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"The disciples were first called Christians in Antioch." Acts 11:26

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Saturdays: Great Vespers as announced
Sundays: 9:15am Orthros (Matins) and
10:20am Great Doxology and Divine Liturgy
Confession by Appointment

Welcome to Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church!

This Church is one community of many in the One, Holy, Catholic (Universal), and Apostolic Church. The Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church belongs to two thousand years of evangelization, teaching, history, and tradition, which express the continued commitment of its members to the Orthodox Christian faith in **The Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!** Receiving Holy Communion in this Church is to adhere and commit to the One True Church, the Orthodox Church.

Visitor(s), please feel at home in prayer and worship. Please submit your name(s) to the Ushers and introduce yourself to Father Saba at the end of the service so he may welcome you personally.

Welcome! Ahlan wa Sahlan! أهلا وسهلا!

THE GREAT DOXOLOGY

Glory to Thee, who has shown us the Light. Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will among men.

We praise thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks unto Thee for Thy great glory.

O Lord, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty; O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ; and the Holy Spirit.

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy on us, thou that takest away the sins of the world.

Receive our prayer, Thou that sittest at the right hand of the Father, and have mercy on us.

For Thou only art holy, Thou only art the Lord, O Jesus Christ, to the Glory of God the Father. Amen.

Every day will I bless Thee, and I will praise Thy Name forever; yea, forever and ever.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.

Blessed art Thou, O Lord God of our Fathers, and praised and glorified be Thy Name forever. Amen.

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we do put our hope in thee.

Blessed art Thou, O Lord: teach me Thy statutes. (thrice)

Lord, Thou hast been our refuge in all generations. I said: Be merciful unto me; heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

Lord, I have fled unto Thee: teach me to do Thy will, for Thou art my God.

For with Thee is the fountain of life; in Thy light shall we see light.

O continue Thy lovingkindness unto them that know Thee.

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us. (thrice)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Holy Immortal, have mercy on us.

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us.

المَجْدُ لَكَ يَا مُظْهِرَ النُّورِ، المَجْدُ لِلَّهِ فِي العَلَاءِ،
وعلى الأَرْضِ السَّلَامُ، وفي النَّاسِ المَسْرَّةُ
نُسَبِّحُكَ نُبَارِكُكَ، نَسْجُدُ لَكَ نُمَجِّدُكَ، نَشْكُرُكَ مِنْ
أَجْلِ عَظِيمِ جَلَالِ مَجْدِكَ

أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ المَلِكُ، السَّمَاوِيِّ، الإلهُ، الأبُّ الضَّابِطُ
الْكُلِّ. أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ الإِبْنُ الوَحِيدُ، يَا يَسُوعَ المَسِيحُ،
وَيَا أَيُّهَا الرُّوحُ القُدُّوسُ

أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ الإلهُ، يَا حَمَلَ اللهِ يَا ابْنَ الأبِّ، يَا رَافِعَ
خَطِيئَةِ العَالَمِ ارْحَمْنَا، يَا رَافِعَ خَطَايَا العَالَمِ
تَقَبَّلْ تَضَرُّعَنَا أَيُّهَا الجَالِسُ عَنِ يَمِينِ الأبِّ
وَارْحَمْنَا

لَأَنَّكَ أَنْتَ وَحْدَكَ قُدُّوسٌ، أَنْتَ وَحْدَكَ الرَّبُّ
يَسُوعَ المَسِيحُ، فِي مَجْدِ اللهِ الأبِّ، آمِينَ.
فِي كُلِّ يَوْمٍ أَبَارِكُكَ، وَأَسْبِّحُ اسْمَكَ إِلَى الأَبَدِ،
وإلى أَبَدِ الأَبَدِ

أهْلُنَا يَا رَبُّ أَنْ نُحْفَظَ فِي هَذَا اليَوْمِ بِغَيْرِ خَطِيئَةٍ.
مُبَارَكُ أَنْتَ يَا رَبُّ إلهَ آبَائِنَا، وَمُسَبِّحٌ وَمُمَجَّدٌ
اسْمُكَ إِلَى الأَبَدِ، آمِينَ
لِتَكُنْ يَا رَبُّ رَحْمَتَكَ عَلَيْنَا، كَمِثْلِ اتِّكَالِنَا عَلَيْكَ.

مُبَارَكُ أَنْتَ يَا رَبُّ عَلَّمَنِي حُقُوقَكَ. (ثلاثاً)
يَا رَبُّ مَلْجَأُ كُنْتُ لَنَا فِي جِيلٍ وَجِيلٍ، أَنَا قُلْتُ
يَا رَبُّ ارْحَمْنِي وَاشْفِ نَفْسِي لِأَنَّي قَدْ خَطِئْتُ
إِلَيْكَ

يَا رَبُّ إِلَيْكَ لَجَأْتُ فَعَلَّمَنِي أَنْ أَعْمَلَ رِضَاكَ،
لَأَنَّكَ أَنْتَ هُوَ إلهِي
لَأَنَّ مِنْ قِبَلِكَ عَيْنَ الحَيَاةِ، وَبِنُورِكَ نَعَايُنُ النُّورَ.
فَابْسُطْ رَحْمَتَكَ عَلَى الَّذِينَ يَعْرِفُونَكَ.

قُدُّوسُ اللهُ، قُدُّوسُ القَوِيِّ، قُدُّوسُ الَّذِي لَا يَمُوتُ
ارْحَمْنَا. (ثلاثاً)

المَجْدُ لِلأَبِّ وَالإِبْنِ وَالرُّوحِ القُدُّوسِ.
الآنَ وَكُلِّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الدَّاهِرِينَ، آمِينَ.
قُدُّوسُ الَّذِي لَا يَمُوتُ ارْحَمْنَا.

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ارْحَمْنَا

TODAY'S LITURGY INSERTS

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION (TONE 8)

From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

أُنْحَدَرْتَ مِنَ الْعُلُوِّ يَا مُتَحَنِّنٍ، وَقَبِلْتَ الدَّفْنَ ذَا الثَّلَاثَةِ
الْأَيَّامِ، لِكَيْ تُعْتِقَنَا مِنَ الْآلَامِ، فَيَا حَيَاتَنَا وَقِيَامَتَنَا، يَا
رَبُّ الْمَجْدُ لَكَ.

ENTRANCE HYMN OF THE GOSPEL BOOK

Come, let us worship, and fall down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

هَلِّمُوا لِنَسْجُدَ وَنَرْكَعَ لِلْمَسِيحِ، مَلِكِنَا وَإِلَهِنَا. خَلِّصْنَا يَا
ابْنَ اللَّهِ، يَا مَنْ قَامَ مِنْ بَيْنِ الْأَمْوَاتِ، لِنُرْتِّلَ لَكَ. هَلْلُويَا

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TROPARION OF SAINT MAXIMOS THE CONFESSOR (TONE 8)

Thou hast shown thyself, O God-inspired Maximos, as a guide to the Orthodox Faith, a teacher of true worship and purity; O star of the universe and companion of the bishops, O wise one. Through thy light thou hast enlightened all, O harp of the spirit. Therefore, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

يَا دَلِيلَ الْإِيمَانِ الْقَوِيمِ، وَمُعَلِّمَ التَّقْوَى وَالسَّيْرَةِ
الْحَكِيمَةِ. كَوَكَبِ الْمَسْكُونَةِ وَزِينَةِ الْمُتَوَجِّدِينَ،
مَكْسِيمُوسُ الْحَكِيمِ الْمُلْهُمُ مِنَ اللَّهِ. لَقَدْ أَنْزَلْتَ
الْجَمِيعَ بِتَعَالِيمِكَ، يَا قَيْنَارَةَ الرُّوحِ. فَتَشَفَّعْ إِلَى
الْمَسِيحِ الْإِلَهِ فِي خَلَاصِ نَفُوسِنَا.

TROPARION OF SAINT GEORGE THE GREAT MARTYR (TONE 4)

Since thou art a liberator and deliverer of captives, a help and support of the poor and needy, a healing physician of the sick, a contender and fighter for kings, O great among Martyrs, the victory clad George; intercede with Christ God for the salvation of our souls.

بِمَا أَنْتَ لِلْمَأْسُورِينَ مُحَرَّرٌ وَمُعْتَقٌ، وَلِلْفُقَرَاءِ
وَالْمَسَاكِينِ عَاضِدٌ وَنَاصِرٌ وَلِلْمَرْضَى طَبِيبٌ وَشَافٍ
وَعِنِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ مُكَافِحٌ وَمُحَارِبٌ أَيُّهَا الْعَظِيمُ فِي
الشُّهَدَاءِ جَاورِ جِيُوسِ اللَّابِسِ الظَّفَرِ تَشَفَّعْ إِلَى الْمَسِيحِ
الْإِلَهِ فِي خَلَاصِ نَفُوسِنَا.

KONTAKION OF THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST (TONE 1)

Thou, O Christ God, Who by Thy Birth, didst sanctify the Virgin's womb, and, as is meet, didst bless Simeon's arms, and didst also come to save us; preserve Thy fold in wars, and confirm them whom Thou didst love, for Thou alone art the Lover of mankind.

أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ الْإِلَهِ، يَا مَنْ بِمَوْلِدِهِ قَدَّسَ الْمُسْتَوْدَعَ
الْبَتُولِيِّ، وَبَارَكَ يَدَيْ سِمْعَانَ كَمَا لِاقٍ، وَأَدْرَكْنَا
الْآنَ وَخَلِّصْنَا؛ إِحْفَظْ رَعِيَّتَكَ بِسَلَامٍ فِي الْحُرُوبِ،
وَأَيِّدِ الْمُلُوكَ الَّذِينَ أَحَبَبْتَهُمْ، بِمَا أَنْتَ وَحْدَكَ مُحِبُّ
لِلْبَشَرِ.

KONTAKION FOR THE MIRACULOUS WEeping ICON (TONE 8)

Only at Saint George Church in Cicero

To thee the champion leader, * I thy city offer thanks of victory. * O Theotokos, thou who hast delivered me from terror. * But as thou hast that power which is invincible, * From all dangers set me free and deliver me. That I may cry unto thee: * Hail, O Bride without Bridegroom.

إني أنا عبدك يا والدة الإله * اكتبُ لكِ راياتِ الغلبة يا
جنديةً مُحاميةً * وأقدمُ لكِ الشكرَ كمنقذةٍ من الشدائدِ
لكن بما أن لكِ العِزةَ التي لا تُحاربُ * اعتقيني من
صنوفِ الشدائدِ * حتى أصرخَ إليكِ إفرحي يا عروساً
لا عروسَ لها.



THE SYNAXARION

On January 21st in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate our righteous Father Maximos the Confessor.

*Being handless and tongueless, hand and tongue thou acquirest;
And into God's hands, O Maximos, thy soul thou givest.
On the twenty-first, mortal destiny covered Maximos his voice.*

Maximos was born in Constantinople. First, he was a high-ranking courtier for Emperor Heraclius and, after that, a monk and abbot of a monastery not too far from the capitol. He was the greatest defender of Orthodoxy against the so-called Monothelite heresy which proceeded from the heresy of Eutyches. He claimed that there is only one nature in Christ (Monophysitism), so the Monothelites claimed that there is only one will in Christ (Monothelitism). Maximos opposed that claim and found himself as an opponent of the emperor and the patriarch. Maximos did not frighten easily but endured to the end in proving that there were two wills as well as two natures in Christ. Because of his efforts, a council was held in Carthage and another in Rome. Both councils anathematized the teachings of the Monothelites. Maximos suffered greatly for Orthodoxy: he was tortured by princes, deceived by prelates, spat upon by the masses of the people, beaten by soldiers, exiled, imprisoned, until finally, with a severed tongue and hand, he was condemned to exile for life in the land of Skhemaris (near Batum on the Black Sea) where he spent three years in prison and gave up his soul to God in the mid-seventh century.

On this day, we also commemorate the Martyr Neophytos of Nicaea; and Venerable Zosimas, Bishop of Syracuse in Sicily. By their intercessions, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.

EPISTLE READERS

English

Arabic

Amber Zayed

Today

Seham Imsaih

Angie Imseeh

Jan 28

Amanda Imseih

EPISTLE

Make your vows to the Lord our God and perform them. God is known in Judah; his name is great in Israel.

The Reading from the Epistle of

Saint Paul to the Colossians (3:4-11)

Brethren, when Christ, Who is our life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these, the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its Creator. Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

صَلُّوا وَأَوْفُوا الرَّبَّ إِلَهَنَا. اللَّهُ مَعْرُوفٌ فِي أَرْضِ

يهودا. إِسْمُهُ عَظِيمٌ فِي إِسْرَائِيلَ

فَصَلُّ مِنْ رِسَالَةِ الْقَدِيسِ بُولُسَ

الرَّسُولِ إِلَى أَهْلِ كُولُوسَيِّ (3:4-11)

يَا إِخْوَةَ، مَتَى ظَهَرَ الْمَسِيحُ الَّذِي هُوَ حَيَاتُنَا،

فَأَنْتُمْ أَيْضاً تُظَهَرُونَ حِينَئِذٍ مَعَهُ فِي الْمَجْدِ.

فَأَمِيتُوا أَعْضَاءَكُمْ الَّتِي عَلَى الْأَرْضِ: الزَّنى،

وَالنَّجَاسَةَ، وَالهُوى، وَالشَّهْوَةَ الرَّدِيَّةَ، وَالطَّمَعِ

الَّذِي هُوَ عِبَادَةٌ وَتَنٍ. لِأَنَّهُ لِأَجْلِ هَذِهِ يَأْتِي

غَضَبُ اللَّهِ عَلَى أَبْنَاءِ الْعِصْيَانِ. وَفِي هَذِهِ أَنْتُمْ

أَيْضاً سَلَكَتُمْ حِيناً إِذْ كُنْتُمْ عَائِشِينَ فِيهَا. أَمَّا الْآنَ،

فَأَنْتُمْ أَيْضاً اطَّرَحُوا الْكُلَّ: الْغَضَبَ، وَالسَّخَطَ،

وَالخُبْتِ، وَالتَّجْدِيفَ، وَالكَلَامَ الْقَبِيحَ مِنْ أَفْوَاهِكُمْ.

وَلَا يُكْذِبُ بَعْضُكُمْ بَعْضاً، بَلِ اخْلَعُوا الْإِنْسَانَ

الْعَتِيقَ مَعَ أَعْمَالِهِ. وَالْبَسُوا الْإِنْسَانَ الْجَدِيدَ الَّذِي

يَتَجَدَّدُ لِلْمَعْرِفَةِ عَلَى صُورَةِ خَالِقِهِ. حَيْثُ لَيْسَ

يُونَانِيٌّ وَلَا يَهُودِيٌّ، لَا خِتَانٌ وَلَا قَلْفٌ، لَا بَرْبَرِيٌّ

وَلَا اسْكِيثِيٌّ، لَا عَبْدٌ وَلَا حُرٌّ، بَلِ الْمَسِيحُ هُوَ كُلُّ

شَيْءٍ وَفِي الْجَمِيعِ

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to

Saint Luke (17:12-19)

At that time, as Jesus entered a village, He was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When He saw them He said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus said, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And He said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

فَصَلُّ شَرِيفٌ مِنْ بَشَارَةِ الْقَدِيسِ لُوقَا

الْبَشِيرِ التِّلْمِيزِ الطَّاهِرِ (17:12-19)

فِي ذَلِكَ الزَّمَانِ، فِيمَا يَسُوعُ دَاخِلٌ إِلَى قَرْيَةٍ اسْتَقْبَلَهُ عَشْرَةُ رِجَالٍ بُرْصٍ وَوَقَفُوا مِنْ بَعِيدٍ، وَرَفَعُوا أَصْوَاتَهُمْ قَائِلِينَ: يَا يَسُوعُ الْمَعْلَمُ ارْحَمْنَا. فَلَمَّا رَأَهُمْ قَالَ لَهُمْ امْضُوا وَأَرُوا الْكَهَنَةَ أَنْفُسَكُمْ. وَفِيمَا هُمْ مُنْطَلِقُونَ طَهَّرُوا. وَإِنَّ وَاحِدًا مِنْهُمْ، لَمَّا رَأَى أَنَّهُ قَدْ بَرِيَ، رَجَعَ يُمَجِّدُ اللَّهَ بِصَوْتٍ عَظِيمٍ. وَخَرَّ عَلَى وَجْهِهِ عِنْدَ قَدَمَيْهِ شَاكِرًا لَهُ وَكَانَ سَامِرِيًّا، فَأَجَابَ يَسُوعُ وَقَالَ، أَلَيْسَ الْعَشْرَةُ قَدْ طَهَّرُوا فَأَيْنَ التَّسْعَةُ؟ أَلَمْ يُوجَدْ مَنْ يَرْجِعُ لِيُحَمِّدَ اللَّهَ إِلَّا هَذَا الْأَجْنَبِيُّ؟ وَقَالَ لَهُ، قُمْ وَامْضِ، إِيمَانُكَ

قَدْ خَلَّصَكَ

Holy Bread Offered By:

Today – Dn. George Nassief and Family

- Taoufik and Diala Moaqad and Family
- Fayrouz Rayan and Family
- Sdn. Youssef and Mary Selim and Family
- Joseph and Sanaa Jdaidany and Family

Jan 28 – Naheel Rantisi and Family

Fri, Feb 2 – **OPEN**

Feb 4 – **OPEN**



Coffee Hour Sponsors:

Today – Fayrouz Rayan and Family

Lunch provided by the Antiochian Women

Jan 28 – Sami and Amanda Imseih and Family

Feb 4 – **OPEN**

Feb 11 – **OPEN**

Feb 18 – **OPEN**

Feb 25 – **OPEN**



CONDOLENCES

The clergy and parishioners of Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church of Cicero offer their sincerest condolences to:

- Taoufik and Diala Moaqad and family on the falling asleep of Diala's brother, †**DR. NAWAF ALNASIR**, in Syria this past week.
- Salim and Rania Najjar on the falling asleep of Rania's brother, †**MIKEL NEMRI**, in Jordan this past week.
- Munzer and Rania Nawas and family on the falling asleep of Rania's father, †**ADIB BSHARA HAMAMEH**, in Jordan this past week.

Memory Eternal!

COMMEMORATIONS

- Today**
- 40-Day Commemoration for †**CHAMOUN CHAMOUN**, offered by Joseph and Sanaa Jdaidany and family.
 - 21-Year Commemoration for †**ARCHMANDRITE CHARLES SELIM**, and Commemoration for †**STACY SELIM**, offered by Sdn. Youssef and Mary Selim and family.

MEMORIALS

- Today**
- 3rd/9th-Day Memorial Service for †**DR. NAWAF ALNASIR**, offered by Taoufik and Diala Moaqad and family.
 - 6-Month Memorial Service for †**SH. JANE NASSIEF**, offered by Dn. George Nassief and family.
 - 1-Year Memorial Service for †**RAYAN OUDEH RAYAN**, offered by Fayrouz Rayan and family.
 - 1-Year Memorial Service for †**SAMIR SELIM**, offered by Sdn. Youssef and Mary Selim and family.
 - 6-Year Memorial Service for †**ELIZE JDAIDANY**, offered by Joseph and Sanaa Jdaidany and family.
 - 30-Year Memorial Service for †**KH. ZAHIA SELIM**, offered by Sdn. Youssef and Mary Selim and family.

- Feb 11** 6-Month Memorial Service for †**GEORGE SALEH**, offered by Lily Saleh and family.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today	• Orthros (Matins) followed by Great Doxology and Divine Liturgy	9:15 am
	• Choir Rehearsal	9:15 am
	• Sunday School	After Communion
	• Coffee Hour	After Liturgy
	• Annual General Assembly Meeting and Elections (<i>see pgs. 12-13</i>)	12:30 pm
Tue, Jan 23	• Antiochian Women (AW) Officers' Zoom Meeting	5:00 pm
	• Parish Council Election of Officers Zoom Meeting	7:00 pm
	• Junior Orthodox Youth (JOY) Club Committee Conference Call	7:30 pm
	• Antiochian Men (A-MEN) Officers' Conference Call	8:00 pm
Wed, Jan 24	Saint George West Campus Ministry (<i>see pg. 18</i>)	6:00 pm
Thu, Jan 25	Saint George North Campus Ministry (<i>see pg. 19</i>)	6:00 pm
Fri, Jan 26	Choir Meeting	7:00 pm
Sat, Jan 27	• Great Vespers Service	5:00 pm
	• Antiochian Men (A-MEN) Shawerma and Tarneeb Night (<i>see pg. 14</i>)	After Vespers
Sun, Jan 28	• Orthros (Matins) followed by Great Doxology and Divine Liturgy	9:15 am
	• Choir Rehearsal	9:15 am
	• Sunday School	After Communion
	• Induction of 2024 Parish Council	After Liturgy
	• Coffee Hour	After Liturgy
	• Young Adult Fellowship (YAF) Coffee and Fellowship (<i>see pg. 15</i>)	After Liturgy
Wed, Jan 31	• Saint George West Campus Ministry (<i>see pg. 18</i>)	6:00 pm
	• Sunday School Teachers' Zoom Training	8:00 pm
Thu, Feb 1	Saint George North Campus Ministry (<i>see pg. 19</i>)	6:00 pm
Fri, Feb 2	• Evening Divine Liturgy for the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (<i>see pg. 23</i>)	7:00 pm
	• Antiochian Family Ministry (AFM) Coordinators' Meeting and Dinner	8:30 pm
Sat, Feb 3	Great Vespers	5:00 pm
Sun, Feb 4	• Orthros (Matins) followed by Great Doxology and Divine Liturgy	9:15 am
	• Choir Rehearsal	9:15 am
	• Sunday School	After Communion
	• Coffee Hour	After Liturgy
	• Young Adult Fellowship (YAF) Coffee and Fellowship	After Liturgy
	• Antiochian Women (AW) General Meeting (<i>see pg. 15</i>)	After Liturgy
Wed, Feb 7	Saint George West Campus Ministry (<i>see pg. 18</i>)	6:00 pm
Thu, Feb 8	Saint George North Campus Ministry (<i>see pg. 19</i>)	6:00 pm
Sat, Feb 10	• Great Vespers Service	5:00 pm
	• The Order of Saint Ignatius, Cicero Chapter Career Night: Speed Mentoring – Dinner – Speaker (<i>see pg. 16</i>)	After Vespers

What Time Do I Arrive to Church on Sunday?

What Am I Missing?

What time do I arrive?	What part did I miss?	I have deprived myself of the opportunity to...
10:15	Orthros (Matins)	Attend an entire service (beginning at 9:15 AM). Hear the hymns of the week and prepare for the Liturgy.
10:25	Great Doxology	Begin the week properly by giving Glory to God and concluding the final preparation for the Divine Liturgy.
10:30	Blessed is the Kingdom	Proclaim that God's Kingdom is blessed and to respond, "Amen."
10:45	Litanies and Prayers	Pray for peace, the Church, the sick. Participate in the Entrance of the Holy Gospel.
10:55	Epistle, Gospel, Sermon	Hear the Word of God, and think of how it applies to my daily life.
11:10	Cherubic Hymn	Participate in the procession of the Holy Gifts among the people.
11:20	The Creed and Offering	Proclaim what "I believe" and acknowledge the One Who is being offered.
11:30	The Lord's Prayer	Prepare to receive the Body and Blood of Christ.
11:40	The Eucharist	Receive the Body and Blood of Christ from His table from which we hear His Gospel in the reading earlier in the service.
11:45	Thanksgiving Prayers	Give praise and thanks to God for the Gift we have received from Him.
11:50	The Dismissal	Commemorate Christ's saving work, and the prayers and intercession of all the saints.



SEASON OF EPIPHANY

Traditionally, at the feast of the Lord's Epiphany (Baptism) on January 6th, the Great Blessing of the waters takes place and then is used to sanctify the homes of all the faithful. In bringing the blessed water to the homes, and sprinkling it in each room, we rid our house of any evil influence, and rededicate it to God in a special way.

As we were once renewed by the waters of our own baptism into Christ, so too our home, and our entire lives, are re-dedicated and renewed unto Christ our God each year at this time.

HOME BLESSINGS

Please contact the Church Office at (708) 656-2927 or Office@StGeorgeChi.org to schedule your Home Blessing:

The following should be prepared for the Home Blessing:

- All members of family must be present
- Bible
- Icon
- Lit Candle
- Burning Incense (Optional)
- Small Table (or dining room table)



The visit by Father Saba or Father Gabriel should be approximately **45 minutes**. Several visits will be scheduled on a given day in order to reach and bless all families and homes this season.

Once the Home Blessing Season is mostly over, Father Saba and Father Gabriel will continue regular Pastoral Visits, during which Father Saba or Father Gabriel will spend ample time with each family.





Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church كنيسة القديس جارجيوس الانطاكية الارثوذكسية

Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America
Diocese of Toledo and the Midwest
Very Reverend Father Fouad Saba, Pastor

December 17, 2023

Dear Members of Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church,

Christ in our midst! He is and ever shall be!

A blessed Nativity Season to you and your families! This is to inform you the 2024 Annual General Assembly Meeting for the voting membership of Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church will be held on Sunday, January 21, 2024, following the Divine Liturgy. The agenda is enclosed with this letter.

To be recognized as a voting member of Saint George Church, a parishioner must be at least eighteen years of age and have met both the necessary spiritual obligations (as determined by the Pastor) and financial obligations (as determined by the Financial Secretary – \$600 per married couple or \$300 per individual received from January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023). If you have not already done so, please complete your financial obligation before December 31, 2023. If you have any financial circumstances, please see the Pastor. If you have any questions regarding these requirements, please contact a member of the Parish Council.

The goal of Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church is to have all eligible members vote.

At this General Assembly, elections will be held for four (4) seats for a three-year term on the Parish Council. A Nominating Committee has been appointed to compile a list of qualified candidates. The members of the committee are Fr. Fouad Saba, Mr. Suhail Qumri, and Mr. Rammy Zanayed (Chairman of the Nominating Committee). If you or someone you know is interested in running for the Parish Council and is willing to make the commitment required to fulfill this important obligation, please contact the Nominating Committee.

It is important to note that pursuant to the Saint George Church Constitution, no nominations will be accepted from the floor during the Annual General Assembly Meeting. All candidates' names must be submitted to the Nominating Committee by Sunday, January 14, 2024, in order for the candidate's name to be included on the Ballot. There can be no exception to this rule.

During this General Assembly Meeting, all members will also receive a full 2023 Financial Report, the proposed 2024 Annual Budget, and reports from the various organizations and hear about all current plans for the coming year. 2023 was an extremely active year in the life of Saint George Church and your attendance will add greatly to the discussion.

The Church is our spiritual home. Your involvement in the affairs of your Church is very important. May God bless you all as we prepare for the birth of the Savior!

Yours in Christ,

V. Rev. Fr. Fouad Saba

V. Rev. Fr. Fouad Saba
Pastor

Rammy Zanayed

Rammy Zanayed
Chairman, Parish Council

"And they were called Christians first in Antioch" (Acts 11:26)



Nominating Committee



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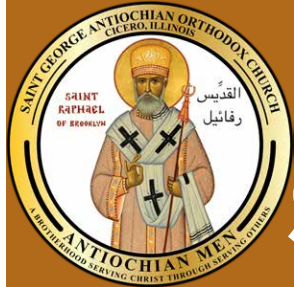


The following is the report of the Nominating Committee of Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church regarding the upcoming General Assembly and Parish Council Elections on January 21, 2024. The members of the Church listed below are qualified, nominated, and have accepted the nomination to run for election to the Parish Council and all have received the blessing of Fr. Fouad Saba as well:

- Fares Bannourah
- Victor Imreibe
- Amir Rihani
- George Conopeotis
- Dr. Johnny Kuttab
- Fadi Rihani
- Maher Eseed
- Mina Rantisi
- Steve Saba



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL



Antiochian Men (A-MEN)

Shawerma and Tarneeb Night



Saturday
January 27, 2024
5:00 PM

VESPERS



DINNER



SOCIAL NIGHT



IN THE
ORTHODOX
CLUB
(NADI)



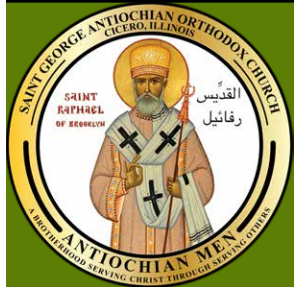
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GENTLEMEN

RSVP by
Wednesday
January 24



SCAN ME

ALL Gentlemen 18+ Invited



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Antiochian Men (A-MEN)

Present a

PRE-LENTEN FAMILY NIGHT

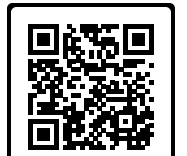
DINNER
RAFFLE

Saturday
February 24, 2024
6:00 PM VESPERS

\$50/Adult (12+)
\$20/Child (6-11)
Complimentary 5 and Under

DJ
MUSIC

RSVP
(including complimentary)
BY WED, FEB 21ST



SCAN ME

ALL Ages and Families Invited

CHECK-IN
at door to pick-up MEAL TICKETS

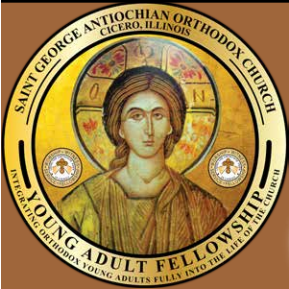


Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL

Antiochian Women (AW) GENERAL MEETING

Sunday, February 4, 2024
After Liturgy
in the
Church Library

ALL WOMEN 18+ WELCOME!



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL

Young Adult Fellowship (YAF) COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024
After Liturgy in Orthodox Club (NADI)

COFFEE AND REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

To Sponsor YAF Coffee Hour, Please Contact:

Jeanette Habash:
(773) 709-5606 | JeanetteHabash@gmail.com

or

Church Office:
(708) 656-2927 | Office@StGeorgeChi.org

***INVITING ALL YOUNG PROFESSIONALS, YOUNG MARRIED
COUPLES, AND COLLEGE STUDENTS (AGES 18+)***





Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL
The Order of Saint Ignatius—Cicero Chapter

Career Night

SPEED MENTORING – DINNER – SPEAKER

**RSVP by
SUN, FEB 4TH**



**– SAT, FEB 10 –
| 5:00 PM |
– VESPERS –**



FOR ALL

– Teens | Young Adults | Adults –



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The Order of Saint Ignatius—Cicero Chapter

Orthodox Christian Professionals

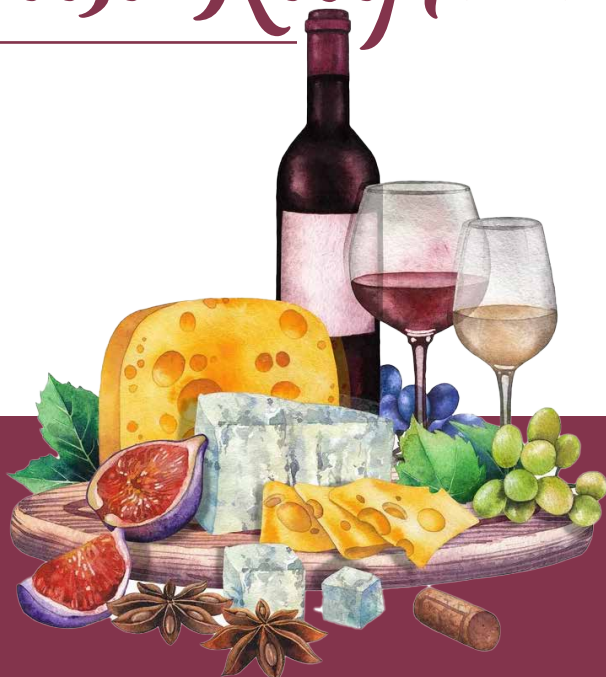
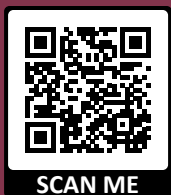
Wine & Cheese Reception

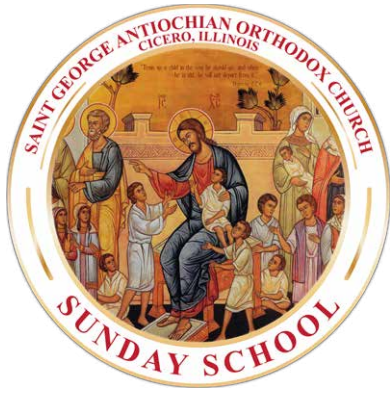


FRIDAY, MARCH 8 | 7:00 PM

\$50/PERSON

**RSVP by
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25th**





Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL

SUMMER BIBLE SCHOOL

SAVE THE DATE

Monday - Thursday
June 10-13, 2024

AGES 6-12

(must be 6 before June 10)

– Details to follow –

ONLINE
REGISTRATION

Coming Soon...

Staff, Volunteers, and Junior Counselors Training
Sunday, June 9 - After Liturgy

The Summer Bible School is a ministry of the Sunday School organization.



Pastoral Outreach Program

The *FUTURE* is Now...

...The *CHURCH* is Coming to You!

SAINT GEORGE WEST CAMPUS MINISTRY

@ Kingswood Academy | 133 Plainfield Road | Darien, IL 60561

Wednesdays

- January 17, 2024
- January 24, 2024
- January 31, 2024
- February 7, 2024
- February 14, 2024
- February 21, 2024

Program *

6:00-7:00 PM

- Check-In
- Complimentary Dinner (6:00-6:40 PM) **
- Evening Prayers

7:00-8:00 PM

- Introduction to the Holy Bible (ages 18+)
 - Creation
 - Exodus from Egypt
 - The Kings of Israel
 - The Prophets
 - Psalms and Proverbs
 - The Coming of Christ
- Kids' Club (ages 3-8)
- J.O.Y. Power Hour (ages 9-12)
- Teen SOYO Hour (ages 13-18)

8:00-9:00 PM

- Adult Social Hour (ages 18+)
- Sports Activities
- Chess and Checkers Club
- Backgammon Club
- Cards (Uno, Hand Rummy)
- Board Games



For Questions or More Information, please contact:

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- Fr. Gabriel Coronel (773) 746-1893
- Dn. George Nassief (925) 699-3893
- Karen Nawas (630) 536-7429
- Alexandra Zanayed (630) 442-2473
- Nathaniel Humphrey (630) 442-9803

* Program subject to change.

** Due to a generous anonymous donor, dinner will be offered complimentary at every session.



Pastoral Outreach Program

The *FUTURE* is Now...

...The *CHURCH* is Coming to You!

SAINT GEORGE NORTH CAMPUS MINISTRY

@ Saint Luke's Lutheran Church | 205 N. Prospect Avenue | Park Ridge, IL 60068

Thursdays

- January 18, 2024
- January 25, 2024
- February 1, 2024
- February 8, 2024
- February 15, 2024
- February 22, 2024

Program *

6:00-7:00 PM

- Check-In
- Complimentary Dinner (6:00-6:40 PM) **
- Evening Prayers

7:00-8:00 PM

- Introduction to the Holy Bible (ages 18+)
 - Creation
 - Exodus from Egypt
 - The Kings of Israel
 - The Prophets
 - Psalms and Proverbs
 - The Coming of Christ
- Kids' Club (ages 3-4)
- Kids' Club (ages 5-8)

8:00-9:00 PM

- Adult Social Hour (ages 18+)
- Sports Activities
- Chess and Checkers Club



- The Parables of Christ
- Crucifixion and Resurrection
- The Mission of the Apostles
- Jews and Gentiles
- The Bible and Daily Life
- Judgment Day
- J.O.Y. Power Hour (ages 9-12)
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- Elaine Makdah (847) 274-9610

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Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church

23rd Annual

GOLF OUTING

Sat | Jun 15 2024



SAVE THE DATE



Raffle



Silent Auction



Premier Golf Club



Brunch



On-Course Experiences



After-Golf Social



Support Charitable Causes

Cantigny Golf Club

27W270 Mack Rd | Wheaton, IL 60189



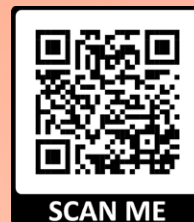
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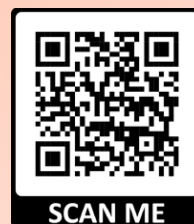
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DONATE Holy Bread

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“Blessed are those who give and forget, and Blessed are those who receive and remember.”

~Metropolitan +PHILIP
Saliba of Thrice-Blessed
Memory



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Evening Divine Liturgy for The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord into the Temple



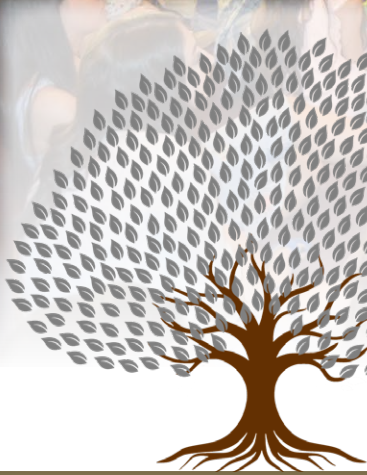
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Friday, February 2, 2024 ☞ 7:00 PM

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2024 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE BEGINS TODAY!



YOU BELONG ON THE **TREE OF LIFE**

"Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." - Matthew 6:21

لَأَنَّه حَيْثُ يَكُونُ كَنْزُكُمْ هُنَاكَ يَكُونُ قَلْبُكُمْ أَيْضًا. (مَتَّى 6:21)

**PICK UP A MEMBERSHIP BROCHURE
IN THE CHURCH HALL TODAY!**