



## Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church

*237 Long Hill Road, Little Falls, New Jersey 07424*

*Sunday, October 14, 2007*



Matins ..... 9:00 am  
Confession ..... 9:00—9:45 am

Divine Liturgy ..... 10:00 am  
Sunday School ..... 9:30 am

**Very Reverend Father Elias Bitar**

**Deacon Michael Ibrahim**

**Office: (973) 256-8961 + Rectory: (973) 890-9139**

**Kitchen: (973) 256-4942 + Fax: (973) 256-6613**

**Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 8:30 am - 1:30 pm**

**Internet Web Site: <http://www.saintgeorgenj.org>**

**Office e-mail: [JSalotti@aol.com](mailto:JSalotti@aol.com)**

**HOLY FATHERS OF THE SEVENTH ECCUMENICAL COUNCIL**  
**Tone 3 Eothinon 9**

**The Epistle**

**Prokeimenon:** Blessed art thou, O Lord, the God of our Fathers. For thou art just in all that thou hast done to us.

**Section from the Epistle of St. Paul to his Disciple Titus 3:8-15.**

My child Titus: This is a faithful saying and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men.

But avoid foolish questions, and genealogies, and contentions, and striving about the law; for they are unprofitable and vain.

A man that is an heretic, after the first and second admonition, reject; knowing that he that is such is subverted, and sinneth, being condemned of himself.

When I shall send Artemas unto thee, or Tychicus, be diligent to come unto me to Nicopolis: for I have determined there to winter.

Bring Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their journey diligently, that nothing be wanting unto them.

And let ours also learn to maintain good works for necessary uses, that they be not unfruitful.

All that are with me salute thee. Greet them that love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

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

<p>Name: _____</p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p>Telephone: _____</p> <p>e-mail: _____</p> <p>_____ I am a visitor</p> <p>_____ I recently moved into the area</p> <p>_____ I am interested in becoming a member</p> <p>_____ I would like to know more about this Church</p> <p>_____ I request a phone call</p> <p>_____ I would like an appointment with the Priest</p> <p>_____ Please include me on the Parish Mailing List</p> <p>_____ Please pray for: _____</p>	<p>_____ I would like to volunteer for _____</p> <p>_____ I would like to know more about Church Activities, especially:</p> <p>_____ Teen SOYO _____ PTA</p> <p>_____ Sunday School _____ Charity Committee</p> <p>_____ St. John the Divine Fellowship _____ Choir</p> <p>_____ Ladies Society</p> <p>_____ Other _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
---	---

**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

1<sup>st</sup> or

15<sup>th</sup> 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 8:5-15**

The Lord spoke this parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundredfold."

And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, Jesus said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God: but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience." As Jesus said this, he called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

**Altar Boys are:** George Juzdan, CJ Starke, Ramzi Kurzum, Simone Kurzum, Andrew Hanna.

**Ushers:** George Juzdan, Spero Kalyoussef, Hannah Sabbagh, Jackie Arsheed

### **BREAD OF HOLY OBLATION**

**In memory of** Wasela Andalaft, Nazera Gousen, Charles Arrout, Louise Mele, Joseph Nasra, Wedad Kassab, Kathleen Azrak, JayeAnn Abbood, Lillian Nahass.

**Memory Eternal.**

Albert & Annaliese Abboud **for the good health of their Aunt Mary Abboud** on the occasion of her birthday.

John & Mary Balonze **for the good health of their son John** on the occasion of his birthday.

**May God grant them many years.**

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

**Aliyas & Jannette Aboughanam in memory of** Alfred Aboud, Yasmen & Makhoul Aboughanam and Mytry & Jlian Aboukasm.

**Edward & Lillian Mamary in memory of** Richard Mamary.

### **Teen SOYO**

- Our Teen SOYO (Society of Orthodox Youth Organization) is the most active organization of our parish. Our active and vibrant teenagers form the Teen SOYO that is involved in all aspects of the church life, including spiritual, social, and charitable activities. To become a member of our Teen SOYO, please contact Mark Nafash, Lucy Chalet, Jennifer Zabaneh or Hend Kevorkian at [Hendk99@optonline.net](mailto: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.
- **Meeting TODAY, after Liturgy in church.**
- **Saturday, October 20, 2007— Hafli**
- **Saturday, November 17, 2007— Teen SOYO Retreat**

### **Charity Committee**

- The charity outreach committee is a group of people within the church who undertake fundraising activities, which specifically benefit local charitable causes.
- For more information on how to become involved, please call Julie Abboud at 973-812-0444 or e-mail at [immalbert@aol.com](mailto:immalbert@aol.com)
- **Save the date! Friday, November 9th, an evening of Hope benefiting St. George Charity Committee @ Michelle's Restaurant in Garfield, NJ. Ticket will be on Sale September 30th. Donation \$75.00.**

### **Choir**

- St. George's choir is made up of volunteer members of our parish, the choir has been gracing our liturgy with angelic music for many years. The choir is open to all members of the parish. For more information on how to become a choir member, please see Christine Lynch.

### St. John The Divine Fellowship

- The Fellowship consists of young adults dedicated to following the example of their patron, St. John the Divine, who was the youngest apostle, and the closest to Jesus. They are involved in spiritual, social, and charitable activities within the church. For more information on how to join our fellowship, please contact Rima Bandeli.
- **Movie Night, Friday, November 2nd, 8:00 pm.**
- **Delegates Meeting, Friday, October 26-28, 2007, Johnstown, PA.**
- **Delegates Meeting, Friday, March 7-10, 2007**

### Ladies Society

- The Ladies Society is considered the foundation organization involved in many spiritual, and fund raising activities for the benefit of the church. The society is open to all women who are members of the parish. For more information on how to help please contact Yola Shehady.
- **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.
- **Friday, October 26, 2007— Halloween Party.**

### **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](mailto: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**, Tuesday, November 20, 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](mailto: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, October 17, 2007 @ 7:00 pm.**
- The annual General Parish Meeting and Parish Council Elections will take place on **Sunday, October 28, 2007**, after Liturgy. During the meeting there will be an election of six members of the church to serve on the Parish Council. **The Candidates are Richard Abbate, Edward Kurzum, John Balonze, Issa Lwise and Hazim Fanik, Khaled Klele.** If anyone is interested in running, please contact Amin Amireh.

### **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.
- **Open House Today immediately after Liturgy. Parents should report to their children's classrooms and speak to their child's teacher and see what they are learning and if they could be of any assistance in educating them.**

### **OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

1st	Fadel Ayoub	14th	Jillian Haid
4th	Amanda Elmasri	16th	George Fakes
6th	Taylor Szabo	18th	Rami Mamary
8th	Julianna Sousou	22nd	Andrew Handal
12th	Sami Ayoub	22nd	Diane Lwaysi
12th	Gabriella Acoury	26th	Nataline Elmasri
14th	Sara Donovan	27th	Catherine Ibrahim