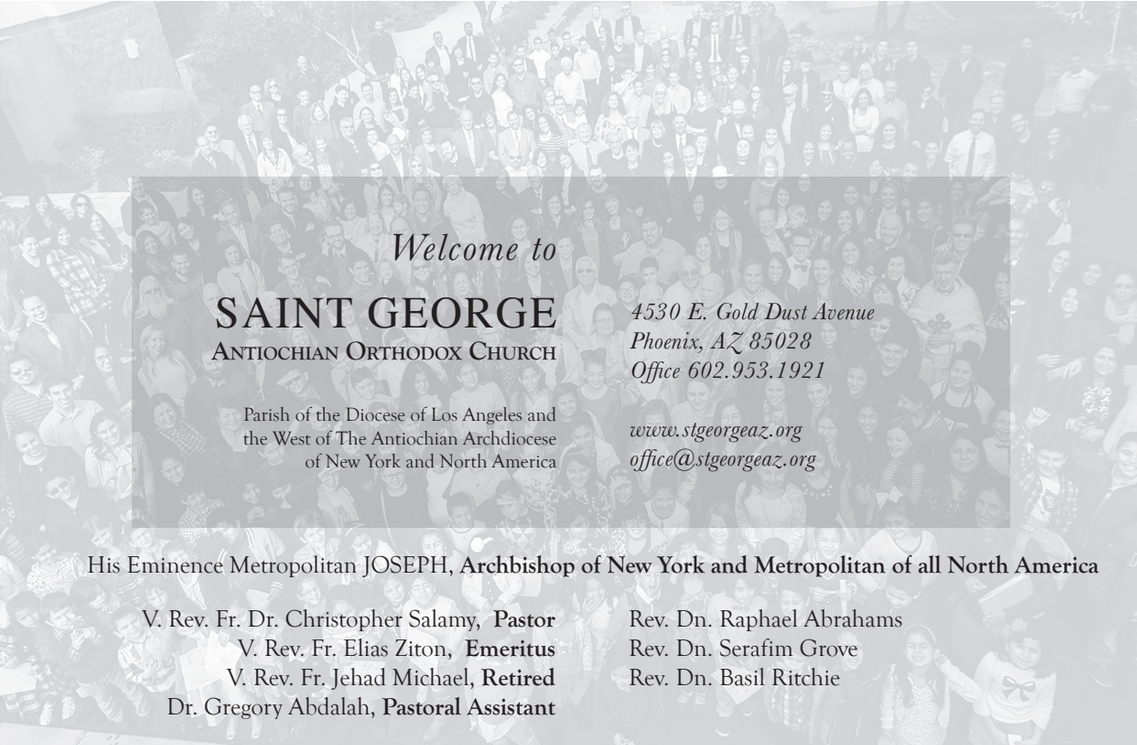

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A Message from GREG

WINTER CAMP

Registration for Winter Camp is NOW OPEN! Visit campstnicholas.com or see Greg Abdalah to register for Winter Camp, January 18-21, 2019. The deadline to register is Sunday, January 13th.

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December 9, 2018

Choir and Chanter Appreciation Sunday

Beloved Brother Hierarchs, Reverend Clergy and Christ-loving Faithful of our Archdiocese:

Greetings in the Name of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! I pray you and your families are well as we prepare to receive the incarnate Lord in our midst and in our hearts.

As we make our way through this beautiful season of fasting and preparation for the Nativity of our Lord in the flesh, we cannot but feel inspired by the beautiful hymns of our Church that are an integral part of this season. The Christmas Canon, "Christ is Born, glorify Him!" and the beautiful Kontakion of this holy period, "Today the Virgin comes unto the cave" are but two of many such hymns that we love to sing and hear. For us as Orthodox Christians, these hymns give depth and meaning to the season and to what we believe about the God-man.

As we listen to these hymns and others throughout the Church year, we are so grateful to our choirs and chanters, and especially to those who lead them. The work and effort they put into preparing for the services is a labor of love. On the archdiocesan level, we have promoted the continued education of these leaders through our Sacred Music Institute so that they can become more and more educated in the music and traditions of our Church. Through such institutes and workshops, they are also able to share their experiences with others so that, together, we can build strong choirs and chanters throughout the archdiocese. To this end, we are grateful to our department chairman, Mr. Paul Jabara, and all who help him in the Department of Sacred Music.

With that in mind, we set aside one Sunday in December each year to honor our choirs and chanters. This year, that day is Sunday, December 9th. Let us use this day to honor them and say thank you for their effort to enrich our worship through the proper singing of our sacred music throughout the year. May God grant them many years!

Wishing you all a blessed remainder of the Fast and, in advance, a blessed feast, I remain,

Your Father in Christ,

+Metropolitan Joseph

+JOSEPH
Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of all North America

Tone 3 EOTHINON 6

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION (TONE 3)

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death, and become the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.

APOLYTIKION OF CONCEPTION OF THE THEOTOKOS BY ST. ANNA (TONE 4)

Today the bonds of childlessness are loosed; for God hearkened to Joachim and Anna. And though it was beyond hope, He clearly promised them that they should bear a divine child, from whom was born the Uncircumscribable One Himself Who became a mortal, and through an Angel commanded them to cry unto her: Rejoice, thou who art full of grace; the Lord is with 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 CONCEPTION OF THE THEOTOKOS BY ST. ANNA (TONE 4)

All the world doth celebrate Anna's conception on this day with festive joy, because it came to pass through God; for by divine grace she hath conceived her that beyond words conceiveth the Word of God.

PROKEIMENON:

God is wondrous in His saints. Bless God in the congregations.

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (4:22-27)

Brethren, Abraham had two sons, one by a slave and one by a free woman. But the son of the slave was born according to the flesh, the son of the free woman through promise. Now this is an allegory: these women are two covenants. One is from Mount Sinai, bearing children for slavery; she is Hagar. Now Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia; she corresponds to the present Jerusalem, for she is in slavery with her children. But the Jerusalem above is free, and she is our mother. For it is written, "Rejoice, O barren one who does not bear; break forth and shout, you who are not in travail; for the children of the desolate one are many more than the children of her that is married."

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.

Tone 3 EOTHINON 6

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (13:10-17)

At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And there was a woman who had had a spirit of infirmity for eighteen years; she was bent over and could not fully straighten herself. And when Jesus saw her, He called her and said to her, "Woman, you are freed from your infirmity." And He laid His hands upon her, and immediately she was made straight, and she praised God. But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, said to the people, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be healed, and not on the Sabbath day." Then the Lord answered him, "You hypocrite! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his ass from the manger, and lead it away to water it? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day?" As Jesus said this, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by Him.

Those to Remember in Prayer

LIVING:

Romy, Chase, Joe, Gloria, Larman, Don, Michael, Joann, Stacy, George, Kim, Mary, Joshua, Peter, Jacob, Barbara, James, Bill, Rasha, Richard, Marwan, Azeez, Moira, Mac and Daniel.

LITURGICAL OFFERINGS:

V. Rev. Fr. Elias Ziton and Family offer Holy Bread and a 6-Month Trisagion in beloved memory of Khourieh Lorraine Ziton, most devoted Wife, Mother, Grandmother and Godmother. May her memory be ever eternal. "And be mindful, O God, of all those who have fallen asleep before us in the hope of resurrection unto life eternal...and grant [each and every one] rest...where the light of Thy countenance watcheth over them." (From the Divine Liturgy) Holy Bread is also offered for the health, peace and well-being of the entire family. May God grant them many years.

George, Talia, Zaina and George Gebran and family offer a 6-Month Trisagion in loving memory of Abeer Gebran. May her memory be eternal. The Gebran family offers a 1-year Trisagion in loving memory of Assad's brother Rafatt Gebran. May his memory be eternal. In memory of Abeer Gebran, Rafat Gebran, Amalane Gebran, Gebran Gebran, Issa Ossais, Raifa Issa, Mansour Ossais, Elias Issuas and Abeer's father George Saliba. May their memory be eternal. For the health of George, Talia, Zaina, George, Abeer's mother Najla Saliba, Assad and Ilham Gebran, Mike Gibran, Vera Gibran and family, George Gibran and family, Mario Gibran and family, Gibran and family and all of Abeer's family in Lebanon and the States. May God grant them many years.

Nabil, Wafa and Sandra Hames offer a 9-day Trisagion in loving memory of Georgeous Abouafash. May his memory be eternal. In memory of Leen, Ruba, Mazen and Elias. May their memory be eternal. For the health of the Hames and Abouafash families. May God grant them many years.

Those to Remember in Prayer

LITURGICAL OFFERINGS:

Nezar, Mirna, Jacob, Damian and Joseph Dahdal offer Holy Bread in loving memory of their beloved grandmother, great grandmother Karma Shleef on the 11th anniversary of her passing. May her memory be eternal. In loving memory of all other departed members of the Dahdal, Shleef and Sayegh families. May their memory be eternal. For the health and well-being of Nezar, Mirna, Jacob, Damian, Joseph and all other members of the Dahdal, Shleef and Sayegh families. May God grant them many years.

A Message from FATHER

BULLETIN DEADLINE

The December 30th bulletin deadline for submission will be Wednesday, December 19th at noon. All submissions received after the deadline will be included in the following Sunday's bulletin.

This Week's SCHEDULE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
9th	10th	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th
			5:30pm Teen Bible Study 6:30pm Adult Bible Study Orthodoxy 101	9:00am Divine Liturgy for St. Herman of Alaska 7:00pm Bible Study at the MacPherson home (8338 N. 50th Drive, Glendale)		5:00pm Great Vespers 6:00pm Young Adults Christmas Party at Mannal and Kristina's home (18402 N. 14th Street, Phoenix)

A Message from THE LADIES

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

The deadline to donate flowers is today. Please fill out a form located in the narthex and return it to the office or bookstore. Or follow this link to fill out a form online https://www.stgeorgeaz.org/christmas-flowers/