



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church

237 Long Hill Road, Little Falls, New Jersey 07424

Sunday, October 18, 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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**NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AND THE HOLY APOSTLE LUKE
THE EVANGELIST**

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The Epistle

Prokeimenon: Their voice has gone out into all the earth. The heavens declare the glory of God.

Section from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Colossians 4:5-18

Brethren, conduct yourselves wisely toward outsiders, making the most of the time. Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer every one.

Tychicos will tell you all about my affairs; he is a beloved brother and faithful minister and fellow servant in the Lord. I have send him to you for this very purpose, that you may know how we are and that he may encourage your hearts, and with him Onesimos, the faithful and beloved brother, who is one of yourselves. They will tell you of everything that has taken place.

Aristarchos my fellow prisoner greets you, and Mark the cousin of Barnabas (concerning whom you have received instructions – if he comes to you, receive him), and Jesus who is called Justos. These are the only men of the circumcision among my fellow workers for the Kingdom of God, and they have been a comfort to me. Luke the beloved physician and Demas greet you. Give my greeting to the brethren at Laodicea, and to Nympha and the church in her house. And when this letter has been read among you, have it read also in the church of the Laodiceans; and see that you read also the letter from Laodicea. And say to Archippos, “see that you fulfill the ministry which you have received in the Lord.”

I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. Remember my letters. Grace be with you. Amen.

If you like to worship with us, please fill in the information below and give to the priest or any parish member!

<p>Name: _____</p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p>Telephone: _____</p> <p>e-mail: _____</p> <p>_____ I am a visitor</p> <p>_____ I recently moved into the area</p> <p>_____ I am interested in becoming a member</p> <p>_____ I would like to know more about this Church</p> <p>_____ I request a phone call</p> <p>_____ I would like an appointment with the Priest</p> <p>_____ Please include me on the Parish Mailing List</p> <p>_____ Please pray for: _____</p>	<p>_____ I would like to volunteer for _____</p> <p>_____ I would like to know more about Church Activities, especially:</p> <p>_____ Teen SOYO _____ PTA</p> <p>_____ Sunday School _____ Charity Committee</p> <p>_____ St. John the Divine Fellowship _____ Choir</p> <p>_____ Ladies Society</p> <p>_____ Other _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
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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 of the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke 10:16-21

The Lord said, "He who hears you hears me, and he who rejects you rejects me, and he who rejects me rejects him who sent me."

The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" And Jesus said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I have given you authority to tread upon serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing shall hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you; but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

In the same hour Jesus rejoiced in the spirit and said, "I thank thee, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hidden these things from the wise and prudent and revealed them to babes; yea, Father, for such was thy gracious will."

Altar Boys are: Paul Sabbagh, Michael Sabbagh, Timothy Sabbagh, Michael Elchtear.

BREAD OF HOLY OBLIATION

In memory of Wedad Kassab, Kathleen Azrak JayeAnn Abboud, Lillian Nahass, Frank Baker, Lily Shamsey Murad, Marianna Chalet, Lillian Mason.

Memory Eternal.

Forty-Day Trisagion Service

In memory of Mary Sabha offered by Aida Hadad and family.

Memory Eternal.

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

Aida Hadad and family in memory of Mary Sabha.
Marie Fadil and family in memory of Salema Abboud & Ghada Abboud.
Antoine & Hala Chalet in memory of Marianna Chalet.
Tashjian Family in memory of Rita Tashijan.
Michael & Maha Kabbash in memory of Rose Marie Zamloot.
Alan & Joe Puleo in memory of Rose Marie Zamloot.
Richard & Marianne De Rosa in memory of Rose Marie Zamloot
Jeffrey, Mark & Alexandra Nafash for the good health of Diane Sabbagh.
Michael & Lisa Nafash and family for the good health of George Nahass.
George & Esther Kattine for the good health of George & Peggy Nahass.
Antoine & Hala Chalet for the good health of Chris and family.

Teen SOYO

- To become a member of our Teen SOYO, please contact Matthew Chatrue, Lucy Chalet, Jennifer Zabaneh or Hend Kevorkian at Hendk99@optonline.net
- November, 13, 14 & 15th, Delegates Meeting (Antiochian Village).
- 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.

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.
- 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.

TODAY, 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.

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, October 25th, **General Parish Meeting**, immediately following Liturgy.

Anyone interested in running for the Parish Council, please see Richard Abbate or Brian Nafash.

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.
- Sunday school open house immediately following liturgy. All parents should report to their child's classroom. Parents should take this event very seriously since the teachers will be explaining what is expected of all students in the classrooms.

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		