



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church

237 Long Hill Road, Little Falls, New Jersey 07424

Sunday, November 15, 2009



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 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. Luke (10:25-37)

At that time, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read?" And the lawyer answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And Jesus said to him, "You have answered right; do this, and you will live."

But the lawyer, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion, and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, "Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back. Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" The lawyer said, "The one who showed mercy on him." And Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Altar Boys are: Nicholas Mitwasi, George Mitwasi, Thomas Oliver, Paul Sabbagh, Andrew Chatrie.

BREAD OF HOLY OBLIATION

In memory of Theodore Zayat, Alice Tooma, Abraham Lyons, Nagib Kabbash, Elias Fadil, Nazira Kattas, Helen Shama Oldham, Nazira Kattas, Rev.Theodore Yanni, Mariam Sedawie.

Memory Eternal.

Trisagion Service

In memory of Abdullah Abboud offered by Marie Fadil and family.

Memory Eternal.

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

Michael Mitchell in memory of George M. Mitchell.
Elaine Aquino and family in memory of Ann Samra.
Siham Mujic for the good health of Samir, Leila & Siham.
For the good health of Michael, Lee and Allen Nasseh.
Robert & Kathy Simon for the good health of George Nahass.
Sam & Ann Marie Zamloot for the good health of Salem Joubran.
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In memory of Grace Andalft offered by Hayet Creek, George Karram, Tony & Janet Homsey, Paul & Barbara Raspantini, Angela Sereno, Joanne & Joyce Graziano, Joyce Motyka, Bob & Bea Azzarore, Frances & Elaine Khoury, George & Esther Kattine, Dolores Barber, Joyce Serventi, Jennie Nabba, James Nabba, Lou & Virginia Nabba,

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
- Saturday, November 21st, Retreat.
- We are now collecting, Coats, Hats, Gloves, Sweats, Socks (new) and Sneakers for the homeless. All items must be clean and in good condition. Please place the items in a container marked "**Homeless**" in the conference room. Thank you.

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.
- **Annual Parish Christmas Card.** If you would like your name to appear on the card, please see Marlene Ayoub or Jane Tadros in the hall after Liturgy with your donation. Suggested minimum donation is \$20.00. Deadline December 6th.

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.
- **We are now taking orders for Pastries.** Order Forms are now available. Place your order with Jackie Salotti or any Ladies Society Member. 973-256-8961 or Jsalotti@aol.com.
- **Work Days Pastries, Everyone is welcome to come and help.**
 Monday, November 16th, 3:30 pm, Swat II Sit & Baklava.
 Thursday, November 19th, 6:00 pm, Graybe
 Friday, November 20th, **9:30 am**, Packing Orders.
- **Hobby Party**, Monday, December 28th. More info to follow.

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.
- **Christmas Party, Friday, December 18th.** More info to follow. Please contact Marlene if you would like to help with organizing this party. Thank you.

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.
- **New Year's Eve Hafli**, includes entertainment, Mazza, Dinner, Dessert, Open Bar and Champagne. Donation: Adults \$75.00, Children \$50.00 (Ages 5-12). For tickets, call Fadia Juzdan 973-220-3687.

- **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.

Creative Festival: Each year our Sunday School students (teens are included in this group) have the opportunity to study a theme assigned by the Antiochian Archdiocese and show their understanding through writing, poetry, photography and art. The 2010 Festivals theme is "The earth is the Lord's, and its fullness, the world and all who dwell therein" (Psalm 23 [24]:1) The theme is about stewardship – caring for the Earth. It also allows us to pause and think about: Although the entries aren't due until March, we encourage students interested in photography to start thinking about their entries now. Fall in New Jersey is a wonderful time to view the Glory of God on earth.

The majesty of God who values order and beauty—Our use of what God owns, but has given to us—The Orthodox view of creation

Material for the 2010 Festivals is now available online at www.antiochian.org/festivals If you have any questions, please contact your child's Sunday School teacher.

MAINTENANCE: Every Saturday Morning from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, we need volunteers to help with maintenance; plumbers, electricians, handymen, etc. Anyone who has a little time to spare to help with repairs, cleanup, etc. Thank you!!

Parish Council

- The next Parish Council meeting is **Wednesday, November 18th, 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.

Welcome 6th & 7th Grade Classes of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Montclair.

November Birthday's

04	Ousama Hanna	16	Sandra Saba, danela Batarseh
06	Karol Korbeh	16	Alexander Khalaf
07	Kristina Sousou	18	Emily Haid
08	Amanda Kilyk	20	Victoria Ayoub
09	Michael Sabbagh,	28	Rami Saliby
09	Rudy Mamary		
09	Nicole Shehady		