



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church

237 Long Hill Road, Little Falls, New Jersey 07424

Sunday, October 5, 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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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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The Epistle

Epistle: The Lord will give strength to his peoples. Bring to the Lord, O ye children of God.

Section from the 2nd Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians 6:1-10

Ye brethren: We then, as workers together with him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain.

(For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succored thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.)

Giving no offense in any thing, that the ministry be not blamed:

But in all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses,

In stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labours, in watchings, in fastings;

By pureness, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned,

By the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left,

By honour and dishonour, by evil report and good report: as deceivers, and yet true;

as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and, behold, we live; as chastened, and not killed;

As sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.

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: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> I am a visitor <input type="checkbox"/> I recently moved into the area <input type="checkbox"/> I am interested in becoming a member <input type="checkbox"/> I would like to know more about this Church <input type="checkbox"/> I request a phone call <input type="checkbox"/> I would like an appointment with the Priest <input type="checkbox"/> Please include me on the Parish Mailing List <input type="checkbox"/> Please pray for: _____ _____ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> I would like to volunteer for _____ <input type="checkbox"/> I would like to know more about Church Activities, especially: <input type="checkbox"/> Teen SOYO <input type="checkbox"/> PTA <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday School <input type="checkbox"/> Charity Committee <input type="checkbox"/> St. John the Divine Fellowship <input type="checkbox"/> Choir <input type="checkbox"/> Ladies Society <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ _____ _____
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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 6:31-36

The Lord said, "As you wish that men should do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return: and your reward will be great, an you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."

Altar Boys are: Shadi Saliby, George Mitwasi, Nicholas Mitwasi, Matthew Sabbagh.

Ushers are: Alexandra Nafash, Matthew Chatrie, Reema Arsheed, Nichoals Juzdan.

BREAD OF HOLY OBLIATION

In memory of Joseph Hatab, Aref Gorab, Mary Ganim, John Eshak, Salema Abboud, Rita Tashjian, Anthony Jorwa, Richard Mamary, Russell Hagggar, Saliba Elhin, Julie Kabbash, Marian Abousamra..

In memory of Mounir Hassan Hanna offered by Mounzer & Kinda Yacoub and family.
Memory Eternal.

For the good health of Diane Sabbagh offered by Michael & Lisa Nafash and family.
May god grant her many years.

FORTY-DAY TRISAGION SERVICE

In memory of Victoria Chalet offered by her children and their families.

ONE-YEAR TRISAGION SERVICE

In memory of Michael Yazigi offered by his children and their families.
Memory Eternal.

Today's Coffee Hour is being donated by the **Chalet family in memory of Victoria Chalet.**

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

Mounzer & Kinda Yacoub in memory of Mounir Hassan Hanna.
Edward & Lillian Mamary in memory of Richard Mamary.
Abraham & Terry Mamary in memory of Richard Mamary.
George & Elsie Nassor in memory of Emily Aboukasim.
Souhel & Yola Shehady in memory of Emily Aboukasim.
Michael & Lisa Nafash and family for the good health of Diane Sabbagh.
Olivia Kabbash for the good health of Joanne Bitar.
George & Elsie Nassor for the good health of Joanne Bitar.
Stacy Kyrillidis & Robert & Electra Davis for the good health of Joanne Bitar.
Souhel & Yola Shehady for the good health of Joanne Bitar.

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!**
- We are collecting coats, blankets, sweats, sneakers. **Only New Socks, Hats & Gloves. NO SUMMER CLOTHING!!!** Thank you!
- Saturday, October 18th, at 8:00 pm, **Arabian Night Hafli. Music, Food and Dancing, bring your own liquor.** Donation \$35.00. For tickets, please call Hend Kevorkian 201-715-4514, Lucy Chalet 973-429-0334 or Jennifer Zabaneh 1-713-204-7171.

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

The Ladies Society is considered the foundation organization involved in many spiritual and fundraising 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.

Ladies Work Day, Friday, October 10th, Grape Leaves, 6:00 pm.

Everyone is welcome to help!!

We are now taking orders for **String Cheese** (\$4.00 per piece) and **Grape Leaves** (3 bundles of 10 for \$10.00). Please call or email the church office 973-256-8961 or Jsalotti@aol.com or see any Ladies Society member with your order. Thank you!

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

- **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, October 15, 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.

General Parish Meeting, Sunday 26th, after Liturgy.

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.
- **CHANGE IN TIME FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES.** Classes will begin immediately after Communion.

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