



Welcome to

SAINT GEORGE
ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

Parish of the Diocese of Los Angeles and
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Thirty-second Sunday after Pentecost & Fifteenth Sunday of Luke
Holy Apostle Timothy & Anastasios the Persian
Venerable Joseph the Sanctified of Crete



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

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January 1, 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:
Pursuant to Article 8 of the St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church Constitution, the Annual Parish General Assembly Meeting is scheduled to take place on **Sunday, January 29th, 2023** in the Legacy Ballroom immediately following Divine Liturgy. It is important that we proceed directly to the Ballroom following Liturgy so that we can start on time.

According to the St. George Church By-Laws, in order to participate and vote at this meeting, **ALL** of the following requirements must be met:

- **Commit to supporting the Church financially by signing a pledge card.**
- **Be current with your financial pledge on file and your Archdiocese Dues.**
- **Must be an Orthodox Christian in spiritual good standing.**

If for any reason you have any questions regarding your financial obligation, feel free to contact Bill Fender our Stewardship Chairman to clarify where you stand for the year ending 2022 according to our records.

Packets containing the minutes from last year's annual meeting and committee reports will be emailed out to everyone that has provided us an email address. We ask that you print out this packet and bring it with you to the annual meeting. For those members who do not have access to the internet we will have a limited number on hand at the meeting.

It is very important that as a pledged voting member, you attend this annual meeting to stay up to date and involved in our parish.

Special Parish Assembly: Sunday, January 8, 2023 regarding the election of the New Metropolitan. Please note the above requirements bullet pointed above are also required for participation in this meeting as well as casting a vote.

Yours in Christ,

Dan Stokich
Parish Council President





ICONOGRAPHY WORKSHOP CHRISTIAN SACRED ART

*This is a unique opportunity to learn a traditional
ancient 15th century Byzantine iconography (egg tempera technique)*

weekends sessions in St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church
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Saturday, January 21 10 AM - 5 PM, Sunday, January 22 1PM - 6 PM
Saturday, January 28 10AM - 5 PM, Sunday, January 29 1 PM - 6 PM
Saturday, February 4 10 AM - 5 PM, Sunday, February 5 1PM- 6 PM



People with some art training, as well as people with little or no art training are welcome.

This course is designed especially for those who have never before written an icon.
BEGINNERS will paint the icon of Guardian Angel -

INTERMEDIATE STUDENT, who did more than 1 or 2 icons, can practice another one : Archangel or Saint.

Our goal is to have completed an icon to take home at the end of the course.

METHOD OF INSTRUCTION

Explanations of iconographic symbolism and the theological and philosophical basis of each step of the process are presented parallel to an absolutely ancient technical approach: how to prepare and apply natural pigments, make an emulsion for the egg tempera, gold leaf application, preparation of olifa varnish and application on the icon.

From the principles of simple symbolic images "reverse perspective" language and other characteristically iconographic elements – the student moves towards an understanding of that which stands beyond the symbolic, and gains a clearer vision of God, himself and ultimately of the world.

INSTRUCTOR

LUDMILA DEMICH, parishioner of St. George Antiochian Orthodox church, Phoenix, AZ. Born in Minsk, former USSR. After receiving a formal education in the fine art and later in graphic design, she became interested in religious art which led her to study independently to collect all possible sources. Since 1996 she also has studied iconography under Vladislav Andreev, an iconographer and founder of Prosopon School of Iconology in New York and his son Demetri and continues to study and perfect this ancient art, making educational trips to Greece, Macedonia, Russia, Ukraine, Turkey, Italy and Israel.

Her icons found homes in churches and monasteries as well as in private collections in the United States and the other countries.

TUITION : \$490.00 (can be divided into two payments or other options)

MATERIALS: \$190.00 including prepared gessoed wooden board, red clay polymer, paint materials (pigments and egg yolk emulsion), 2 gold leaves, brushes and a pallet, sandpaper, wax paper, stones to polish gold.

Attendance is limited to 6 students.

Places may be reserved on a first- come basis by payment of \$190.00 to instructor HAS TO BE SENT BY JANUARY18 th. NON REFAUNDABLE.

Deposits payable to: Ludmila Demich,
ZELLE OR VENMO

Tel (480) 580-7784

Many **THANKS**

*Ibtisam Sweis and family offer Coffee Hour
in loving memory of her son Jerry Sweis.
May his memory be eternal.*

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. TIMOTHY (TONE 4)

Since thou hadst been instructed in uprightness thoroughly and wast vigilant
in all things, thou wast clothed with a good conscience as befitteth one holy.
Thou didst draw from the Chosen Vessel ineffable mysteries; and having kept the
Faith, thou didst finish the course, O Hieromartyr and Apostle Timothy.
Intercede with Christ God that our souls may be saved.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. ANASTASIOS 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 THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST (TONE 1)

Thou, O Christ God, Who by Thy Birth, didst sanctify the Virgin's womb,
and, as is meet, didst bless Simeon's arms, and didst also come to save us;
preserve Thy fold in wars, and confirm them
whom Thou didst love, for Thou alone art the Lover of mankind.

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 First Epistle of St. Paul to St. Timothy. (4:9-15)

Timothy, my son, the saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance. For to this end we toil and strive, because we have our hope set on the living God, Who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. Command and teach these things. Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Until I come, attend to the public reading of scripture, to preaching, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophetic utterance when the council of elders laid their hands upon you. Practice these duties; devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (19:1-10)

At that time, Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector, and rich. And he sought to see Who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Jesus, for He was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and said to him, “Zacchaeus, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today.” So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, “He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner.” And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, “Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold.” And Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham; for the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost.”

Effective February 2023, the new deadline will be Mondays by noon.

To include an oblation or announcement in the bulletin, submit text to Tisha at office@stgeorgeaz.org before noon on Mondays. 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.

LIVING:

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

LITURGICAL OFFERINGS:

Fr. Christopher, Sophia and Amelia Salamy offer prayers for the health of Khouriye Allyson on the occasion of her birthday. May God grant her many years. For the health of the Salamy, Ajalat, Moujaes, Raya, Jabour, Armelli, Jabour, Karadsheh, Ovando & Matthews families and all of our wonderful parishioners at St. George. In memory of Raymond, Robert, Lutfy, Eileen, Mitry, Elizabeth, Fritz, Jean, Mary, Elias, Adeeb, Joseph, Emily, Salim, Sophie, Edmon, Shafik, Jubran, Olga, Leon, Lucille, Sonia, Philip, David, Chet & Alfred.

The Alfreih, Nassar and Jones families offer a 1 year Trisagion in loving memory of Jumana Alfreih. May her memory be eternal and may she rest in peace. For the continued health of the Alfreih, Nassar and Jones Families. May God grant them many years.

Janet Bitar and family offer a 40-day Trisagion in loving memory of her husband, George Bitar. May his memory be eternal. For the health of Janet, Eilyan and Emad. May God grant them many years.

Ibtisam Sweis offers a 1 year Trisagion in loving memory of her son, Jerry Sweis. May his memory be eternal.

James and Briggette DeRienzo and children offer an Holy Oblation in celebration of the churching for their grandson Samuel James Girmonde. For the health of James, Briggette, Nicole, Samuel, Jimi, Melissa, Sam, Ariana, May, Richard, Lynarda and the Sayegh, DeRienzo, Girmonde, and Mondy Families. In memory of Ghassan, Diana, Joan, Sam, Rosalind and James. May their memory be eternal.

Mary, Elia, Maya and Michael Najm offer an Holy Oblation in memory of their parents and grandparents Abdallah Najm and Isaaf Kirouz. May their memory be eternal. For the health of Michael, Elia, Maya, Mary, their brother Ghassan and family in Canada, sisters Dolly, Salwa, Miray, Sara and the families in Syria and all the members of the Najm, Kirouz, and Fram families in Syria, Lebanon, Canada and the USA. May God grant them many years.

Congratulations and God’s Blessings to Simon and Leveen Chakhachiro on the churching of their son Michael Layth.

Congratulations and God’s Blessings to Sam and Nicole Girmonde on the churching of their son Samuel James. God grant you many years.

Congratulations and God’s Blessings to Justin and Brittany Walker on the baptism of their son Ledger Michael Walker. As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.