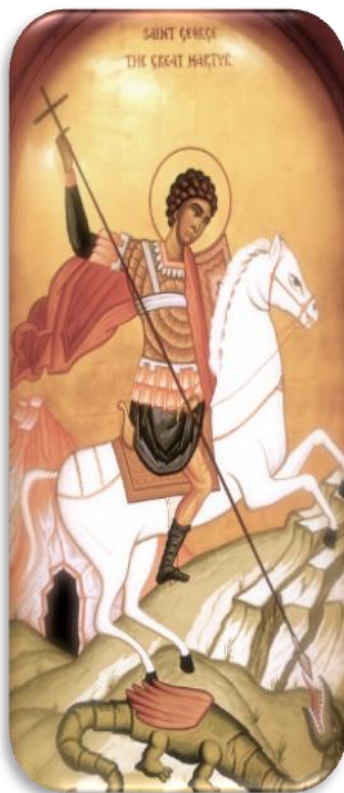




St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church
Sunday, July 26, 2026
The Holy Righteous Martyr Paraskeva of Rome &
Eighth Sunday of Matthew

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. Fr. Raphael Hanna, Assistant Pastor
Rev. Fr. Peter Samore, Attached
Rev. Fr. Dr. Gregory Abdalah, Pastoral Assistant
Rev. Dn. Raphael Abrahams • Rev. Dn. Serafim Grove • Rev. Dn. Basil Ritchie
Rev. Dn. Michael Haddad • Rev. Dn. Elias Mousa
Christian Farradj, Youth Pastor • Harpreet Kaur, Executive Assistant to the Pastor
Jane Romley, Campus Administrator • Matthew Peters, Ministry Lead
Valerie Haddad, Director of Ministry, Growth & Development
Erin Thobias, Director of Communications

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION (TONE SEVEN)

Thou didst shatter death by Thy Cross, Thou didst open paradise to the thief; Thou didst turn the sadness of the ointment-bearing women into joy. And didst bid Thine Apostles proclaim a warning, that Thou hast risen O Christ, granting to the world the Great Mercy.

APOLYTIKION FOR ST. PARASKEVA (TONE ONE)

Showing a diligence befitting thy calling, O namesake of preparedness, thou hast gained, as thy dwelling, a faith worthy of thy name, O prize-winning Paraskeva. Hence, thou pourest forth healings and intercedest for our souls.

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.

ORDINARY KONTAKION (TONE TWO)

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.

THE EPISTLE

God is wondrous in His saints. Bless God in the congregations.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (3:23-4:5)

Brethren, before faith came, we were confined under the Law, kept under restraint until faith should be revealed. So that the Law was our custodian until Christ came, that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a custodian; for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ

Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise. I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no better than a slave, though he is the owner of all the estate; but he is under guardians and trustees until the date set by the father. So with us; when we were children, we were slaves to the elemental spirits of the universe. But when the time had fully come, God sent forth His Son, to redeem those who were under the Law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (14:14-22)

At that time, when Jesus went ashore he saw a great throng; and he had compassion on them, and healed their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to Him and said, "This is a lonely place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They said to Him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." And He said, "Bring them here to Me." Then He ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass; and taking the five loaves and the two fish He looked up to Heaven, and blessed, and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children. Then Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He dismissed the crowds.

THOSE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER...

Living: Romy, Chase, Paul, Joshua, Peter, Richard, Anthony, Laila, Michael, Ray, Amal, Nejwa, Randa, Regan, Theresa, Kristine, Sherry, Samira, Robert, Daniel, Jane, Jillian, Nicholas, Elizabeth, Mary, Alexandros, Nun Theopisti, and Donald.

Michael and Brenda Solomon and their family offer a one-year Trisagion in memory of their beloved son, Joshua Solomon. May his memory be eternal. For the health of Michael, Brenda, and their family. May God grant them many years.

Elizabeth Karamouzis offers the Holy Bread for her health and salvation, and for her brother, James. For Hannah on the occasion of her birthday. For the health of Paula, Richie, Jillian, Harry, Angie, Cheryl, Dimitri, Barb, Hannah Hakim, Robert, Beckham, her godchildren, Michael, Markus, Devin, Nikki, and Lauren, St. George clergy, family members, work family, and all family/friends. In loving memory of her parents, John and Mary, for Scott, Denise, Fotoula, Nikos, Dimitri, Christos, Steve, and departed family/friends. May their memory be eternal.

Nasser and Evone Sayegh offer Holy Bread for their health and for the health of Noora, Gabriel, Robert, Ayman, Janet, Nicolas, Steve, Jeannine, Raya, Ellen, Evelyn, Minia, Rasha, Magdoleen, and Manal. For the departed, Gabriel, Raya, Ibrahim, Amina, Riad, Nasser, Nasri, Dina, Marwan, Adel, Karma, Victoria, Nadia, Sadeh, Shafiq, Issa, Scandel. May their memory be eternal.

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