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

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## **WEEKLY SERVICES SCHEDULE:**

Saturdays: Great Vespers as announced

Sundays: 9:15am Orthros (Matins) and

10:20am Great Doxology and Divine Liturgy

Confession by Appointment

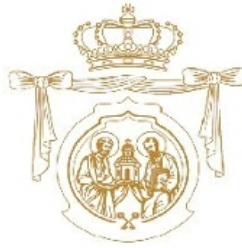
## **Welcome to Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church!**

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!**

His Eminence  
The Most Reverend  
Metropolitan SABA



Archbishop of New York  
and Metropolitan of  
All North America

**ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN ARCHDIOCESE  
OF NORTH AMERICA**

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Great Lent, 2024

**TO BE READ FROM THE PULPIT AND PRINTED IN THE BULLETIN**

Beloved Hierarchs, Clergy, and Faithful of our Archdiocese,

Greetings in the name of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ!

During this holy season of repentance, we strive with renewed focus to live rightly, being “doers of the word and not just hearers” (James 1:22). Along with increasing our prayers and abandoning self-indulgence, we especially focus on caring for the needs of others. As we hear on Meatfare Sunday, we will be judged by God on how we have responded to the sufferings of the “least of these” (Matthew 25), so we must strive to give attention to their needs as we would to Christ’s.

Although our Lord Jesus Christ taught and exemplified this law of love in the most perfect way, it is also beautifully stated in the Old Law, where God commands, “If one of your brothers happens to be in need . . ., you will not harden your heart nor shut your hand to your needy brother. You will surely open your hands to him” (Deuteronomy 15:7–8). Such giving is not just some humanitarian project but a relational act: opening our hearts and hands to our brothers and sisters. It is a determination to actually see the homeless woman we pass on the street and to remember the friend or acquaintance who has fallen on hard times. Although the magnitude of suffering in the world tempts us to insulate ourselves against the needs of others, the law of love reminds us that each person is a treasure and that his need is not a problem but an opportunity to embrace him.

As we have for 50 years now, we again encourage you to open your hearts and hands to the needy by contributing to our Food for Hungry People program this Lent. We appeal to your well-known generosity and ask the blessing of Almighty God on all who participate in this worthy effort.

With prayers for an edifying and enriching Great Lent and a glorious celebration of Pascha, I remain,

Your Father in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Saba". The signature is stylized and includes a cross symbol to the left of the name.

✠ SABA

Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of All North America

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## 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.

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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، السَّمَاوِيُّ، الإِلَهُ، الأبُّ الضَّابِطُ  
الْكُلِّ. أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ الإِبْنُ الوَحِيدُ، يَا يَسُوعَ المَسِيحُ،  
وَيَا أَيُّهَا الرُّوحُ القُدُّوسُ

أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ الإِلَهُ، 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،  
وَالى أَبَدِ الأَبَدِ

أَهْلُنَا يَا رَبُّ أَنْ نُحْفَظَ فِي هَذَا اليَوْمِ بِغَيْرِ خَطِيئَةٍ.  
مُبَارِكُكَ أَنْتَ يَا رَبُّ إِلَهَ آبَائِنَا، وَمُسَبِّحٌ وَمُمَجِّدٌ  
اسْمُكَ إِلَى الأَبَدِ، آمِينَ  
لِتَكُنْ يَا رَبُّ رَحْمَتُكَ عَلَيْنَا، كَمَا تَكُنْ عَلَيْنَا.

مُبَارِكُكَ أَنْتَ يَا رَبُّ عَلَّمَنِي حُقُوقَكَ. (ثلاثاً)  
يَا رَبُّ مَلْجَأٌ 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 إِلَهِي  
لَأَنَّ مِنْ قِبَلِكَ عَيْنَ الحَيَاةِ، وَبِنُورِكَ نَعَايُنُ النُّورَ.  
فَابْسُطْ رَحْمَتَكَ عَلَى الَّذِينَ يَعْرِفُونَكَ.

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ارْحَمْنَا. (ثلاثاً)

المَجْدُ لِلأَبِّ وَالإِبْنِ وَالرُّوحِ القُدُّوسِ.  
الآنَ وَكُلَّ 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.

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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. هَلِّلُوبِيَا

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رَبُّ الْمَجْدُ لَكَ.

## 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 جَاورِجِيوسُ اللَّابِسُ الظُّفْرَ تَشْفَعُ إِلَى الْمَسِيحِ  
الْإِلَهِي فِي خَلَاصِ نَفُوسِنَا.

## KONTAKION FOR THE SUNDAY OF FORGIVENESS (TONE 6)

O Thou Who guidest to wisdom, and givest understanding and intelligence, the Instructor of the ignorant, and Helper of the poor, strengthen my heart and grant it understanding, O Master. Give me word, O Word of the Father; for behold, I shall not refrain my lips from crying to Thee, O merciful One, have mercy upon me who am fallen.

أَيُّهَا الْهَادِي إِلَى الْحِكْمَةِ، وَرَازِقُ الْفَهْمِ وَالْفِطْنَةِ،  
وَمُؤَدِّبُ الْجُهَالِ، وَعَاضِدُ الْمَسَاكِينِ، شَدِّدْ وَفَهِّمْ  
قَلْبِي أَيُّهَا السَّيِّدُ، وَأَعْطِنِي كَلِمَةً يَا كَلِمَةَ الْآبِ،  
لَأَتَنِي هَاأَنْذَا لَا أَمْنَعُ شَفَتِي مِنَ الصَّرَاحِ إِلَيْكَ: يَا  
رَحُومٌ، ارْحَمْنِي أَنَا الْوَاقِعُ.

## 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.

إِنِّي أَنَا عَبْدُكَ يَا وَالِدَةَ الْإِلَهَةِ \* اكْتُبْ لِكَ رَايَاتِ الْغَلْبَةِ يَا  
جَنْدِيَّةَ مُحَامِيَّةَ \* وَأَقْدِمْ لِكَ الشُّكْرَ كَمَا نَقَدْتِ مِنَ الشَّدَائِدِ \*  
لَكِنْ بِمَا أَنَّ لِكَ الْعِزَّةَ الَّتِي لَا تُحَارَبُ \* اعْتَقِنِي مِنْ  
صُنُوفِ الشَّدَائِدِ \* حَتَّى أَصْرُخَ إِلَيْكَ إِفْرَحِي يَا عَرُوسًا  
لَا عَرُوسًا لَهَا.

# EPISTLE READERS

English

Arabic

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TODAY

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Hania Kahoush

Mar 24

Hanan Mseih

Mahlet Yared

Mar 31

Mary Petrelli

Ryan McMahon

Apr 7

Sandy Eseed

## EPISTLE

*Make your vows unto the Lord and perform them.*

*God is known in Judah; His name is great in Israel.*

### The Reading from the Epistle of

### Saint Paul to the Romans (13:11-14:4)

Brethren, now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. Let us walk becomingly, as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in chambering and licentiousness, not in strife and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh to fulfill its lusts. But as for the one who is weak in faith, receive him, but not for disputes over opinions. For one believes he may eat anything; but the weak person eats herbs. Let not him who eats despise him who does not eat, and let not him who does not eat judge him who eats; for God has received him. Who are you to be the judge over the servant of a stranger? To his own master he either stands or falls; but he will be made to stand; for God is able to make him stand.

صَلُّوا وَأَوْفُوا الرَّبَّ إِلَهَنَا. اللَّهُ مَعْرُوفٌ

فِي أَرْضِ يَهُودَا. اسْمُهُ عَظِيمٌ فِي إِسْرَائِيلَ.

فَصَلِّ مِنْ رِسَالَةِ الْقَدِّيسِ بُولُسَ

الرَّسُولِ إِلَى أَهْلِ رُومِيَّةِ (13:11-14:4)

يَا إِخْوَةَ، إِنَّ خَلَاصَنَا الْآنَ أَقْرَبُ مِمَّا كَانَ حِينَ آمَنَّا. قَدْ تَنَاهَى اللَّيْلُ وَاقْتَرَبَ النَّهَارُ، فَانْدَعْ عَنَّا أَعْمَالَ الظُّلْمَةِ وَنَلْبَسْ أَسْلِحَةَ النُّورِ. لِنَسْلُكَنَّ سُلُوكًا لِاتِّقَا كَمَا فِي النَّهَارِ، لَا بِالْقُصُوفِ وَالسُّكْرِ، وَلَا بِالْمَضَاجِعِ وَالْعَهْرِ، وَلَا بِالْخِصَامِ وَالْحَسَدِ، بَلِ الْبَسُوا الرَّبَّ يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحَ وَلَا تَهْتَمُّوا بِأَجْسَادِكُمْ لِقَضَاءِ شَهَوَاتِهَا. مَنْ كَانَ ضَعِيفًا فِي الْإِيمَانِ فَاتَّخِذُوهُ بِغَيْرِ مُبَاحَثَةٍ فِي الْأَرَاءِ. مِنْ النَّاسِ مَنْ يَعْتَقِدُ أَنَّ لَهُ أَنْ يَأْكُلَ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ، أَمَّا الضَّعِيفُ فَيَأْكُلُ بَقُولًا. فَلَا يَزِدِرِ الَّذِي يَأْكُلُ مَنْ لَا يَأْكُلُ وَلَا يَدِينُ الَّذِي لَا يَأْكُلُ مَنْ يَأْكُلُ، فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ قَدِ اتَّخَذَهُ. مَنْ أَنْتَ يَا مَنْ تَدِينُ عَبْدًا أجنبيًّا؟ إِنَّهُ لِمَوْلَاهُ يَنْبُتُ أَوْ يَسْقُطُ. لَكِنَّهُ سَيَنْبُتُ لِأَنَّ اللَّهَ قَادِرٌ عَلَى أَنْ يُنْبِتَهُ

The reading from the Holy Gospel

according to Saint Matthew (6:14-21)

The Lord said to His Disciples: If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father also will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. And when you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by men. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by men but by your Father Who is in secret; and your Father Who sees in secret will reward you. Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

فَصَلِّ شَرِيفٌ مِنْ بَشَارَةِ الْقَدِيسِ مَتَى

الْإِنْجِيلِيِّ الْبَشِيرِ وَالتَّلْمِيزِ الطَّاهِرِ (6:14-21)

قَالَ الرَّبُّ: إِنْ غَفَرْتُمْ لِلنَّاسِ زَلَّاتِهِمْ، يَغْفِرُ  
لَكُمْ آبَاؤُكُمْ السَّمَاوِيِّ أَيْضاً. وَإِنْ لَمْ تَغْفِرُوا لِلنَّاسِ  
زَلَّاتِهِمْ، فَأَبَاؤُكُمْ أَيْضاً لَا يَغْفِرُ لَكُمْ زَلَّاتِكُمْ. وَمَتَى  
صُمُّتُمْ، فَلَا تَكُونُوا مُعَبِّسِينَ كَالْمُرَائِينَ. فَإِنَّهُمْ  
يُنَكِّرُونَ وَجُوهَهُمْ لِيُظْهِرُوا لِلنَّاسِ صَائِمِينَ. الْحَقُّ  
أَقُولُ لَكُمْ، إِنَّهُمْ قَدْ أَخَذُوا أَجْرَهُمْ. أَمَا أَنْتَ فَإِذَا  
صُمْتَ، فَادْهَنْ رَأْسَكَ وَاغْسِلْ وَجْهَكَ لِيَلَّا تَظْهَرَ  
لِلنَّاسِ صَائِماً، بَلْ لِأَبِيكَ الَّذِي فِي الْخَفِيَّةِ، وَأَبُوكَ  
الَّذِي يَرَى فِي الْخَفِيَّةِ يُجَازِيكَ عِلَانِيَةً. لَا تَكْنِزُوا  
لَكُمْ كُنُوزاً عَلَى الْأَرْضِ، حَيْثُ يُفْسِدُ السُّوسُ  
وَالْأَكِلَةُ وَيَنْقُبُ السَّارِقُونَ وَيَسْرِقُونَ. لَكِنْ اكْنِزُوا  
لَكُمْ كُنُوزاً فِي السَّمَاءِ حَيْثُ لَا يُفْسِدُ سَوْسٌ وَلَا  
أَكِلَةُ وَلَا يَنْقُبُ السَّارِقُونَ وَلَا يَسْرِقُونَ. لِأَنَّهُ حَيْثُ  
تَكُونُ كُنُوزُكُمْ، هُنَاكَ تَكُونُ قُلُوبُكُمْ



Are you offering **CHURCH BREAD** and  
need **NAMES REMEMBERED** in the Liturgy?

Sign-Up online with the names by **TUESDAY** of that week  
[www.StGeorgeChi.org/holy-bread](http://www.StGeorgeChi.org/holy-bread) or scan QR-Code



## THE SYNAXARION

On March 17<sup>th</sup> in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate Venerable Alexios the ‘Man of God;’ and Patrick, bishop of Armagh and enlightener of Ireland.

On this day, we make remembrance of the exile of the first-fashioned, Adam, from the Paradise of delight.

*Let the world mourn bitterly along with ages past;  
As, by sweet eating, it hath fallen along with those who had fallen.*

It is the Sunday of Forgiveness, known also as Cheese Fare Sunday. Today’s lesson from the Holy Gospel teaches us about forgiveness and fasting, and how both are crucial to our own return to Paradise. The divine Fathers also set the anniversary of the exile of Adam from the Paradise of bliss on this day, at the entrance of Great Lent, to show us by deed as well as word how great is the benefit that accrues to man from fasting and repenting; and, on the contrary, how great the harm that comes from destructive gluttony and from disobedience to the divine commandments. The sin of gluttony resulted in Adam and Eve’s banishment from Paradise, because they disobeyed God by eating from the tree which He had forbidden them. The Church reminds us of this event to encourage us to return to that ancient glory and primeval happiness by means of fasting and obedience to God and His commandments.

By Thine ineffable compassion, O Christ our God, make us worthy of the delight of Paradise and have mercy on us, as Thou art alone the Lover of mankind. Amen.

**Please NOTE...all announcements for inclusion in the  
Saint George Weekly Bulletin must be  
submitted directly via email to [Office@StGeorgeChi.org](mailto:Office@StGeorgeChi.org)  
no later than **Monday by 10:00 PM**. Thank you!**



## Holy Bread Offered By:



**Today** – Adel and Sheilia  
Alfakhori and Family

**Mar 24** – Suad Lussi  
– Antoinette Daoud and Family  
– Samar Rihani and Etihad  
Rihani and Families  
– Alexandra Mansour and  
Gebran and Rawad Mansour  
and Family

**Mon, Mar 25** – **OPEN**

**Mar 31** – The Family of Rugina Hani  
– Sumayya Zayed and  
Family  
– Nuha Ayoub and  
Family



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## Coffee Hour Sponsors:



**Today** – Raif and Rowa Zureikat  
and Family

**Mar 24** – Samar Rihani and Etihad  
Rihani and Families

**Mar 31** – Nuha Ayoub and  
Family



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**Donate to  
Your Church  
Today**



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## **REMOVAL OF CROWNS**

Last Sunday HAYZE and TRACY (Perez) Webster.

## **COMMEMORATIONS**

**Mar 24** 10-Year Commemoration for †BUTROS  
DAOUD, offered by Antoinette Daoud  
and family.

## **MEMORIALS**

**Today** 10-Year Memorial Service for  
†METROPOLITAN PHILIP SALIBA of  
Thrice-Blessed Memory, offered by  
the Saint George Church family.

**Mar 24** . 2-Year Memorial Service for  
†NAHIDA JOHN, offered by Suad  
Lussi.  
• 6-Year Memorial Service for †MITRI  
MANSOUR, offered by Alexandra  
Mansour and Gebran and Rawad  
Mansour and Family.  
• 9-Year Memorial Service for  
†IBRAHIM LUSSI, offered by Suad  
Lussi.  
• 11-Year Memorial Service for  
†NAHIL ALMARGE, offered by Suad  
Lussi.

**Mar 31** . 40-Day Memorial Service for  
†RUGINA HANI, offered by her  
children and their families.  
• 1-Year Memorial Service for †KHALIL  
ZAYED, offered by Sumayya Zayed  
and family.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## MARCH IS ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN MONTH

HOME BLESSINGS continue (see pg. 11)

<b>Sun, Mar 17</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Orthros (Matins) followed by Great Doxology and Divine Liturgy 9:15 am</li> <li>• Choir Rehearsal 9:15 am</li> <li>• Sunday School After Communion</li> <li>• Coffee Hour After Liturgy</li> <li>• Young Adult Fellowship (YAF) Coffee and Fellowship After Liturgy</li> <li>• Youth Choir Rehearsal (see pg. 14) 12:30 pm</li> <li>• Oratorical Festival Introductory Meeting 12:30 pm</li> </ul>
<b>Mon, Mar 18</b>	<p><b>GREAT LENT BEGINS - CLEAN MONDAY</b> (see pg. 26)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sunday School Teachers' Training (Zoom) 8:00 pm</li> </ul>
<b>Tue, Mar 19</b>	West Campus Ministry (see pg. 22) 6:00 pm
<b>Wed, Mar 20</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presanctified Liturgy 7:00 pm</li> <li>• Bible Study (7-Part Series): The Letters of the New Testament (see pg. 20) After Liturgy</li> </ul>
<b>Thu, Mar 21</b>	North Campus Ministry (see pg. 23) 6:00 pm
<b>Fri, Mar 22</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Akathist (Madayeh) Service followed by Lenten Potluck Dinner 7:00 pm</li> <li>• Antiochian Family Ministry (AFM) Couples' Retreat (see pg. 13) After Dinner</li> </ul>
<b>Sat, Mar 23</b>	Pan-Orthodox Sunday of Orthodox Vespers Service (see pg. 21) 6:00 pm
<b>Sun, Mar 24</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Orthros (Matins) followed by Great Doxology and Divine Liturgy 9:15 am</li> <li>• Choir Rehearsal 9:15 am</li> <li>• Sunday School After Communion</li> <li>• Coffee Hour After Liturgy</li> <li>• Youth Choir Rehearsal (see pg. 14) After Liturgy</li> <li>• Bible Bowl Study Session (includes Lunch) 1:00 pm</li> </ul>
<b>Mon, Mar 25</b>	Evening Divine Liturgy for the Feast of Annunciation 7:00 pm
<b>Tue, Mar 26</b>	West Campus Ministry (see pg. 22) 6:00 pm
<b>Wed, Mar 27</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presanctified Liturgy 7:00 pm</li> <li>• Bible Study (7-Part Series): The Letters of the New Testament (see pg. 20) After Liturgy</li> </ul>
<b>Thu, Mar 28</b>	North Campus Ministry (see pg. 23) 6:00 pm
<b>Fri, Mar 29</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Akathist (Madayeh) Service followed by Lenten Potluck Dinner 7:00 pm</li> <li>• Bible Bowl Study Session After Dinner</li> </ul>
<b>Sat, Mar 30</b>	Great Vespers Service 5:00 pm
<b>Sun, Mar 31</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Orthros (Matins) followed by Great Doxology and Divine Liturgy 9:15 am</li> <li>• Choir Rehearsal 9:15 am</li> <li>• Sunday School After Communion</li> <li>• Coffee Hour After Liturgy</li> <li>• Ushers' Meeting After Liturgy</li> <li>• Youth Choir Rehearsal (see pg. 14) After Liturgy</li> <li>• Antiochian Men (A-MEN) Officers' Meeting 12:30 pm</li> </ul>



## SEASON OF EPIPHANY

Traditionally, at the feast of the Lord's Epiphany (Baptism) on January 6<sup>th</sup>, 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](mailto: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.





# Antiochian Women (AW) *Lenten Retreat*

Saturday, April 6, 2024 | 5:00 pm

*The Tradition of Ka'ak & Ma'amoul*

\$20/  
Person

Vespers, Lenten Dinner, Ka'ak and Ma'amoul Hands-On Demonstration, Spiritual Reflection

RSVP by  
Sun | Mar 31



**ALL WOMEN 18+ WELCOME!**

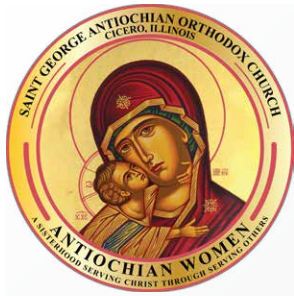


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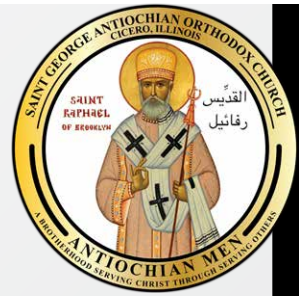
## **Young Adult Fellowship (YAF)** **SAVE THE DATE**

- FRI, Apr 5** YAF NIGHT following Madayeh Service
- FRI, Apr 26** LENTEN RETREAT following Madayeh Service
- FRI, May 10** SOCIAL OUTING (GOLF 360)
- FRI, May 24** HUMANITARIAN EVENT
- SAT, Jun 15** SAINT GEORGE CHURCH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING
- FRI, Jun 21** YAF ELECTIONS (End of Term Celebration and Annual YAF General Assembly Meeting)
- WED-SAT, Jun 26-29** PARISH LIFE CONFERENCE
- FRI, Jul 19** SPIRITUAL DISCUSSION following Evening Divine Liturgy for the Feast of the Prophet Elijah
- TUE, Aug 6** BIBLE STUDY following Evening Divine Liturgy for the Feast of Transfiguration
- SAT, Aug 17** SUMMER FEST hosted By YAF

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



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# ANTIOCHIAN FAMILY MINISTRY

A JOINT MINISTRY OF THE ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN AND THE ANTIOCHIAN MEN

## Couples' Retreat

THE POWER OF CONFESSION –

A JOURNEY TOWARD RENEWAL AND UNITY

A *Special Evening* of reflection, fellowship, and spiritual growth delving into the *Sacrament of Confession*.

Friday, March 22 | 7:00 pm

– Akathist (Madayeh) Service

– Potluck Dinner

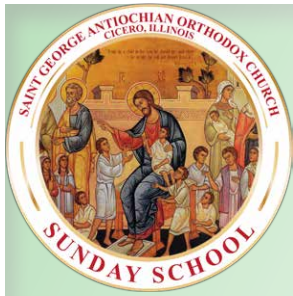
– Couples' Retreat

Focusing on couples, but ALL are welcome... married, single, widowed, etc.

RSVP by  
Sunday, March 17



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# SUNDAY SCHOOL YOUTH CHOIR

FADWA RANTISI, COORDINATOR | OLGA KARAM, MUSIC DIRECTOR

**\* Rehearsals begin \***

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2024**

**12:30 PM – 1:00 PM in Mrs. Olga’s room**

**\* Special Performance \***

**FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2024**

**DURING MADEYEH SERVICE**

**Pre-Registered Participants:**

Annelise Kuttab  
Caroline Nawas  
Charlie Barbari  
Elias Rihani  
Gabriella Rihani  
John Karam

Julianne Zayed  
Katherine Conopeotis  
Katherine Saba  
Maria Eseed  
Massa Moaqad

Melissa Kari  
Michael El-Khoury  
Mousa saba  
Nabeel Eseed  
Niveen Shaheen

Raneem Karam  
Sam Shaheen  
Sophia Rayan  
Ana Coronel  
Angelina Mraibie

Celine Mraibie  
Sophia Perez  
Natalya Aygul  
Sophia Layous  
George Layous

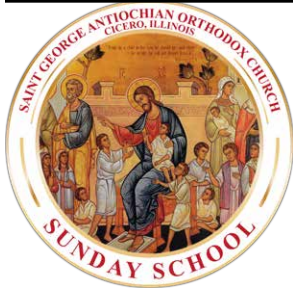
Liza Aygul  
Rayan Bitar  
Samuel Bitar  
Samantha Bittar  
Chloe Bittar

**All Children 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE and OLDER are Welcome!**

\*\*\* To join Youth Choir, please send an email to the Youth Choir Coordinator, Fadwa Rantisi, at [FadwaRantisi@gmail.com](mailto:FadwaRantisi@gmail.com).

**Mrs. Olga will have rehearsals until April 21, to teach diverse hymns to the singers!**

**Singers are encouraged to participate in ALL rehearsals!**



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# SUMMER BIBLE SCHOOL SAVE THE DATE

**Monday - Thursday  
June 17-20, 2024**

**AGES 6-12 (must be 6 before June 10)**

**– Details to follow –**

**Staff, Volunteers, and Junior Counselors Training  
To Be Determined**

**ONLINE  
REGISTRATION**

*Coming Soon...*

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



# The Order of Saint Ignatius – Saint George Chapter

## 2024 SUMMER CAMP SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

*Application DUE April 30, 2024*

*Send Completed Application to [TheOrder@StGeorgeChi.org](mailto:TheOrder@StGeorgeChi.org)*

The Order of Saint Ignatius of Antioch (The Order) is an organization of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America (Antiochian Archdiocese), with the objective of financially supporting the departments, programs, and charitable works of the Antiochian Archdiocese, Patriarchate of Antioch, and the Orthodox Christian faith. The Order assists the Antiochian Archdiocese in its continued effort to reach out to all in need and bring to them the message of the Gospel.

The summer camp program transforms lives and nurtures faith in Jesus Christ through Orthodox Christian community living, worship, education, fellowship, and love.

The Order – Cicero Chapter invites all youth from Saint George Church to apply for the Summer Camp Scholarship that is generously funded by the parish.

### **Scholarship Amounts:**

- **Antiochian Village (Pennsylvania)** – \$400 scholarship. Parents are responsible for transportation to the camp.
- **Camp Saint George (Iowa)** – \$400 scholarship. Group transportation to the camp will be provided.

### **The Requirements:**

1. MUST be enrolled in Sunday school.
2. MUST attend Sunday School regularly.
3. MUST attend Church Services at Saint George Church.
4. MUST be registered Members of Saint George Church.
5. MUST be a Member of Teen SOYO, if applicable.
6. MUST be Children ages 9-17.
7. MUST complete at least a 4-hour service project at Saint George Church prior to April 30, 2024.
8. MUST participate in a short presentation about your camp experience.

**Scan for Online  
Application**





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# Teen SOYO

## “ASK ABOUNA”

**SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2024**

**5:00 PM VESPERS**



## DISCUSSION TOPIC:

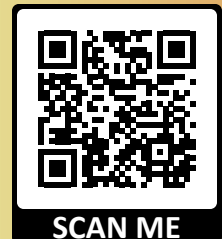
DO YOU NOT KNOW THAT YOUR BODY IS A  
**TEMPLE** OF THE **HOLY SPIRIT**  
WITHIN YOU, WHOM YOU HAVE FROM GOD?

(1 Corinthians)

*THE TEENS REQUESTED THIS EVENT TO ASK THE  
CLERGY ABOUT THIS AND SEVERAL OTHER TOPICS*

**FREE  
EVENT!**

RSVP by  
Saturday, March 30



**ALL TEENS AGES 13-18 WELCOME!**





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# Junior Orthodox Youth (J.O.Y.)

## SPIRITUAL RETREAT

Saturday  
April 6, 2024  
5:00 PM



THEME: CULTIVATING THE FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT

*Vespers, Dinner, Lesson on how to make Palm Sunday crosses out of palms*

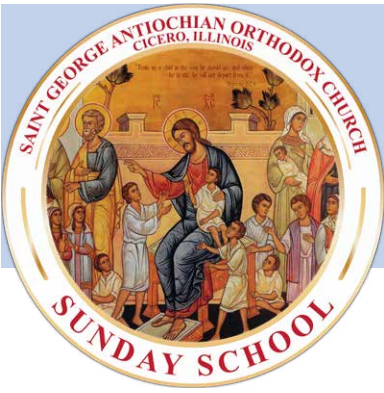
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THURSDAY,  
APRIL 4



*“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such there is no law” ~ GALATIANS 5:22-23*

VESPERS  
followed by  
Retreat

A MINISTRY OF TEEN SOYO FOR AGES 9-12



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# SUNDAY SCHOOL

## Confession Program for 3<sup>rd</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grades

"Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man has great power in its effects."  
~ James 5:16



### Sacrament of Confession Sermon

SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2024

Sunday of the Prodigal Son

### Retreat Registration Deadline

→ SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024 ←

### Confession Retreat

SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2024

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade and older are all welcome!

Parents attending please register yourself as well.

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

### First Confession

SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024

Confession and Celebratory Dinner

### Communion Recognition for

### First Confessors

SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024

**Questions?** See Mrs. Marwa Bechara  
(marwashammas@gmail.com),  
Confession Coordinator



## CREATIVE FESTIVALS 2024 THEME

"All things work together for good  
to those who love God,  
to those who are the called  
according to His purpose."  
Romans 8:28

All Sunday School Students

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> > > *1<sup>st</sup> Grade and Older* < < <

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are invited to participate!

### Registration

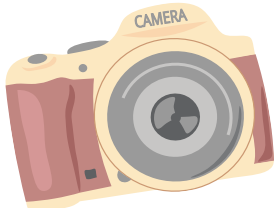
Deadline → **SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024**

### Art Projects

Due → **SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2024**

### Questions?

Alice Zayed, CAF Coordinator → [AliceZayed@gmail.com](mailto:AliceZayed@gmail.com)





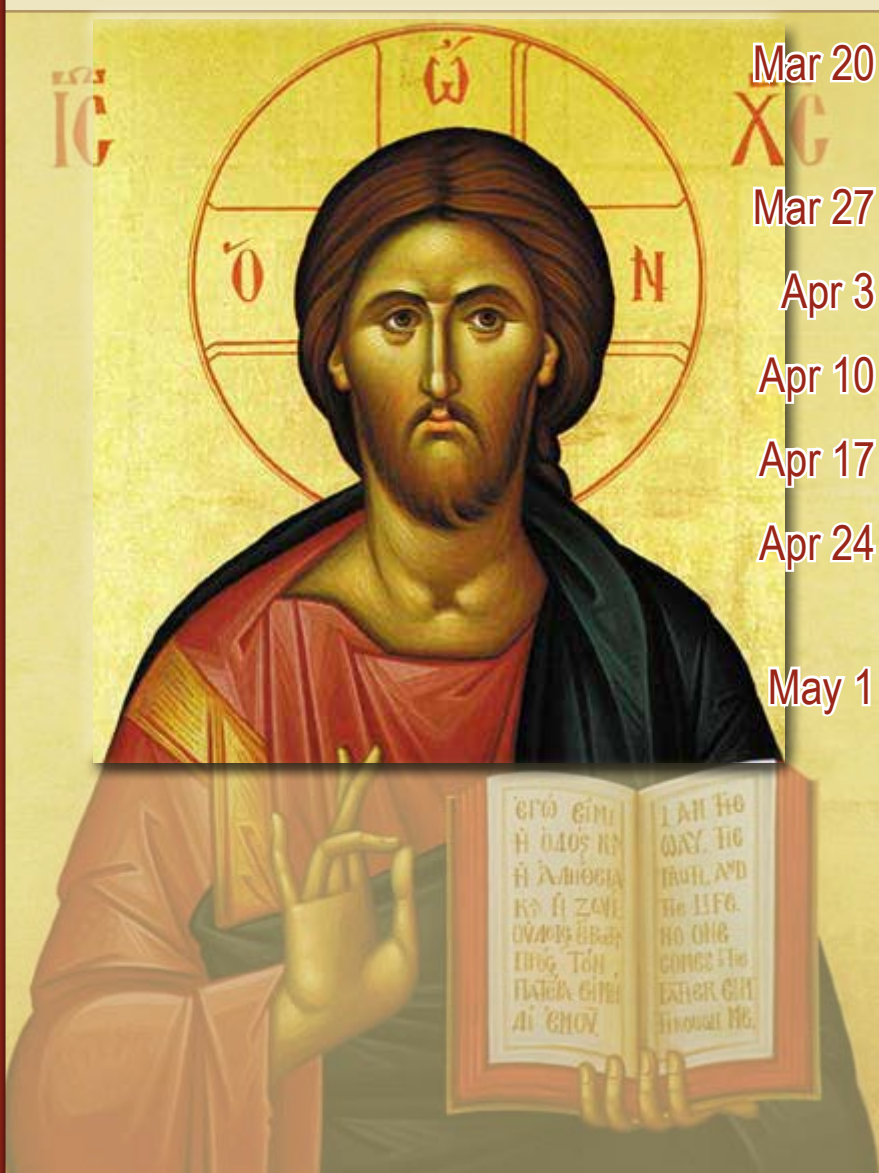
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# Pastoral Ministry

## THE LETTERS OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

### (A 7-PART BIBLE STUDY SERIES)

**Wednesdays** – Following PRESANCTIFIED LITURGY at 7:00 pm



Mar 20 PART I: *Introduction and Book of Galatians*

Mar 27 PART II: *Book of Ephesians*

Apr 3 PART III: *Book of Philippians*

Apr 10 PART IV: *Book of James*

Apr 17 PART V: *Book of 1 John 1*

Apr 24 PART VI: *Books of 2 John and 3 John*

May 1 PART VII: *Conclusion and Teachings of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ*

*All participants  
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a Bible and Icon*

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# Triumph of Orthodoxy

## PAN ORTHODOX VESPERS

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6:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 23, 2024

St John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church  
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**Homilist: His Grace Bishop JOHN**  
Antiochian Orthodox Diocese  
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Responses by  
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## SAINT GEORGE WEST CAMPUS MINISTRY

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

### Tuesdays

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- March 19, 2024
- March 26, 2024
- April 2, 2024
- April 9, 2024
- April 16, 2024
- April 23, 2024

### Program \*

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6:00-6:40 PM

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

6:50 PM

- Great Compline Service

8:00 PM

- Repentance (ages 18+)
- Kids' Club (ages 3-8)
- J.O.Y. Power Hour (ages 9-12)
- Teen SOYO Hour (ages 13-18)

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### Thursdays

- March 21, 2024
- March 28, 2024
- April 4, 2024
- April 11, 2024
- April 18, 2024
- April 25, 2024

### Program \*

6:00-6:40 PM

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- Complimentary Dinner (6:00-6:40 PM) \* \*

6:50 PM

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# OUR JOURNEY TO PASCHA! 2024

SUNDAYS		THEMES / GOSPEL READING	HOW TO PARTICIPATE:
Fast - Free Week <b>FEBRUARY 25th</b>		<i>TRIODION WEEKS</i> <b>Publican and the Pharisee</b> Reading: 2 Timothy 3: 10-15 Gospel: Luke 18: 10-14	Trust in God, not yourself! Ask for His help before every task this week!
Normal Fast Week <b>MARCH 3rd</b>		<b>The Prodigal Son Returns!</b> Reading: 1 Corinthians 6: 12-20 Gospel: Luke 15: 11-32	Schedule a Confession. Use up/freeze meats this week.
The Last Judgment <b>MARCH 10th</b>		<b>The Last Judgment (Meatfare)</b> Reading: 1 Corinthians 8: 8-9: 2 Gospel: Matthew 25: 31-46	Pray facing East this week. Christ is returning from the East and we wait for Him! Use up/freeze dairy this week.
Forgiveness Sunday <b>MARCH 17th</b>		<b>Adam and Eve are cast from Paradise!</b> <i>FORGIVENESS SUNDAY (Cheesefare)</i> Reading: Romans 13: 11-14:4 Gospel: Matthew 6: 14-21	Ask each other for forgiveness each evening this week before bed.
1st Sunday of Lent <b>MARCH 24th</b>		<i>GREAT FAST BEGINS with FORGIVENESS VESPERS</i> <b>SUNDAY of ORTHODOXY</b> Reading: Hebrews 11: 24-26, 32-12:2 Gospel: John 1: 43-51	Bring an icon to church for a procession.
2nd Sunday of Lent <b>MARCH 31st</b>		<b>SAINT GREGORY PALAMAS</b> Reading: Hebrews 1:10-2:3 Gospel: Mark 2: 1-12	Bring a prayer rope to be blessed today! Use it and pray the Jesus Prayer each day this week.
3rd Sunday of Lent <b>APRIL 7th</b>		<b>VENERATION OF THE HOLY CROSS</b> <i>HALFWAY TO PASCHA!</i> Reading: Hebrews 4: 14-5: 6 Gospel: Mark 8:34-9: 1	Kneel in front of the cross every day, and remember that there is no resurrection without a cross!
4th Sunday of Lent <b>APRIL 14th</b>		<b>SAINT JOHN of the LADDER</b> Reading: Hebrews: 6:13-20 Gospel: Mark 9: 17-31	Every time you climb stairs this week ask Saint John to help you reach Paradise with the sign of the cross!
5th Sunday of Lent <b>APRIL 21st</b>		<b>SAINT MARY of EGYPT</b> Reading: Hebrews 9: 11-14 Gospel: Mark 10: 32-45	Ask the Theotokos to offer you and the world pure thoughts and ideas this week.
PALM SUNDAY! <b>APRIL 28th</b> GREAT WEEK BEGINS		<i>GREAT and HOLY WEEK</i> <b>ENTRY OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM</b> Reading: Philippians 4: 4-9 Gospel: John 12: 1-18	Place your palm branches and pussywillows behind an icon at home and in your car!
GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY <b>MAY 3rd</b>		<b>GREAT and HOLY FRIDAY</b> <i>JESUS DIES ON THE CROSS</i> CHECK WITH YOUR PARISH FOR ROYAL HOURS AND VESPERS SCHEDULE	Refrain from TV, Internet, and Phones to honor Christ's Death.
Feast of Feasts! <b>MAY 5th</b> NO FASTING!		<i>BRIGHT WEEK</i> <b>HOLY PASCHA! (CHRIST IS RISEN!)</b> Epistle: Acts 1: 1-8 Gospel: John 1: 1-17	Greet everyone with "CHRIST IS RISEN!" and say it before good morning and goodnight!



# طريقنا إلى الفصح! 2024

الأحد	الموضوع / الإنجيل	كيفية المشاركة
لا صيام هذا الأسبوع 25 شباط	أسابيع التريودي الفريسي والعشار الرسالة: 2 تيم 15:10-3 الإنجيل: لوقا 14:10-18	ثِقُوا بِاللَّهِ، لَا بِأَنْفُسِكُمْ! أَصْرُخُوا مَعَ الْعَشَارِ طَالِبِينَ مِنَ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَةِ.
صيام عادي هذا الأسبوع 3 آذار	أحد الابن الشاطر! الرسالة: 1 كور 20:12-6 الإنجيل: لوقا 32:11-15	أَذْهَبُوا إِلَى الْأَعْتِرَافِ. إِسْتَنْفِذُوا اللَّحْمَ مِنْ بَيْتِكُمْ خِلَالَ هَذَا الْأَسْبُوعِ.
يوم الدينونة 10 آذار	يوم الدينونة (مرفع اللحم) الرسالة: 1 كور 2:9-8:8 الإنجيل: متى 46:31-25	صَلِّيْ مَوَاجِهَةَ الشَّرْقِ هَذَا الْأَسْبُوعِ. الْمَسِيحُ يَعُودُ مِنَ الْمَشَارِقِ وَسَوْفَ نَنْتَظِرُهُ! إِسْتَنْفِذُوا الْبَيَاضَ مِنْ بَيْتِكُمْ خِلَالَ هَذَا الْأَسْبُوعِ.
يوم الغفران 17 آذار	طرد آدم وحواء من الفردوس يوم الغفران (مرفع الجبن) الرسالة: رومية 14:11-13، 4:1-14 الإنجيل: متى 21:14-6	أَطْلُوا الْمَغْفِرَةَ مِنْ بَعْضِكُمُ الْبَعْضَ هَذَا الْأَحَدَ قَبْلَ الْخُلُودِ إِلَى النَّوْمِ.
الأحد الأول من الصوم 24 آذار	الأحد الأول من الصوم صلاة الغروب الغفران أحد الأرثوذكسية الرسالة: عب 2:12-32، 26:24-11 الإنجيل: يوحنا 51:43-1	إِجْلِبُوا أَيْقُونَةَ إِلَى الْكَنِيسَةِ لِلْمُشَارَكَةِ فِي زِيَاحِ الْأَيْقُونَاتِ.
الأحد الثاني من الصوم 31 آذار	القديس غريغوريوس بالاماس الرسالة: عب 3:2-10:1 الإنجيل: مرقس 12:1-2	إِجْلِبُوا مَسْبَحَةَ صَلَاةِ أَرْتُوذُكْسِيَّةِ لِتَبْرِيكِهَا فِي الْكَنِيسَةِ! إِسْتَعْمِلُوهَا وَصَلُّوا صَلَاةَ يَسُوعَ يَوْمِيًّا فِي هَذَا الْأَسْبُوعِ.
الأحد الثالث من الصوم 7 نيسان	السجود للصليب المقدس نصف الطريق الى الفصح! الرسالة: عب 6:5-14:4 الإنجيل: مرقس 1:9-34:8	أَسْجُدُوا لِلصَّلِيبِ كُلَّ يَوْمٍ مَتَذَكِّرِينَ أَنَّ لَا قِيَامَةَ مِنْ دُونِ صَلِيبٍ!
الأحد الرابع من الصوم 14 نيسان	القديس يوحنا السلمي الرسالة: عب 20:13-6 الإنجيل: مرقس 31:17-9	فِيمَا تَتَسَلَّقُونَ سَلْمَ الْفَضَائِلِ، أَطْلِبُوا مِنَ الْقَدِيسِ يُوْحَنَّا الْمُسَاعِدَةَ لِبَلُوغِ الْفَرْدُوسِ، وَأَنْتُمْ تَرَسُمُونَ إِشَارَةَ الصَّلِيبِ!
الأحد الخامس من الصوم 21 نيسان	القديسة مريم المصرية الرسالة: عب 14:11-9 الإنجيل: مرقس 45:32-10	أَطْلِبُوا مِنَ الْعِذْرَاءِ وَالِدَةِ الْإِلَهِ أَنْ تَمْنَحَكُمْ وَتَمْنَحَ الْعَالَمَ أَفْكَاراً طَاهِراً.
أحد الشعانين 28 نيسان	بدء الأسبوع العظيم المقدس دخول السيد إلى اورشليم الرسالة: قليبي 9:4-4 الإنجيل: يوحنا 18:1-12	رَينُوا الْأَيْقُونَاتِ بِسُغْفِ النَّخْلِ فِي بَيْتِكُمْ وَسِيَارَاتِكُمْ!
الجمعة العظيمة 3 أيار	الجمعة العظيمة موت المسيح على الصليب تحقق من أوقات الصلوات في هذه الأيام المقدسة سبت النور	إِمْتَنِعُوا عَنِ التَّلْفِزِيُونِ وَالْإِنْتَرْنِتِ وَعَنِ اسْتِخْدَامِ هَوَاتِفِكُمْ.
عيد الأعياد! 5 أيار	الفصح المقدس! (المسيح قام!) الرسالة: اعمال 8:1-1 الإنجيل: يوحنا 17:1-1	القُوا التَّحِيَةَ قَانِلِينَ "الْمَسِيحَ قَامَ" عَوْضاً عَنِ صَبَاحِ الْخَيْرِ أَوْ مَسَاءِ الْخَيْرِ!



## يبدأ الصوم الكبير المقدس في 18 آذار

يَبْدَأُ الصَّوْمُ الْكَبِيرُ الْمُقَدَّسُ يَوْمَ الْإِثْنَيْنِ 18 آذار،  
وَيَسْتَمِرُّ لِغَايَةِ عِيدِ الْفِصْحِ فِي 5 أَيَّار.

خِلَالَ هَذَا الْمَوْسِمِ الْمُبَارَكِ، يَجِبُ أَنْ يَتَرَفَّقَ الصَّوْمُ  
مَعَ الْفَضَائِلِ، وَخَاصَّةً قِرَاءَةُ الْإِنْجِيلِ، وَالْمُوَاطَّابَةُ  
عَلَى الصَّلَاةِ، وَعَمَلُ الصَّدَقَةِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ لِلْغَيْرِ. وَكُلَّ  
عَامٍ وَأَنْتُمْ بِخَيْرٍ.

يُمْكِنُكُمْ مِتَابَعَةُ الْجَدُولِ الْكَامِلِ لَخِدْمَاتِ الصَّوْمِ  
فِي هَذِهِ النُّشْرَةِ الْأَسْبُوعِيَّةِ.

## GREAT LENT BEGINS MARCH 18<sup>TH</sup>

Great Lent begins  
Monday, March 18, called "Clean Monday."

This Holy Season is a renewal for all believers to **intensify** their reading of Scripture, almsgiving, worship, prayer, and fasting.

Fasting begins on "Clean Monday" and continues until the **Feast of Great and Holy PASCHA** on May 5<sup>th</sup>.

Fasting during Great Lent includes abstaining from meats, fish, dairy, oil, and wine.

The complete *Schedule of Lenten Services* may be found in this *Weekly Bulletin*.



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### DATE

June 26-29  
Wednesday - Saturday

### LOCATION

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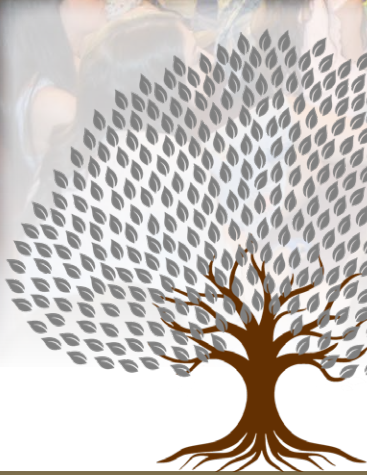
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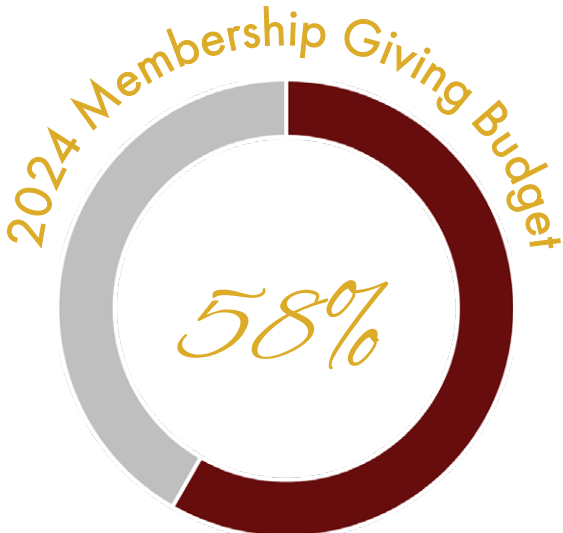
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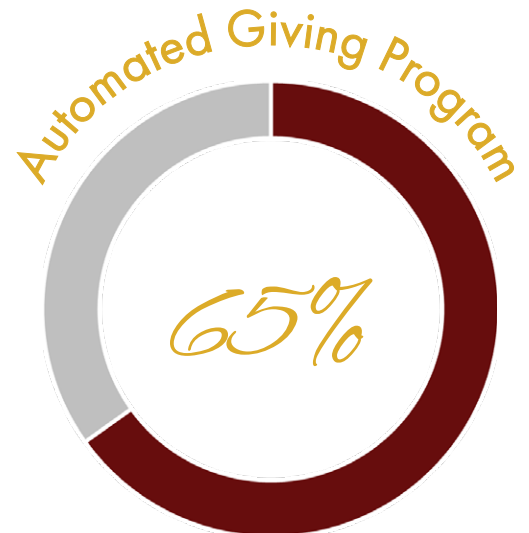
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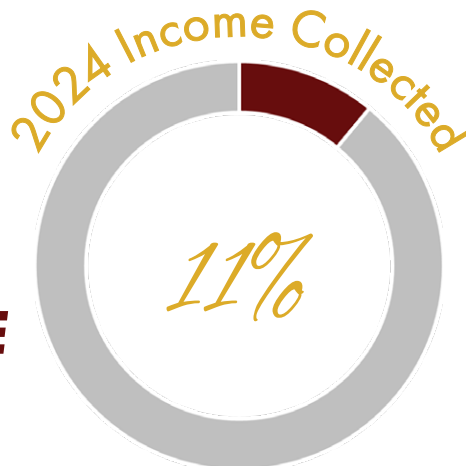
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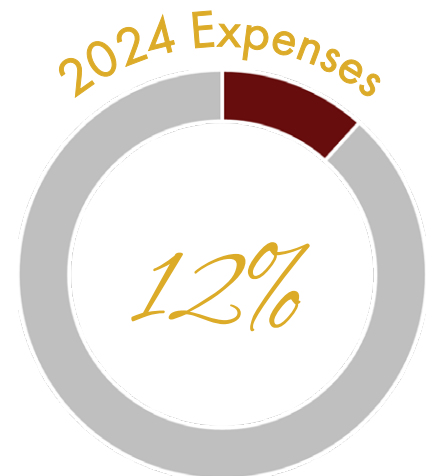


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Collected Income to Date of the Budgeted Income Needed for 2024



Expenses to Date of the Expenses Budgeted for 2024