



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church

237 Long Hill Road, Little Falls, New Jersey 07424

Sunday, November 11, 2007



Matins 9:00 am

Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

Confession 9:00—9:45 am

Sunday School 9:30 am

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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The Epistle

Prokeimenon: Save, O Lord, thy people, and bless thine inheritance. Unto thee I cry, O Lord, O my God.

Section from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians 4:6-15

Ye brethren: For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair;

Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed;

Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body.

For we which live are always delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh.

We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak;

Knowing that he which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus, and shall present us with you.

For all things are for your sakes, that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God.

If you like to worship with us, please fill in the information below and give to the priest or any parish member!

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

e-mail: _____

_____ I am a visitor

_____ I recently moved into the area

_____ I am interested in becoming a member

_____ I would like to know more about this Church

_____ I request a phone call

_____ I would like an appointment with the Priest

_____ Please include me on the Parish Mailing List

_____ Please pray for: _____

_____ I would like to volunteer for _____

_____ I would like to know more about Church Activities, especially:

_____ Teen SOYO _____ PTA

_____ Sunday School _____ Charity Committee

_____ St. John the Divine Fellowship _____ Choir

_____ Ladies Society _____

_____ Other _____

Financial Support Forms for 2007 are now available.

The following individuals have filled our and returned their Financial Support Form. Please forgive us, if you have submitted a form and your name is not listed. Please call us and we will correct this problem. If you have not filled out a form and would like to, forms are available in the Narthex or at the church office. Thank you!

My Saint George's Church Financial Support

Recognizing that all blessings are from God,
I commit to the Saint George Orthodox Church a share of my blessings as thanks and support for His Holy Church.

My financial support for the year 2007 to Saint George Church (including Archdiocese assessment) will be \$_____ per year.

Minimum is \$570 per year for a single person (\$48/month) and \$932 per year for a family (\$78/month)

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ e-mail _____

Select either check or credit/debit card

Payable by check:

- Pledge envelopes will be sent to you

Signature _____ Date _____

By Master Card or Visa (Credit or Debit):

Card # _____/_____/_____/_____

- Expiration Date ____/____
- Print Name as show on card _____
- Billing Address (if different from above) _____

Authorization

Yes, I would like the convenience of automatic monthly payments. By signing below, I authorize **Saint George** to charge my account monthly in the amount of \$_____ on the

- 1st or
- 15th day (please select one)

of each month until I provide a written cancellation.

Signature _____ Date _____

The Holy Gospel

The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (10:25-37)

At that time, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "What is written i the law? How do you read?" And the lawyer answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And Jesus said to him, "You have answered right; do this, and you will live."

But the lawyer, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion, and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, "Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back. Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" The lawyer said, "The one who showed mercy on him." And Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Altar Boys are: Mark Nafash, Paul Sabbagh, Michael Sabbagh, Timothy Sabbagh.

Ushers:

BREAD OF HOLY OBLATION

In memory of Michael Afsa, George Sebra, Lillie Kassab, Abdel Abood, William Chalet, Selma Abousamra, Elian Abousamra, Samuel Abousamra, Theodore Zayat, Alice Tooma, Abraham Lyons, Nagib Kabbash, Eilas Fadil, Helen Oldham, Nazira Kattas.

Memory Eternal.

For the good health of Baby Elizabeth Grace Scrapa offered by her parents and grandparents.

May God grant them many years.

Today's coffee our is being donated by Joseph & Joumana Kalyoussef for the good health of Robert, Pamela and Baby Elizabeth Grace Scrapa.

THANK YOU FOR THE DONATIONS TO THE CHURCH, LADIES SOCIETY, CHOIR & CHARITY FUND

George Karram in memory of Joseph Abuissa.
George & Elsie Nassor in memory of Michel Yazigi.
Bishara & Muna Elmasri for the good health of Baby Christian, Mary, Peter & Daniel.

Teen SOYO

- To become a member of our Teen SOYO, please contact Mark Nafash, Lucy Chalet, Jennifer Zabaneh or Hend Kevorkian at Hendk99@optonline.net
- We are now collecting coats, sweat shirts, sweat pants, jeans and sneakers for the homeless. Items must be in **good condition**. Please **No** socks or summer clothing.
- **Saturday, November 17th, Retreat 9:30am—3pm, guest speaker Fr. Stephen Lourie.**
- **Sunday, November 18th, Falafel Sale, after Liturgy.**
- **Friday, March 7-10, 2008— Delegates Meeting.**

Charity Committee

- For more information on how to become involved, please call Julie Abboud at 973-812-0444 or e-mail at immalbert@aol.com
- **Holiday Food Drive** - They will be collecting food for holiday baskets. Items Needed— Canned fruit, soup tomatoes sauce, beans, vegetables, yams, gravy; pasta, rice & stuffing. Paper products, turkeys, baking chickens & frozen pies. Please place non-perishable items in conference room. Perishable items in freezer. Thank you!

Choir

- **The Annual Parish Christmas Card** will be mailed out soon. Please fill out the attached coupon and return it in the enclosed envelope before December 1st, with a donation and your name will appear on the card. There also will be a table set up in the hall after Liturgy. Please see Marlene Ayoub or Jane Tadros with you donation. Thank you!

St. John The Divine Fellowship

- For more information on how to join our fellowship, please contact Rima Bandeli.
- **Advent Book Series Monday Evenings**, November 19th, 26th, December 3rd, 10th & 17th at 7:30 pm. If interested, Please contact Fr. Elias, Julie Abboud or Rima Bandeli.
- **Advent Retreat, Saturday, December 1st, 10:30 am—3 pm.** Guest Speaker, Fr. Antony Hughes. Lunch will be served. Teens & Adults are invited. For more information and to RSVP, please contact Randa Munayyer at randamunayyer@gmail.com or Maha Kabbast at 732-667-8293.
- **Wine & Cheese Event, Saturday, February 23, 2008.** More info to follow.
- **Delegates Meeting, Friday, March 7-10, 2008.**
- **Reverse Raffle, Saturday, May 17, 2008.** More info to follow.

Ladies Society

- **Pastry Order Forms are now available! Place your order with any Ladies Society Member. Everyone is welcome to help.**
- **Ladies Work Days - Thanksgiving Pastry Sale**
- Tuesday, November 13th, Graybee 9:30 am
- Wednesday, November 14, Preparation for Packing 6:00 pm
- Thursday, November 15, Packing 9:30 am

Ladies Society Meeting TODAY after Liturgy in conference room.

PTA

- Our PTA is a support group of parents, and Sunday School teachers dedicated to the continuous improvement of our Sunday School, and other issues related to raising our children in the Orthodox faith. To assist our PTA, please see Marlene Ayoub.

Parish News, Activities & Announcements

General Information

- Please remember to notify the church office of any address or telephone changes.
- If anyone has any announcements that they would like to include on the bulletin or any dates to be added to the church calendar, please e-mail the office at JSalotti@aol.com or leave a note in the church office. *Thank you!*
- **Sacraments:** All baptism and marriage forms are available through the church office and should be completed and returned to the office one week prior to the event
- **Confession:** Confession will be given on Sunday Morning 9:00am to 9:45am and after Liturgy.
- **Evening Liturgy**, Wednesday, November 21, at 7:00 pm. Presentation of our Lady in the Temple.

- **Champion:** The Champion will be published on a bi-monthly basis. If any one wishes to submit an article for our September/October issue, please email to Michelle Handal at michellehandal@aol.com by August 12th. All ads for the champion must be submitted to Salim Saykail, 973-675-7900.
- **Walks of Prayers:** The campaign for our commemorative walk continues. Forms are available in the hall after Liturgy. Our next brick order is ready to be sent to the engraver, so if you have not already placed your order for your **Personalized Memorial Brick**, please fill your form and give it to Edward or Narmin Kurzum or leave it at the church office.
- **St. George's Book Store:** Entire Bible is available on DVD, New and Old Testament. Donation \$20.

Parish Council

- The Parish Council meets on the third Wednesday of the month. All are welcome to attend! Our next meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 14, 2007 @ 7:00 pm.**
- **Election results:** Richard Abbate, Edward Kurzum & Geries Dorkhom, 3 year terms. Issa Lwaysi, George Sarraf & Khaled Klele, 1 year terms.

Sunday School

- The Church's Sunday school is available from Nursery to students of high school age. Our teachers are volunteer members of our church family, and there is no fee associated with attendance. To enroll your children in the Sunday School, please see Brian Nafash. The Sunday school is open to all children of our church members.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

4th	Ousama Hanna	16th	Sandra Saba
6th	Carol Korbeh	16th	Daniela Batarseh
7th	Kristina Sousou	16th	Alexander Khalaf
8th	Amanda Kilyk	18th	Emily Haid
9th	Michael Sabbagh	20th	Victoria Ayoub
9th	Ruby Mamary	28th	Rami Saliby
9th	Nichole Shehady		