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Parish of the Diocese of Los Angeles and
the West of The Antiochian Archdiocese
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Twenty-ninth Sunday after Pentecost & Twelfth Sunday of Luke
Venerable Maximos the Confessor
Martyr Neophytos of Nicaea; Venerable Zosimas, Bishop of Syracuse in Sicily



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

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January 7, 2024

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, February 4th, 2024** 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 2023 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.

Yours in Christ,

Dan Stokich
Parish Council President



When to Church and Baptize your child:

After your child is born, the Pastor should be contacted so that he can come to the hospital and pray for the new mother and child. Forty days after your baby is born, the churching of the mother and child takes place. Please have the churching date approved by the Pastor by emailing the Church at office@stgeorgeaz.org no later than the Wednesday morning before the Sunday of churching.

The child should be baptized approximately three months after birth. Sunday School, which begins for our potty-trained children four (4) years and older, is a part of his or her post-Baptismal education.

In Baptism, the baptized becomes a child of God. The greatest gift we pass on to our children is the gift of faith long after we are gone. We pray that, as parents, you will be good models of faith, hope and love.

The Sacrament of Baptism: A Summary of Baptismal Guidelines

- * Please have the proposed date approved by the Pastor by contacting the Church Office at office@stgeorgeaz.org with a request.
- * Upon request for baptism, you will be provided the baptismal guidelines. Once the date is approved, the Church Office will place a temporary hold to reserve the date. The necessary forms and fees should be submitted within two weeks upon notification from the Church Office of the Pastor’s approval to formally secure the date.
- * The Godparents at a Baptism should be Orthodox Christians in order to help impart the fullness of the Orthodox Faith to the newly baptized.
- * The financial responsibility for the use of St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church for your child’s baptism is \$600. Please remember that no one will ever be turned away if they cannot legitimately afford the fee.

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION (TONE 8)

From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the threeday burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. MAXIMOS THE CONFESSOR (TONE 8)

Guide of Orthodoxy, teacher of piety and holiness, luminary of the world, God inspired adornment of monastics, O wise Maximos, by thy teachings thou has enlightened all, O harp of the Spirit. Intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.

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 Who didst sanctify the Virgin’s womb by Thy birth, and didst bless Symeon’s hands as was meet, by anticipation hast even now saved us, O Christ God. Bur grant peace in the midst of wars unto Thy commonwealth and strengthen the hierarchs whom Thou hast loved, O only Friend of man.

Thank you!

The Inklings would like to thank you all for attending, generously donating, and volunteering for the successful Holy Land Fundraiser! We especially are grateful for our advisor, Khalida Michael, for her effort in helping initiate and guide our luncheon, auction, and network with the community within and outside of St. George. Without you all and the Ladies of St. George, we could not have done it! A special thank you also to Victor and Mary Khoury for their tireless work in preparing the delicious meals. We’re blessed to have the support and efforts of Fr. Chris and the pastoral team.

PROKEIMENON:

Make your vows to the Lord our God and perform them.
God is known in Judah; his name is great in Israel.

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Colossians. (3:4-11)

Brethren, when Christ, Who is our life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these, the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its Creator. Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (17:12-19)

At that time, as Jesus entered a village, He was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.” When He saw them He said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus’ feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus said, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” And He said to him, “Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.

LIVING:

Romy, Chase, Paul, Mary, Joshua, Peter, Richard, Anthony, Moira, Mac, Laila, Michael, Ray, Pam, Amal, Nejwa, Randa, Regan Theresa, Kristine, Sherry.

LITURGICAL OFFERINGS:

Georges & Patricia Aboukhaled and family offer a 40 day Trisagion in loving memory of Khalil Georges Aboukhaled. May his memory be eternal.
In loving memory of Khalil Wakim Aboukhaled. For the health of George, Pat, & Crystal. May God grant them many years.

Congratulations and God’s Blessings to Michael and Susana on the baptism of their son Noah Michael Sayegh. As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

Divine Liturgy - Gregory the Theologian
Thursday, January 25, 2024, 9:00am

Divine Liturgy - Presentation of Christ
Thursday, February 1, 2024, 6:30pm

To include an oblation or announcement in the bulletin, email details to 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.