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Fifth Sunday of Great Lent

Commemoration of John Climacus, Author of "The Ladder" Apostles Aristarchos, Pudens and Trophymos of the Seventy



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

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# 2024 Lazarus Saturday Retreat Exploring Holy Week

Saturday April 27 10:00am-3:30pm \$20 Per Child Kindergarten-6th Grade

# Register by April 24! http://stgeorgeaz.org/2024Lazarus



## Tone 4 EOTHINON 1

# 2024 Lenten Services

## April

17th: Presanctified Liturgy 4:00pm

19th: Little Compline w/ the Akathist Hymn (Madaya) 6:30pm

21st: St. Mary of Egypt

24th: Presanctified Liturgy 4:00pm

27th: Divine Liturgy Lazarus Saturday 10:00am

## Holy Week

4/28: Palm Sunday

Orthros 9:00am

Liturgy 10:00am

Bridegroom Orthros 6:30pm

\*Service schedule and times are subject to change.

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To include an oblation or announcement in the bulletin, email details to office@stgeorgeaz.org <u>before noon on Mondays</u>. 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.

## **RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION (TONE 4)**

Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.

## **APOLYTIKION OF ST. JOHN CLIMACUS (TONE 8)**

With the streams of thy tears; thou didst cultivate the barrenness of the desert; and by thy sightings from the depths, thou didst bear fruit a hundred-fold in labours; and thou be camest a luminary, shining with miracles upon the world, O John our righteous Father, intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved. As ever blooming fruits, thou dost offer the teachings of thy God given book, O wise John, thou most blessed while sweetening the hearts of all them that heed it with vigilance; for it is a ladder from the earth unto heaven that conferreth glory on the souls that ascend it and honour thee faithfully.

## **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:

## Many **THANKS**

Hyam, Odeh, Issa, Hope and the Sayegh family sponsor Coffee Hour in loving memory of Joe Majed Sayegh. May his memory be eternal!

Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church April 14, 2024

## Tone 4 EOTHINON 1

#### **PROKEIMENON:**

O Lord, how magnified are Thy works. In wisdom hast Thou made them all. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

## THE EPISTLE

## The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (6:13-20)

Brethren, when God made a promise to Abraham, since He could swear by no one greater, He swore by Himself, saying, "Surely blessing I will bless thee, and multiplying I will multiply thee." And thus, having patiently endured, he obtained the promise. For people indeed swear by what is greater, and in every dispute of theirs the oath is final for confirmation. So when God, being minded to show more abundantly to the heirs of the promise the immutability of His counsel, He interposed it with an oath, that by two immutable things—in which it is impossible for God to lie—we might have a strong consolation, we, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope that is set before us; a hope, which we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and entering into "that which is within the veil," where Jesus entered as a Forerunner on our behalf, having become a High Priest "forever according to the order of Melchizedek."

## **THE GOSPEL**

## The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark. (9:17-31)

At that time, a man came to Jesus, kneeling down and saying unto him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a dumb spirit. And wherever it seizes him, it dashes him down; and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid; and I asked Thy Disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." And Jesus answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to Me." And they brought the boy to Him; and when the spirit saw Jesus, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. And Jesus asked his father, "How long has he had this?" And he said, "From childhood. And it has often cast him into the fire and into the water, to destroy him; but if Thou canst do anything, have pity on us and help us." And Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes." Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!" And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You dumb and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him, and never enter him again." And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse; so that most of them said, "He is dead." But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. And when Jesus had entered the house, His Disciples asked Him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" And Jesus said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer and fasting." They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And Jesus would not have anyone know it; for He was teaching His Disciples, saying to them, "The Son of man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill Him; and after He is killed, He will rise on the third day."

Those to Remember in Prayer

#### LIVING:

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

## LITURGICAL OFFERINGS:

Hyam, Odeh, Issa, Hope and the Sayegh family offer a 6 month Trisagion for their beloved husband, father, son and brother, Joe Majed Sayegh. In loving memory Odeh, Issa-Matruke, Yacoub, Marwan, Faris, Jamal, Adeeb, Samman, Khadra, Sulieman, Rifah, Khazna, Salim, Ralph, Faris and Mike. May their memory be eternal. For the health of Hyam, Odeh, Issa, Hope, Victoria, Yusra, Sultan, George, Issa Majida, Manal, Kathy, Chris, Amal and their families. May God grant them many years.

Holy Bread is offered for 40-day Trisagion in loving memory of Feirouz Ziton's brother, Osama Lahham. May his Memory be Eternal. Holy Bread is also offered for the health and well being of the entire Ziton, Lahham, Karadsheh, Moufarrej, Kasim, Bodden, and Manning families. In loving memory of Fairouz's Father, Tawfik Lahham, grandparents, Jiries and Fairouz Lahham, Jiries and Qumra Karadsheh, and all the beloved departed family members. May their Memory be Eternal

Fayez and Yasmin Fakhouri offer an Holy Oblation in memory of George, Amal, Feras, Fakre, Ibrahim, Feda, Saliba, Khaloud, Laila, Moheb. May their memory be eternal. For good health Fayez, Yasmin, George, Issa, Eddie, Emily, Amerah, Hnadi and all their families. May God grant them many years.

# 2024 Pan-Orthodox Vespers

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

April 14: St. Katherine Greek Orthodox Church, Chandler

# Pascha Flowers

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The DEADLINE date for submission is Monday, April 22, 2024.