



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church

237 Long Hill Road, Little Falls, New Jersey 07424

Sunday, January 17, 2010



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

Divine Liturgy 10:00 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 19:1-10

At that time, Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchae'us; he was a chief tax collector, and rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Jesus, for he was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchae'us, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he made haste and came down, and received him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchae'us stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded any one of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost."

Altar Boys are: Ousama Hanna, Randy Arsheed, Shadi Saliby, Rami Saliby, Michael Sabbagh, Timothy Sabbagh.

BREAD OF HOLY OBLIATION

In memory of Sarah Esahak, Louis Nabba, Maragaret Lurvey, Charles Streichenwein, Eleanor Streichenwein, Anthony Moussab, Marie Homwey, Helen Fadil.

Memory Eternal.

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

Chahid Sadek in memory of Virginia Sowma.

George & Abir Yazgi & family in memory of Sadek Arnouk, Michel & Georgette Yazgi.

Marie Fadil in memory of Sammy Fadil.

Joseph & Afife Aboushanab in memory of Sammy Fadil.

Antoine & Samia Zeitoun in memory of Sammy Fadil.

Olivia Kabbash in memory of Agnes Keenan.

Hayet Creek for the good health of Jennie Nabba.

In memory of Michael Nassor offered by Arthur & Dawn Newman, Graig & orrine Joseph, Joseph & Jomana Kalyoussef, Kattouf Consulting Services, Rev. John Salem, Martin & Luanne Arenz.

In memory of Jane Joubran offered by Robert & Kath;y Simon, Oscar & Ellen Khoury, Showke & Suhan George,

For the good health of George Nahass offered by Razek & Nancy Sabbagh, Hayet Creek.

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
- Friday, January 22nd, set-up for Fashion Show
- Saturday, January 23rd, Fashion Show
- Sunday, February 7th, Special Olympics at T-Bowl
- Sunday, February 21st, Meeting and Bowling

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.

Friday, January 29th , Family Night.

Saturday, February 13th, Valentine Cocktail Party.

Sunday, February 14th, Meeting after Liturgy.

Thursday, February 25th, Work Day, Spinach Pies.

Friday, March 12th, Lenten Dinner.

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 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.
- **Please give the church office your email address.**

- **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!!

Sunday, February 7th, International Coffee Hour.

Parish Council

- The next Parish Council meeting is **Wednesday, January 20th, 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.

January Birthday's

01	Michael Ekhtear		
17	Patrick Khoury		
18	Sarah Covello		
18	Issa Lubbos		
20	Elizabeth Klele		
20	Danielle Milin		