



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church

237 Long Hill Road, Little Falls, New Jersey 07424

Sunday, February 3, 2008



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

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

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**THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
TONE 7 EOTHINON 10**

The Epistle

**Prokeimenon: The Lord will give strength to his people.
Bring to the Lord, O ye children of God.**

Section from the First Epistle of St. Paul to Timothy (4:9-15)

My son Timothy: A faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance.

For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe.

These things command and teach.

Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.

Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine.

Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of presbytery.

Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them; that thy profiting may appear to all.

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 _____

New Financial Support Forms for 2008: "The 2008 Pledge Form lists no minimum \$ to meet. You decide on the amount of offering per week or per month or per year in proportion to your income. You can also choose to pay by using your Credit/Debit card and the monthly amount will be charged either on the 1st or the 15th of the month as you wish. This commitment is renewed every year. Please be generous with God as He is generous with you and your family. Please sign the form and return it to 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 2008 to Saint George Church (including Archdiocese assessment) will be:

\$ _____ per Week

\$ _____ per Month

\$ _____ per Year

(Please circle one only)

I will Renew this Commitment each Year on a New Form

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ e-mail _____

Select either check or credit/debit card

Payable by check:

- Offering 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 19:1-10

At that time, Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchae'us; he was a chief tax collector, and rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Jesus, for he was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchae'us, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he made haste and came down, and received him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchae'us stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded any one of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost."

Altar Boys are: Peter Yazgi, Nicholas Juzdan, Phillip Sabbagh, Tommy Oliver.

BREAD OF HOLY OBLATION

In memory of Sadick Kabbash, Camille Abbatiello, Philomena Sedawie, Pauline Bulay, Rose Chalet, Yorgi Lawand, Shukrie Rabahia, Michael Ballan, Soloman Kozam, Agnes Nafash, Sadie Fadil.

Memory Eternal.

FORTY-DAY TRISAGION SERVICE

In memory of Rose Kassab offered by William & Nora Jarjoura and family.

Memory Eternal.

Today's Coffee Hour is being donated by William & Nora Jarjoura in memory of Rose Kassab.

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

John & Mary Balonze in memory of Sammy Fadil.
 Richard & Beatrice Fadil in memory of Sammy Fadil.
 Dr. & Mrs. Samuel Cross, Jr. in memory of Sammy Fadil.
 Mona Barrios in memory of Sammy Fadil.
 Helen Fayad in memory of Sammy Fadil.
 John & Mary Balonze in memory of Michel Yazgi.
 Mona Barrios in memory of Louis Hakim.
 George & Rana Derbaly in memory of Fr. Maximos Nassour.
 Talal & Rana Lwaysi in memory of Fr. Maximos Nassour, Hanneh Naous & Edma Kaspar.

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
- **Friday, March 7-10, 2008— Delegates Meeting.**

Charity Committee

- The charity outreach committee is a group of people within the church who undertake fundraising activities, which specifically benefit local charitable causes. These activities bring alive the teaching of our Lord, when he said "in as much as you have done it to these, the least of my brethren, you have done it to me".
- For more information on how to become involved, please call Julie Abboud at 973-812-0444 or e-mail at immalbert@aol.com

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.
- Fellowship meeting Sunday, January 6th, after Liturgy.
- **Wine & Cheese Event, Saturday, February 23, 2008 at 7:00 pm.** Sampling of 5 different wine varietals from Argentina, Italy and the USA. Gourmet hors d'oeuvres & appetizers, cheese & fruit stations. Donation \$50.00. Adults only. For ticket and reservations contact Randa Munayyer at 201-207-9445 or email Randa.Munayyer@gmail.com
- **Delegates Meeting, Friday, March 7-10, 2008.**
- **Reverse Raffle, Saturday, May 10, 2008.** More info to follow.

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 Fadia Juzdan.
- **Meeting**, February 10th, after Liturgy in conference room.
- **St. Vladimir Dinner**, Saturday, February 16, 2008.

PTA

- We need the support of all parents of Sunday School children. Please volunteer to help to make our events successful. 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.
- **Pledge Envelopes:** You will be receiving newly designed pledge envelopes in the mail soon. In the mean time, please use a white envelope with your name written on it so you can be credited with your donation. Thank you!

- **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.
- If you are a mother with young children 2 1/2 years and younger and would like to be in a social group that will meet; once a week at the church, please call Fr. Elias at 973-256-9475.
- **We are planning another trip to the Holy Land** on September 12th thru 22nd, 2008. If you are interested in going, please let us know as soon as possible since we have a limited number of seats. Please call the church office at 973-256-8961 or Edward Kurzum at 973-857-6562.

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, February 20, 2008** at 7:00 pm.

The Parish Council met last Wednesday, January 16th, and had a fruitful meeting. A new Membership Committee was formed to energize the church membership attendance and broaden the church membership base. The members of this committee are; Elie Saade (Chair), Amin Amireh, Hazem Fanik, Fadia Juzdan, Julia Kalyoussef, Issa Lwaysi and Souhel Shehady. The committee will work in conjunction with Fr. Elias and assist him in the follow up with many parish members. If you are approached by any of the members of the committee, please give them your full support.

We are asking each family to please fill out the 2008 Pledge Form, sign it and return it to the church office. Thank you!

Sunday School

- To enroll your children in the Sunday School, please see Brian Nafash. The Sunday school is open to all children of our church members.
- Saints Festival, Sunday, May 18, after Liturgy. Come and listen to your children tell about their classroom Saint. Parents are invited. Food and beverages will be served.

February Birthday's

03	Elina Chalet	16	Sophia Ayoub
05	Zackary Haid	22	Elie Lwaysi
11	Narimann Salim	25	Nicole Starke
14	Kelsey O'Gorman	26	Tianna Saade
16	Sara Hajal	27	Elias Chalet
16	Phillip Sabbagh		
16	Sam Hajal, Jr.		