



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church

237 Long Hill Road, Little Falls, New Jersey 07424

Sunday, June 7, 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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SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

Tone Eothinon

The Epistle: Their sound hath gone forth into all the earth. And their words unto the ends of the world.

Section from the Acts of the Saintly and Pure Apostles 2:1-11

And when the days of the Pentecost were accomplished, they were all together in one place;

And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a mighty wind coming, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting.

And there appeared to them parted tongues as it were of fire, and it sat upon every one of them:

And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they began to speak with divers tongues, according as the Holy Ghost gave them to speak.

Now there were dwelling at Jerusalem, Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.

And when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded in mind, because that every man heard them speak in his own tongue.

And they were all amazed, and wondered, saying: Behold, are not all these that speak, Galileans?

And how have we heard, every man our own tongue wherein we were born?

Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and inhabitants of Mesopotamia, Judea, and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia.

Phrygia, and Pamphylia, Egypt, and the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews also and proselytes, Cretes, and Arabians: We have heard them speak in our own tongues the wonderful works 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 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) _____

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. John 7:37-52 8:12

On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and proclaimed, "If any one thirst, let him come to me and drink. He who believes in me, as the scripture has said, 'Out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now this he said about the Spirit, which those who believed in him were to receive; for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

When they heard these words, many of the people said, "This is really the prophet." Others said, "This is the Christ." But some said, "Is the Christ to come from Galilee? Has not the scripture said that the Christ is descended from David, and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David was?" So there was a division among the people over him. Some of them wanted to arrest him, but no one laid hands on him.

The officers then went back to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, "Why did you not bring him?" The Officer's answered, "No man ever spoke like this man!" The Pharisees answered them, "Are you led astray, you also? Have any of the authorities or of the Pharisees believed in him? But this crowd, who do not know the law, are accursed." Nicodemus, who had gone to him before, and who was one of them, said to them, "Does our law judge a man without first giving him a hearing and learning what he does?" They replied, "Are you from Galilee too? Search and you will see that no prophet is to rise from Galilee."

Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

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

BREAD OF HOLY OBLIATION

In memory of Thomas Smeen, Haseeby Kabbash, Sarah Kozam, Elaine Dorkhom, Naomi Moreland McCarthy, Mary Souma, Naseeb Abboud, Harry Gravatt, Jr. George Salloum, Mary Buchsbaum, Nicholas Aboutok, George Kashey, Ragina Franciose, Annie Fadil Minnie Kabbash. **Memory Eternal.**

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

Gabriel & Diane Sabbagh and family for the good health of Christine Lynch.
Marlene Wangenheim for the good health of Rose Marie Zamloot.
Antoine & Hala Chalet in memory of Foutine Ynaki.

In memory of Robert Lynch offered by Aspasia Kyrillidis, M/M Robert Davis, Joseph Roumie, George & Elsie Nassor, Elias & Barbara Hebeke, Rick & Karen Braccini, George & Rana Derbaly, Sam & Alice Mamary, John & Mary Balonze, Edward & Narmin Kurzum, Fr. George & Hend Kevorkian, Mark & Jackie Salotti, Karam & Abir Wehbeh, Leo & Gladys Kaytes, Nicholas & Somaya Gorab, Sam & Ann Marie Zamloot, M/M David Nahass, Robert & Gail Maloof, George & Grace Andalft, Mark Bitar, Marwan & Darlene Haddad, Jonh & Mary Elizabeth Asencio, Issa Lwaysi, Emanuel & Ikhlas Munayyer, Michael & Lisa Nafash, George Sarraf, Donna Nassor, Cinday Nassor, Marie Fadil, William & Louise Osborn, Antoine & Samia Zeitoun, Julia Kalyoussef, M/M Phillip Spenard, Alan Matook, Albanese family, Elie & Rindala Saade, George & Mary Homsey, Joan Nafash, Gary & Chris Nafash, Frances & Elaine Khoury, Anthony Zrake, Doris Nafash, James & Jennie Nabba, Wadi & Rima Bandeli, Assad & Hiam Elias, Joyce Serventi, Louis & Virginia Nabba, Hafez & Wadia Juzdan, David & Tina Barber, Lucy Chalet, Frank & Johnna Cerligione, Nicholas & Joyce Andalft, Farag & Marlene Ayoub, William & Donna Starke, Thomas & Hoda Oliver, Joseph & Joumana Kalyoussef, Virginia Contrino, Margaret DeGeyter, Pierre & Amal Kalyoussef, Sabah Kalyoussef, William & Amal Jarjoura, George Nahass, Bill & Gail Ludlum, Souhel & Yola Shehady, Dolores Barber, Norman & Yvonne Oliver, Mark & Ellen Haid, Steven & Michelle Khalaf, Robert & Connie Abodeely, Gabriel & Diane Sabbagh, Alva Haik, Elias & Holla Nehme, Richard & Debbie Abbate, Jadan & Amal Abbassi, Anton & Janet Homsey, Thomas & Rana Oliver, Abraham & Terry Mamary, Brian & Chris Nafash, Joseph & Afife Aboushanab, George & Peggy Nahass, Edward & Lillian Mamary, David & Jane Tadros.

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
- **Today**, Meeting and election of new officers.

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

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

Ladies Festival Work Days

Tuesday, June 9th, 9:30 am, Graybee.

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.
- **CAMP:** CAMP PARENTS: If you would like your child to ride the bus to camp the 4th session, please e-mail Joanne Bitar with your child/children's name at jnbitar@aol.com, If we are going to use a bus, remember WE NEED AT LEAST 2 CHAPERONES TO RIDE ON THE BUS. If you would consider being a chaperone, also indicate that in your e-mail. Thank you!
- **FESTSIVAL** Yes, the festival is almost here and we need your help to make it a success! As always the Festival Committee is working hard to think of more creative ways in which **WE** the parish family can help! We are blessed with a beautiful community that is able to contribute in many ways such as time, talents, and financial contributions.
- All who are interested in donating thru any method, please contact Amin Amireh 973-953-4819, Elias Chalet 973-454-6315 or Jennifer Aabaneh 713-204-7171.
- **FLEA MARKET:** Please leave items in Room # 8 (**Please do not put any items in Coat Room. No clothes, no large appliances, and no computers will be accepted.** All items must be cleaned and in working condition. **Thank you!**
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Parish Council

The next Parish Council meeting is **Wednesday, June 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.

June Birthday's

04	Aliya McDonald	17	Kevin Nafash
05	Jordan & Ramzi Kurzum	20	George Mitwasi
06	Nicholas Mitwasi	24	Courtney Haid
07	Anna Klele	27	Gianna Balonze
08	Christy Yacoub	30	Nicole Korbeh
09	Anthony Handal		
11	George Antoun		