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St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church,
whether you are an Orthodox Christian or not.

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Welcome

Message from **THE OFFICE**

The Sacrament of Marriage: A Summary of Wedding Guidelines

- * The bride and the groom, as well as the best man and maid/matron of honor, must be Orthodox Christians in good standing.
- * Your desired wedding date must be approved by the Pastor. Contact the Church Office at office@stgeorgeaz.org with a request.
- * You will receive the wedding guidelines at the time of request and, upon notification of approval of your date, the form and fees should be submitted within 2 weeks in order for your date to be held. Please refrain from committing to a reception venue until the date is approved by the Pastor.
- ** The financial responsibility for the use of St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church for your wedding is \$1,000. Please remember that you will not be turned away if you cannot legitimately afford this fee.
- ** Please note there are Lenten periods in the Orthodox Church when it is forbidden to celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Marriage.
- ** Upon returning from the honeymoon, the newly-married couple should have their crowns removed. This special service takes place during the Divine Liturgy on Sunday and is a special blessing bestowed by God. The date for the removal of crowns is approved by the Pastor by calling or emailing the Church Office.

Support the 2024 Souper Bowl in The Legacy Ballroom following Divine Liturgy

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.

Welcome to

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Rev. Dn. Peter Samore

Eli Mallouhi, **Youth Pastor**

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost & Sixteenth Sunday of Matthew
Hieromartyr Blaise, bishop of Sebastia, and companions
Theodora the empress; New-martyr George of Serbia



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.



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 3)

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death, and become the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. BLAISE (TONE 4)

As a sharer of the ways and a successor to the throne of the Apostles, O inspired of God, thou foundest discipline to be a means of ascent to divine vision. Wherefore, having rightly divided the word of truth, thou didst also contest for the Faith even unto blood, O Hieromartyr Blaise. Intercede with Christ our 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.

ORDINARY KONTAKION (TONE 2)

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

Divine Liturgy - Pamphilus the Martyr
Friday, February 16, 2024, 9:00am

PROKEIMENON:

Sing praises to our God, sing praises. Clap your hands, all ye peoples.

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (6:1-10)

Brethren, working together with Him, then, we entreat you not to accept the grace of God in vain. For He says, “At the acceptable time I have listened to you, and helped you on the day of salvation.” Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, tumults, labors, watching, hunger; by purity, knowledge, forbearance, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (25:14-30, + Luke 8:8)

The Lord spoke this parable: A man going on a journey called his servants and entrusted to them his property; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them; and he made five talents more. So also, he who had the two talents made two talents more. But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master’s money. Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying: “Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.” His master said to him, “Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much; enter into the joy of your master.” And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying: “Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.” His master said to him, “Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much; enter into the joy of your master.” He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying: “Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not winnow; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.” But his master answered him, “You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed, and gather where I have not winnowed? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to him who has the ten talents. For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.” As Jesus said these things He cried out: “He who has ears to hear, let him hear!”

LIVING:

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

LITURGICAL OFFERINGS:

Greg and Eleanor Abdalah offer an Holy Oblation for the good health and salvation of Diana and Jonathan Abdalah on the occasion of their birthdays and Linda and Colin Wahl on the occasion of their anniversary. For the good health and salvation of Diana, Eleanor, Jonathan, Bishop John, Joseph, and Eleni Abdalah, Maria and John Kilfeather, Nicola, Renee, Nicholas, Albert, and Amanda Haddad, and Colin and Linda Wahl. May God grant them many years. In loving memory of Khouria Joanne Abdalah. May her memory be eternal.

David and Melanie Ghiz and family offer the 7-year Oblation prayers in loving memory of our beloved brother, brother-in-law and Uncle Edward Ghiz (2/13/17). May his memory be eternal. Also, in memory of George, Sally and Jazelle Ghiz, David, Arleen, Albert and Francis and all other departed members of the Ghiz, Brown, Noren, Tibshraeny and Wacker families. For the health and well-being of David, Melanie, Alexandra, Zach and Harrison and all other members of the Ghiz, Brown, Noren, Tibshraeny, and Wacker families.

Richard & Marion Saba in memory of their Beloved Son Scott who passed 8 years ago on February 15th. In memory of Emil, Freeda, David, Adele, Richard, Ramzy, Peggy and Mary. May their memory be eternal. For the health and salvation of Richard, Marion, Kimberley, Richard Jr, Alfred, Brian, Alyssa, Lou, Ashley, Aniston, Matthew, Anthony, AnnaRose, Will, Nicholas. May God grant them many years.

Congratulations and God’s blessings to Tyler & Christina Sutton on the occasion of their uncrowning. God grant you many years.

Congratulations and God’s Blessings to Ninos and Evana Karaman on the baptism of their son Elijah Ninos Karaman. As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.