



# Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church

*237 Long Hill Road, Little Falls, New Jersey 07424*

*Sunday, August 9, 2009*



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

**Divine Liturgy ..... 10:00 am**  
**Sunday School ..... 9:30 am**

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**NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST THE SUNDAY AFTER TRANSFIGURATION**

**Tone 8**

**Eothinon 9**

**The Epistle**

**Prokeimenon: Vow ye, and pray to the Lord your God. In Judah is God known.**

**Section from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians 3:9-17.**

Ye brethren: We are laborers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building.

According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise master-builder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon.

For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;

Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.

If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward.

If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.

Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?

If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.

*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 \_\_\_\_\_

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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 2009 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) \_\_\_\_\_

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**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

- 1<sup>st</sup> or
- 15<sup>th</sup> 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. Matthew 14:22-34**

At that time, Jesus made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.

And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat was in the middle of the sea, beaten by the waves; for the wind was against it. And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. But immediately, Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart, it is I; have no fear."

And Peter answered him, saying, "Lord, if it is you, bid me come to you on the water." Jesus said, "Come on." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus; but when he saw the mighty wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "O man of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind became calm. And those in the boat came and worshipped Jesus, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

And when they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennes'aret.

**Beginning Sunday, July 12th thru Sunday, August 30th, Liturgy will begin at 9:30 am.**

**Altar Boys are:** Simone Kurzum, Ramzi Kurzum, Anthony Handal, Andrew Handal.

### **BREAD OF HOLY OBLIATION**

**In memory of** Kamel Azar, Jamie Esahak, Weda Ahto, Diane Chalet, Alexander Hawaweeny, Georgette Kozam, John Zeitoun, Tamam Nicholas, Natalie Attas, Naseeb Nassor, Albert Zalfa, Anna Jebour, Afife Fadil, Leon Kattas, Richard Hanna, Edward Ayick.

**In memory of Mousa Saba** offered by Emanuel & Ikhlas Munayyer and family.

**In memory of of Shafeek Kawash** offered by Toni Ann Crispino and family.

**Memory Eternal.**

**For the good health of Eissa, Josefina, Gabriel and baby Luca Abboud.**

**For the good health of Julie Abboud** offered by her family.

**For the good health of Nicholas Gorab on the occasion of his 80th Birthday** offered by George & Elsie Nassor.

**May God grant them many years.**

### **Forty-Day Trisagion Service**

**In memory of Sadek Arnouk** offered by George, his daughter, Abir and grandchildren.

**Memory Eternal.**

### **THANK YOU FOR THE DONATIONS TO THE CHURCH**

George & Abir Yazgi and family in memory of Sadek Arnouk.

George Traboulsi and family in memory of Sadek Arnouk and William Kabbash.

Edward & Narmin Kurzum in memory of Sadek Arnouk.

George & Souha Hanna in memory of Attih Nimeh.

James & Somaya Watkins in memory of Nicholas & Mary Fadil.

Sal & Anjule Consiglio in memory of Nicholas & Mary Fadil.

Olivia Kabbash and family in memory of William Kabbash.

William & Amal Jarjoura in memory of Nora Jarjoura and Jamil & Hanna Beyjoun.

Abraham & Denise Dahdouh in memory of Louise Balonze.

Angel & Carol Perez in memory of Louise Balonze.

George & Lara Sarraf in memory of Virginia Sowma.

Charles & Marie Sadek in memory of Virginia Sowma.

Emanuel & Ikhlas Munayyer in memory of Mousa Saba.

William & Donna Starke & family for the good health of Samir Elias & Salem Joubran.

Edward & Narmin Kurzum for the good health of Salem Joubran, Nihad Akel & George Nassor.

Salim Albert & Annaliese for the good health of Julie Abboud.

Theodossia & Marie Abboud for the good health of Julie Abboud.

Patricia Dakdouk for the good health of Julie Abboud.

### **Teen SOYO**

- To become a member of our Teen SOYO, please contact Matthew Chatrie, Lucy Chalet, Jennifer Zabaneh or Hend Kevorkian at [Hendk99@optonline.net](mailto:Hendk99@optonline.net)

### **Charity Committee**

- The charity outreach committee is a group of people within the church who undertake fundraising activities, which specifically benefit local charitable causes. For more information on how to become involved, please call Julie Abboud at 973-812-0444 or e-mail at [immalbert@aol.com](mailto: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.

### St. John The Divine Fellowship

- For more information on how to join our fellowship, please contact Elias Chalet.

### 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.

Sunday, September 6th, **Confession.**

Sunday, September 13th, **Communion - Ladies Meeting after Liturgy.**

The Ladies will be having their biannual election of officers in December. We are in need of nominations for all positions. President, Vice President, Treasurer & Secretary. Please see Fadia Juzdan or Julia Kalyoussef if you would like to be nominated for any of these positions.

### 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](mailto: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.

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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](mailto: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.

### Parish Council

- The next Parish Council meeting is **Wednesday, August 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.

### 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.

### August Birthday's

8-01	Jonathan Barrios	8-19	John Lubbos
8-02	Daniel Chahadeh	8-21	Danielle Chalet, Gabriella Saade
8-03	Stephanie Batarseh	8-21	Isabel Asencio, Marie Sarraf
8-04	Maggie Korbeh	8-24	Grace Sabbagh
8-09	Anthony Ayoub	8-25	Anthony Beyjoun
8-10	Sydney Butler	8-30	Claudia Batarseh
8-18	Reena Bassil	8-31	Mark Tarazi