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Sunday after the Theophany of Christ Righteous Mother Domnica of Constantinople and her companions; Venerable George the Chozebite

Welcome to ST. GEORGE

OUR MISSION is powerful at St. George: that as a community we are **Educated** and instructed by the Commandments of God, **Enriched** in the fullness of the Gospel and **Empowered** in our lives to become true servants of God and our fellow man. We call that **E3**!

OUR VISION is to create a community that embraces the tradition of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We believe that God has a mission too: to restore the fallen world with His coming Kingdom. We also believe that as the Church we are called to participate in God's mission in a unique way. That way for us finds its fulfillment through E3! Our mission, then, works in concert with God's mission: 1) to help you discover who you have been created to be as a human being made in God's image, and 2) to help you find your place in God's ongoing mission to bring forth His Kingdom in the world.

WE ARE a community of people who are seeking to live as Christ's Body on this earth, looking for the fullness of His coming Kingdom. We all seek to see and live in God's world with new eyes and changed hearts. We hope that you will join our life in Christ. Live the Power of E3.

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Sayegh, Jeannine Sayegh, John & Bolivia Sayegh, John & Rania Sayegh, Odeh & Victoria Sayegh, Ralph Sayegh, Robert & Kristine Sayegh, Sam

Sayegh, Sam (George) & Lara Sayegh, Sultan & Chihnaz

Sewa, Vencent Showah, Beverly

Simon, Michael & Nadia

Simon, Noha & Donald Slanta, John Sola, Mary Ann Solheim, David Spanovich, Nick & Elizabeth Stokich, Daniel & Dina Sweilem, Issa & Jennifer

Sweilem, Theresa Sweis, Nourhan Sweis, Sameeh & Janette

Sweis, Sameh Thomas, Daniel Vogel, Debbie Wells, Rick West, Gray & Deborah Wilson, Larman & Olga Yacoub, Miriam Jessica Yocoub, Shaker Ziton, David & Nesrin Ziton, Michael & Ferouz Zyadet, Emad

Toronto, Ray & Rose Marie

Vintila, Pamela

A Message from THE LADIES

Join us on Thursday, January 12th at 10:30am for our monthly Bible Study and meeting. Fr. Chris will lead Bible Study. Potluck luncheon will follow. Everyone is welcome!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Pursuant to Article 8 of the St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church Constitution, the Annual Parish General Assembly Meeting is scheduled to take place on **Sunday, January 29th, 2017** in the Legacy Ballroom immediately following Divine Liturgy. It is important that we proceed directly to the Ballroom following Liturgy so that we can start on time.

According to the St. George Church By-Laws, in order to participate and vote at this meeting, ALL of the following requirements must be met:

- Commit to supporting the Church financially by signing a pledge card.
- Be current with your financial pledge on file and your Archdiocese Dues.
- Must be an Orthodox Christian in spiritual good standing.

If for any reason you have any questions regarding your financial obligation, feel free to contact Jimi DeRienzo, our Stewardship Chairman to clarify where you stand for the year ending 2016 according to our records.

Packets containing the minutes from last year's annual meeting and committee reports will be emailed out to everyone that has provided us an email address. We ask that you print out this packet and bring it with you to the annual meeting. For those members who do not have access to the internet we will have a limited number on hand at the meeting.

It is very important that as a pledged voting member, you attend this annual meeting to stay up to date and involved in our parish.

Yours in Christ,

Kristine Sayegh
Parish Council President

The family names published are Stewardship Members at year end 2016 and are cleared to vote in the 2017 Annual Meeting on January 29th. The family names not published are not cleared to vote and should see Stewardship Chairman, Jimi DeRienzo, during Fellowship Hour or call him at 480.241.8850 to handle final 2016 outstanding payments. Thank you all for your generosity to St. George.

Abbajay, Duane Abdalah, Greg Abdalla, Mannal Abdoulah, Connie Abraham, Dean & Shirley Abraham, Joseph Abrahams, Dn. Raphael & Rebecca Abrahams, Simon Abukhader, Fadia Afsa, Michael & Carmen Afsa, Sr., Michael & Candance Agra, Catherine Alhaddad, Suhaila & Raoud Kallass Alkhori (Khouri), Kholoud Alsayegh, Imad & Neda Ammari, Leila Aranki, Hana Bazzi (Karam), Lina Reauchamp, Nick & Donna Benn-Nowaczyk, Krista Bishay, Jason Bousard, Rosaline Brannan, Dr. Scott & Vera Bronnenkant, Anna □ Catanese, Jason Combs, David Corlett Sayegh, Suzanne Dahdal, Omar Dahdal, Suleiman & Doreen DeRienzo, James & Briggette DeRienzo, James (Jimi) III DeRienzo, Nicole Derienzo, Rosalind Doumani, John Nicole Dovle, Timothy & Helena

Eid, John Fakhouri, Aziz Fakhouri, Fareese Fakhouri, Fawaz Fakhouri, George Farha, Dr. Jim Fedak, Timothy

Feldman, Steven & Elisabeth

Fender, William Ferris, Scott Florence, Lorraine Gebran, Assad Gebran, Gebran Gebran, George & Abeer Gebran, Mario & Amal

Gebran, Michael

Gharib, Khalid Gharib, Munira Gharieb, Hivam Ghiz, David & Melanie Ghiz, Lewis (Buzz) & Janice Grove, Dn Serafim & Mary Haddad, Michael & Valerie Haddad, Taysir & Mary Kay Haddy, Larry Hakimeh, Fouad & Maleke Hanna-Moussa, Abdullah Hasbany, Louis & Sandy

Hogan, Dr. Donn Hopper, Deacon Michael & Leah Horan, Adnan & Lisa Hull, Gary & Suzanne Huntington, Joshua Iacovelli, William (Buzz) & Rima Isaac, Simon & Ruba

Johnson, Ray & Nahat, Denise Kalvoussef, George Kanaan, Eugene & Donna

Kanaan, Robert Karadsheh, Farouk Karadsheh, Iskander Karadsheh, John & Natascha Karamouzis, Elizabeth

Karraz, Shadi Khalil, Charles & Esther Khalil, Dr. Josef

Khoury, Dr. Victory & Becki Khoury, Eddie & Sandy

Khoury, Emily & Ramzy Khoury, Jack & Samira Khoury, Rosena Magdoline

LaBarre, Benjamin Lines, John Mas, Margaret

Matthews, Chester & Dina

Mikhail, Maysoun Mitchell, Aaron & Corrie Mokbel, Halim & Beatriz (Susan)

Mounts, Samia Musallam, Jacob Musallam, Rowana

Mushahwar, Yousef & Juliette

Nassar, Katrina Nassif, Sam & Lori Nassif, Susan Nekho, Nasser Nichols, Richard & Sherry Odeh, Imad

Peters, Matthew & Laura

Plummer, Randy

Oagish, Walid & Randa Oagish, Ziad & Samiyah

Ouomsieh, Nadia

Rabadi, Raed & Dana Rabadi, Sayel J.

Radulovich, Nicholas (Nick)

Raymond, Margaret Rayvan, Maher

Rayyan, Samier & May

Rehm, Nathan Rejsa, Glenn

Resley, George & Khalida

Risk, Tom

Ritchie, Deacon Basil & Barbara

Romley, Daniel & Jane

Saba, Richard & Marion Sabbagh, Lameh

Sahawneh, Amanda Sahawneh, Hesham

Saigh, Caraline & Ray

Saigh, Fred Saigh, Hanna Saigh, Najla K.

Saigh, Ralph & Camilia

Saigh, Rumsey Salameh, Ken Salamy, Joyce

Salamy, V. Rev. Fr. Dr. Chris & Allyson

Salem, Andy & Nadia Salem, Danny

Salem, Kenny and Joy

Salem, Raed (Robert) & Buthaina (Beth)

Salem, Saman & Ensof Saliba, Azeez & Roula Assaf Saliba, Iames & Kathleen Saliba, John & Marybeth

Saliba, Kamal Salman, George Salman, Ghazi Santana, Linda Sarsam, Jamal

Sayegh, Dr. Abraham & Christine Sayegh, Dr. Edward & Luma Sayegh, Dr. Steven & Mary Sayegh, Ghassan & May Sayegh, Hyam Savegh, Issa Sayegh, Jamal

Resurrectional Apolytikion (Tone 4)

Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.

Apolytikion of the Theophany of Christ (Tone 1)

When Thou wast baptized in the Jordan, O Lord, the worship of the Trinity was made manifest; for the voice of the Father bare witness to Thee, calling Thee His beloved Son. And the Spirit in the form of a dove confirmed the certainty of the word. O Christ our God, Who hast appeared and hast enlightened the world, glory be to Thee.

Apolytikion of St. George (Tone 4)

As deliverer of captives and defender of the poor, healer of the infirm, champion of kings, victorious Great Martyr George intercede with Christ our God for our souls' salvation.

Kontakion of the Theophany of Christ (Tone 4)

On this day Thou hast appeared unto the whole world, and Thy light, O Sovereign Lord, is signed on us who sing Thy praise and chant with knowledge: Thou hast now come, Thou hast appeared, O Thou Light unapproachable.

2017 House Blessing

Please complete the information below and return the form to the church office. Then we will call you to schedule an appointment with one of our Priests. Check one or more for the most convenient day and time.

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Those to Remember in Prayer

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us. Rejoice in the Lord, O ve righteous.

The Epistle

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians. (4:7-13)

Brethren, grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, "When He ascended on high He led a host of captives, and He gave gifts to men." (In saying, "He ascended," what does it mean but that He had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is He who also ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.) And His gifts were that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.

The Gospel

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The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (4:12-17)

At that time, when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee; and leaving Nazareth he went and dwelt in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulon and Naphtali, so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "The land of Zebulon and the land of Naphtali, toward the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of Heaven is at hand."

We thank Mrs. Kassab Saigh and family

> for sponsoring Fellowship Hour.

A Message from GREG

Registration for Winter Camp is NOW OPEN!

Visit campstnicholas.com to register for this year's Winter Camp, February 17-20, 2017. If you are interested in traveling with the group from St. George, please let Greg Abdalah know once you've registered to coordinate travel.





FELLOWSHIP HOUR **SPONSORSHIPS NEEDED**

Call Kelly Resley at 602.399.3720 to find out how easy it is to sponsor Fellowship Hour.

Liturgical Offerings...

Congratulations and God's blessings to George, Nataly, Andrew, Aleena and Audriana Salman on the churching of baby Ava. May God grant her many years.

Halim & Susan Mokbel offer holy bread for the health of Ayleen, Mel, Jonathan, Ghassan, George, Nadim, Ibrahim, Haydee, Evangelina, May God grant them many years. In memory of Marie, Melhem, Raul, Juana, Manuela and Guida. May their memory be eternal.

Ivetta Harte and Andrei Kourt offer a 40-day Trisagion in loving memory of Natalia Lantseva. May her memory be eternal

Elizabeth Karamouzis offers holy bread for her good health and salvation and for John and James Karamouzis, Kiki, Chris, Gage Magras, JoAnne Allen, Pam Spitler, Lisa Stewart, Gus and Mena Bafaloukos, Katina Wood, Dede Allison, Adina, Valerie Weir, Evelyn Kosobud, Olivia Homsey, Shirley Snage, Cheryl, Sawsen Manadat, Bryan Rohwer, Gordon and Stacey Grieb, Karen Clark, Bob and Joan Vansickle, Pat Van Walleghen, George and Sharon Handgis, Reesa Stutzman, Angie Guidi, Charlotte Kari, George and Sharon Handgis, Pam Ventila, Rudy and Diane Kalcich, Suzy and Izzie Jacobs, Ludmila Demich and Phillip Hashem, Romy Toronto, Chase, Gary, Roxy Morfitt, Sharon Minkner, Sandra Rainey-Stitt, Brent Bowdler, Cheryl Lee and for their families and the Saba, Toronto, Romley, Kontiotis, Wood, Sahnas, Iacovelli, Landreth, Hakim, Gonzales, Kermis and Sheriff families, her godchildren Michael Guidi, Markus, Devin and Nikki Perry and Lauren Speer and for their families, all our clergy and parish at St. George and for all her family and friends. Praying that 2017 will be a blessed year for all. In loving memory of Mary Karamouzis, Roxanne Olesky, Strato Stavros Sahnas, Mike Cramer, Stacy Kerr, Joan Kreglo, Denny Kermis, Paulina Kontiotis, Scott Saba, Jennifer Schwartz, Josephine Ferris, Brenda Rohwer and all departed family and friends. May their memory be eternal.

Fatha Saigh offers holy bread in remembrance of Kassab Rafeal on his 2-year memorial. May his memory be eternal. In loving memory of Kassab, Sulieman, Faisal, Miladeh, Rafeal, Fuda, Frieh, Hanna, Michael, Nicole, Najla, Issa, Diana, Yousef, Felix and George. May their memory be eternal. For the health of Alice, Emily, Rafeal, Rita, Dino, and Freddy, her grandchildren and great grandchildren. May God grant them many years.

Beverly Showah offers holy bread in memory of Sam, Lily, Rose, George and Laurice. May their memory be eternal. For the health of all her family and friends. May God grant them many years.

| Birthdays |
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| Anthony Horan 1 | .8 |
| Donna Sayegh 1 | .8 |
| Hanada Sahawneh 1 | .9 |
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Laila Farah Dahu 1.9 Anthony Woolsey 1.10

> Farhan Rihani 1.11 Joy Salem 1.12

> > Dena Isaac 1.13

Dana Khoury 1.13

Donna Ghiz 1.14

Kreg Korinek 1.14 Brooke Sahawneh 1.14

Emily Saikley 1.14

Anniversaries

Hesham & Michelle Sahawneh 1.8 David & Susana Sola 1.9 Joseph & Helen Abrahm 1.11 Ken & Judy Salameh 1.11 Eddie & Sandy Khoury 1.12 Ralph & Dina Sayegh 1.12 Travis & Cheri Fung 1.14

Fouad & Malake Hakimeh 1.14 Douglas Leih & Eva Quomseh 1.14

Memory Eternal

Barbara Risk 1.10.15 Sam Showah 1.10.97 Kassab Saigh 1.11.15 George Tibshraeny 1.11.96

To include an oblation in the bulletin, text must be submitted to Tricia Urbano Voltz at office@stgeorgeaz.org by the deadline of Wednesday at noon. All oblations received after the deadline will be included in the following Sunday's bulletin.