



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church

237 Long Hill Road, Little Falls, New Jersey 07424

Sunday, November 9, 2008



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

Divine Liturgy 10:00 am
Sunday School 10:45 am

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TWENTY- FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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The Epistle

Prokeimenon: How great are thy works, O Lord, thou hast made all things in wisdom. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

Section from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians (2:16:20)

Ye brethren: Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the work of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is therefore Christ the minister of sin? God forbid.

For if I build again the things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor.

For I through the law am dead to the law, that I might live unto God.

I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

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 _____

We are asking all parishioners to please fill out and return the attached Financial Support Form.

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 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 bemoaning 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, George Fakes, Elie Lwaysi, Andrew Hanna..

BREAD OF HOLY OBLIATION

In memory of Ronald Hagggar, Michael Afsa, George Sebra, Lillie Kassab, Abdel Abood, William Chalet, Selma Abousamra, Elian Abousamra, Samuel Abousamra, Theodore Zayat.

Memory Eternal.

In memory of Ronald Hagggar offered by Yvette & James Hagggar.

Memory Eternal.

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

Elaine Aquino in memory of Ann Samra.
Denise Loli in memory of William Kabbash.
Robert & Pearl Nahass in memory of Basme Saba.
Edward & Lillian Mamary in memory of Basme Saba.
Edward & Lillian Mamary for the good health of Joanne Bitar.
Olivia Kabbash for the good health of Rose Marie Zamloot & Hafez Juzdan
Robert & Pearl Nahass for the good health of Rose Marie Zamloot & Hafez Juzdan.
Virginia Contrino for the good health of Hafez Juzdan.
Nicholas & Joyce Andalft for the good health of Rose Marie Zamloot.
George & Grace Andalft for the good health of Rose Marie Zamloot.

Teen SOYO

- To become a member of our Teen SOYO, please contact Alexandra Nafash, Lucy Chalet, Jennifer Zabaneh or Hend Kevorkian at Hendk99@optonline.net
- We are collecting coats, blankets, sweats, sneakers. **Only New Socks, Hats & Gloves. NO SUMMER CLOTHING!!!** Thank you!
- Sunday, November 16th, Falafel Sandwich Sale.
- Saturday, November 15th, **Mandatory Retreat for all Teens.**

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.
- **Annual Parish Christmas Card.** We will begin taking donations on Sunday, November 2nd. Please see Jane Tadros or Marlene Ayoub for more information. Suggested minimum donation is \$20.00.

St. John The Divine Fellowship

- For more information on how to join our fellowship, please contact Rima Bandeli.

Ladies Society

We are now taking orders for our Pastries. Order Forms are now available. Place your order with Jackie Salotti or any Ladies Society Member. 973-256-8961 or Jsalotti@aol.com. **Listed below are work days for pastries.** Everyone is welcome to help!

Ladies Work Days

Friday, Nov. 14th, Balava & Bracelets, 6:30 pm.

Tuesday, Nov. 18th, Graybee, 9:30 am.

Thursday, Nov. 20th, Packing, 9:30 am.

Grape Leaves are still available while supply lasts. 3 bundles of 10 for \$10.00.

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.
- **St. Nicholas Party** after Vespers, Friday, December 5th. **Christmas Party**, Friday, December 19th. If you would like to volunteer to help, please call 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.
- **VESPERS:** Wednesday, Evenings at 7:00 pm.
- **Building Fund:** The Fund Raising Committee for the new property has sent out letters to each church member and to many friends of our church requesting their participation. Please fill out the pledge form and send it with your check to the church office. Make the check payable to "St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church," and indicate in memo "New Property Funds." One of the Committee members will follow up on each letter by getting in touch with you personally, either by email or by phone call. Your prompt and positive response will make their job easier." For more information, please contact Fr. Elias Bitar or Salim Abboud.
- **Arabic Classes:** Classes will begin on Monday, September 22nd, at 5:00 pm. For more information, please contact Ikhlas Munayyer or call the Church office at 973-256-8961 or email Jsalotti@aol.com

- **Champion:** The Champion will be published on a bi-monthly basis. If any one wishes to submit an article , please email to Michelle Handal at michellehandal@aol.com. All ads for the champion must be submitted to Salim Saykali, 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.
- **Book Store:** Now available for sale in the St. George Bookstore the long-awaited, complete "Orthodox Study Bible" including both the Old and New Testaments. This new publication features an original translation by Orthodox Scholars of the Old Testament from the Septuagint. It also includes insightful commentary drawn from the Christian writers of the first ten centuries; full-Color Icons and helpful notes relating Scripture to seasons of Christian feasting and fasting. Please pay a visit to the bookstore to see for yourself the beauty of this new Bible, which might become a family treasure.
- **New Year's Eve:** Dinner-Dance, featuring Eddie Ossama. More information to follow.
- **Men's Club:** Meeting's, Friday, November 21st, Friday, December 19th.

Parish Council

The next Parish Council meeting is Wednesday, November 19, at 7:00 pm. The meetings of the Parish Council are open to all parishioners. If you are interested, you are welcome to attend them.

Newly elected PC Members, Salim Abboud, Eli Saade, Ziad Juzdan.

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.

November Birthday's

04	Ousama Hanna	16	Sandra Saba
06	Karol Korbeh	16	Daniel Batarseh
07	Kristina Sousou	16	Alexander Khalaf
08	Amanda Kilyk	18	Emily Haid
09	Michael Sabbagh	20	Victoria Ayoub
09	Rudy Mamary	28	Rami Saliby
09	Nicole Shehady		