

# St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church Sunday, April 20, 2025 Great and All-Holy Pascha

His Eminence, Metropolitan SABA
Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of all North America
His Grace, Bishop ANTHONY - Diocese of LA & the West
V. Rev. Fr. Dr. Christopher Salamy, Pastor
Rev. Dn. Raphael Abrahams • Rev. Dn. Serafim Grove
Rev. Dn. Basil Ritchie • Rev. Dn. Michael Haddad • Rev. Dn. Peter Samore
Rev. Dn. Dr. Gregory Abdalah, Pastoral Assistant • Christian Farradj, Youth Pastor
Hnadi Bandak, Parish Life Coordinator • Harpreet Kaur, Executive Assistant to the Pastor
Jane Romley, Parish Administrator • Matthew Peters, Ministry Lead
Valerie Haddad, Director of Ministry, Growth & Development

## PASCHAL APOLYTIKION (TONE FIVE)

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!

## THE HYPAKOE OF PASCHA (TONE FOUR)

When they who were with Mary came, anticipating the dawn, and found the stone rolled away from the sepulcher, they heard from the Angel: Why seek ye among the dead, as though He were mortal man, Him Who abideth in everlasting light? Behold the grave-clothes. Go quickly and proclaim to the world that the Lord is risen, and hath put death to death. For He is the Son of God, Who saveth the race of man.

#### THE KONTAKION OF PASCHA (TONE EIGHT)

Though Thou didst descend into the grave, O Immortal One, yet didst Thou destroy the power of Hades, and didst arise as victor, O Christ God, calling to the myrrh-bearing women, Rejoice, and giving peace unto Thine Apostles, O Thou Who dost grant resurrection to the fallen.

#### THE EPISTLE

This is the day which the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad therein! O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good; His mercy endureth forever.

## The Reading from the Acts of the Apostles. (1:1-8)

In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, until the day when He was taken up, after He had given commandment through the Holy Spirit to the Apostles whom He had chosen. To them He presented Himself alive after His passion by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days, and speaking of the kingdom of God. And while staying with them He charged them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, He said, "You heard from Me; for John baptized with water, but before many days you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit." So when they had come together, they asked Him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has fixed by His own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the end of the earth."

## The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (1:1-17)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God; all things were made through Him, and without Him was not anything made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came for testimony, to bear witness to the light, that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to bear witness to the light. The true light that enlightens every man was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, yet the world knew Him not. He came to His own home, and His own people received Him not. But to all who received Him, who believed in His Name, He gave power to become children of God; who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father. (John bore witness to Him, and cried, "This was He of Whom I said, 'He Who comes after me ranks before me, for He was before me.") And from His fullness have we all received, grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

## 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, Samira, Robert, Daniel, Jane, Jillian, Sandy, Iyad, Nicholas, Elizabeth, Mary, Alexandros, Aikaterina, David and Donald.

#### **HOLY BREAD**

Elizabeth Karamouzis offers the Holy Bread for her good health and salvation and for the good health and salvation of James, Rima, Olga, Hannah, Dede, Peter, Rachel, Jane, Daniel, Jillian, Richy, Daniel, Rob, Paula, Carrie, Scott for her godchildren: Michael, Marcus, Devin, Nikki, and Lauren, for our clergy and families at St. George, for her work family, and all family and friends not listed. Christ is Risen! Truly He is Risen. In loving memory of John, Mary, Chris, Fotoula, Nikos, Dimitri, Rick, Scott, and all departed family and friends not listed. May their memories be eternal.

Samira Khoury offers Holy Bread for Sandy Khoury on the occasion of her birthday. In memory of Jack, Fr. Gerius, Kh. Hannah, Fr. Nassar, Kh. Hanna, Rigfa, Majed, Jamil, Adib, Kamal, Jamilia, Jalila, John, George, Ghanem, Gerius, Benyout, Odeh, Brahim, Nawaf, Hyatt, Miriam, Abdullah, Juliette, Jackson. May their memory be eternal. For the health of Samira, Marian, Constantine, George and Jack Dougenis, Lillian, Ava, and Julia Sayegh, Sandy, Eddie, James, Madelyn, Matthew and Michael Khoury. May God grant them many more years.

Jane Romley offers Holy Bread for the health of Daniel, Jane, Troy, Kristie, Jillian, Lisa, Stephan, Jaime, Misadeh, Souzan, John, Dana, Denise, Dale, Naimeh, and Julia. In loving memory of Issa, Richard, Butrus, Misadeh, Miriam, Jeries, Joseph, Laila, Sawson, Rayan, Maher, Maha, Francis, Robert, Jim, Rose and Aziz.

Richard and Marion Saba offer Holy Bread for the health of Richard, Marion, Kimberley, Alfred, Brian, Alyssa, Richard Jr. AnnaRose, Will, Matthew, Anthony, Tyler, Parker, and Nicholas. In loving memory of our beloved son Scott, David, Adele, Emil, Freeda, Peggy, Ramzy, and Mary.

Ensaf Sayegh offers Holy Bread for the health of William, Magdalen, Musa, Noura, Louiey, and David. In loving memory of Musa, Rifga, Issa, and Helen

Theresa Sweilem offers Holy Bread for her health for Noah, Issa, Jennie, Andrew, and Chloe. All brothers, sisters, and families. All members of Sweilem, Khoury, Sweis, and Truscott families. In memory of Elias, Sheikha, Izzat, Laila, Bassam, Farid, Albert, Sammy, Hani, Athena, Ibrahim and Hind. May their Memory be Eternal.

Ray and RoseMarie Toronto offer Holy Oblation for their continued good health and the good health of their children Robin, Joe, Renay, Michael, Ryan, Brooke, Romy, Joe, Tyler, Brennan, Nikki, Fitz, Harrison, Teddy,

Christina, Daniel, Cade, Carter, Collin, Ashlynn, Chase, Halle, Lauren, Taylor, and to our church family and especially our new members, we send love and prayer for your good health and may we all thrive in our faith. May God grant them many years. In memory of grandparents, parents, and relatives, Anne, George, Clara, Salvatore, Rosa, Joseph, Rose, Louis, Mary, Lillian, Amy, Helen, and Joe. May their memory be eternal.

#### PASCHA FLOWERS

Fr. Christopher, Allyson, Sophia, and Amelia Salamy, for the health of the Salamy, Raya, Ajalat, Jabour, Armelli, Moujaes, Karadsheh, Ovando, and Matthews families and all of our wonderful parishioners at St. George. May God grant them many years. In memory of Raymond, Robert, Lutfy, Eileen, Mitry, Elizabeth, Fritz, Jean, Mary, Elias, Adeeb, Joseph, Emily, Salim, Sophie, Edmon, Shafik, Jubran, Olga, Leon, Lucille, Nellie, Sonia, Philip, David, Chet, Alfred, Sol and Jonathan. May their memory be eternal.

Barbara Ritchie offers prayers for the health of Dn. Basil, Regan Theresa, and Patrick. In loving memory of Calvin, Patrick, Julia, and Michael.

Dn. Serafim and Mary Grove offer prayers for the health the Grove, Hessinger, Nelson, Makar, Stockbdridge, Lazun, Schulz, Shupp, Hudak, Landis, Reinke, Pahos, Rusanescu, Pitchford, Hayes, Shoji, Benagas, Heinley families and our godchildren Ana, Elaine, St. Pelagia, Methodios, Anna, Raphael, Helena, Christina, John, Gabriel, Aurelia, Michelle, and their families. May God grant them many years. In loving memory of our parents Warren, Monica, Joseph, Julia, Irene, Vivian, Mary, Helen, Verene, John, Paul, Ian, and all our beloved departed family members and friends. May their memory be eternal.

Dn. Gregory and Diana Abdalah offer prayers for the health of Eleanor, Jonathan, Bishop John, Joseph and Eleni Abdalah, John and Maria Kilfeather, Nicola, Renee, Nicholas, Albert, and Amanda Haddad, and Colin, Linda, and Charles Wahl. In loving memory of Kh. Joanne Abdalah.

Christopher and Hnadi Bandak offer prayers for the health of Christopher, Hnadi, Roman, Yasmeen, Julius and Seela Bandak, Fayez, Yasmin, George, Emily, Amerah, Issa, and Oday Fakhouri. In loving memory of Robert and Lynne Bandak

Anya (Anna) Cofrancesco offers prayers for the health of Anastasia, Ludmila, Ioann, Nikolay, Lidia, Nina, Lidia, Yulia, Alla, and Steven. In loving memory of Oleg, Alexander, Nina, Natalya, Anna, Nikolay, Anna, Vaslliyo, Lidia, Elizabeth and Parasheva.

Diana Elias offers prayers for the health of Al Yousef, the Elias families, and all the Syrian people.

Aziz and Emily Fakhouri offer prayers for the health of Abbas, Diana, Elias, and Issa Fakhouri. Muhanned and Crystal Dahdal. In loving memory Abbas and Gout Fakhouri.

Fayez and Yasmin Fakhouri offer prayers for the health of George and Rola Fakhouri, Issa and Nalani Fakhouri, Oday and Margarita Fakhouri, Emily and Aziz Fakhouri, Amerah and Maher Hanna, Hnadi and Chris Bandak, and all the grandchildren and great-grandchildren. In loving memory of George and Amal Fakhouri, Ibrahim and Feda Sayegh, Feras and Fakre, Saliba, Khaloud, Laila, Moheb, and Jalal.

Munira Gharib offers prayers for the health of Munia, Samia, Steve, Jasmin, Alex, Mikaela, Nikolas, Tamra, Lisa, Robert, Mia, and Zayna. In loving memory Iskander, Sami, Musa, Rifga and the departed souls of the Gharib and Sayegh Family.

Suhaila Haddad offers prayers for the health of the Al Haddad; and Al Hajj families, Goodwin, Samore, Ibrahim, Kallas, Khweiki, Hovakimian, and Mayaleh Family. In loving memory of George, Noura, Mary, Sherin, Bishara, Fares, Assia, Nicola, Nahil, Nahle and Hind.

Garo and Yulanda Harmeanian offer prayers for the health of Garo, Yulanda, Antone, Savanah and Tiffany, Suzanne, Munira, Anwar, Enaam, Joseph, Azam, Mike, William, and their children and grandchildren. In loving memory of Musa, Rafga, Nora, Raya, Issa, Hissan, Howa, Eideh, and Emad.

Walid and Nahid Hawileh offer prayers for the health of Walid, Nahid and Joey Hawileh, Eid, Amanda and Eiman Fahoury, Afaf Nekho, and their family. In loving memory of Yousef, Alice Hawileh, and Naser Nekho

Aracely Hendricks offers prayers for the health of the Hendricks family, Wier family, Abdalah family, Abdelnour family, Ali family. Matyas family, Mendoza family, Robles family and Stokich family. For the health of Max Hendricks on the occasion of his birthday. In loving memory of David and Ruth Hendricks, Jesus and Esther Monreal, George and Helen Matyas, Karin Hendricks Hodnett, and Raul Mendoza.

Lisa Henrich offers prayers for the health of Charlotte, Linda, Chris, Beverly, Alexander, Chole, Ward, Cheryl, Nichole, Jonathon, Max, and Karyl. In loving memory of Richard, Kelly, Cecile, Albert, Esther, Rip, Charles, and Rose.

Enaam Hweimel offers prayers for the health of Sammer, Susie, Sam, Linda, Enaam, Yulanda, Munia, William, Mike, Azam, Joseph, and Anwar. In loving memory of Adel, Abdallah, Jamil, Jamal, Emad, Lorice, Musa, Rifqa, Samaan, Hissan and Nora.

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Juliette Mushahwar offers prayers for the health of Juliette, Rula and Family, Raja and Family. In loving memory of Yousef, Rana, and Raed.

Mary Najm offers prayers for the health of Michael, Elia, Maya, and Mary, their brother Ghassan and Family in Canada, sister Dolly, Salwa, Miray, and Sara, and the families in Syra and all members of the Najm, Kirouz, and Frem families in Syria, Lebanon, Canda, and USA. In loving memory of Isaaf, Sophia, Sylvan Kirouz, and Abdallah Najm.

Lamies Nesheiwat offers prayers for the health of Lamies, Sam and Sophia, Aida Fakhouri, and the Family. In loving memory of all who passed.

Sherry Nichols offers prayers for the health of Sherry, Brian, Michael, Shannon, Marlene, Ben, Davis, Riley, Logan, Emma, and Lily. In loving memory of Richard, beloved husband, father, and grandfather, John and Eva Nichols, George and Mary David, and Julie Annett.

Walid and Randa Qaqish offer prayers for the health of Sandy, Jesse, Lana, Robert, Kim, Crystal, Joe, Katherine, Manuel, and the kids. In loving memory of Elias, Mary, Awni, Refa, Suliman, Halim, Tamam, Hannah, Hala, Ibrahim, Issa, Ibrahim, Nasri, Refa, Majdoleen, Fadwa, Zwad, Saleem and Sameeha.

Ziad and Samiyah Qaqish offer prayers for the health of Ziad, Samiyah, Susan, Derick, Lisa, Ann, Tali, Mark, Adnan, Ralph, and children and grandchildren. In loving memory of Halim, Tamam, Suleiman, Rafa, Rafael,

Makeal, Faris, Hannah, Hala, Abraham, Jeremy, Zawad, Hanna, Issa, Jaleela, Eddie and Maged. May their memory be eternal.

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Ghaleb and Nawal Salman offer prayers for the health of Ghaleb and Nawal Salman, Amer, Abby, George, Rema Salman, Andrew, Aleena, Audrey, Ava, Jaxon, Callie, and Josh.

Lillian Sayegh and Family offer prayers for the health of the Khoury and Sayegh families. In loving memory of Yacoub Khoury.

Noha Simon offers prayers for the health of Noha, Paula, Malia, Christina, Walter, Sohpia, Michael, Nadia, Savannah, Amelia, Leila, Grace, Madeline, Michel and Faddoul. In loving memory of Donald, Elia, Marie, Naia, Lillian, Richard, Ernie, Heather, Linda, Toofic, Saidy, Sandy, and Louis.

Sameeh and Janette Sweis offer prayers for the health of Sameeh and Janette, Raja, Fryal, Nicholas, Lukas, Andy, Aftikar, and Alivia. In loving memory of Fr. Bouls, Fr. Elias, Eid, Shekah, Issa, Kafa, Munjed, Rashid, Saad and Yusura.

Wisam Sweis offers prayers for the health of Wisam, Ruba, Nayef, Noor, Suhad, Odeh, Rami, Njood, Karam, Reem, Waed, Ward, Layeth, Nijmeh and Yousra. In loving memory of Nayef, Jereis, Hanna, Fadeyah, Rasmah, Hannyeh, Ibrahim, Abdullah, Iman, Jane, Gada, Muna, Nofa, Layla, Refga, and Issa.

Ray and Rosemarie Toronto offer prayers for all their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. May God grant them many years. In loving memory of our departed beloved ones. May their memory be eternal.

Leisa Wood offers prayers in loving memory of Jean Wood, Nancy Dosch, Tim Gernhardt, and Karen Schmidt.

Salim and Feyrouz Zaarour offer prayers for the health of Salim, Feyrouz, Victor, and Jennifer. In loving memory of Hani and Amal Farah, Fawzi Zarour, Oussama Zarour, and Miladeh Attalah.

Tawfiq and Najwa Zananiri offer prayers for the health of Najwa, Steven, Roseen, Michael, Mathew, Joseph, Rachel, Casandra, Nawal, Yacuub, Hala, Austa, and Amal. In loving memory of Rose, Ibrahim, Mary, Sihan, Hanna, Sumya, Elias, Laila, Claudia, and George.

Michael, Feirouz, Michael Jr., and Juliana Ziton offer prayers for the health of the entire Ziton, Lahham, and West families. In loving memory of our dear departed Father and Giddo, V. Rev. Fr. Elias Ziton (Blessed Memory), Mother and Sitto, Kh. Lorraine, Zitton, our Siddo, Tawfik Lahham, uncle and brother Osama Lahham, and all our beloved departed family members who have gone to their rest in the hope of the Resurrection. May the memory of all departed be eternal. Christ is Risen! Truly He is Risen!

David, Nesrin, and Paris Ziton offer prayers in loving memory of their beloved Father and Gido, V. Rev. Fr. Elias Ziton, and dear Mother and Sitto, Kh. Lorraine Ziton. With hearts full of love and remembrance, we offer this Paschal Oblation in honor of our cherished parents and grandparents. As we celebrate the Glorious Resurrection

of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, we give thanks for their unwavering faith, their devoted service, and the legacy of love they have left in our lives. May their memory be eternal! Christ is Risen! Truly he is Risen!
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