## ~ Christmas Flowers ~

It's that time of year for donating poinsettias to decorate our church for Christmas. Your donations help the Ladies Auxiliary with all outreach efforts.

The deadline to donate flowers is **Sunday, December 12th**. You may fill out the form online at https://www.stgeorgeaz.org/christmas-flowers/

Thank you very much!

## ~ The Ladies Tea Is Back ~

Join the Ladies Auxiliary on Saturday, December 4th at 10:00am in The Legacy Ballroom. Tickets are only \$40 and includes tea sandwiches, desserts, raffle prizes and togetherness. To purchase your ticket(s), please call Sandy Khoury at 480-220-5269. Tickets will be available until Monday, November 29th. Don't wait! Reserve today!

#### Welcome to

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Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost & Thirteenth Sunday of Luke Venerable-martyr Stephen the New Martyr Irinarchos of Sebastia and those with him



Hey hey, Warrior Saints.

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



## Tone 6 EOTHINON 1

# #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.

On November 30th, we ask that you consider supporting your parish home, St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church. Please take action today and help St. George continue her ministry to the faithful of our community! You can give by texting the word 'dragon' to 77977 and use giving type #GivingTuesday.

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

Ladies Bible Study and Meeting

Thursday, December 2nd at 10am in The Legacy Ballroom. See you soon.

#### **RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION (TONE 6)**

When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb; and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

## **APOLYTIKION OF ST. STEPHEN THE NEW (TONE 4)**

Trained on the mountain in ascetical-labours, with the whole armor of the Cross thou didst vanquish the spiritual arrays of unseen enemies; and when thou hadst stripped thyself with great courage for contest, thou didst slay Copronymus with the sword of the true Faith. For both these things hast thou been crowned by God, O righteous Martyr, blest Stephen of great renown.

## **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.

To include an oblation or announcement in the bulletin, submit text to Tisha at office@stgeorgeaz.org <u>before noon on Tuesdays</u>. All oblations received in the office after the deadline will be included in the following Sunday's bulletin. Church office hours are Monday - Friday, 9am - 1pm.

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## Tone 6 EOTHINON 1

#### **PROKEIMENON:**

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance. Unto Thee, O Lord, will I cry, O my God.

## THE EPISTLE

## The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians. (2:4-10)

Brethren, God, being rich in mercy, through His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead through the trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you are saved—and raised us up together with Him, and made us to sit together with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the coming ages He would show the exceeding riches of His grace, in kindness toward us, in Christ Jesus. For by grace you are saved through faith, and that is not of yourselves: it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

## **THE GOSPEL**

## The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (18:18-27)

At that time, a man came testing Jesus and asking, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery. Do not kill. Do not steal. Do not bear false witness. Honor your father and mother.'" And the man said, "All these I have observed from my youth." And when Jesus heard it, he said to him, "One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." But when the man heard this he became sad, for he was very rich. Jesus, seeing him sad, said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus said, "What is impossible with men is possible with God." Those to Remember in Prayer

## LIVING:

Romy, Chase, Gloria, Don, Mary, Joshua, Peter, Richard, Anthony, Moira, Mac, George, Michael, Ray, Pam, Iskander, Amal, Nejwa, Farouk, Randa.

## LITURGICAL OFFERINGS:

Enaam Hweimel offers a 9-day Trisagion in loving memory of Jamal Samaan Sayegh. In memory of Samaan, Hissen, Abdallah, Widad, Adel and Jamil. May their memory be eternal. For the health of Enaam, Samaan, Linda, Susan, Sammer, Edward, Hyam, Ramiz, Rocky, Emad, Alice, Amal, Anjal, Nehad and Mahad. May God grant them many years.

Kris Tibsherany & Bill Gosney offer Holy Oblation in loving memory of George and Affifi Kalil, George F. and Mary Tibsherany, Kahlil and Marie Chucri, Alex and Joseph Chucri, Edward and Katherine Gosney. May their memories be eternal.

## WELCOME & MANY THANKS

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

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