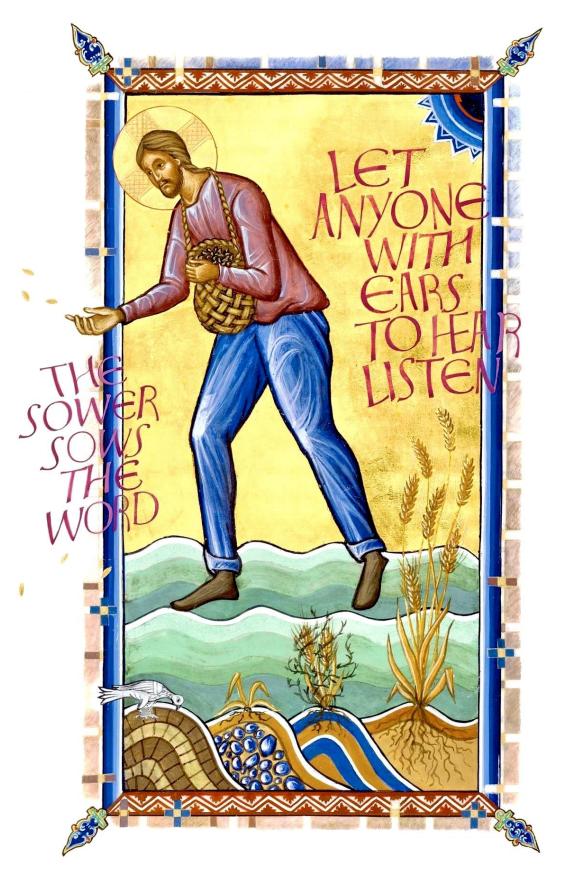
Message from Fr. George for October 21, 2022



Saint Cyril of Alexandria says that some of us might enter the church and feel joyful that it is full of people. We hear the Gospel and praise God, and we hear the sermon and praise the preacher, but when we go out, we forget what we heard and go about our usual business without storing the words of God in our hearts. So that the Divine Seed (the Word of God) may blossom in us well, he says, let us first cast out of our minds worldly cares and unprofitable anxiety which makes us seek the things of this world.



Use the photos above to discuss the Parable of the Seed Sower with your family. Together, compose a story using each image so that the lessons Christ Jesus taught stay in our hearts. *Share your lesson with Fr. George if you wish.*



Nearly 50 years ago, Fr. George graduated from high school and entered The College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia. The second weekend of October, he and Presbytera Marinda joined friends from the Class of 1977 for fellowship, remembrances, and shared values the university offered through special faculty and alumni presentations and events. 45 years after graduation, we are thankful for the lasting friendships and the seeds our professors and friends planted. As a chemistry major, I was invited to the chemistry department's open house during Homecoming Weekend. Our most memorable moment was reminiscing with Dr. Randy Coleman, my former professor who invited me to sign the special tribute the College gave him after teaching for 50 years. Dr. Coleman continues to research the biochemistry of dementia and never stops spreading seeds of love for learning and helping others achieve the potential God has given us.



Glory to God for His giving Presbytera Marinda and Fr. George the opportunity this past week to look after two of their grandchildren as they waited for the arrival of their new sister's homecoming following their mother's C-section! This offered Presbytera Marinda and Fr. George more opportunities to plant seeds for Christ!





By sharing our food and fellowship, we gain unexpected opportunities to open the ears and hearts of our neighbors to Christ. The seeds we plant may appear very small and even unnoticed by the world at large. Yet our Lord and Savior uses them to transform us and others. With patience, we bear much fruit for our salvation and the whole world's salvation.

Fr. George & Presbytera Marinda thank Steve & Pamela Theodorakis, their family and restaurant staff, and our amazing parishioners who sacrificed for this past weekend's "Greece on the Go" event. Let us continue to sow seeds for Christ in all we do!