



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church

237 Long Hill Road, Little Falls, New Jersey 07424

Sunday, September 14, 2008



Matins 9:00 am

Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

Confession 9:00—9:45 am

Sunday School 9:30 am

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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

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• Offering envelopes will be sent to you

Signature _____ Date _____

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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 Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John (19:6-35)

At that time, the chief priests and the elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put him to death; they led him to Pilate and cried out, "Crucify him, crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and crucify him, for I find no crime to him." The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and by that law he ought to die, because he has made himself the Son of God." When Pilate heard these words, he was the more afraid; he entered the praetorium again and said to Jesus, "Where are you from?" But Jesus gave no answer, Pilate therefore said to him, "You will not speak to me? Do you not know that I have power to crucify you, and power to release you?" Jesus answered him, "You would have no power over me unless it had been given to you from above." When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called The Pavement, and in Hebrew, Gab'batha. Now it was the day of Preparation of the Passover; it was about the sixth hour. Pilate said to the Jews, "Behold your King!" They cried out, "Away with him, away with him, crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but Ceasar." Then Pilate handed Jesus over to them to be crucified.

So they took Jesus and led him away; and he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called the place of the skull, which is called in Hebrew Gol'gotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them. Pilate also wrote a title and put it on the cross; it read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." Many of the Jews read this title, for the place, where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Greek, and in Latin. Now standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mar the wife of Clopas, and Mary Mag'dalene. When Jesus saw his mother, and the disciple whom he loved standing near, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold your son!" Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own.

After this Jesus, knowing that all was now fulfilled, said, "it is finished"; and he bowed his head and gave up the spirit.

Since it was the day of Preparation, in order to prevent the bodies from remaining on the cross on the sabbath (for that sabbath was high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who had been crucified with Jesus; but when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. But one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water. He who saw it has borne witness-his testimony is true.

Altar Boys are: Andrew Chatrie, Matthew Chatrie, Eli Saman, Albert Samaan.

BREAD OF HOLY OBLIATION

In memory of Roy Haik, Robert Lauritano, George Khoury, Nellie Homod, Rose Husni, Michael Klele, Rose Klele. **Memory Eternal.**

NINE-DAY TRISAGION SERVICE

In memory of Emile Aboukasam offered by Aliyas & Janette Abouganam and family. **Memory Eternal.**

FORTY-DAY TRISAGION SERVICE

In memory of William Kabbash offered by his wife Olivia, his children and their families.

In memory of Albert Kaba offered by Edward & Lillian Mamary and family. **Memory Eternal.**

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

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

In memory of William Kabbash offered by Edward & Lillian Mamary, Gabriel Hakim, Jim Kabbash, Olivia Kabbash, William & Donna Starke and family, Michael & Maha Kabbash and family, Faraj & Marlene Ayoub, Robert & Pearl Nahass.

Edward & Lillian Mamary in memory of Albert Kaba.
Robert & Pearl Nahass in memory of Albert Kaba.
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Kassab in memory of Nora Jarjoura.
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bishop in memory of Victoria Chalet.
Margaret De Geyter in memory of Richard Lyons.
Mary Khoury in memory of the Khoury family.

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
- Sunday September 14th, Teen meeting with parents after Liturgy in church.
- Saturday, September 20, Apple Picking.
- September 26th & 27th, Lock-in/Getting to know each other.
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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 will be on sale soon.

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.
- Sunday, September 21st, meeting after Liturgy.

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.

TODAY, Communion. Meeting after Liturgy in Conference Room.

Saturday, November 8th, Tricky Tray. More information to follow.

Please see Recipe for **HOLY BREAD** on back cover!!!

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 JSa-lotti@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.
- **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.

- **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.
- **Men's Club:** Meeting after Liturgy **TODAY.**
- **Bible Bowl Winner's: Adult Team:** Rima Bandeli, Donna Starke & Eli Saade.
Teen Team: Reem Arsheed, Petra Ayoub & CJ Starke.
- **Oratorical Winner's:** Sara Saba (**Senior Division**), Sandy Saba (**Junior Division**)
Katrina Bandeli (**Participant**)
- **New Year's Eve:** Dinner-Dance, featuring Eddie Ossama. More information to follow.

Parish Council

The next Parish Council meeting is Wednesday, September 17, 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.

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 on Sunday, September 7th, immediately after Communion.

September Birthday's

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| 03 | Sylvia Abuissa | 16 | Samuel Waldinger |
| 05 | George Stavrou | 17 | Elias Chalet |
| 08 | Roison Sousou | 21 | Eva Nahass |
| 09 | Mereil Louis | 23 | Jonathan Nadraws |
| 12 | Randy Arsheed | 25 | Alex Ghanim & Christina Korbeh |
| 12 | Laura Lwalysi | 25 | Janine Juzdan (26) Jessica Nafash |
| 13 | Jalil Tadaros | 27 | Amanda Daoud (29) Mirian Louis |