Welcome to

SAINT GEORGE ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Message from THE OFFICE

The Sacrament of Baptism: A Summary of Baptismal Guidelines

* Please have the proposed date approved by the Pastor by contacting the church office at office@stgeorgeaz.org with a request.

* Upon request for baptism, you will be provided the baptismal guidelines. Once the date is approved, the Church office will place a temporary hold to reserve the date. The necessary forms and fees should be submitted within two weeks upon notification from the office of the Pastor's approval to formally secure the date. * The Godparents at a Baptism should be Orthodox Christians in order to help

impart the fullness of the Orthodox Faith to the newly baptized.

* The financial responsibility for the use of St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church for your child's baptism is \$600.

* Please remember that no one will ever be turned away if they cannot legitimately afford the fee mentioned above.

When to Church and Baptize your child:

After your child is born, the pastor should be contacted so that he can come to the hospital and pray for the new mother and child. Forty days after your baby is born, the churching of the mother and child takes place. Please have the churching date approved by the pastor by calling or emailing the Church Office no later than the Wednesday morning before the Sunday of churching.

The child should be baptized approximately three months after birth. Sunday School, which begins for our children four (4) years and older, is his or her post-Baptismal education!

In Baptism, the baptized becomes a child of God. The greatest gift we pass on to our children is the gift of faith long after we are gone. We pray that, as parents, you will be good models of faith, hope and love.

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 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.

Coffee Hour is being covered by St. George today! To sponsor Felllowship Hour, please reach out to Sandy Khoury. Thank you!

To include an oblation in the bulletin, text should be submitted to Tisha Rose at office@stgeorgeaz.org before the deadline of Wednesday at noon. Physical requests submitted with donations may not get to the office in time. All oblations received after the deadline will be included in the following Sunday's bulletin.

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PROKEIMENON:

How great are Thy works, O Lord! In wisdom hast Thou made them all. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (10:1-10) Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that it may be saved. I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but it is not enlightened. For, being ignorant of the righteousness that comes from God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. For Christ is the end of the law, that everyone who has faith may be justified. Moses writes that the man who practices the righteousness which is based on the law shall live by it. But the righteousness based on faith says: Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into Heaven?" (that is, to bring Christ down) or "Who will descend into the abyss?" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart (that is, the word of faith which we preach); because, if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For man believes with his heart and so is justified, and he confesses with his lips and so is saved.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (8:28-9:1) At that time, when Jesus came to the country of the Gergesenes, two demoniacs met Him, coming out of the tombs, so fierce that no one could pass that way. And behold, they cried out, "What have we to do with Thee, O Son of God? Art Thou come here to torment us before the time?" Now a herd of many swine was feeding at some distance from them. And the demons begged Him, "If Thou castest us out, send us away into the herd of swine." And He said to them, "Go." So they came out and went into the swine; and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and perished in the waters. The herdsmen fled, and going into the city they told everything, and what had happened to the demoniacs. And behold, all the city came out to meet Jesus; and when they saw Him, they begged Him to leave their neighborhood. And getting into a boat He crossed over and came to His own city.

Romy, Gloria, Larman, Don, Mary, Joshua, Peter, Philip, Richard, Marwan, Moira, Mac, Nick, Joe, Samuel, Bart, Roberta, Yvonne, Peter, Sophia, Sandy, Michael, Tim.

LITURGICAL OFFERINGS:

Richard and Marion Saba offer Holy Bread in Thanksgiving for their 58th Anniversary and for their good health and for the good health of their family members Kimberley, Alfred, Brian, Alyssa, Lou, Ashley, Aniston, Richard Jr., Tracey, AnnaRose, Will, Matthew, Anthony and Nicholas. May God grant them many years. In loving memory of our beloved son Scott, Emil, Freeda, Richard, David, Adel, Ramzy and Peggy. May their memories be eternal.

Aziz & Samar Haddad offer Holy Bread for our son Michael on the occasion of his birthday and for the health of Valerie, Georgina, Gabriel, Amanda, Michael, David, Elaine, Bassam, Mariam, Dalila, Rowad & Rayan, Taysir, Mary Kay, Adam and for the health of The Haddad, Bitar, Rizk, Samore, Moussa families. In memory of Ibrahim, Jeanette, Aida, George, Peter, Skivee, Robert and all the departed family members of Haddad, Bitar, Moussa and Rizk. May their memories be eternal.

Congratulations and God's blessings to Rani & Sonya Sayegh on the churching of their twin sons Salim and Sleeman Sayegh. May God grant you many years!