



St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church

Sunday, June 15, 2025

Sunday of All Saints

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

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION (TONE EIGHT)

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 ALL SAINTS (TONE FOUR)

Thy Church, O Christ God, hath regaled herself in the blood of Thy Martyrs throughout the entire world, as in porphyry and purple. Through them she lifteth her voice crying: Turn with Thy compassion toward Thy people, and grant peace to Thy city, and to our souls the Great Mercy.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. GEORGE (TONE FOUR)

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 ALL SAINTS (TONE EIGHT)

As first-fruits of our nature to the Planter of created things, the world presenteth the God-bearing martyred Saints in off'ring unto Thee, O Lord. Through their earnest entreaties, keep Thy Church in deep peace and divine tranquility, through the pure Theotokos, O Thou Who art greatly merciful.

THE EPISTLE

God is wondrous in His saints. In the churches, bless ye God.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (11:33-12:2)

Brethren, all the saints 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. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which does so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the Author and Perfecter of our faith.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew (10:32-33, 37-38; 19:27-30)

The Lord said to His disciples, "Everyone who acknowledges Me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father Who is in heaven; but whoever denies Me before men, I also will deny before My Father Who is in heaven. He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me; and he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me; and he who does not take his cross and follow Me is not worthy of Me." Then Peter said in reply, "Lo, we have left everything and followed Thee. What then shall we have?" Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, in the New World, when the Son of Man shall sit on His glorious throne, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My Name's sake, will receive a hundred fold, and inherit eternal life. But many that are first will be last, and the last first."

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.

Elizabeth Karamouzis offers Holy Bread for her good health and salvation, and for the good health and salvation of James; Amanda, Romy, Lisa, Paula, Barbara and Ray (on the occasions of their birthdays), Catherine, Hannah, Olga, Rachel, Jane, Daniel, Jillian, Marion, Richy, Daniel, Lori, Rob, Angie, Val, Phil, for her godchildren: Michael, Marcus, Devin, Nikki, Carrie and Lauren, for our clergy and church families at St George, and for her work family, and all family and friends not listed. Wishing all our "fathers" a blessed Father's Day. In loving memory of her parents, John and Mary, for Chris, Scott, Fotoula, George, Courtney, and departed family and friends not listed. May their memories be eternal.

Gary Saba offers Holy Bread in loving memory of his beloved father Morris on the twenty-ninth anniversary of his passing (June 17). May his memory be eternal. In loving memory of Mary, Mary Lynn, Najeeby, Thomas, Bahria, Solomon, Habib, Nicholas, and Rosaline. May their memory be eternal.

The children and grandchildren of Suleiman R. Saigh offer a Holy Bread in memory of their loving father and grandfather (16 years). In memory of our loving mother and grandmother, Najla. May their memory be eternal. Also for the health of Buthaina, Khalil, Jennifer, Rumsey, Hanna, Robert, Jennifer, John, Issam, Joseph, Kristen, Samir, Grace, Jacob, Brooklyn, Sammy, and Luke. May God grant them many years.

Theresa Sweilem offers Holy Bread for her health and the health of Issa, Jennie, Noah, Chloe, Nancy, Jim, and Andrew on the Occasion of His Graduation from College. May God grant them many years. For the departed souls of Elias, Sheikha, Izzat, Laila, Bassem, and Farid. May their memory be eternal.

Samira Khoury offers Holy Bread on Lillian's birthday and to Eddie & Christopher for Father's Day. May God grant them many years! In loving memory of Jack, Fr. Gerius, Kh. Hannah, Fr. Nassar, Kh. Hanna, Majed, Jamil, Adib, Kamal, Jamilia, Jalila, John, George, Ghanem, Gerius, Benyout, Odeh, Brahim, Nawaf, Hyatt, Miriam, Abdullah, Juliette, Jackson, and Rifga. 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.

Catherine Agra and her children, John, Zack, and Chris, offer Holy Bread for her beloved husband and their father, Fr. Daniel, on the 40th day of his passing. May his memory be eternal. For the health of Catherine, John, Zack, Chris, and all grandchildren, may God grant them many more years.

The Hendricks family offers Holy bread on Elena's birthday. May God grant her many years!

Congratulations and God's blessings to Dn. Peter & Sh. Nora Samore on the Churching of their baby, Abigail. May God grant them many years.

We want to thank Gerry & Linda Wiebers for sponsoring coffee hour.

We wish all the amazing fathers in our Parish a Happy Father's Day. May God grant them all many years!