## Welcome to

## SAINT GEORGE

Antiochian Orthodox Church

Parish of the Diocese of Los Angeles and the West of The Antiochian Archdiocese of New York and North America

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Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost & Thirteenth Sunday of Luke Great-martyr James the Persian

Venerable Palladios of Thessalonica; Venerable Nathanael of Nitria in Egypt



Hey hey, Warrior Saints. Welcome to St. George, birthplace of the Warrior Saint Movement.

Scan our QR code to access PushPay and support the ministry of St. George.







# ~ Christmas Flowers ~

The Ladies Auxiliary are decorating our church for Christmas and welcome your donation and commemoration. Your donations help the Ladies Auxiliary with all outreach efforts.

> The deadline to donate flowers is Sunday, December 11th. You may fill out the form online at https://www.stgeorgeaz.org/christmas-flowers/ or pick up a form in the Narthex and return it to the office. Thank you very much!

# ~ Ladies Annual Christmas Tea ~



It is that time of year to book and plan your table decorations for our Annual Christmas Tea on Saturday, December 3rd at 10:00 am in The Legacy Ballroom.

To reserve a table, please call or text Sandy Khoury (480) 220-5269. To purchase tickets, please call or text Feirouz Ziton (480) 381-0303. Tickets are \$40.00 per person.

Ladies, stop by the table in The Legacy Ballroom to buy your tickets and reserve your tables for this year's Christmas Tea! Get dressed up and enjoy time with your favorite ladies. You can host a table, meet new ladies, and enjoy family and friends. Join us this year for fun and prizes.

# Messages from THE OFFICE

The submission deadline for the Christmas Sunday, December 25th bulletin is Friday, December 19th.

The submission deadline for the Sunday, January 1st bulletin is Monday, December 26th.



Ladies Bible Study with Fr. Chris and Christmas Meeting/Party Thursday, December 1st at 10am in The Legacy Ballroom Please bring an appetizer, dessert or snack to share.

# 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. JAMES THE PERSIAN (TONE 4)**

Thy Martyr, O Lord, in his courageous contest for Thee received as the prize the crowns of incorruption and life from Thee, our immortal God. For since he possessed Thy strength, he cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the demons' strengthless presumption. O Christ God, by his prayers, save our souls, since Thou art merciful.

## **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.

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#### **PROKEIMENON:**

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

#### 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.

## **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, Paul, Mary, Joshua, Peter, Richard, Anthony, Moira, Mac, Michael, Ray, Pam, Amal, Nejwa, Farouk, Randa.

#### **LITURGICAL OFFERINGS:**

Fareese, Sayez, Fawad, Faris and Natalie and their families offer a 3 & 9 day Trisagion in memory of their Aunt Muna Abujudeh who passed away in Jordan.

May her memory be eternal.

Dn. Basil Ritchie offers Holy Oblation for the health of Barbara Ritchie on her upcoming surgery on Friday, December 2nd. May God grant her many years and a successful surgey.

Sami Yacoub and his sister Ibtisam Salem offer Holy Oblation for Jalilah Khoury Sayegh and Yousef Yacoub Sayegh. In memory of Yacoub, Maytha, Nada, Eidah, Adeeb, Jameel, Kamal, Tamam, Mousa, Fahad, Jameelah, Abouna Jeries, Hannah, Yacoub & Meriam. May their memory be eternal. For the good health of Sami, Wafaa, Ibtisam, Mitch, Danny, Tracy, Sarah, Mason, Sami, Suzanne, Demetrios, Anthony, Demianna, Alexander, Joanne, George, Jackson, Daniel, Ella, Dina, Andy, Maya, Georgette, Jacob, Anthony, Leah, Tina, Yani. May God grant them many years.

Congratulations and God's blessings to Alie and Luvenia Jreisat on the occasion of their uncrowning. God grant you many years.

Congratuations and God's Blessings to Kyle and Anisa Lauterbach on the baptism of their son Luke Harrison. As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

# #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 29th, 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!