### Welcome to

# SAINT GEORGE

ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost & Fourteenth Sunday of Luke
The Holy Prophet Nahum; Venerable Philaret the Almsgiver of Amnia;
Martyr Ananias the Persian; Theoklitos, archbishop of Lakedaemonia



Hey hey, Warrior Saints.

Welcome to the Way of the Warrior Saint where we unleash great by living a crucifixional life.



# #GivingTuesday

Every year on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving, people around the world give millions of dollars to charity. It is a wonderful expression of gratitude for all of God's blessings in our lives.

St. George participates in #Giving Tuesday by supporting our Good Samaritan Fund. The Good Sam Fund is St. George's tool to help members of our community that are in dire need. Since 2000, the Good Sam Fund has given more than \$200,000.00 to the poor and needy. That means, through your generosity, the GSF has helped people save their homes, feed their children, find solid employment to get back on their feet and become productive members of our parish family and the world. Bravo Warrior Saints!

On this Giving Tuesday, **December 3rd**, please consider giving to the Good Samaritan Fund to help continue its work. You can do so by texting the word 'dragon' to 77977. When you get to PushPay, choose the giving type #GivingTuesday. 100% of your gifts go directly to those in need.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and keep walking on the Way of the Warrior Saint!

## ~ Christmas Flowers ~

It's that time of year again for donating poinsettias to decorate our church for Christmas. The **deadline** to donate flowers is next **Sunday, December 8th**. Please fill out a form located in the narthex in legible print and return it to the office or bookstore along with your donation. You may also fill out the form online at <a href="https://www.stgeorgeaz.org/christmas-flowers/">https://www.stgeorgeaz.org/christmas-flowers/</a>.

Thank you!

# Many THANKS

Coffee Hour is offered by Asmahan Sayegh and family for a 3, 7 and 40 day Trisagion for Eileen Sayegh, daughter of Asmahan and Issa Hout Sayegh, sister of John, Robert, Edward and Steven and mother of Phillip and Tony. Also, for a 10 year memorial for Issa Hout Sayegh. May their memory be eternal. For the health of Asmahan, John, Robert, Edward, Steven, Phillip, Tony, Rania, Christopher, Issa, Prescilla, Lalaine, Matthew, Luma, Jonothan, Aiden, Nicholas, Mervat, Christian and James. May God grant them many years.

# Messages from FATHER

## JOIN US FOR FAMILY NIGHT TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3RD, 6:30-7:30PM

(Pathways Reboot for ages 4-11, Mom's and Dad's Bible Studies)

#### **EDUCATION NIGHT ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4TH, 6:30-7:30PM**

- Adult Bible Study (Fr. Chris is leading a journey through the Book of Revelation)
- Orthodoxy 101 (Greg and Dan are teaching the basics of the Orthodox Faith)
- Teen Bible Study (Our Teens are exploring living out their vocation with Mark)

#### JOIN US FOR OUR MONTHLY BIBLE STUDIES...

1st Tuesday of each month (12/3): Men's Bible Study at U.S. Egg 11:00am 1st Tuesday of each month (12/3): Family Night at St. George 6:30pm 1st Thurs of each month (12/5): Ladies Bible Study/Meeting at St. George 10:30am 2nd Friday of each month (12/13): Orthodoxy On Tap 6:30pm (Young Adults) 3rd Thurs of each month(12/19): Young Women/Young Men at St. George 6:30pm

## DIVINE LITURGY - ST. NICHOLAS, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6TH, 9:00AM

GREAT VESPERS, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7TH, 5:00PM

# Messages from THE LADIES

#### **LADIES BIBLE STUDY & MEETING**

Please join us on Thursday, December 5th at 10:30am. Just light party foods as we get ready for Saturday.

#### **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TEA**

On Saturday, December 7th at 10:30am in The Legacy Ballroom is where you want to be. Tickets are only \$35 for adults and \$20 for girls 12 and under. Get your tickets today. Please contact Sandy Khoury at 480-220-5269.

# Tone 7 EOTHINON 2

#### **RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION (TONE 7)**

Thou didst shatter death by Thy Cross, Thou didst open paradise to the thief;
Thou didst turn the sadness of the ointment-bearing women into joy.
And didst bid Thine Apostles proclaim a warning, that Thou hast risen O Christ,
granting to the world the 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 OF PREPARATION OF CHRIST'S NATIVITY (TONE 3)**

On this day the Virgin cometh to the cave to give birth to God the Word ineffably, Who was before all the ages. Dance for joy, O earth, on hearing the gladsome tidings; with the Angels and the shepherds now glorify Him Who is willing to be gazed on as a young Child Who before the ages is God.

#### **PROKEIMENON:**

The Lord will give strength to His people. Ascribe to the Lord, O sons of God, ascribe to the Lord glory and honor.

#### THE EPISTLE

#### The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians. (2:14-22)

Brethren, Christ is our peace, Who has made us both one, and has broken down the dividing wall of hostility, by abolishing in His flesh the law of commandments and ordinances, that He might create in Himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the Cross, thereby bringing the hostility to an end. And He came and preached peace to you, who were far off, and peace to those who were near; for through Him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and sojourners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the cornerstone, in Whom the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in Whom you also are built into it for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

## Those to Remember in Prayer

#### **THE GOSPEL**

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (18:35-43)

At that time, when Jesus drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging; and hearing a multitude going by, he inquired what this meant. They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." And he cried, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" And Jesus stopped, and commanded him to be brought to him; and when he came near, Jesus asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, let me receive my sight." And Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you well." And immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

UNIQUE TO YOU:
BAPTISM/CHRISMATION,
WEDDING AND EASTER
CANDLES
ALLOW 1 WEEK FOR

**DELIVERY** 

#### **BOOKSTORE**

Icons, Incense, Books, Bibles and more SALE CONTINUES

#### **COME & SEE WHAT WE HAVE FOR CHRISTMAS**

St. George Bookstore is open after Divine Liturgy
"We have found Him whom the prophets proclaimed in the Spirit!.
Come and see this great mystery of God on earth."--Feast of St. Andrew

# Messages from THE OFFICE

The submission deadline for the Christmas bulletin is Friday, December 20th before noon. The submission deadline for the 12/29/19 bulletin is Wednesday, December 18th before noon. The submission deadline for the 1/5/20 bulletin is Monday, December 30th before noon.

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. Church office hours are Monday - Friday, 9am - 1pm.

#### LIVING:

Romy, Gloria, Larman, Don, Mary, Joshua, Peter, Philip, Richard, Marwan, Moira, Mac, Nick, Joe, Samuel, Roberta, George, Yvonne, Peter, Sophia, Sandy, Michael, Tim, Gary, Ray, Doug, Pam, Aziz.

#### **LITURGICAL OFFERINGS:**

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The Saba and Abdelnour Families offer a six month Trisagion in loving memory of George Saba. May his memory be eternal. For the health and salvation of Gabriela, Michael, Sophia, Kimla, Nada, Saba, Joe, Louise and all the Saba, Suleiman, Abdelnour families and St. George parishioners.

# Welcome!

The St. George Parish Family is blessed to welcome His Grace, Bishop JOHN!