



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church

237 Long Hill Road, Little Falls, New Jersey 07424

Sunday, October 28, 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-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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The Epistle

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

Section from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians 6:11-15

YE brethren: see what a letter I have written unto you with mine own hand.

As many as desire to make a fair show in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised; only lest they should suffer persecution for the cross of Christ.

For neither they themselves who are circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh.

But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.

For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any things, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature.

And as many as walk according to this rule, peace be on them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

From henceforth let no man trouble me: for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus.

Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

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 8:41-56

At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Ja'irus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet, he besought him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying.

As Jesus went, the people pressed round him. And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years, and had spent all her living upon physicians, and could not be healed by any one, came up behind him, and touched the fringe of his garment; and immediately her flow ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround you and press upon you, and you say, "Who touched me?" "But Jesus said, "Some one touched me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. And Jesus said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace."

While Jesus was speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when Jesus came to the house, he permitted no one to enter with him, except Peter and James and John, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but Jesus said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand Jesus called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and Jesus directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but he charged them to tell no one what had happened.

Altar Boys are: Peter Yazgi, Shadi Salilby Anthony Handal, George Mitwasi.

Ushers: Mark Nafash, Valerie Pacae, Katrina Bandeli, Joelle Samaha.

BREAD OF HOLY OBLATION

In memory of Salim Tahan, George Barakat, Herbert Fadil, Elia Shehady, Madiha Abood, Nabiha Nahass, Lillie Maloof,

In memory of Frieda Hamway offered by Jennie Nabba and family.

In memory of Elia Shehady offered by his children and their families.

Memory Eternal.

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

- Souhel & Yola Shehady in memory of Elia Shehady.
- Jennie Nabba in memory of Frieda Hamway.
- Lou & Virginia Nabba in memory of Freida Hamway.
- George & Veneta Traboulsi in memory of Michel & Georgette Yazgi.
- Thomas & Hoda Oliver in memory of Joseph Abuissa.

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 3rd, Seminarian Dinner 4-9 pm.**
- **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
- **Save the date! Friday, November 9th, an evening of Hope benefiting St. George Charity Committee @ Michelle's Restaurant in Garfield, NJ. Ticket are now on Sale. Donation \$75.00.**
- **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!
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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

- 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**
- Monday, October 29th, Pastry Preparation 6:30 pm
- Thursday, November 1st, Pastry Preparation 9:30 am
- Monday, November 5th, Nut Mamool 6:00pm
- Tuesday, November 6th, Date & Apricot Mamool 9:30am
- Wednesday, November 7th, Bracelets 6:00 pm
- Thursday, November 8th, Baklava Fingers 9:30 am
- Tuesday, November 13th, Graybee 9:30 am
- Wednesday, November 14, Preparation for Packing 6:00 pm
- Thursday, November 15, Packing 9:30 am

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**, 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 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.
- **Friday November 2, 2007, Canteen Dance 7:00pm**, Sponsored by the Charity Committee.

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**.
- The annual General Parish Meeting and Parish Council Elections will take place **TODAY**, 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 Lwaysi, Hazim Fanik, George Sarraf, Khalad Klele and Geries Dorkhom.** 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.

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