



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church

237 Long Hill Road, Little Falls, New Jersey 07424

Sunday, October 19, 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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The Epistle

Prokeimenon: Let thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye just.

Section from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians (9:6-11)

Ye brethren: He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.

Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.

And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:

(As it is written, He hath dispersed abroad; he hath given to the poor: his righteousness remaineth forever.

Now he that ministereth seed to the sower both minister bread for your food, and multiply your seed sown, and increase the fruits of your righteousness;)

Being enriched in every thing to all bountifulness, which causeth through us thanksgiving to 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 _____

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 7:11-16

At that time, Jesus went to a city called Na'in and many of his disciples and a great crowd went with him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large crowd from the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "do not weep." And he came and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And Jesus said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And the dead man sat up, and began to speak. And Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" And "God has visited his people!"

Altar Boys are: Paul Sabbagh, Michael Sabbagh, Timothy Sabbagh, Michael Elchtear.

BREAD OF HOLY OBLIATION

In memory of JayeAnn Abbood, Lillian Nahass, Frank Baker, Lila Shamsey Murad, Marianna Chalet, Lillian Mason, Mariam Fardice Albert Kaliel, Henry Ghiz, Josephine Ghiz, Saleema Nicholas, Frieda Hamway, Fadwa Ameer, Wadia Hebeke,

In memory of Ellen Saba offered by her children and their families.

Memory Eternal.

Today's coffee hour is being donated by the Saba family **in memory of Ellen Saba.**

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

- William Jarjoura in memory of Nora Jarjoura.
- Johnny & Hilda Abuissa in memory of Joseph Abuissa aned Afif Abuissa.
- Marie Fadil in memor of Salema Abboud.
- Sohel Garah in memory of Khaliel Jarouge.
- Olivia Kabbash in memory of Emily Aboukasm..
- Antoine & Hala Chalet in memory of Maryanna Chalet.
- Souhel & Yola Shehady in mermory of Silva Samaha.
- Marlene Wangenheim and family for the good health of Rose Marie Zamloot.

In memory of Basme Saba offered by Virginia Contrino, Olivia Kabbash, Mark & Jackie Salotti, Edward & Narmin Kurzum, Souhel & Yola Shehady, John & Nadia Joubran,

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
- **OCTOBER IS YOUTH MONTH!**
- **TODAY**, Special Olympic Tag Day.
- We are collecting coats, blankets, sweats, sneakers. **Only New Socks, Hats & Gloves. NO SUMMER CLOTHING!!!** Thank you!
- 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
- **Saturday, November 1st, Dinner-Dance**, Taste of New York. Donation \$50.00 per person (no children). All proceeds will benefit the Charity Fund. Tickets are available in the church hall after Liturgy..

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.

Ladies Society

We are now taking orders for 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

Wednesday, Nov. 5th, Pastry Preparation, 6:30 pm.

Friday, Nov. 7th, Mamool, 6:30 pm.

Friday, Nov. 14th, Baklava & 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.
- **Halloween Party**, Friday, October 24th. **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:** Saturday Evenings at 5:00 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
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- **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, October 24th, Friday, November 21st, Friday, December 19th. Deep Sea Fishing Party, Saturday, September 27th, from afternoon to evening. If interested, please call Issa lwaysi at 917-589-6593.

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.

The Annual General Parish Meeting and Parish Council Elections will take place **on Sunday, October 26, 2008**, after Liturgy. If you would like to be nominated to serve on the Parish Council, please see Hal Shehady. **The candidates are Salim Abboud, Eli Saade, George Sarraf, Khaled Klele, Hazim Fanik and 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.

October Birthday's

10/1	Fadel Ayoub	10/14	Jillian Haid
10/4	Amanda Elmasri	10/16	George Fakes
10/6	Taylor Szabo	10/18	Rami Mamary
10/8	Julianna Sousou	10/22	Andrew Handal
10/12	Sami Ayoub	10/22	Diane Lwaysi
10/12	Gabriel Acoury	10/26	Nataline Elmasri
10/14	Sara Donovan	10/27	Catherine Ibrahim