



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church

237 Long Hill Road, Little Falls, New Jersey 07424

Sunday, September 28, 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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FIFTEEN SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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The Epistle

Prokeimenon: Save, O Lord, thy people, and bless thine inheritance. Unto thee I cry, O Lord, O my God.

Section from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians 4:6-15

Ye brethren: For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair;

Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed;

Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body.

For we which live are always delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh.

We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak;

Knowing that he, which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus, and shall present us with you.

For all things are for your sakes, that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of 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 Gospel according to St. Luke (5:1-11)

At that time, Jesus was standing by the lake of Gennes'-aret. And he saw two boats by the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, Jesus asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when Jesus had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." And when they had done this, they enclosed a great shoal of fish; and as their nets were breaking, they beckoned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zeb'edee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; hence forth you will be catching men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

Altar Boys are: Peter Yazgi, Stephan Davan, George Fakes, Elie Lwaysi, Andrew Hanna.

BREAD OF HOLY OBLIATION

In memory of Jameel Hamway, Abdo Azrak, Nicholas Fadil, Marion Van Eck, Alfred Ballan, Gabriel Andalaft, Theresa Azar, Silva Homsy, Charles Moussab.

Memory Eternal.

FORTY-DAY TRISAGION SERVICE

In memory of Nora Jarjoura offered by her husband William, her children and their families.

FORTY- DAY TRISAGION SERVICE

In memory of Shukrie Raheb offered by his children, Kamal, Issa, Veronica, Norma and their families.

Memory Eternal.

Today's coffee hour is being donated by the Jarjoura family in memory of Nora Jarjoura.

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

Paul & Jennifer Nahas in memory of William Kabbash.
Gregory Zrake in memory of William Kabbash.
Jennie Nabba and family in memory Albert Kabba.
George & Abir Yazgi Emilie Aboukasim.
Hannah, Michael, Paul & Timothy Sabbagh for the good health of Lisa Nafash.
Gabriel & Diane Sabbagh and family for the good health of Joanne Bitar.
William & Maha Dorkhom and family in memory of Nalchleh & Andooney Hindeleh.

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!**
- 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, Thursday, October 2nd, String Cheese, 9:30 am.

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.

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.
- **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, 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.

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.

September Birthday's

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