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*First Sunday of Great Lent (Sunday of Orthodoxy)*  
*Venerable Zachariah the recluse and Artemon, Bishop of Seleucia*



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

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## 2024 Lenten Services

### March

**24th: Sunday of Orthodoxy (No SS)**

**Great Vespers for the Feast of the Annunciation 6:00pm**

**25th: Divine Liturgy for the Feast of the Annunciation 10:00am**

**27th: Presanctified Liturgy 4:00pm**

**29th: Little Compline w/ the Akathist Hymn (Madaya) 6:30pm**

### April

**3rd: Presanctified Liturgy 4:00pm**

**5th: Little Compline w/ the Akathist Hymn (Madaya) 6:30pm**

**7th: Sunday of the Cross (No SS)**

**10th: Presanctified Liturgy 4:00pm**

**12th: Little Compline w/ the Akathist Hymn (Madaya) 6:30pm**

*\*Service schedule and times are subject to change.*

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**ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN ARCHDIOCESE  
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The Sunday of Orthodoxy  
March 24, 2024

Venerable Hierarchs, Reverend Clergy, and beloved Faithful in Christ,

Greetings to you as we celebrate this glorious Sunday of the Triumph of Orthodoxy. We have just completed the difficult first week of Lent. In many ways, this one week is a microcosm of the challenges we face throughout our Christian lives, as we try to live faithfully despite weaknesses within us and trials around us. However, the Lord's words to St. Paul are a comfort to us in every season of our lives: "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness" (2 Cor. 12:19).

Each year on the Sunday of Orthodoxy, we remember our seminarians, who are studying at residential seminaries and through the Antiochian House of Studies. They are preparing to take up the Cross and follow our Lord on the difficult but rewarding road of priestly ministry. Those whom God calls to ordination will become pastors in our parishes, working with the children, the elderly, and all the faithful, leading them on their journey to the heavenly kingdom. They will stand before the holy altar and offer prayers to the All-Holy Trinity on behalf of us all. They will bring divine grace into all the joys and sorrows of our earthly lives. Therefore, it is our duty to provide them with the best possible education and preparation for this sacred ministry.

Today we ask you to support our dedicated seminarians through your prayers and by making a financial gift toward their theological education. Among the Orthodox in America, our archdiocese is a leader in seminarian support. We strive to provide full scholarships to these qualified men who are studying for the priesthood, and your generous contribution will help to ensure a well-prepared clergy for our future while not burdening our future pastors with excessive debt.

Fervently praying that your Lenten journey will be filled with growth in Christ, I remain,

Yours in Christ,

✙ SABA

Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of All North America

*"The disciples were first called Christians in Antioch" (Acts 11: 26)*

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*Tone 1* **EOTHINON 9**

**RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION (TONE 1)**

While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding  
Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior,  
granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud  
unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom,  
glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.

**APOLYTIKION OF FIRST SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT (TONE 2)**

Thy pure image do we venerate, O good One, asking forgiveness of our sins,  
O Christ our God; for by Thine own will Thou didst ascend the Cross in  
Thy body, to save Thy creatures from the bondage of the enemy. Wherefore,  
with thankfulness we cry aloud to thee: Thou hast verily filled all with joy,  
since Thou didst come, O our Savior, to save the world.

**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 FOR SUNDAYS IN GREAT LENT (TONE 8)**

To thee, the Champion Leader, do I offer thanks of victory,  
O Theotokos, thou who hast delivered me from terror;  
but as thou that hast that power invincible, O Theotokos,  
thou alone can set me free: from all forms of danger free me  
and deliver me, that I may cry unto thee: Hail, O Bride without Bridegroom.

## 2024 Pan-Orthodox Vespers

Vespers begin 6pm each night followed by a lenten meal.

March 24:

St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Phoenix  
Great Vespers of Annunciation

March 31:

St. John the Baptist, Romanian Orthodox Church, Glendale  
Gregory Palamas

PROKEIMENON:

Blessed art Thou, O Lord, the God of our fathers.  
For Thou art just in all that Thou hast done for us.

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (11:24-26, 32-40)

Brethren, by faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter; choosing rather to share ill-treatment with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; esteeming the reproach of the Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt; for he looked to the recompense of reward. And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me if I tell of Gideon, Barak, Sampson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and all the prophets, who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, from weakness were made strong, became mighty in war, and turned to flight armies of the aliens. Women received their dead by resurrection, and others were tortured, not accepting their deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. And others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, they were tempted, they were slain with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, being destitute, afflicted, tormented (of whom the world was not worthy), wandering in deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, having obtained a witness through their faith, did not receive the promise, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (1:43-51)

At that time, Jesus decided to go to Galilee. And He found Philip and said to him, “Follow Me.” Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael, and said to him, “We have found Him of Whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” Jesus saw Nathanael coming to Him, and said of him, “Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!” Nathanael said to Jesus, “How do you know me?” Jesus answered him, “Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you.” Nathanael answered Him, “Rabbi, Thou art the Son of God! Thou art the King of Israel!” Jesus answered him, “Because I said to you, I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You shall see greater things than these.” And Jesus said to him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man.”

LIVING:

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

LITURGICAL OFFERINGS:

Elizabeth Karamouzis offers an Holy Oblation for her health and salvation, and for the health and salvation for James, Daniel, Daniel, Diane, Richy, Chase, Fotula, Kara, Maurice, Ned, for her godchildren: Michael, Markus, Devin, Nikki, Lauren, for the Truscott family members, for our clergy and members at St. George, for her work family and for all family and friends not listed. In loving memory of John and Mary (3/23/2005), Christopher, Barbara Winsor, and for all departed family and friends not listed. May their memories be eternal.

John Doumani offers an Holy Oblation in loving memory of Nikki Doumani (3/25/2020). May her memory be eternal. For the health of Christopher, Megan, Ava and Faris. May God grant them many years.

Buthaina, Khalil, Rumsey, Jennifer, Hanna and their families offer Holy Bread in memory of Ibtihaj, Suleiman, Hanna, Najla, Abe, Futha, Freih, Futha, Ralphael, Kassab, Faisal, Raya, Basma, Yousef, George, Felix, Ida, Muneer. May their memory be eternal. For the good health of Buthaina, Khalil, Jennifer, Rumsey, Hanna, Robert, John, Jenny, Issam, Joseph, Kristen, Grace, Sammy, Luke, Samir, Jacob and Brooklyn. May God grant them many years.

“Reserve Your Parking Spot” Auction

The Ladies are auctioning off 1 premium Parking Spot with a reserved sign with your name on it. Today, March 24th during coffee hour is the day to put your bid in for your own private parking spot.