

St. George Day Celebration
St. George Day Celebration will be on Sunday, April 23rd from 12:00-3:00pm at St. George. Enjoy delicious food, music and games for children. Tickets will be sold today in The Legacy Ballroom during Fellowship Hour. Tickets are \$20 for adults (11 and older) and \$10 for children (10 and under).

St. George Fashion Show
After a two year hiatus, the St. George Women's Fashion Show is back! The show will be Saturday, May 13th at 10:30am. It promises to be the best one yet. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Alisa Jones at 602-618-2203 or alisanassarjones@hotmail.com.



CHRISTIAN SACRED ART
This is a unique opportunity to learn ancient 15th century Byzantine iconography (egg tempera technique)

ICONOGRAPHY WORKSHOP
weekend sessions in St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church
Address: 4530 E. Gold Dust Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85028
Tel. (602) 953-1921 www.STGEORGEAZ.ORG
Saturday March 4 8 am - 5 pm, Sunday March 5 1 pm - 7pm
Saturday March 11 8 am - 5 pm, Sunday March 12 1 pm - 7 pm
Saturday March 18 8 am - 5 pm

BEGINNERS' WORKSHOP Students will paint the icon of Guardian Angel, the guide for the beginners on the first step of their journey.
People with some art training as well as people with little or no art training are welcome!
This course is designed especially for those who have never before written an icon.
INTERMEDIATE STUDENT (who did more than 1 or 2 icons) can practice another one : Archangel or Saint.
Our goal is to have completed an icon to take home at the end of the course.

METHOD OF INSTRUCTION
Explanations of iconographic symbolism and the theological and philosophical basis of each step of the process are presented parallel to an absolutely ancient technical approach: how to prepare and apply natural pigments, make an emulsion for the egg tempera, gold leaf application, preparation of olifa varnish and application on the icon.
From the principles of simple symbolic images "reverse perspective" language and other characteristically iconographic elements - the student moves towards an understanding of that which stands beyond the symbolic, and gains a clearer vision of God, himself and ultimately of the world.

INSTRUCTOR
LUDMILA DEMICH, parishioner of St. George Antiochian Orthodox church, Phoenix, AZ. Born in Minsk, former USSR. After receiving a formal education in the fine art and later in graphic design, she became interested in religious art which led her to study independently to collect all possible sources.
Since 1996 she also has studied iconography under Vladislav Andreev, an iconographer and founder of Propon School of Iconology in New York and his son Demetri and continues to study and perfect this ancient art, making educational trips to Greece, Macedonia, Russia, Ukraine, Turkey, Italy, Egypt, Lebanon, Syria, Poland, Czech Republic and Israel.
Her icons found homes in churches and monasteries as well as in private collections in the United States and the other countries.
TUITION \$475.00 (can be divided into two payments or other options).
MATERIALS \$ 175.00 including prepared gessoed wooden board, red clay polymer, paint materials (pigments and egg yolk emulsion), 2 gold leaves, brushes and a pallet, sandpaper, wax paper, stones to polish gold.
Attendance is limited to 10 students. Places may be reserved on a first-come basis by payment of \$175.00 to instructor has to be send by February 25.

Deposits payable to: Ludmila Demich,
11260 N. 92 St. # 1074, Scottsdale, AZ 85260
Tel (480) 580-7784

2017 Lenten Retreat
Standing by the Cross:
Putting on Christ
March 18, 2017
9:30am - 6:00pm
RSVP by 3/11/17
Speaker: Fr. John Behr
Dean, St. Vladimir's Seminary
Questions? Contact greg@stgeorgeaz.org

A Message From GREG
Registration for Summer Camp is NOW OPEN!
Please let Greg Abdallah know as soon as you are registered so you can be included in our fundraising efforts.

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 First Sunday of Great Lent (Tone 2)

We worship Thine immaculate icon, O Good One, asking the forgiveness of our failings, O Christ our God; for of Thine own will Thou wast well-pleased to ascend the Cross in the flesh, that Thou mightest deliver from slavery to the enemy those whom Thou hadst fashioned. Wherefore, we cry to Thee thankfully: Thou didst fill all things with joy, O our Saviour, when Thou camest to save the world.

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 for the Annunciation (And Great Lent) (Tone 8)

To thee, the Champion Leader, do I offer thanks of victory, O Theotokos, thou who hast delivered me from terror; but as thou that hast that power invincible, O Theotokos, thou alone can set me free: from all forms of danger free me and deliver me, that I may cry unto thee: Hail, O Bride without Bridegroom.



bak.pak is a 501c3 certified non-profit organization committed to alleviating homelessness in the Phoenix community.

School Supply Drive for Foster Care Children (FEBRUARY 26th-APRIL 2nd)

St. George will be hosting a drive for the bak.pak organization to collect items which will provide bak.paks to educate Foster Care children through the Kids Count organization.

- Assigned items for each Sunday School class:**
Pre-Kindergarten: **Markers** 5th and 6th Grade: **Loose Leaf Paper**
Kindergarten: **Colored Pencils** 7th and 8th Grade: **Flashcards**
1st and 2nd Grade: **Pencils** High School: **Pens**
3rd and 4th Grade: **Composition Notebooks**

For any additional donations or questions, please contact Savanah Harmanian at outreachdirector@givealifebakpak.org. To learn more about bak.pak please visit www.givealifebakpak.org.

Rita Baqseh and family offer coffee hour
Thank You
in loving memory of Bahij Farah Baqseh.
May his memory be eternal.

We welcome
Mr. Jhony Ibrahim
soon to be Lebanese Ambassador to the U.S.
Welcome to St. George!

Prokeimenon:

Blessed art Thou, O Lord, the God of our fathers. For Thou art just in all that Thou hast done for us.

Those to Remember in Prayer

LIVING: Rosie, Lily, Richard, Marion, Mary

Liturgical Offerings...

Congratulations and God's blessings to Michael and Roseen Latimer on the baptism of their son Joseph Ibrahim Latimer. May God grant him many years.

The Epistle

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (11:24-26, 32-40)

Brethren, by faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to share ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin.

And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets; who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, and put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment.

They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated—of whom the world was not worthy—wandering over deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

The Gospel

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (1:43-51)

At that time, Jesus decided to go to Galilee. And He found Philip and said to him, "Follow Me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael, and said to him, "We have found Him of Whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming to Him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!" Nathanael said to Jesus, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered Him, "Rabbi, Thou art the Son of God! Thou art the King of Israel!" Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You shall see greater things than these." And Jesus said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man."

Messages from FATHER

Great Lent

Please find below the schedule for this week's Lenten services:

Monday, March 6th at 6:30pm: Compline

Tuesday, March 7th at 6:30pm: Compline in Arabic

Wednesday, March 8th at 4:00pm: Presanctified Liturgy

Friday, March 10th at 6:30pm: Little Compline with the Akathist Hymn (Madayeh)

Saturday, March 11th at 5:00pm: Vespers

Intro to Orthodoxy

Want to test your knowledge about our faith? Join us on Wednesday, March 8th at 5:30pm for the Intro to Orthodoxy class.

Men's Bible Study

The Men's Bible Study kicked off in January with a heartfelt, honest and open discussion about how we deal with suffering in our lives. We want to continue that discussion. If you weren't able to be with us, please consider joining us on the first Tuesday of the month at 11:00am at U.S. Egg on Shea and 70th Street. The next meeting is Tuesday, March 7th.

Memory Eternal

- Raymond Freije 3.6.03
- Nadima Nader 3.6.85
- Moses Toney 3.6.60
- Michael Haddy 3.8.71
- Adam Bochnak 3.9.67
- Abe Farage 3.11.97
- Mitchell Homsey 3.11.04
- Miladeh Hweimel 3.11.04

Anniversaries

- Matthew and Laura Peters 3.6
- Darrin and Layla Saikley 3.10

Birthdays

- Karmen Kalyoussef 3.5
- Sara Sayegh 3.5
- Ghassan Yacoub 3.5
- Alexandria Woolsey 3.5

Birthdays (continued)

- Jasmine Ammari 3.7
- Jeannine Sayegh 3.7
- Ramey Sweis 3.7
- Masen Fung 3.8
- Michael Salameh 3.9
- Tess Elmore 3.10
- James Khoury 3.10
- Danielle Rayyan 3.10
- Victoria Sayegh 3.10
- Nawal Salman 3.11

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.

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