

ST. GEORGE

ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

A Parish of the Diocese of Los Angeles and
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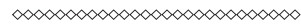
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*Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women,
Pious Joseph of Arimathea & Righteous Nicodemus*

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.  

Feast Day of St. George

This past Sunday was an amazing celebration of our patron saint, the Great Martyr George the Trophy-bearer. Thank you so much to our Ladies for planning the day, all of our Georges who served during liturgy and lunch, the Asaad and Ilham Gebran family for donating and preparing a delicious meal and God's blessings for all those named George, Jiries, Georgina, Georgette, Yorgo (and all other diminutives of the name George)!!! Thank you to Kimla Saba for facilitating and coming up with the idea for the very successful St. George Reserved Parking Spot auction.

Divine Liturgy in Arabic

Join us for Divine Liturgy in Arabic on Thursday, May 4th at 6:30pm.

Men's Bible Study

All men are invited to join us for Men's Bible Study on the first Tuesday of every month at U.S. Egg on Shea Blvd. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 2nd at 11:00am.

Bible Studies

Join us on Wednesday, May 3rd for THRIVE and Teen Bible Study at 5:30pm and Young Mens' Bible Study and Living the Liturgy class at 6:30pm.

Young Mom's Bible Study

Moms are invited to join us for Bible Study on the first Friday of every month. The next meeting will be on Friday, May 5th at 10:00am.

Stay in Touch

Listen to the homily and read the bulletin online at <http://www.stgeorgeaz.org/stay-in-touch/>

Messages from **FATHER**

We thank the
Joe and Louise Abdelnour
and
Thank You
George and Kimla Saba
Families
for hosting coffee hour.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



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Paul
Unleashed Church

JUNE 5-9, 2017

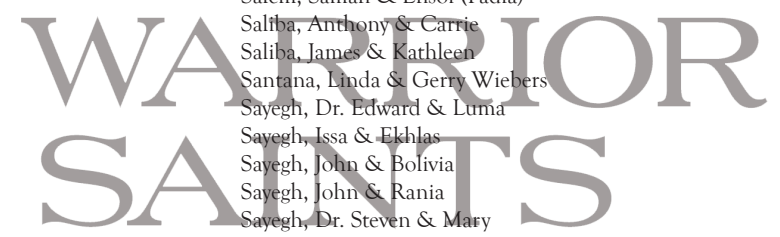
St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church

April 30, 2017

Being a member in good standing at St. George includes being a member in good standing of the Antiochian Archdiocese. The family names published have made a 2017 pledge and have contributed to that pledge. If your family name is not published and to track or update a tithe, payment and Archdiocese dues status may be viewed electronically through CCB. Or you may contact any member of the Stewardship Team, Salim Shleef at 602.793.8257 or sshleef@gmail.com, Eddie Khoury at 602.316.0965 or abujamz@aol.com and Steve Feldman at 973.461.2337 or steve@renovationangel.org.

Abdalah, Greg
Abdelnour, Joe & Louise
Abdoulah, Connie
Agra, Catherine
Alsayegh, Imad & Neda
Ammari, Ihssan
Arnouk, Mariam
Bandak, Christopher & Hnadi
Bennion, Karen
Bousard, Rosaline
Brewer, Philip & Monica
Catanese, Jason
DeRienzo, James & Brigitte
Doumani, John & Nicole
Feldman, Steve & Elisabeth
Fender, William & Nannette
Ferris, Scott
Florence, Lorraine
Gavras, Chris & Willa
Gebran, Assad & Ilham
Gebran, Gebran
Gebran, George & Abeer
Gebran, Mario & Amal
Gharib, Munira
Ghiz, David & Melanie
Grove, Dn. Serafim & Mary
Haddad, Michael & Valerie
Hakimeh, Fouad & Malake
Hasbany, Louis & Sandy
Horan, Adnan & Lisa
Hweimel, Enaam
Hweimel, Sammer
Kanaan, Eugene & Donna
Karadsheh, John & Natascha
Karamouzis, Elizabeth
Khoury, Eddie & Sandy
Khoury, Jack & Samira
Khoury, Rida & Sana
Mas, Margaret
Mounts, Samia
Mushahwar, Juliette
Nahat, Denise, & Johnson, Ray

Nassif, Sam
Nichols, Richard & Sherry
Peters, Matthew & Laura
Qaqish, Ziad & Samiyah
Quomsieh, Nadia
Rehm, Nathan
Romley, Daniel & Jane
Saba, Gary
Sahawneh, Amanda
Saigh, Caraline & Ray
Salamy, V. Rev. Fr. Dr. Chris & Allyson
Salem, Kenny & Joy
Salem, S. Henry
Salem, Saman & Ensof (Fadia)
Saliba, Anthony & Carrie
Saliba, James & Kathleen
Santana, Linda & Gerry Wiebers
Sayegh, Dr. Edward & Luma
Sayegh, Issa & Ekhlas
Sayegh, John & Bolivia
Sayegh, John & Rania
Sayegh, Dr. Steven & Mary
Sayegh, Suzanne Corlett
Sayegh, William & Ensaf
Shahla, Dr. Gobran & Evelyn
Shleef, Salim & Lara
Simon, George & Christine
Simon, Michael & Nadia
Simon, Noha & Donald
Spanovich, Nick & Elizabeth
Stringer, Kim
Sweilem, Issa & Jennifer
Sweis, Sameeh & Janette
Sweis, Sameh & Juliet
Toronto, Ray & Rose Marie
Vintila, Pamela
Vogel, David & Debbie
Wier, William & Valerie
Zananiri, Tawfiq & Najwa
Ziton, Michael & Feirouz
Zuraikat, Husam (John) & Jennifer



Resurrectional Apolytikion (Tone 2)

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy hell with Thy Godly power. And when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ, Thou giver of life, glory to Thee.

Apolytikion of Joseph of Arimathea (Tone 2)

The pious Joseph, having brought down Thy pure body from the Tree, wrapped it in fine linen, embalmed it with ointment, provided for it, and laid it in a new tomb. But Thou didst verily rise after three days, O Lord, granting the world Great Mercy.

Apolytikion of the Myrrh-Bearing Women (Tone 2)

Verily, the angel came to the tomb and said to the ointment-bearing women: the ointment is meet for the dead, but Christ is shown to be remote from corruption. But cry ye: The Lord is risen, granting the world the Great Mercy.

Apolytikion for 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 Pascha (Tone 8)

O Immortal One, when Thou didst descend into the tomb, Thou didst destroy the power of Hades; and Thou didst rise victorious, O Christ God. Thou hast said to the ointment-bearing women: Rejoice! And Thou gavest peace to Thy Disciples, O Bestower of Resurrection to those Who had fallen.

<i>Memory Eternal</i>	<i>Birthdays</i>	<i>Anniversaries</i>
Kholud Sayegh Fuja 4.30.98	Annalise Ghiz 5.2	Lee Runyon and Robin Cohen 4.30
George Ghiz 5.2.88	Kenny Salem 5.2	Firas and Josefina Arabo 5.2
Jiries Sweiss 5.3.96	Seela Bandak 5.4	Steven and Mary Sayegh 5.3
Wassileh Khoury 5.5.96	Munira Gharib 5.6	Tony and Amira Salem 5.4
		Shaker and Helena Yacoub 5.4
		Khalil and Jennifer Saigh 5.6

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.

Prokeimenon:

The Lord is my strength and my song. The Lord has chastened me severely.

The Epistle

The Reading from the Acts of the Saintly and Pure Apostles. (6:1-7)

In those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the Twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaos, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

The Gospel

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark. (15:43-16:8)

At that time, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the Kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if He were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether Jesus was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that He was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking Him down, wrapped Him in the linen shroud, and laid Him in a tomb, which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where He was laid. And when the Sabbath was passed, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices so that they might go and anoint Him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back— it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, Who was crucified. He has risen, He is not here; see the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His Disciples and Peter that He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see Him, as He told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Those to Remember in Prayer

LIVING: Rosie, Lily, Richard, Marion, Mary, Sandra, Aaron, Corrie, Shirley, Michael, Chase, Romy, Alex and Chet

Liturgical Offerings...

Rosaline Bousard offers Holy Bread in loving memory of her mother Khouriya Fannie Habib. May her memory be eternal. For the health and blessings of the Bousard, Baker, Daniolos and Elliott families and for her granddaughter Madeline Rose Baker on the occasion of her graduation from high school on May 28, 2017. May God grant them many years.

Joe and Louise Abdelnour and George and Kimla Saba Families offer a Holy Oblation to the glory of God and for the health of the Abdelnour, Saba and Berry families and in honor of Sophia Saba's birthday. May God grant them many years. Remembering the seven year falling asleep in the Lord of Selma Sophia Abdelnour. May her memory be eternal. Christ is Risen!



St. George Reserved Parking Spot Auction

Congratulations to Walid and Nahid Hawileh (pictured to the right) for winning the first ever St. George Parking Spot auction! The Hawileh family will get the prime parking spot in front of the Church for one year!! Thank you to Walid and Nahid and all of those who bid on the parking spot for your generosity to your parish home.



Ladies Auxiliary Bible Study

Join us on Thursday, May 4th at 10:30am. Fr. Mansour will lead bible study. A potluck luncheon will follow. Everyone is welcome!

St. George Ladies Fashion Show

The Ladies Fashion Show scheduled for Saturday, May 13th has been cancelled. Thank you to everyone that offered their time and help in planning the show.

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY
Barbeque Potluck
FRIDAY, MAY 19TH @ 7-10 PM
FR. CHRIS & KH. ALLYSON'S HOUSE
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