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THE FEAST OF SAINT NEKTARIOS OF AEGINA AND
PENTAPOLIS, THE WONDERWORKER AND
THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF LUKE



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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 forth the Light.
Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace,
good will among men.

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

O Lord King, heavenly God, Father almighty; O
Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; and O
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, the God of our Fathers,
and praised and glorified is Thy name forever.
Amen.

Let Thy mercy be upon us, O Lord, even as we
have set our hope on thee.

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

Lord, thou hast been our refuge from generation
to generation. I said: Lord, 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 mercy 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 الْعَلَاءِ،
وَعَلَى الْأَرْضِ السَّلَامُ، وَفِي النَّاسِ الْمَسَرَّةُ
نُسَبِّحُكَ نُبَارِكُكَ، نَسْجُدُ لَكَ نُمَجِّدُكَ، نَشْكُرُكَ مِنْ
أَجْلِ عَظِيمِ جَلَالِ مَجْدِكَ

أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ الْمَلِكُ، السَّمَائِيُّ، إِلَهُ، الْآبُ الضَّابِطُ
الْكُلِّ. أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ الْإِبْنُ الْوَحِيدُ، يَا يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحُ،
وَيَا أَيُّهَا الرُّوحُ الْقُدُسُ

أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ إِلَهُ، يَا حَمَلَ اللَّهِ يَا ابْنَ الْآبِ، يَا رَافِعَ
خَطِيئَةِ الْعَالَمِ ارْحَمْنَا، يَا رَافِعَ خَطَايَا الْعَالَمِ
تَقَبَّلْ تَضَرُّعَنَا أَيُّهَا الْجَالِسُ عَنْ يَمِينِ الْآبِ
وَارْحَمْنَا

لَأَنَّكَ أَنْتَ وَحْدَكَ قُدُّوسٌ، أَنْتَ وَحْدَكَ الرَّبُّ
يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحُ، فِي مَجْدِ اللَّهِ الْآبِ، آمِينَ.
فِي كُلِّ يَوْمٍ أَبَارِكُكَ، وَأُسَبِّحُ اسْمَكَ إِلَى الْأَبَدِ،
وَالْإِلَهِي إِلَى الْأَبَدِ

أَهْلُنَا يَا رَبُّ أَنْ نُحْفَظَ فِي هَذَا الْيَوْمِ بِغَيْرِ خَطِيئَةٍ.
مُبَارَكَ أَنْتَ يَا رَبُّ إِلَهَ آبَائِنَا، وَمُسَبِّحٌ وَمُمَجَّدٌ
اسْمُكَ إِلَى الْأَبَدِ، آمِينَ

لِتَكُنْ يَا رَبُّ رَحْمَتُكَ عَلَيْنَا، كَمِثْلِ اتِّكَالِنَا عَلَيْكَ.
مُبَارَكَ أَنْتَ يَا رَبُّ عَلَّمْنِي حَقُوقَكَ. (ثلاثاً)

يَا رَبُّ مَلْجَأُ كُنْتُ لَنَا فِي جِيلٍ وَجِيلٍ، أَنَا قُلْتُ
يَا رَبُّ ارْحَمْنِي وَاشْفِ نَفْسِي لِأَنَّنِي قَدْ خَطِئْتُ
إِلَيْكَ

يَا رَبُّ إِلَيْكَ لَجَأْتُ فَعَلَّمْنِي أَنْ أَعْمَلَ رِضَاكَ،
لَأَنَّكَ أَنْتَ هُوَ إِلَهِي

لَأَنَّ مِنْ قِبَلِكَ عَيْنَ الْحَيَاةِ، وَبِنُورِكَ نَعَايِنُ النُّورَ.
فَابْسُطْ رَحْمَتَكَ عَلَى الَّذِينَ يَعْرِفُونَكَ.

قُدُّوسُ اللَّهِ، قُدُّوسُ الْقَوِيِّ، قُدُّوسُ الَّذِي لَا يَمُوتُ
ارْحَمْنَا. (ثلاثاً)

المَجْدُ لِلْآبِ وَالْإِبْنِ وَالرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ.

الْآنَ وَكُلَّ أَوَانٍ وَإِلَى دَهْرِ الدَّاهِرِينَ، آمِينَ.
قُدُّوسُ الَّذِي لَا يَمُوتُ ارْحَمْنَا.

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ارْحَمْنَا

TODAY'S LITURGY INSERTS

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION (TONE 5)

Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

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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 لِنَسْجُدْ وَنَرْكَعَ لِلْمَسِيحِ، مَلِكِنَا وَإِلَهِنَا. خَلَّصْنَا يَا ابْنَ اللَّهِ، يَا مَنْ قَامَ مِنْ بَيْنِ الْأَمْوَاتِ، لِنُرْتِّلَ لَكَ. هَلِّلُوبِيا

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TROPARION OF SAINT NEKTARIOS OF AEGINA (TONE 1)

The offspring of Selyvria and the guardian of Aegina, the true friend of virtue who didst appear in the last years, O Nektarios, we faithful honor thee as a Godly servant of Christ, for thou pourest forth healings of every kind for those who piously cry out: Glory to Christ Who hath glorified thee. Glory to Him Who hath made thee wondrous. Glory to Him Who worketh healings for all through thee.

أَيُّهَا الْمُؤْمِنُونَ لِنَكْرِمْ نِكْتَارِيوسَ * مَوْلُودَ سِيلِيفْرِيَا وَرَايَةَ آيِينَا، * مَنْ آخِرَ الْأَزْمِنَةِ ظَهَرَ. * مُحِبُّ الْفَضِيلَةِ أَصِيل، * وَخَادِمٌ وَقُورٌ لِلْمَسِيحِ، * مُنْبِعٌ فِي كُلِّ حَالٍ أَشْفِيَّةٍ لِمَنْ إِلَيْهِ يَصْرُخُونَ: * أَلْمَجْدُ لِلَّذِي قَدْ مَجَّدَكَ، * أَلْمَجْدُ لِمَنْ أَعْطَاكَ الْمُعْجَزَاتِ، * أَلْمَجْدُ لِلَّذِي يَصْنَعُ بِكَ الْأَشْفِيَّةَ لِلْجَمِيعِ.

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 أَنَّكَ لِلْمَأْسُورِينَ مُحَرِّرٌ وَمُعْتِقٌ، وَلِلْفُقَرَاءِ وَالْمَسَاكِينِ عَاضِدٌ وَنَاصِرٌ وَلِلْمَرْضَى طَبِيبٌ وَشَافٍ وَعَنِ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ مُكَافِحٌ وَمُحَارِبٌ أَيُّهَا الْعَظِيمُ فِي الشُّهَدَاءِ جَاورْ جِيُوسَ اللَّابِسِ الظُّفَرِ تَشْفَعْ إِلَى الْمَسِيحِ الْإِلَهِ فِي خَلَاصِ نَفُوسِنَا.

KONTAKION OF ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS (TONE 4)

The sacred treasury of God's holy glory, * the greatly precious bridal chamber and Virgin, * the Savior's most pure temple, free of stain and undefiled, * into the House of the Lord * on this day is brought forward * and bringeth with herself the grace * of the Most Divine Spirit; * her do God's Angels hymn with songs of praise, * for she is truly the heavenly tabernacle.

اليَوْمَ الْهَيْكَلُ الَّذِي لِلْمُخَلَّصِ، الْكَلْبِيُّ النَّقَاءِ،
الْعَذْرَاءُ الْخِذْرُ ذُو الثَّمَنِ الْجَزِيلِ، وَهِيَ الْكَنْزُ
الطَّاهِرُ لِمَجْدِ الْإِلَهِ، إِذْ تَدْخُلُ بَيْتَ الرَّبِّ، تَدْخُلُ
نِعْمَةَ الرُّوحِ الْإِلَهِيِّ مَعَهَا. فَلْتُسَبِّحْهَا مَلَائِكَةُ اللَّهِ،
لَأَنَّهَا الْمِظْلَةُ السَّمَاوِيَّةُ.

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 الْإِلَهِ * اكْتُبْ لِكَ رَايَاتِ الْغَلْبَةِ يَا
جَنْدِيَّةَ مُحَامِيَّةَ * وَأَقْدِمْ لِكَ الشُّكْرَ كَمُنْقَذَةٍ مِنَ الشَّدَائِدِ *
لَكِنْ بَمَا أَنَّ لِكَ الْعِزَّةَ الَّتِي لَا تُحَارَبُ * اعْتَقِنِي مِنْ
صُنُوفِ الشَّدَائِدِ * حَتَّى أَصْرُخَ إِلَيْكَ إِفْرَحِي يَا عَرُوسًا
لَا عَرُوسَ لَهَا.

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THE SYNAXARION

On November 9th in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate our father among the saints Nektarios of Aegina, Metropolitan of Pentapolis in Egypt, the wonderworker.

*Since thou drinkest the nectar of life eternal, thou gushest, O Nektarios, streams of healings.
On the ninth, the soul of Nektarios was taken from his body.*

Nektarios was born in Selyvria of Thrace on October 1, 1846. Because of his brilliance and holiness, Nektarios ascended in the Church of Alexandria from monk to metropolitan of Pentapolis in eastern Libya. His flock loved him. Nektarios' swift ascent aroused the envy of lesser clergy and laity. In 1890, Patriarch Sophronios relieved the innocent Metropolitan Nektarios of his duties and commanded him to leave Egypt. He became a provincial preacher and teacher around Athens. Through his eloquent sermons his untiring labors to educate fitting men for the priesthood, his generous alms and deeds despite his own poverty, and the meekness and fatherly love that were manifest in him, Nektarios became a spiritual guide to many. In 1904, he began the building of Holy Trinity Convent on the island of Aegina. Nektarios spent the rest of his life there, and through his prayers delivered the island from drought, healed the sick, and cast out demons. The saint's relics continue to work miracles since his entry into eternal life on this day in 1920. He was canonized in 1961. In 1998, Patriarch Petros VII and the Holy Synod of Alexandria begged the saint to forgive them and their predecessors.

On this day, we also commemorate the Martyrs Onesiphoros and Porphyrios of Ephesus; and Venerable Matrona of Constantinople. By the intercessions of Thy saints, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints. What shall I render to the Lord for all that he has given me?

The Reading from the Epistle of

Saint Paul to the Ephesians (5:8-19)

Brethren, walk as children of light (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), and try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is a shame even to speak of the things that they do in secret; but when anything is exposed by the light it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore, it is said, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light." Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore, do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart.

كريمٌ لدى الربِّ موتُ أبرارِهِ.
بماذا نكافئُ الربَّ عن كلِّ ما أعطانا؟

فَصَلِّ مِنْ رِسَالَةِ الْقَدِّيسِ بُولُسَ

الرَّسُولِ إِلَى أَهْلِ أَفَسُسَ (5:8-19)

يَا إِخْوَةُ، اسْلُكُوا كَأَوْلَادٍ لِلنُّورِ (فَإِنَّ ثَمَرَ الرُّوحِ هُوَ فِي كُلِّ صَلاَحٍ وَبِرٍّ وَحَقٍّ) مُخْتَبِرِينَ مَا هُوَ مَرْضِيٌّ لَدَى الرَّبِّ وَلَا تَشْتَرِكُوا فِي أَعْمَالِ الظُّلْمَةِ غَيْرِ الْمُثْمَرَةِ، بَلْ بِالْأُخْرَى وَبَيِّحُوا عَلَيْهَا. فَإِنَّ الْأَفْعَالَ الَّتِي يَفْعَلُونَهَا سِرًّا، يَفْبُحُ ذِكْرُهَا أَيْضًا. لَكِنَّ كُلَّ مَا يُوبَّخُ عَلَيْهِ، يُعْلَنُ بِالنُّورِ، فَإِنَّ كُلَّ مَا يُعْلَنُ هُوَ نُورٌ وَلِذَلِكَ يَقُولُ: اسْتَيْقِظْ أَيُّهَا النَّائِمُ وَقُمْ مِنْ بَيْنِ الْأَمْوَاتِ، فَيُضِيءُ لَكَ الْمَسِيحُ. فَانْظُرُوا إِذَنْ أَنْ تَسْلُكُوا بِحَذَرٍ، لَا كَجُهْلَاءَ، بَلْ كَحُكَمَاءَ، مُفْتَدِينَ الْوَقْتَ فَإِنَّ الْأَيَّامَ شَرِيرَةٌ. فَلِذَلِكَ لَا تَكُونُوا أَغْبِيَاءَ، بَلْ افْهَمُوا مَا مَشِيئَةُ الرَّبِّ. وَلَا تَسْكُرُوا بِالْخَمْرِ الَّتِي فِيهَا الدَّعَارَةُ، بَلْ امْتَلَأُوا بِالرُّوحِ، مُكَلِّمِينَ بَعْضُكُمْ بَعْضًا بِمَزَامِيرَ وَتَسَابِيحٍ وَأَغَانِيٍّ رُوحِيَّةٍ مُرْتَمِينَ وَمُرْتَلِينَ فِي قُلُوبِكُمْ لِلرَّبِّ

The Reading from the Holy Gospel
according to Saint Luke (8:41-56)

At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought Him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As Jesus went, the people pressed round Him. And a woman, who had had a flow of blood for twelve years, and had spent all her living upon physicians, and could not be healed by anyone, came up behind Him, and touched the fringe of His garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched Me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround Thee and press upon Thee! And Thou sayest, 'Who touched Me?'" But Jesus said, "Someone touched Me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from Me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before Him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched Him, and how she had been immediately healed. And Jesus said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." While Jesus was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when Jesus came to the house, He permitted no one to enter with Him, except Peter and James and John, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but Jesus said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand Jesus called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and Jesus directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but He charged them to tell no one what had happened.

فصل شريف من بشارة القديس لوقا
الإنجيلي البشير والتلميذ الطاهر (8:41-56)

في ذلك الزمان، دنا إلى يسوع إنسان اسمه يائرس، وهو رئيس للمجمع، وخر عند قدمي يسوع، وطلب إليه أن يدخل إلى بيته، لأن له ابنة وحيدة لها نحو اثنتي عشرة سنة قد أشرفت على الموت. وبينما هو منطلق، كان الجموع يزحمونه. وإن امرأة بها نزف دم منذ اثنتي عشرة سنة، وكانت قد أنفقت معيشتها كلها على الأطباء ولم يستطع أحد أن يشفيها. دنت من خلفه ومسّت هذب ثوبه، وللوقت وقف نزف دمها. فقال يسوع: "من لمسني؟" وإذ أنكر جميعهم، قال بطرس والذين معه: "يا معلم، إن الجموع يضايقونك ويزحمونك، وتقول، من لمسني؟" فقال يسوع: "إنه قد لمسني واحد. لأنني علمت أن قوة قد خرجت مني." فلما رأت المرأة أنها لم تخف، جاءت مرتعدة وخرت له، وأخبرت أمام كل الشعب لآية علّة لمسنته، وكيف برئت للوقت. فقال لها: "ثقي يا ابنة. إيمانك أبرأك، فاذهبي بسلام." وفيما هو يتكلم، جاء واحد من ذوي رئيس المجمع وقال له: "إن ابنتك قد ماتت، فلا تتعب المعلم." فسمع يسوع، فأجابه قائلاً: "لا تخف. أمن فقط فتبرأ هي." ولما دخل البيت، لم يدع أحداً يدخل إلا بطرس، ويعقوب، ويوحنا وأبا الصبيّة وأمهّا. وكان الجميع يبكون ويلطمون عليها. فقال لهم: "لا تبكوا. إنها لم تمت ولكنها نائمة." فضحكوا عليه لعلهم بأنّها قد ماتت. فأمسك بيدها ونادى قائلاً: "يا صبيّة قومي." فرجعت روحها وقامت في الحال. فأمر أن تعطى لتأكل. فدهش أبواها، فأوصاهما أن لا يقولوا لأحد ما جرى

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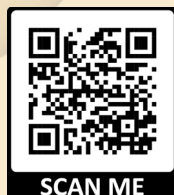
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SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION IS OPEN (*see pg. 14*)

NOVEMBER IS PARISH COUNCIL MONTH

Today	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-Communion Prayers Orthros (Matins) followed by Great Doxology and Divine Liturgy Choir Rehearsal Sunday School Classes God's Little Lights Ministry (3- and 4-year-olds) (<i>see pg. 12</i>) Antiochian Women (AW) Induction of Officers Coffee Hour Young Adult Fellowship (YAF) Coffee and Fellowship (<i>see pg. 22</i>) Youth Choir Rehearsal (<i>see pg. 15</i>) 	9:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am After Communion After Communion After Liturgy After Liturgy After Liturgy After Sunday School
Tue, Nov 11	West Campus Ministry (<i>see pg. 30</i>)	6:00 pm
Wed, Nov 12	Parish Council Monthly Zoom Meeting	7:00 pm
Thu, Nov 13	Saint Katherine the Great Antiochian Orthodox Mission Pastoral Ministry	6:00 pm
Fri, Nov 14	Antiochian Men (A-MEN) Social Event (<i>see pg. 21</i>)	7:00 pm
Sat, Nov 15- Thu, Dec 25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HOLY ADVENT SEASON Advent Humanitarian Drive 	
Sat, Nov 15	Great Vespers Service	5:00 pm
Sun, Nov 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-Communion Prayers Orthros (Matins) followed by Great Doxology and Divine Liturgy Choir Rehearsal Sunday School Classes God's Little Lights Ministry (3- and 4-year-olds) (<i>see pg. 12</i>) Membership Appreciation Sunday (<i>see pg. 13</i>) Coffee Hour Youth Choir Rehearsal (<i>see pg. 15</i>) Teen SOYO Support Team Meeting and Lunch 	9:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am After Communion After Communion After Liturgy After Liturgy After Sunday School 1:00 pm
Mon, Nov 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AC2025 Executive Committee Meeting Sunday School Teachers' Zoom Training 	6:00 pm 8:00 pm
Tue, Nov 18	West Campus Ministry (<i>see pg. 30</i>)	6:00 pm
Thu, Nov 20	Saint Katherine the Great Antiochian Orthodox Mission Pastoral Ministry	6:00 pm
Fri, Nov 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-Communion Prayers (<i>see pg. 31</i>) Evening Divine Liturgy for the Feast of the Presentation of the Theotokos into the Temple (<i>see pg. 31</i>) Young Adult Fellowship (YAF) Spiritual Retreat with Dinner (<i>see pg. 23</i>) 	6:45 pm 7:00 pm After Liturgy
Sat, Nov 22	Great Vespers Service	5:00 pm

On Artificial Living
By His Eminence Metropolitan Saba (Isper)

A couple once came to see me. They were constantly quarreling and blaming each other. As we spoke, it became clear that their problem was financial. Their spending far exceeded their income, forcing them to borrow money even though their income was not small compared to the average in our society.

I suggested a very simple solution: each of them should keep a small notebook and write down, every day, all their expenses. At the end of the month, they should sit together and categorize their spending—food, healthcare, communication, and so on. “After several months, you’ll know how much you truly need for each area of your life,” I told them. “You’ll also be able to distinguish between what is necessary and what is extra. Then you can set a fixed amount for each category. And if one month you must exceed a limit in one area, compensate by spending less in another, so you never fall into debt.”

They left relieved—but after the first month, they stopped. “We were shocked,” they told me later, “by how much we were spending, and we became afraid to continue budgeting.”

There are many couples like them. The strange thing in our society is that people are rarely taught, as children, the virtues of prudence and moderation in spending—and they seldom learn them as adults. So they end up being led by others, by the culture, and by the consumerist climate around them. Few truly lead themselves—living in a way that suits them, not others; choosing what benefits their soul, not what impresses their peers; and shaping their life according to what they see as good, not what others dictate.

Economically speaking, as inflation continues to weigh on most people, we see that rising prices seldom push them to reorganize their lives wisely and peacefully. They do not begin with simple steps like conserving energy in their homes. Instead, they live under constant tension, striving to appear wealthier than they are—even if it means borrowing and weighing themselves down with more debt. The result is more anxiety, more complaints, and more exhaustion.

Because the spiritual dimension of their lives is shallow, they find no true relief from their worries. So they throw themselves deeper into the same whirlwind of endless activity—believing that entertainment and distraction will free them from their stress and emptiness. But once the diversion ends, they return to the same anxiety and fatigue. And so the cycle repeats, grinding them down until their life is spent.

Faced with the relentless grind of consumer society, which crushes people and drains their physical, spiritual, and material resources, we are in dire need, first and foremost, of courage and faith in God and in ourselves. Following that, we need to learn the art of moderation and managing our daily affairs in the best way possible, not merely the easy way.

Within every human being lies a desire to appear admirable before others. This desire may vary in intensity from one person to another, yet the need to exist in the eyes of others, rather than in our own, remains strong.

Do we notice how fashion constantly changes? Or how the images of celebrities shape our behavior? How much do these things push us toward a life of pretense—toward extravagant celebrations and “luxurious” weddings that exhaust us?

A wise woman once said to me, describing her family: “They don’t live for themselves—they live for others. They are enslaved by their desire to look good in others’ eyes, even falsely, and they pay for it with their happiness and health.”

Today’s world leaves no room for our carelessness. Life has become profoundly consumerist, built on the illusion that happiness comes from shopping and spending. In truth, happiness is born from contentment with what is essential. Luxuries have never been a source of lasting joy; they are only brief moments of pleasure that fade quickly.

True happiness wells up from within—from the peace that comes through God’s presence in our lives; from a soul that knows the meaning of its existence; from one who has learned to distinguish between what is necessary and what is superfluous; from one who wishes to live according to what truly suits him and not what others expect.

Such a person has the courage to live by their spiritual convictions rather than by social trends. In short, happiness belongs to the one who is secure enough to seek what is right and pleasing to God and conscience, even when it contradicts the customs of society.

The wise seek approval in the eyes of God, and then in their own—not in the opinions of others. They do not care if others look down on them for living simply, because their sense of worth comes not from human praise but from the joy of God’s approval and the integrity of their soul.

We still resist the first step in the ladder of priorities—the call to simplicity—even though deep down everyone longs for it. The Gospel invites us again and again:

- “Give us this day our daily (essential) bread...” (Matt. 6:11)
- “Do not be anxious about what you will eat or drink...” (Matt. 6:25)
- “One thing is needful... Mary has chosen the good portion, which shall not be taken away from her...” (Luke 10:42)
- “Seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you...” (Matt. 6:33)
- “Flee from the love of money, from the love of power, and from the pride of life...” (see 1 Tim. 6:10, 2 Tim. 2:22, 1 John 2:16)

Do we ever ask ourselves, when we act extravagantly or live beyond our means, whether we are contradicting the Gospel? Or are we simply unaware, misusing the popular saying, “Everything has its time,” as our excuse?

How much careful discernment we need to gain that blessed spiritual sensitivity that helps us tell what is necessary from what is not, what benefits from what harms, what is essential from what is excessive!

How much courage and confidence we need to show our true selves, to live according to our convictions without shame, and to despise what contradicts our principles instead of feeling ashamed by them!

How much trust in ourselves and in our beliefs we need, so that we do not rush to imitate others out of fear of seeming lesser than they!

When will we realize that we grow in stature when we resist the tide of consumerism and rejoice in simple living, content with God’s presence in our lives—and that we shrink when we chase after artificial living, which gives fleeting excitement but steals our lasting joy?

“Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things; but one thing is needful” (Luke 10:41–42).

في العيش المتكلف المترولين سبابا (اسبر)

قصدي زوجان يتخاضمان، باستمرار، ويشكران بعضهما بعضاً. فأتضح، من حديثهما، أن المشكلة اقتصادية. فمصرفهما يفوق دخلهما بكثير، ما يضطرهما إلى الاستدانة؛ مع العلم أن دخلهما ليس بقليل، قياساً إلى الدخل العام السائد.

اقترحت عليهما حلاً بسيطاً جداً، يقوم على أن يقتني كل منهما دفتر صغيراً، يسجل فيه، يومياً، كل مصاريفه. ويقومان، في نهاية الشهر، بعمل مشترك، يصنفان فيه ما صرفاه، ويؤبانه في حقول مخصصة لكل نوع منه: طعام، طبابة، اتصالات، إلخ. قلت لهما: هكذا ستعرفان، بعد عدة أشهر، مقدار ما تحتاجانه، شهرياً، لأي حقل من حقول معيشتكما. وكذلك ستستطيعان تمييز اللازم من النافل. ومن ثم تلزمان أنفسكما بمبلغ محدد لكل حقل. وإذا ما اضطررتما، مرة، إلى اجتياز الحد المخصص لأحد الحقول، تقتصدان المبلغ من حقل آخر، حتى لا تقعا في العجز.

غادراني مرتاحين، لكنهما لم يتابعا تنفيذ الاقتراح، بعد الشهر الأول، وذلك، على حد قولهما، لأنهما دُهِشا بكثرة المصاريف، فخافا المتابعة.

كم هم كثيرون أمثال هذين الزوجين! الغريب في أمر الناس، في مجتمعنا، أنهم، في طفولتهم، لم ينشأوا على ثقافة التدبير والاقتصاد في النفقات، ولم يهتموا بتربية أنفسهم عليها، عندما كُبروا! لذا تراهم مسوقين، في مجتمع الاستهلاك بخاصة، من الآخرين والمجتمع والمناخ العام باستمرار. ولما تجد من يسوق نفسه حقاً، فيعيش كما يناسبه هو لا الآخرين، ويتصرف بما يفيد هو لا رفاقه، وبيننا ذاته كما يرى الصالح له هو، لا كما يراه غيره.

فإذا أخذنا الناحية الاقتصادية، وقد بدأت تضغط على الكثيرين، نرى أن الغلاء المتزايد لا يقود الغالبية العظمى من الناس إلى تدبير أمور معيشتهم، بالتي هي أحسن، وهم مرتاحون نفسياً. لا يبدوون بترشيد استهلاك الطاقة انطلاقاً من بيوتهم حتى. تراهم متوترين يسعون إلى الظهور بمظهر معاكس لإمكاناتهم الاقتصادية، ولو استدناؤا، وراكمو على أنفسهم أثقالاً إضافية. فيحصلون المزيد من القلق والتذمر والتشكي.

ولأن البعد الروحي لحياتهم ضحل، لا يجدون متنفساً لهم، من الهموم المعيشية، إلا المزيد من رمي أنفسهم في دوامة الحياة الطاحنة، التي يعانون منها، في ما يعتقدونه سبيلاً للترفيه والخروج من الروتين وضيق الروح، وهذا ما يعيدهم، بعد الانتهاء منه، إلى المزيد من القلق والهم والتذمر. وهكذا دواليك، يدخلون في دوامة لا تنتهي، تطحنهم حتى يحين أجلهم

أمام طاحون المجتمع الاستهلاكي، الذي يطحن البشر، ويمتص مقدراتهم، الجسدية والروحية والمادية، كم نحن بحاجة، وقبل كل شيء، إلى الشجاعة والثقة بالله وبالذات. وتالياً تعلم فن الترشيح وتدبير شؤوننا اليومية بالطريقة الفضلى لا السائدة.

ثمة توق، في داخل كل إنسان، إلى الظهور أمام الآخرين بمظهر يسترعي الإعجاب. قد يتفاوت هذا التوق في شدته من إنسان إلى آخر، لكن هاجس أن نوجد في عيون الآخرين، لا في عيوننا يبقى حاضراً.

هل ننتبه إلى تغيير الموضة المستمر، وإلى تأثير صور نجوم المجتمع علينا؟ وإلى أي حد يدفعنا هذا إلى حب العيش المتكلف، والمناسبات الباذخة، والأعراس القاتلة؟

وصفت سيدة فاضلة أفراد عائلتها قائلة: إنهم لا يعيشون لأنفسهم، بل للآخرين. يقتلهم حب الظهور في عيون الآخرين، ولو كان ظهوراً كاذباً مخالفاً لحقيقتهم، ويدفعون ثمنه من سعادتهم وصحتهم!

لم يعد الزمن يسمح لنا بترك أنفسنا على عفويتها، واستبعاد تنظيم أمور الحياة عناً. فالحياة المعاصرة استهلاكية بامتياز، وتقوم على ترسيخ القناعة بأن السعادة تكمن في ثقافة الصرف shopping، بينما هي تنشأ، في الحقيقة، من ثقافة الاكتفاء بما هو ضروري. لم تكن النوافل، مرة، مصدراً للسعادة، بل بهجة وقتية، تزول بزوالها

السعادة شعور ينبع من الداخل، من الطمأنينة الناجمة من حضور الله في حياتنا، ومن النفس التي وجدت معنى حياتها، والتي عرفت كيف تميز بين الضروريات والكماليات، والتي تعي بأنها ترغب بالعيش كما يناسبها، لا كما يريد الآخرون لها.

والتي تمتلك الشجاعة الكافية، لكي تسلك في أمور معيشتها وفق قناعتها الروحية، لا وفق الدارج في أعراف الآخرين. باختصار، السعادة يعيشها من كان واثقاً بنفسه، إلى درجة الشجاعة، التي تجعله يطلب ما يراه مفيداً له، ومريضاً لضميره وقناعاته، وفق تعليم إنجيله؛ ولو خالف، في ذلك، المألوف في مجتمعه.

الإنسان الحكيم، هو الذي يرى صحة سلوكه في عيون الله، وذاته تالياً، لا في عيون الآخرين. لا يهمله ما يقولون عنه كونه لا يجاريهم في أسلوب معيشتهم. هو لا يستمد وجوده من رضاهم عليه، بل من رضى ربه وذاته

ما زلنا نرفض الدرجة الأولى في سلم الأولويات؛ أعني العيش ببساطة. ولو كان الجميع يتوق في داخله إليها. وعلى الرغم من أن الإنجيل يدعو إليها مراراً:

- “خزينا الجوهرى أعطنا اليوم ...” (متى 6: 11)
- “لا تهتموا بما تأكلون وبما تشربون ...” (متى 6: 25)
- “إنما الحاجة إلى واحد... مريم اختارت النصيب الصالح، الذي لن ينزع منها ...” (لوقا 10: 42)
- “اطلبوا أولاً ملكوت الله وبره، والباقي يُزاد لكم ...” (متى 6: 33)
- “اهربوا من حب المال وحب السلطة وتعظم المعيشة...” (انظر 1 تيموثاوس 6: 10 ، 2 تيموثاوس 2: 22 ، 1 يوحنا 2: 16)

أثرنا نسأل أنفسنا، أمام تصرف باذخ ومتكلف وفي غير محله، إن كنا نخالف الإنجيل، ونسير سيرة مناقضة له، أم أننا لا نعي هذا الأمر، متبئين المبدأ السائد، والمناقض للإنجيل: “كل شيء له وقته”؟

كم يلزمنا من التدقيق والفحص الصادق لضميرنا المؤمن، حتى نفتني حسن التمييز المبارك، الذي يجعلنا واعين لما يلزم ولما لا يلزم، لما يفيد ولما يؤذي، لما هو ضروري ولما هو كمالي!

كم يلزمنا من الشجاعة والثقة، لكي نظهر أنفسنا على حقيقتها، وقناعاتنا دونما خجل، ونحتقر ونستخف بما يخالف مبادئنا، بدلاً من الخجل منها!

كم يلزمنا من الثقة بالذات وبالبداء التي نتبناها، بدلاً من المسارعة إلى تقليد الغير، لنلا نظهر دونهم!

متى نعي أننا نكبر عندما لا ننساق مع التيار الاستهلاكي، ونفرح بالعيش البسيط، مكتفين بحضور الله في حياتنا؛ وأتينا نصغر عندما نركض وراء العيش المتكلف، الذي يمنحنا شعوراً وقتياً بالبهجة، ليسرق منا الفرح الحقيقي الدائم؟

”مرتا مرتا إنك مهتمة ومضطربة بأمور كثيرة، وإنما الحاجة إلى واحد“ (لوقا 10: 41-42).

God's

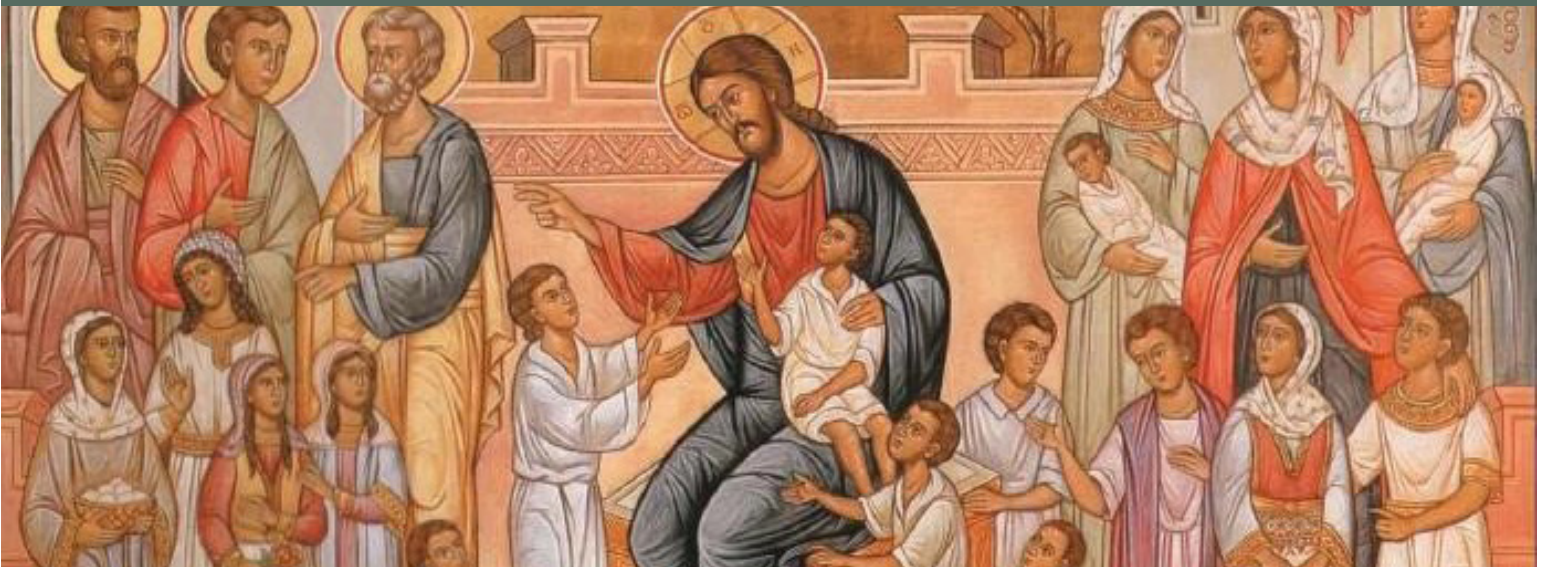


Little Lights

a Pastoral Ministry for 3- and 4-year-olds of
Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church | Cicero, IL

Immediately after Communion, the children's ministry, **"GOD'S LITTLE LIGHTS"**, will take place in the cry room *(2nd floor by elevator)* every Sunday.

This ministry serves all **3-YEAR-OLDS** and **4-YEAR-OLDS** *(born after September 1, 2021)*. At least one parent, father or mother, must attend along with their children. Younger siblings are welcome with the parents.



Membership Appreciation Sunday

Celebrating the Saint George Church Community



Informational
Display

Games
and
Raffle

Organization
Information

SUNDAY,
NOVEMBER 16, 2025

following Liturgy

Come for a special day dedicated to appreciating the wonderful Saint George Church Members! Whether you've been a member for years, just joined, or registering today, this event is for YOU!

Candy
and
Treat
Giveaways



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Curriculum Update

Lesson 8: Jesus is Tempted by the Devil and His First Teaching in the Synagogue

After John the Baptist baptized Jesus in the Jordan River, the Holy Spirit descended on Jesus and led Him into the wilderness where He fasted for 40 days. When He was hungry, Satan came to Him and said "If you are the Son of God, command these stones become bread." Satan was suggesting that He use the power of God to work a miracle for His own benefit. Jesus saw through Satan's trick and answered with words from Holy Scripture: "Man shall not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God." When Satan saw that Jesus used Holy Scripture to answer him, he changed his method. Taking Jesus to the very top of the temple, Satan quoted Holy Scriptures himself. Jesus, of course, recognized the sinfulness of Satan's suggestion, and again quoted from Holy Scripture: "You shall not tempt the Lord your God." Although tempted of Satan just as all men are, Jesus resisted temptation and did not sin. Afterward, angels came and ministered to Jesus.



REGISTRATION IS
OPEN!

DON'T MISS ANOTHER WEEK!



SCAN ME

Calendar of Events

Sunday School Classes -----Sundays After Communion

Youth Choir -----After Sunday School

Mandatory Christmas Concert

Rehearsal ----- Sat | Dec 6 @ 10am-Noon

Mandatory Christmas Concert

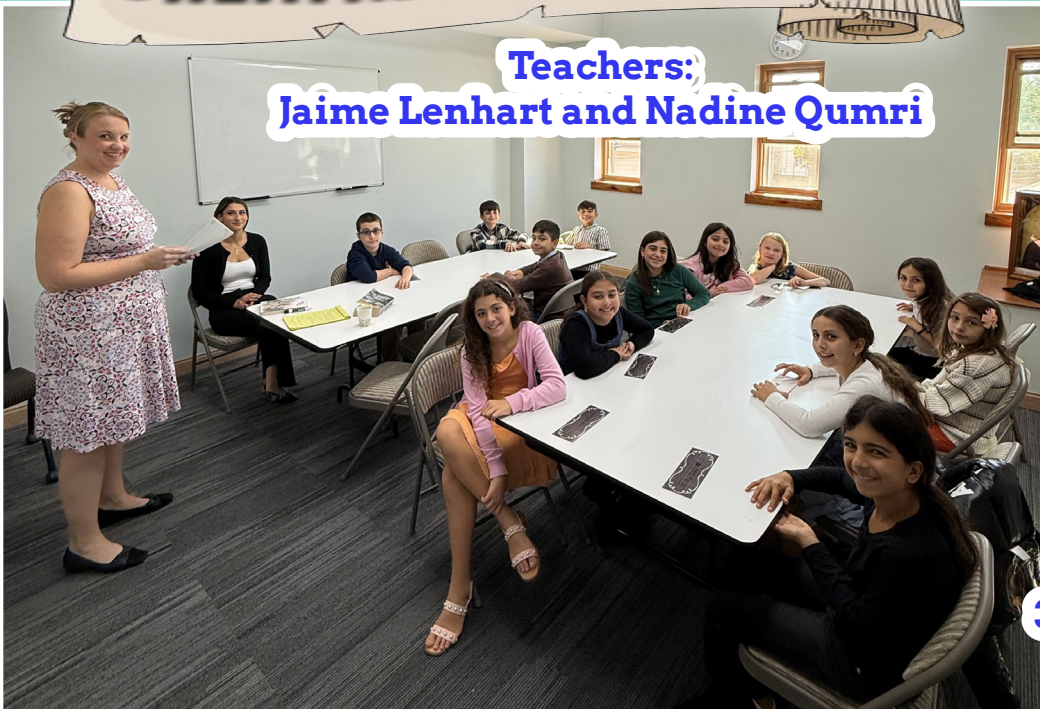
Rehearsal ----- Sun | Dec 14 after Sunday School

Christmas Concert ----- Sat | Dec 20

StGeorgeChi.org/register-student

CREATING MEMORIES

Teachers:
Jaime Lenhart and Nadine Qumri



3rd and 4th Grades Class

Meet

the

Staff

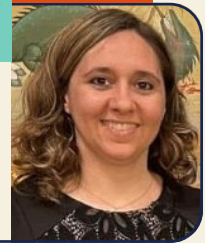
KH. AMELIA QUINTANA

POSITION IN SS: Pre-Kindergarten Teacher

BOOK YOU HAVE RECENTLY READ: El Alquimista, by Paulo Coelho

FAVORITE SS DAY OR ACTIVITY: Christmas Concert

FAVORITE GAME OR SPORT: Soccer



SALLY ESBER

POSITION IN SS: 11th and 12th Grades Teacher

BOOK YOU HAVE RECENTLY READ: The Island of Missing Trees

FAVORITE SS DAY OR ACTIVITY: A comprehension questions competition

FAVORITE GAME OR SPORT: Chess

**Did you
KNOW?**

It's not too late to register to participate in the Christmas Concert on December 20th. All Sunday School children are welcome and may choose to participate in the choir (various choir groups by age), instrumental ensembles, stage crew, and/or audio and lighting. It'll be a special evening with Vespers starting at 5:00PM, followed by the concert and fasting dinner.



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Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL

Teen SOYO

Thanksgiving Turkey



Drive

SPONSORS NEEDED!

- \$50/Meal *or* \$20/Turkey
- All donations due by WED | NOV 19
- Supporting local homeless shelter

Sponsor Here



SCAN ME

Calling ALL Teen SOYO Members!

to *pack* and *deliver* Meals and Turkeys – SUN|NOV 23 after Sunday School





Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church كنيسة القديس جاورجيوس الانطاكية الارثوذكسية

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



TEEN SOYO

✠ WORSHIP

WITNESS

SERVICE

FELLOWSHIP ✠

October 26, 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Christmas is a time of giving and remembrance. A time of exchanging greetings between friends and loved ones, near and far. In keeping with this spirit, Teen SOYO is asking that you join in subscribing to the 2025 Church Christmas Card.

Teen SOYO (ages 13-18) sponsors this card every year as the major fundraiser and to give all of us the opportunity to send Christmas greetings to everyone at Saint George Church. Your donation will help support the following Teen SOYO programs:

- Annual Retreat
- SOYO Social Outings
- Meetings
- Bible Studies
- Diocesan Events
- Public Relations
- Field Trips
- Humanitarian Projects
- ...and much, more!

Please complete the subscription form below so that you may be included as one of the subscribers to the 2025 Church Christmas Card. A minimum donation will be appreciated by Sunday, November 30th to help support this Christmas Card Fundraiser. Forms received after Sunday, November 30th will not be included in the card, however, will be published in the *Weekly Bulletin* in December.

Thank you in advance for your participation.

Yours in Christ,

V. Rev. Fr. Fouad Saba

V. Rev. Fr. Fouad Saba
Pastor

V. Rev. Fr. Gabriel Coronel

V. Rev. Fr. Gabriel Coronel
Spiritual Advisor

Angelina Imseeh

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Teen SOYO President

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Please make checks payable to **"Saint George Church - SOYO"** and return with this form to Church Office by **Sunday, November 30, 2025**, (or you may subscribe to the Christmas Card online at www.StGeorgeChi.org/teen-soyo or scan QR code).



Please indicate the donation amount to Teen SOYO:

\$20 ___ \$40 ___ \$50 ___ \$100 ___ Other \$ _____

Please complete the 4 points below. The name(s) will be included in the Church Christmas Card **exactly as shown below. Please print clearly.**

1. CHOOSE ONE CATEGORY: ☐ For Good Health... ☐ In Memory of...
2. Please PRINT one word that reminds you of Teen SOYO: _____
3. Please PRINT Name(s) to display on card: _____
4. Contact Information: _____

Have a Blessed Nativity Season!

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Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL

Teen SOYO

SOYO HOUR

Sun | Nov 30
after Sunday School*
free event

Snacks!

Smoothies!



** Sunday School attendance is mandatory to attend SOYO Hour*

All Teens (13-18) Welcome!



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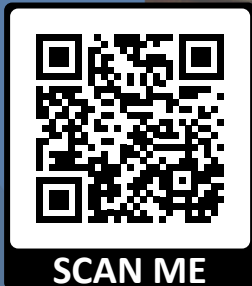
Teen SOYO CHRISTMAS GATHERING

Fri | Dec 12
7PM



- 🍽️ Dinner
- ✉️ Christmas Card Stuffing
- 👕 Wear an Ugly Christmas Sweater
- 🎁 White Elephant Gift Exchange (\$5-\$10)

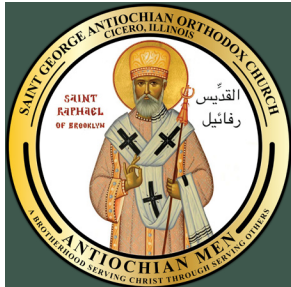
RSVP by
Wed | Dec 10



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COMPLIMENTARY EVENT!

INVITING ALL TEENS (AGES 13-18)



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL

Antiochian Men (A-MEN)

SAVE THE DATE

- Fri, NOV 14/2025: A-MEN Social Event
- Sat, DEC 6/2025: Christmas Spiritual Retreat
- Sat, JAN 10/2026: Shawerma Night
- Sat, FEB 14/2026: Pre-Lenten Hafli

ALL Gentlemen 18+ Invited

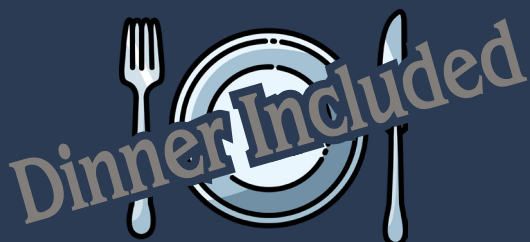


Antiochian Men (A-MEN)

Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL

SOCIAL EVENT

FRIDAY, NOV 14TH @ 7PM



\$25/GENTLEMAN

RSVP by
Tue, 11/11



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ALL Men 18+ are Invited!



SAINT GEORGE ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH, CICERO, IL

Young Adult Fellowship

2025 CALENDAR

Sun, November 9th	<i>YAF Coffee Hour</i>
Tue, November 11th	<i>West Campus Ministry</i>
Thur, November 13th	<i>Saint Katherine the Great, Antiochian Orthodox Mission</i>
Tue, November 18th	<i>West Campus Ministry</i>
Thur, November 20th	<i>Saint Katherine the Great, Antiochian Orthodox Mission</i>
Fri, November 21st	<i>Spiritual Retreat Following Evening Divine Liturgy for the Feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple</i>
Sun, November 23rd	<i>YAF Coffee Hour</i>
Mon, November 24th	<i>Saint Katherine the Great, Antiochian Orthodox Mission: Inaugural Vespers Service Celebrating the Feast of Saint Katherine</i>
Tue, December 2nd	<i>West Campus Ministry</i>
Thur, December 4th	<i>Saint Katherine the Great, Antiochian Orthodox Mission</i>
Sun, December 7th	<i>YAF Coffee Hour</i>
Tue, December 9th	<i>West Campus Ministry</i>
Thur, December 11th	<i>Saint Katherine the Great, Antiochian Orthodox Mission</i>
Fri, December 12th	<i>Advent & Humanitarian Retreat</i>
Sun, December 21st	<i>YAF Coffee Hour</i>
Sat, December 27th	<i>Christmas Dinner & Gathering</i>

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



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL

Young Adult Fellowship (YAF)

Inviting all Young Professionals, Young Married Couples, and College Students (Ages 18+)

FRIDAY,
NOVEMBER

21

7PM

Dinner included

in the YAF House

SPIRITUAL RETREAT

Men and Women; Two Paths, One Purpose

Embodying Biblical Role Models, What the Church Expects of Us, Navigating Modern Struggles.

\$10
/PERSON

RSVP BY

WED, 11/19



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Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America
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The Order of Saint Ignatius Cicero Chapter

November 2, 2025

Dear Members of The Order of Saint Ignatius of Antioch-Cicero Chapter,

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

We hope this letter finds you well. This letter is to inform you of the **Annual General Assembly Meeting and Elections** for **The Order of Saint Ignatius of Antioch (The Order)-Cicero Chapter** to be held on **Sunday, December 7, 2025, at 12:30pm**, on the second floor of The Orthodox Club (NADI).

At this The Order of Saint Ignatius-Cicero Chapter General Assembly Meeting, the last meeting of the term, all members in good standing will be able to hear reports on the progress of the organization and participate in discussion on how to enhance the work which The Order does for the Glory of God!

However, the highlight of the meeting will be the **Election** of Officers for the 2026 term. The positions include Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, and Outreach Officer. If any Order member (ages 18+) is interested in running for any of these positions, please contact Father Saba or Deacon George Nassief by Sunday, November 30, 2025.

Per the Constitution, only members in good standing, both spiritually and financially, will be eligible to be nominated or vote on all decisions including Elections in the General Assembly Meeting. However, all are welcome to attend the meeting.

The Nominating Committee will receive nominations until Sunday, November 30, 2025. A member of the Committee will then speak with the person nominated to get their acceptance (you can nominate yourself). ***Per the Constitution, there will be NO nominations accepted from the floor of the meeting on December 7, 2025.***

We look forward to a great meeting! See you all there! Until then, we remain

Yours in Christ,

V. Rev. Fr. Fouad Saba

V. Rev. Fr. Fouad Saba
Pastor

Dena Fasheh

Dena Fasheh
Chair
The Order-Cicero Chapter



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL
Antiochian Family Ministry (AFM)
Presents...

NEW YEAR'S EVE *Family Haftli*

6:45 PM Pre-Communion Prayers

7:00 PM Evening Divine Liturgy
followed by Dinner, Music, and Raffle

COUNTDOWN AT MIDNIGHT!

WEDNESDAY | DEC. 31 | 6:45 PM

RSVP Required for All ages over 3 →

ALL are Welcome | First Come–First Serve

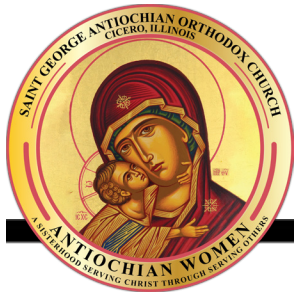
No Refunds after Monday | Dec. 15

\$600/Table of 8

For Individual Tickets, Contact: Amanda Mseih
708.745.1687 or amandamseih@gmail.com



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Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL

ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN

UPCOMING *Mark Your Calendars* **EVENTS**



DECEMBER...

- **Sat, Dec 6 – Advent Retreat**
| TBD
- **Fri, Dec 12 – Spiritual Sisters Circle**
| 7:00 PM

ALL WOMEN 18+ WELCOME!

PROTECTION OF THE
MOST HOLY MOTHER OF
GOD MONASTERY
Third Lake, IL

Sat | Dec 6

DETAILS TO FOLLOW

COMPLIMENTARY Event

SAINT SAVA
MONASTERY
Libertyville, IL

Venerate the relics of
SAINT MARDARIJE
Libertyville, IL



RSVP by
Mon | Dec 1



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Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL

Antiochian Women (AW)

SPIRITUAL RETREAT

Serbian Orthodox Diocese of New Gračanica – Midwestern America

ALL Women 18+ Welcome!

Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL



Antiochian Women



2025 CHRISTMAS GIFT Drive

*Help bring Joy to the lives of
children living in foster homes*

Request a Christmas Wish List
from Suhaila Imseeh

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9th or 16th

after Liturgy in the Church Hall

Limited Lists available – Limit 1 List per family

Deliver all gifts to the **CHURCH OFFICE**
any Sunday no later than **NOVEMBER 30th**

Let your children do
the shopping!

*“...as you did it to one of the least of these My brothers, you did it to me.”
~ Matthew 25:40*



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Suplicas a la Madre de Díos

Oraciones a la Virgen María en tiempos de necesidad

**VIERNES 5 DE
DICIEMBRE DE
2025
A LAS 6:30 PM**

*Estudio
Bíblico al
concluir*



SAINT GEORGE PASTORAL OUTREACH PROGRAM

WEST CAMPUS MINISTRY

FALL 2025 SESSION



2 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

@ CHURCH OF THE HOLY NATIVITY

275 S RICHMOND AVE. CLARENDON HILLS, IL. 60514

TUESDAYS

OCT 28, 2025 - NOV 4, 2025 - NOV 11, 2025
NOV 18, 2025 - DEC 2, 2025 - DEC 9, 2025

PROGRAM

6:00PM - 6:40PM



CHECK IN
COMPLIMENTARY DINNER

6:40PM - 7:00PM



EVENING PRAYERS

7:00PM - 8:00PM



ADULT LESSONS
KID'S CLUB (AGES 3-8)

7:00PM - 7:30PM



JOY CLUB (AGES 9-12) LESSONS
TEEN SOYO (AGES 13-18)
ACTIVITIES & GAMES

7:30PM - 8:00PM



JOY CLUB (AGES 9-12)
ACTIVITIES & GAMES
TEEN SOYO (AGES 13-18)
LESSONS

8:00PM - 9:00PM



FAMILY SOCIAL HOUR
& GAMES

THEME DAYS



OCT 28 - COSTUME CONTEST (CHURCH
APPROPRIATE)



NOV 18 - GOBBLE & GATHER (FALL THEMED OR
COZY COLORED OUTFITS)



DEC 9 - WEAR YOUR BEST (OR WORST)
CHRISTMAS SWEATER!!

FOR QUESTIONS OR MORE INFORMATION,
PLEASE CONTACT:

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- FR. GABRIEL CORONEL (773) 746-1893
- DN. GEORGE NASSIEF (925) 699-3893
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- ALEXANDRA ZANAYED (630) 442-2473
- KAREN NAWAS (630) 536-7429



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL

Evening Divine Liturgy for the Feast of the Presentation of the Theotokos into the Temple



Friday, November 21st

✠ PRE-COMMUNION PRAYERS AT 6:45 PM ✠

✠ EVENING DIVINE LITURGY AT 7:00 PM ✠

2025 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

YOU BELONG



ON THE TREE OF LIFE



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

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

Stewardship is an annual and prayerful commitment to the Church. The following list, in alphabetical order, are those individuals or households to date who have completed their 2025 Membership Registration and Commitment to Saint George Church, Cicero. This list does not reflect all who are giving or eligible to be a voting member.

This is an ongoing campaign, if you would like to commit for the 2025 year, kindly complete your Membership registration online. If you have any questions, please reach out to the Membership Committee via email Membership@StGeorgeChi.org.

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Yasmin Haddad
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Abdo and Suhaila Imseeh
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Why Become a Member?



Find Peace:

In the sacred space of the Church, discover the quiet comfort of God's presence through prayers, hymns, and the Divine Liturgy.

Find Community:

You're not alone. The Church is a family ready to embrace everyone and walk with one another through life's struggles.

Find Purpose:

Reconnect with the timeless wisdom of Orthodoxy, where faith offers meaning and strength to face any storm.

Find Grace:

Discover the Truth of the Gospel through the Holy Sacraments, bringing grace on all who seek the Truth.

TAKE THE FIRST STEP



Register TODAY, You Belong!



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If you're not ready to step inside, reach out—the Church is ready to meet you.

"Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

— Matthew 11:28



Week 2 of 5

“Honor the Lord with your possessions, and with the firstfruits of all your increase; so your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will overflow with new wine.”

– Proverbs 3:9-10

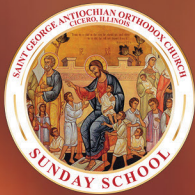
The goal of this Membership Drive is to help all parishioners realize that the offering of time, talent, and treasure represents a way for us to give thanks for the blessings God has bestowed on us and on our families. Truly, everything we have is a gift from God.

Before we allocate time to devote to our jobs, we must allocate time to worship God. Before we set aside time to go to the movies or to play golf, or to work in the yard, we must allocate time to serve God and the needs of His Church. Before we agree to commitments for the school, sports, and other interests of our children, we need to make sure that there is time in their lives to learn about God’s love. Before we pay our monthly bills, we must set aside a portion of our resources in thanksgiving to God for His many blessings.

God wants us to enjoy full and enjoyable lives on this earth, but we are called upon to do this by adhering to the teachings and practices of the Orthodox Christian faith.



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SUNDAY SCHOOL *Christmas Concert*

A FUNDRAISING EVENT FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2025

Great Vespers Service 5:00PM

followed by

Concert ♪ Fasting Dinner ♪ Raffle

\$25/ADULT

\$15/CHILDREN (12 AND UNDER)

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♪ PROCEEDS ♪ to support Sunday School ministries including...

- SUMMER BIBLE SCHOOL
- Creative Arts Festival
- Confession Program
- Godparents' Sunday
- Staff Lenten Retreat/Training