

ST. GEORGE

ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

A Parish of the Diocese of Los Angeles and
the West of The Antiochian Archdiocese of New York and North America

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*Commemoration of our Righteous Mother Mary of Egypt
Venerable Titus the wonderworker; Virgin-martyr Theodora of Palestine;
Martyrs Amphianos and Aidesios of Lydia*

Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great

Welcome to
ST. GEORGE

Why: The world is a battlefield. Society is harshly divided. We struggle with broken morality, health, jobs, relationships, and ultimately, death.

Society teaches us that the way to combat these fears is through self-focus and political-correctness. But this only perpetuates brokenness, fear, anger, and loneliness. Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ shows us a different Way. A Way of strength, community and selflessness. At St. George we call that The Way of the Warrior Saint.

How: St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church trains Warrior Saints to follow Christ's Way. Here's how we do that: We **teach** the Gospel of Jesus Christ so that we are educated, strong, and independent leaders. We **build** a solid community, so that our lives are enriched through worship and fellowship. And we **serve** others, so that we are empowered to be selfless and outward looking.

What: Here's what we do: Engaging and relevant bible studies, powerful worship and fellowship, and opportunities to minister to those in need.

"Warrior Saints don't take, they give."

Follow us on Instagram: @stgeorgephx. Like us on Facebook: StGeorgePHX.

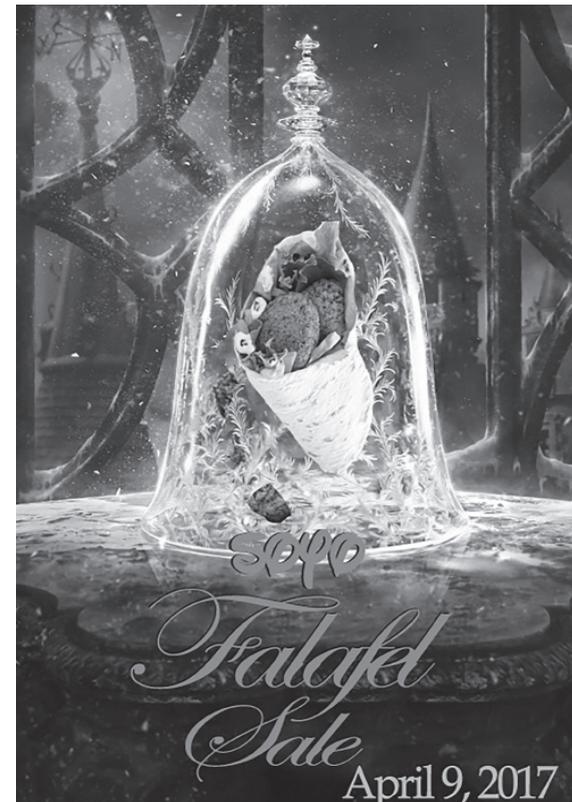


We are looking for a sponsor for this year's Paschal breakfast.

If you would like to sponsor the breakfast or would like more information on how you can help, please contact Jennifer Zuraikat at 480.382.3829 or email her at jennifer@thelegacyballroom.com.



Paschal **BREAKFAST**



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 Savannah Harmanian at outreachdirector@givealifebakpak.org. To learn more about bak.pak please visit www.givealifebakpak.org.

St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church

April 2, 2017

Great Lent

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

Sunday, April 2nd at 6:00pm: Pan Orthodox Lenten Vespers at St. Ignatius of Antioch, 5515 E. Redmont Circle, Mesa, AZ 85215

Monday, April 3rd at 6:30pm: Great Compline

Tuesday, April 4th at 6:30pm: Compline in Arabic

Wednesday, April 5th at 4:00pm: Presanctified Liturgy

Friday, April 7th at 6:30pm: Little Compline with Canon for Raising of Lazarus

Saturday, April 8th at 3:00pm: Great Vespers

Holy Week and Pascha

Please find below the services for Holy Week and Pascha:

Sunday, April 9th at 6:30pm: Bridegroom Matins

Monday, April 10th at 6:30pm: Bridegroom Matins

Tuesday, April 11th at 6:30pm: Bridegroom Matins

Wednesday, April 12th at 6:30pm: Holy Unction Service

Thursday, April 13th at 9:00am: Vespertal Liturgy **6:30pm:** Twelve Passion Gospels

Friday, April 14th at 9:00am: Royal Hours **10:30am:** Vespers (**Note: time change from last year**) **6:30pm:** Lamentations

Saturday, April 15th at 10:00am: Divine Liturgy of the Empty Tomb **11:00pm:** Rush Procession with Divine Liturgy

Sunday, April 16th at 12:00pm: Agape Vespers followed by Egg Hunt

Please note that there will be no church cleaning on Friday, April 14th. Parents should remain with their children and take their children home with them after Liturgy.

Men's Bible Study

All gentlemen are welcome to join us on the first Tuesday of the month at 11:00am at U.S. Egg on Shea and 70th Street for the Men's Bible Study. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, April 4th.

Want to test your knowledge about our faith?

Join us on Wednesday, April 5th for:

Teen Bible Study at 5:30pm

THRIVE at 5:30pm

Young Men's Bible Study at 6:30pm

Intro to Orthodoxy - Sacraments at 6:30pm

Young Mom's Bible Study

Join us Friday, April 7th at 10:30am. Fr. Chris will lead bible study.

Parish Council

Please congratulate the 2017 Officers:

President - Krissi Sayegh

Vice President - Jennifer Zuraikat

Secretary - Krystal Saigh

Treasurer - Ralph Saigh

Council Members - Michael Zawaneh, Gerry Wiebers, Sammer Hweimel, Chris Bandak, Layla Saikley, Samier Rayyan, Steven Sayegh and Eddie Khoury.

Resurrectional Apolytikion (Tone 8)

From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three- day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

Apolytikion of St. Mary of Egypt (Tone 8)

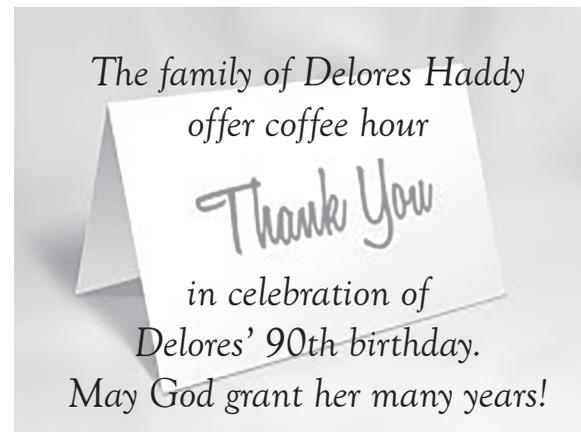
In thee the image was preserved with exactness, O Mother; for taking up thy cross, thou didst follow Christ, and by thy deeds thou didst teach us to overlook the flesh, for it passeth away, but to attend to the soul since it is immortal. Wherefore, O righteous Mary, thy spirit rejoiceth with the Angels.

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 Ordinary Sundays (Tone 2)

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.



Prokeimenon:

Make your vows to the Lord our God, and perform them.
God is known in Judah; His Name is great in Israel.

Those to Remember in Prayer

LIVING: Rosie, Lily, Richard, Marion, Mary, Sandra, Aaron, Corrie

The Epistle

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (9:11-14)

Brethren, when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), He entered once for all into the Holy Place, taking not the blood of goats and calves but His own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, Who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, purify your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

The Gospel

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark. (10:32-45)

At that time, Jesus took His twelve Disciples, and began to tell them what was to happen to Him, saying, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem. And the Son of man will be delivered to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn Him to death, and deliver Him to the Gentiles. And they will mock Him, and scourge Him, and spit upon Him, and kill Him; and after three days He will rise." And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Him, and said to Him, "Teacher, we would that thou shouldest do for us whatsoever we shall desire" And Jesus said to them, "What do you want Me to do for you?" And they said to Him, "Grant us to sit, one at Thy right hand and one at Thy left, in Thy glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to Him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized. But to sit at My right hand or at My left is not Mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. And Jesus called them to Him and said to them, "You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be servant of all. For the Son of man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many."

Liturgical Offerings...

Congratulations and God's blessings to George and Nataly Salman on the baptism of their daughters Audriana and Ava Salman. May God grant them many years.

The Ladies Auxiliary offer special liturgical prayers for the health and well being, in honor of our Sister In Christ, Delores Haddy, on the occasion of her 90th birthday. May God bless her and grant her many, many, many years.

Mrs. Shirley Snage offers Holy Bread for the health and salvation of her daughter Shirley Snage. May God grant her many years.

MESSAGES
FROM THE ST. GEORGE LADIES

Ladies Auxiliary Bible Study

Join us Thursday, April 6th at 10:30am. Fr. Chris will lead bible study. Lenten potluck luncheon will follow. Everyone is welcome!

St. George Day Celebration

St. George Day Celebration, sponsored by the Gebran Family, will be on Sunday, April 23rd from 12:00-3:00pm. Please purchase tickets by Sunday, April 9th. Tickets are \$20 for adults - 11 and older and \$10 for children - 10 and under. For tickets, please call Enaam at 602.614.3446.

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.



Birthdays

- Sammy Sayegh 4.2
- Dave Johnson 4.3
- Albert Joseph 4.3
- Izeyah Sayegh 4.3
- Naha Sayegh 4.3
- Phil Hashem 4.6
- Samira Sayegh 4.6
- Anthony Ghiz 4.7
- Nick Matthews 4.7
- Nicholas Sweis 4.7
- Gail Horan 4.8

Memory Eternal

- Loretta Momary 4.3.98
- Albert Ferris 4.6.90
- Edward Corey, Sr. 4.6.98

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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