pledge cards! So far, we've raised \$122,640, which is approximately 60% of our goal of \$205,000. We still have some pledge cards out there so please take the time to fill them out today. Your financial pledge and commitment is important and supports the work of the church, the parish itself and those who work for St. Mark. We appreciate your prayers and support. Additional pledge cards are available in the back of the church and can be dropped off in the white box between the church and the hall. If you have questions, please don't hesitate to ask a parish council member.

In Christ, St. Mark Stewardship Committee

**Makarios the Great of Egypt (January 19)** Saint Macarius the Great was from the Thebaid of Egypt, a disciple, as some say, of Saint Anthony the Great. He was born about 331 and struggled in asceticism in the desert at Scete. Although young, he was called "the child elder" because of his great wisdom and austere manner of life. He was ordained presbyter and reposed in 391, at the age of sixty. There are fifty homilies ascribed to him. It is said of Saint Macarius that he became as a God upon earth, for even as God protects the whole world, so did he cover the faults he saw as if he did not see them. Once he came back to his cell to find a thief taking his things and loading them on a camel. Macarius' non-possessiveness was so great that he helped the thief load the camel. When the camel refused to rise, Macarius returned to his cell and brought a small hoe, said that the camel wanted the hoe also, loaded it on, and kicked the camel telling it to get up. The camel obeyed Macarius' command, but soon lay down again, and would not move until everything had been returned to Macarius. His contemporary, Saint Macarius of Alexandria, was so called because he came from Alexandria and was therefore of that Greek-speaking colony; while Saint Macarius the Great is also called "of Egypt," that is, he belonged to the ancient race native to Egypt, the Copts.

**SUPPORT ST MARK CHURCH**  
**PLEASE CALL RALPHS & JOIN THE CONTRIBUTION**  
**PROGRAM 5% EARNINGS**

**USE OUR NEW NPO #YX817**

**PLEASE CALL 800-443-4438**

01/19/2020

**RESTAURANTS**

CARL'S JR	(10'S)	\$30
CHEESECAKE FACTORY		\$100
CHIPOTLE MEXICAN GRILL	(10'S)	\$50
DEL TACO		\$30
EL POLLO LOCO (\$10)		\$30
EL TORITO/ACAPULCO		\$50
MIMIS CAFÉ		\$100
MAGGIANO'S/MACARONI GRILL/ CHILI'S / (25'S)		\$175
OUTBACK STEAK HOUSE		\$50
OLIVE GARDEN		\$50
PF CHANG		\$50
SMASHBURGER (\$10'S)		\$30
SUBWAY (10'S)		\$20
TACO BELL (\$10'S)		\$30

**GAS STATIONS**

ARCO		\$700
CHEVRON		\$300
EXXON/MOBIL		\$500
SHELL		\$600
76 UNOCAL (\$100's )		\$300

**CLOTHING DEPARTMENT STORES**

BLOOMINGDALE'S	100's	\$100
Gap/Banana Republic/Old Navy	\$25	\$50
MACY'S	(\$100's)	\$600
MARSHALL/TJ MAX		\$50
NORDSTROM	\$100'S	\$100
ROSS (\$25'S)		\$100
SAKS 5TH AVENUE	(\$50'S)	\$100
SEPHORA COSMETICS (\$25'S)		\$50
ULTA BEAUTY \$25'S		\$50
AMAZON.COM GIFT CARDS (\$25'S /100's)		\$350 <u>SHOP SMILE.AMAZON</u>
Visa® Five Back	(\$50'& \$100 )	\$300

**FOOD MARKETS**

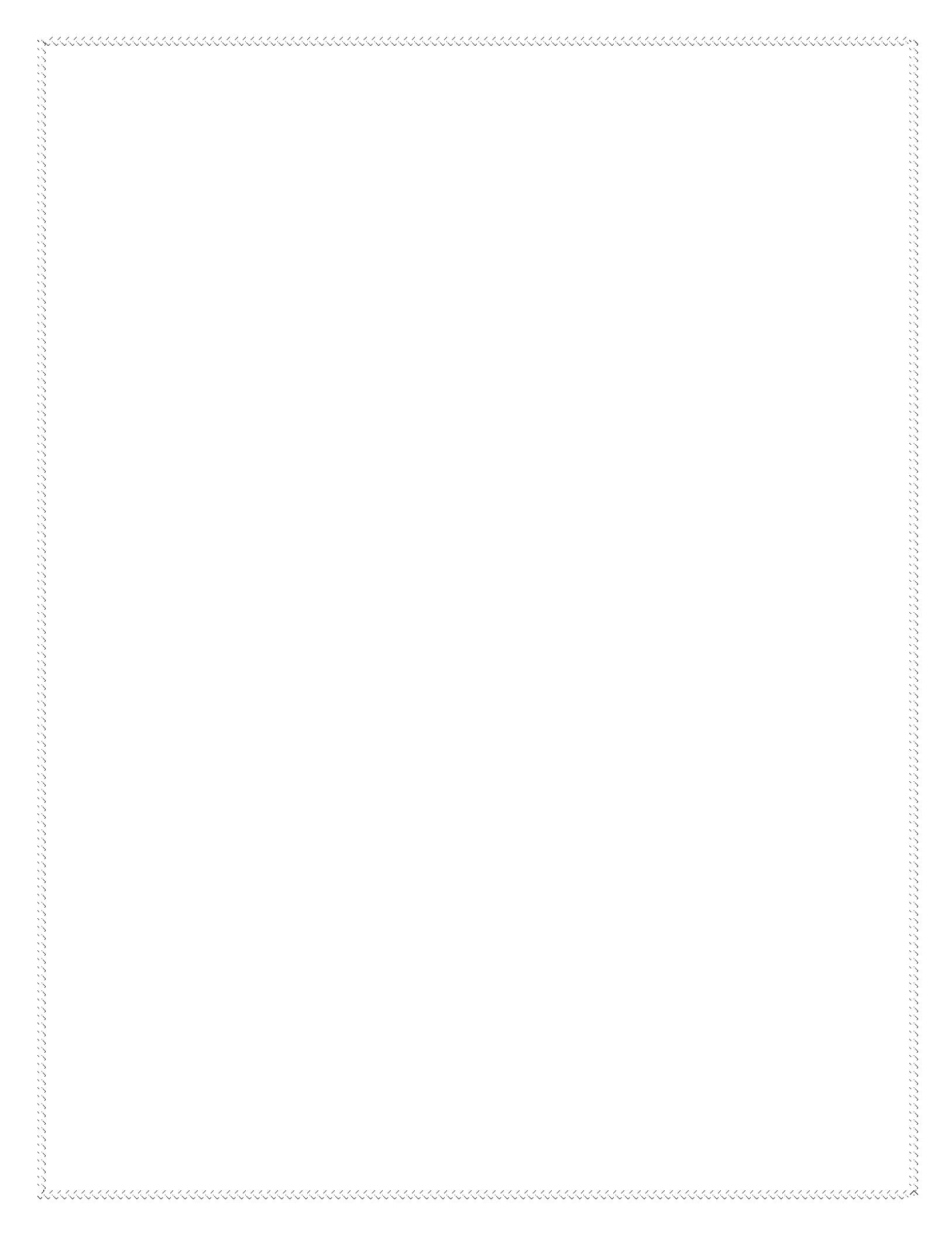
ALBERTSON'S		\$200
SPROUTS FARMERS MARKET (\$50)		\$300
STATER BROTHERS		\$400
SMART N FINAL	(\$50'S ONLY)	\$200
SUPER KING MARKET		\$0

**SPECIALTY RETAIL STORES**

BATH & BODY		\$50
BED BATH & BEYOND		\$50
DISNEY STORES		\$150
HOME DEPOT		\$125
HONEYBAKED HAM		\$50
SEE'S CANDIES \$21/LB		3 POUND
STARBUCKS (\$10 and \$25)		\$200
TARGET \$25		\$200
WALMART \$25' AND 100'S		\$350

**SHOP @ SMILE.AMAZON.COM...CHOOSE ST.MARK Antiochian**

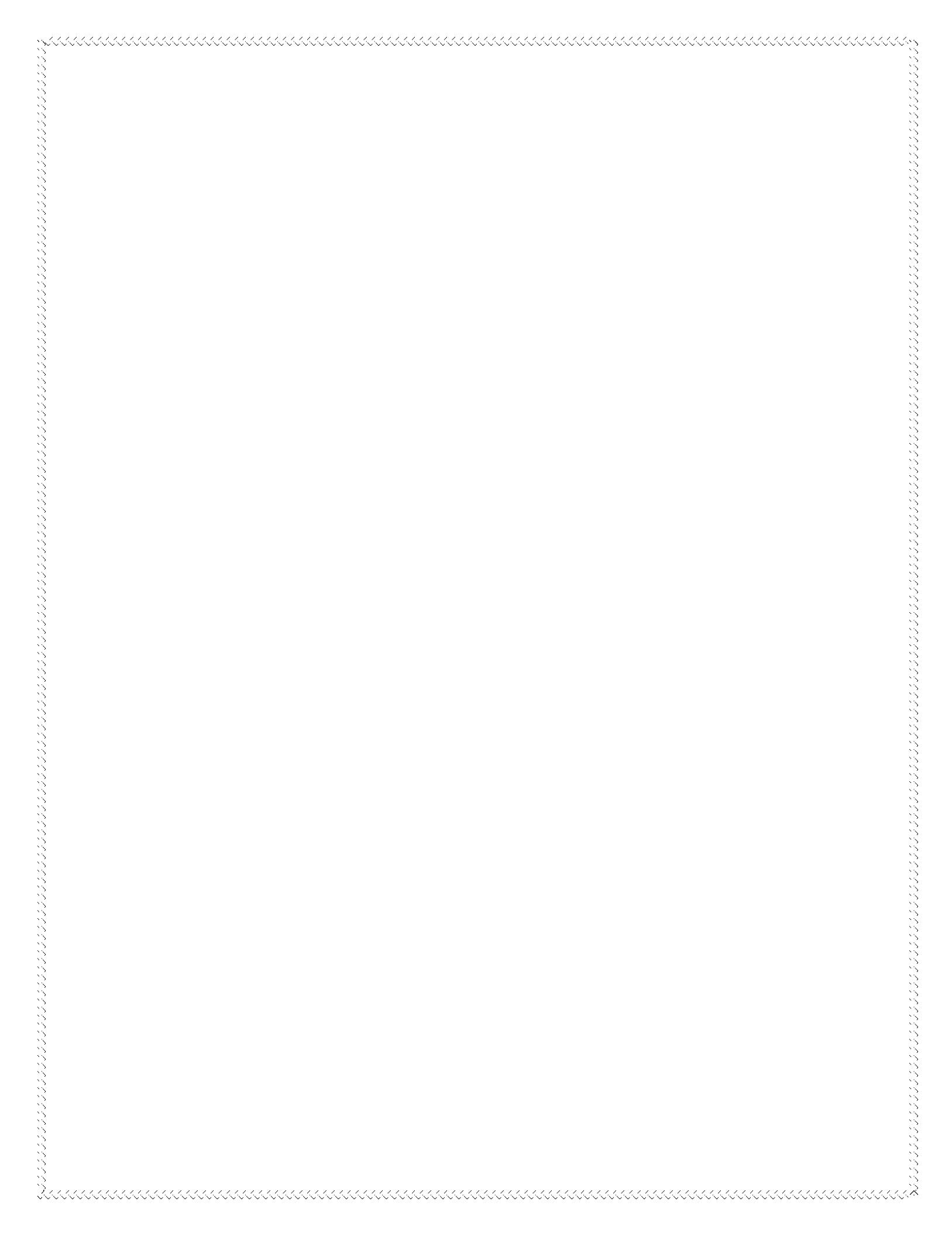
**Orthodox Church FOR YOUR CHARITY ORGANIZATION**



**St. Mark Pledge Drive 2020  
Total Pledge cards 64  
Total Pledges \$ 122,640  
January 19, 2020**

SLEIMAN & SEHAM ALDADA
MAY ASALY
ANAHID AZZOUNI
ISSAM & AMIRA BACHAWATY
JACOB & VERA BAHBAH
PHILLIP & TARIZE BAHBAH
LEILA BOU MANSOUR / BAYOUK
EDWARD & DANA CHADE
LEO CHADE
GEORGE & KRISTIN CHALA
VLADIMIR & JOANNA CHENDLER
SUE DABBABH
MARWAN & RULA DABIT
JOE & GOLDIE DARUTY
MATTHEW DARUTY
SCOTT & DIANE DARUTY
SAMIRA EIASSA
CHARLOTTE EL-HINN
MARK & ANDREA EL-HINN
CONSTANTINE GERONIKOLAOU
JAMES J. & CAROLE JO GOSON
SANDELLA GOSON
SAMIRA HAJJAR
RICHARD & VERA JIRJIS
MAURICE & NADIA KARKAR
LILIAN KASSICIEH
BACHIR & HELENE KASSIR
ANTOUNE & MAYSSOUN KHOURY
FAYEZ KHOURY
MICHAEL & CHARLOTTE KHOURY
ELYAS & NAJAT KHURY

OSAMA & RULA KISHEK
SIMON & LOURICE KISHEK
VIJAY & MALVINA KUMAR
EMILIE LAFFOON
MICHAEL & DONNA LAFFOON
ZIAD & HELEN MAHSI
LEW MALOUF
DN. NICHOLAS & CHRISTINA MAMEY
NELSON & JERRI MAMEY
NABIL & ANNE MANSOUR
ZACH & MELISSA MCCARTY
SAM & ADEL MUNAYYER
ELIZABETH NASSAR
JASON NINO
SAMMY & LANA NINO
NADER & SUHAIR QOBORSI
NUHA QUSHAIR
EMAD & MUNA RIZKALLAH
NAJIB & HEBA SAADEH
FARAH & SYLVIA SABA
SIHAM SABA
MANUEL & GEORGETTE SALAMEH
RAMZI & RANDA SALAMEH
STEVEN & BARBARA SCHOLL
DON JR & PENNY SKAFF
THEODORE & KATHY SKAFF
DAVID & JULIANA TANNOUS
DAVE & BRENDA TAX
ROGER & CAROL TIERNEY
ANTON & KEITIE TURK
EVE VOYDAT
MATTHEW & SOPHIA WHITACRE
PATRICK & SUSAN WILDE



# Supper And Scripture

This month's topic:

## **Water, Fire ,Spirit** **Exploring Baptism**

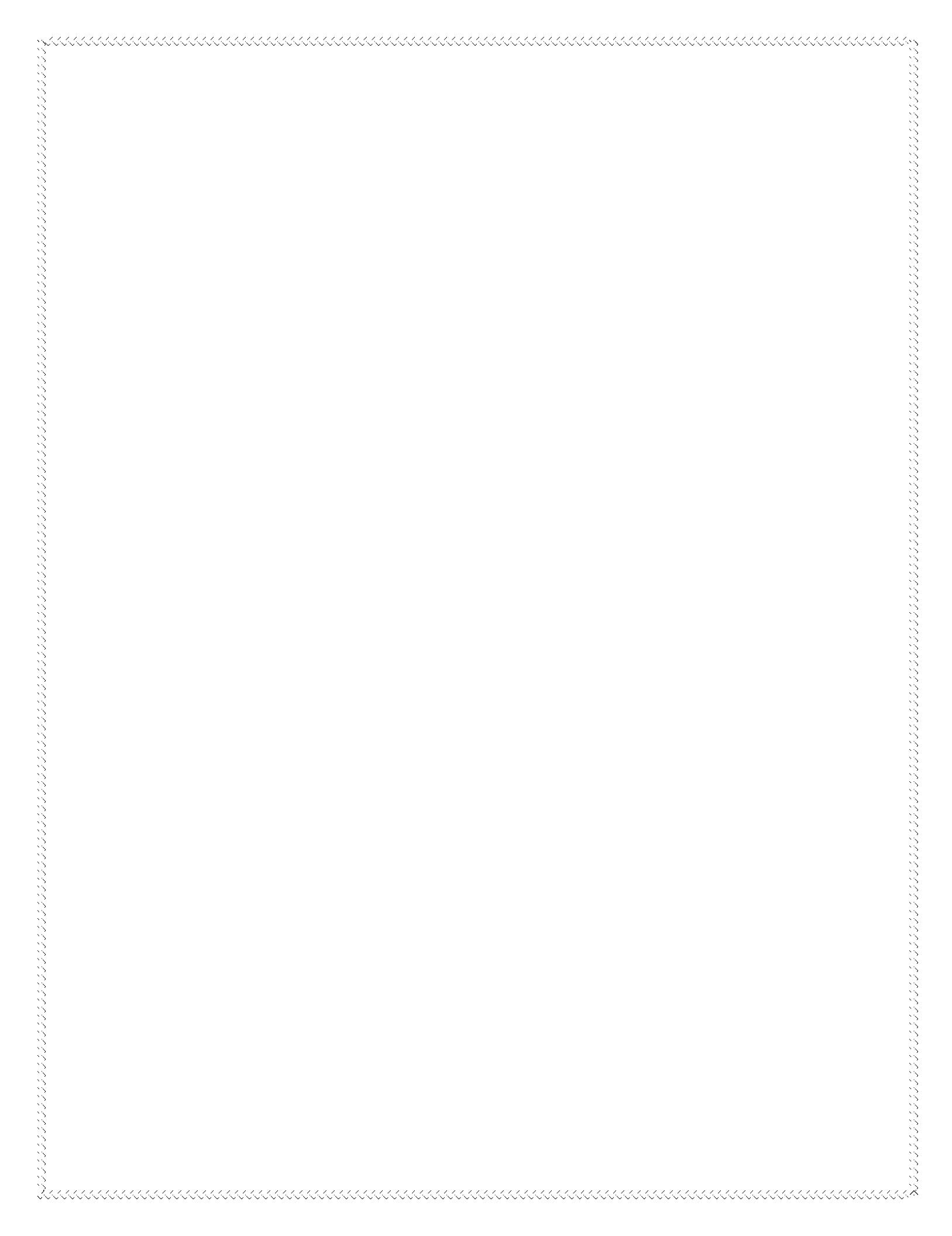


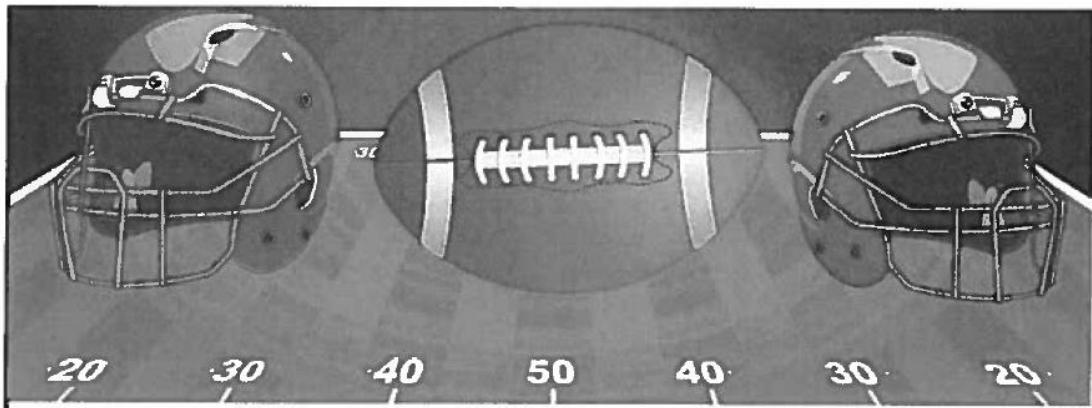
January 30, 6:30 PM

Contact Dn. Nick Mamey for Details:

(949)677-6642

Supper and Scripture is a monthly dinner for young adults aimed towards discussing topics that matter.





# SUPER BOWL

ST. MARK ORTHODOX CHURCH  
FEBRUARY 2<sup>ND</sup>

@ 3:00 PM

MEN, LADIES AND CHILDREN ARE ALL  
WELCOME.

\$15 PER PERSON

INCLUDE: CHILI, HOT DOGS, SALSA & CHIPS,  
CHEESE, VEGGIES, FRUITS & DESSERTS.

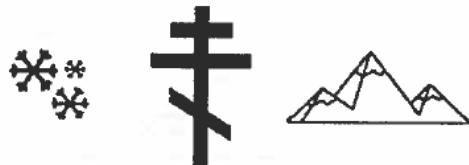
NOTE: BRING YOUR OWN BEVERAGE

PLEASE SEE GISELE FOR SUPER BOWL POOL BRACKET.

with the blessing of His Eminence METROPOLITAN JOSEPH,  
please join DLAW's Young Adult Ministry for our  
**2020 BIG BEAR RETREAT**

# **ORTHODOXY 24/7:** ***NAVIGATING MODERN LIFE AS AN ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN***

featuring Keynote Speaker BISHOP ANTHONY of Toldeo & the Midwest  
+ other special guests!



## **FEBRUARY 15-17, 2020**

### **EARLY BIRD RATES (UNTIL 1/21)**

WITH LIFT TICKET: \$234  
WITHOUT LIFT TICKET: \$139

### **REGULAR RATES (1/22-2/7)**

WITH LIFT TICKET: \$249  
WITHOUT LIFT TICKET: \$155

*All registration includes lodging, meals, midnight bowling, & fun in the snow! Lift ticket includes ski/snowboard rentals.*

**register at [dlawyoungadults.com](http://dlawyoungadults.com)**

