



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church

237 Long Hill Road, Little Falls, New Jersey 07424

Sunday, October 04, 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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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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The Epistle

Prokeimenon: Vow ye and pay to the Lord your God. In Judah is God known.

Section from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians (6:16 to end; 7:1)

Ye brethren: Ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you. And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear 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. Luke 6:31-36

The Lord said, "As you wish that men should do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return: and your reward will be great, an you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."

Altar Boys are: Shadi Saliby, George Mitwasi, Nicholas Mitwasi, Matthew Sabbagh.

BREAD OF HOLY OBLIATION

In memory of Charles Moussab, Joseph Hatab, Aref Gorab, Mary Ganim, John Eshak, Selema Abboud, Rita Tashijan, Anthony Jorwa, Richard Mamary, Russell Hagar, Saliba Elhin, Julie Kabbash.

In memory of Mousa & Tamra Lwaysi offered by Maher & Hueida Lwaysi.
Memory Eternal.

For the good health of Lisa Nafash offered by Hannah, Michael, Paul and Timothy Sabbagh.

May God grant her many years.

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

Edward & Mary Ellen Saba in memory of John Kerr.
Pierre & Amal Kalyoussef in memory of Kawkab Israel & Dalal Esper.
Robert & Kathy Simon in memory of Anton Kattine.

In memory of Rose Marie Zamloot offered by Marlene Wangenheim and family, George & Elsie Nassor, Frank & Beverly Czerwinski, Elias & Barbara Hebeka, Richard & Debbie Abbate, Albert & Sandy Moussab, Mark & Ellen Haid, Joyce Serventi, Dennis & Joan Davan, Christine Lynch, Pierre & Amal Kalyoussef, Sabah Kalyoussef, Edward & Lillian Mamary, Sam & Ann Marie Zamloot, Lucy Chalet, Thomas & Hoda Oliver, Joan Nafash, Marie Fadil, Sam & Alice Mamary, Nicholas & Somaya Gorab, James & Jennie Nabba, Abraham & Terry Mamary, Hafez & Wadia Juzdan, Virginia Contrino, Louis & Virginia Nabba, Diane & Gabriel Sabbagh, Faraj & Marlene Ayoub, Michael & Lisa Nafash, Robert & Gail Maloof, Joseph & Fran Conti, Emanuel & Ikhlas Munayyer, George & Mary Homsey, Claire Levash, Joseph Kalyoussef & family, Dolores Barber, Robert & Pearl Nahass, Ziad & Fadia Juzdan, Leo & Gladys Kaytes, Souhel & Yola Shehady, Robert & Kathy Simon, George & Esther Kattine, John & Nadia Joubran, Edward & Narmin Kurzum, Marlene & George Bostany, Olivia Kabbash, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Barbany, Edward & Gloria Teshkoyan, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Mercadante, Leona Sanzone, Michael & Elizabeth Luisi.

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
- **October is Youth Month**, Friday & Saturday, October 2nd & 3rd, Lock-in. Getting to know each other.
- **Saturday, October 17th, 8:00 pm, Hafli, Arabian Night.** Donation: Adults \$35.00. Children \$15.00 (12 and under).
- November, 13, 14 & 15th, **Delegates Meeting** (Antiochian Village).
- Saturday, November 21st, **Retreat.**

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
- **Sunday, October 11th, LUNCH & LEARN, immediately after Liturgy. Topic, "Swine Flu, What Does It Mean To You." Guest Speaker, Dr. Everett Schlam.** Appropriate for all ages. Donation: Adults \$10.00. Children \$5.00 (10 years and under).

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.
- Please pick-up your String Cheese Orders **TODAY**.
- Sunday, October 18th, Ladies Society Meeting after Liturgy.
- Friday, October 30th, **Family Night**, 7:00 pm.

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.
- **Halloween Party, Friday, October 23rd.**

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.
- **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.

Parish Council

- The next Parish Council meeting is **Wednesday, October 21st, 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.

October Birthday's

10/1	Fadel Ayoub	10/14	Jillian Haddad
10/4	Amanda Elmasri	10/16	George Fakes
10/6	Taylor Szabo	10/18	Rami Mamary
10/8	Julianna Sousou	10/22	Andrew Handal & Diane Lwaysi
10/12	Sami Ayoub	10/26	Nataline Elmasri
10/12	Gabriella Acoury	10/27	Catherine Ibrahim
10/14	Sara Donovan		