

# The Martyr

## St. George Orthodox Church

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### Up-coming Services and Events

**Today: *The Sunday of the Publican & Pharisee***

9:30 a.m. Church School

9:45 a.m. General Confession

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

**6:** 7:00 a.m. Matins

**7:** 7:00 a.m. Matins

**8:** 6:30 p.m. "Glory to God for All Things"

**9:** 7:00 a.m. Matins

**10:** 7:00 a.m. Matins

**11:** 4:00 p.m. Great Vespers

**12: *The Sunday of the Prodigal Son***

9:30 a.m. Church School

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

**13:** 7:00 a.m. Matins

**14:** 7:00 a.m. Matins

**15:** 6:30 p.m. "Glory to God for All Things"

**16:** 7:00 a.m. Matins

**17:** 7:00 a.m. Matins

**18:** 4:00 p.m. Great Vespers

**19: *The Sunday of the Last Judgment***

9:30 a.m. Church School

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

### Prayers for Blessings and Health

Bishops Paul and John of Aleppo, *captive in Syria.*

Dimitri Ndini (*USMC*), *servicing in our armed forces.*

*Those who are sick:* Archbishop Nikon; Fr. Daniel Montgomery; Christy Adams; Matushka Suzanne Aleandro; Michael, Mildred & Michael Arendacs; Paul Betts; Eileen Bochino; James Brideau; Debi Broadus; Matushka Mara Burns; Jim Cerneria; Joyce Chadwick; Frank Chamberlain; Bernard & Annie Christenson; Bobby Christo; Tara Coppola; Anthony Cordero; Peter Costa; Renate Deer; Armando

Dias; Pandora Dionis; Kevin Donnelly; Danielle Galich; Mary Galich; Louise Karoli Gallagher; Matushka Anne Hosking; Irene Jordhamo Hughes; Shirley Hunter; Nancy Hurd; Kiril Ivanov; Sug Jones; Donald & Shirley Jordan; Christy Lambert; Violet Laska; Bruce Lazar; June Lopen; Carole Lundquist; Steven Malandra; Karen Marlin; Albert Masek, Sr.; Thomas Matthews; Jaimie McCarvill; Theodore Morrison; Andy Nunn; Kimberly Orosz; James Pando; Pat Perrotta; Stephen Phillips; Violet Polena, Dena Soter Reardon; Helen Reh; Matushka Sofia Rehlinger; Linda Rich; Mason Ruskowski; David Schutte; Andrea Snedegar; Angie Soter; Charles & Joann Soter; Tessie Sotir; Sue & Thomas Spero; John Szalkowski; Christian & Theodore Tallcouch; Richard Taylor, Jr.; Thomas Terzakis; Thalia Thomas; William Thomas; Paulette Todisco; Margaret Torre; Alice & William Vasil; Ann Vitale.

### Prayers in Memoriam

#### 40 Days

Ciara O'Driscoll; Priftëresha Maria Montgomery; Matushka Julianna Schmemann; James Dionis

#### February

5 Anastasia ("Cile") Vissar (1999)

7 Olga Ellen Vani (1954)

10 Philip C. Cotmil (1979)

### Coffee Hour

**Today:** The Teuta Ladies' Society

**12:** ??

**19:** ??

*If you would like to sponsor Coffee Hour, please sign up on the poster in the Church Hall.*

### Condolences

We extend our sympathy to the families of:

**Matushka Juliana Schmemann**, widow of Father Alexander Schmemann, who died on Sunday, January 29.

**James Dionis**, husband of *Pandora Dionis* and father of *Sandra Long, Andrea Snedegar, Laura Denisevich and Theodore Dionis* and long-time active member of our parish community

**Memory Eternal! I Përjetshim Kujtimi!**

### Valentine's Day Dance

On Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, there will be a **Valentine's Day Dance** in the Church Hall, starting at 8:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$15.00 per person, and may be obtained from *Aida Kalapo* (203-685-7231) or *Nardi Tollkuçi* (203-895-4263).

### Help Trumbull Helps

**Trumbull Helps** will be preparing a meal for the *Bridgeport Rescue Mission* in our kitchen on Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for people to help provide them refreshments as they work.

See Laura Chadwick if you can help.

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### Offering Envelopes and Wall Calendars

**Offering Envelope Boxes** and **Wall Calendars** for 2017 are available at the Candle Desk.

### News from the Teuta Ladies' Society

The **Teuta Ladies' Society** Treasurer, *Sue Galich*, is now collecting Society dues for 2017 in the amount of \$10.00.

### House Blessing

Father Dennis is finishing up his annual **House Blessing** schedule. The schedule has been mailed to all homes, and a copy of it is available at the Candle Desk.

If you would like to be added to the schedule, please call Father at (203) 598-4678.

### Archbishop Nikon to visit St. George

On **Forgiveness Sunday**, February 26<sup>th</sup>, His Eminence, **Archbishop Nikon** will be with us to make an Archpastoral visit.

Put the date on your calendar and plan to attend.

### Jesus Prayer Meditation Group

This Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Jesus Prayer Meditation Group at the home of *Gregory Buzi II*, 60 Brookdale Rd. in Seymour. The evening will begin at 7:00 p.m. with Evening Prayers followed by recitation of the Jesus Prayer and a period of silence. A meal will be provided after the meditation.

Contact *Gregory* at (203) 273-0103 for more information and to let him know you will be attending.

### Pre-Lenten Memorial Service

The first **Memorial Saturday** of 2017 is February 18<sup>th</sup>. The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated that morning and the names of all departed friends and family members of our parishioners will be remembered.

Please submit the names of the people you would like remembered and a \$10.00 donation to *Vi Bowe* as soon as possible.

### Youth Rally dates announced

The annual **New England Youth Rally** for 2017 will be held at St. Methodius Faith and Heritage Center in New Hampshire from August 7<sup>th</sup> through the 12<sup>th</sup>.

### Charity Collection

This month we are supporting **Trumbull Helps**, an organization that assists many charities and other good works in Trumbull.

Please be generous!

**2Timothy 3:10-15**

My son Timothy, you have followed my teaching, my behavior, my faith, my long-suffering, my love, my patience, my persecutions, my afflictions – such as befell me in Antioch, Iconium and Lystra, such persecutions as I suffered: and out of them all, the LORD delivered me. And all who want to live piously in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. But the wicked and impostors will go from bad to worse, erring and leading into error. As for you, keep on with the things you have learned and which have been entrusted to you, and remember from whom you have learned them. For you have known from infancy the Sacred Scriptures which are able to give you instruction for your salvation by the faith which is in Christ Jesus.

**Luke 18:10-14**

The LORD told this parable: "Two men went up to the Temple to pray, the one a Pharisee and the other a publican. The Pharisee stood and began to pray thus within himself: 'O God, I thank You that I am not like the rest of men, robbers, dishonest, adulterers, or even like this publican. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes of all I possess.' But the publican, standing far off, would not so much as lift up his eyes to heaven, but kept striking his breast, saying, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.' I tell you, this man went back to his home justified rather than the other; for anyone who exalts himself shall be humbled, and anyone who humbles himself shall be exalted."



**2Timotheut 3:10-15**

O bir Timothe, ti i re prapa mësimt tim, sjelljeve, qëllimit, besimit, zemërgjerësisë, dashurisë, durimit, përndjekjeve, pësimeve, që më ndodhën në Antioki, në Ikoni, në Listër. Çfarë përndjekjesh hoqa! Dhe ZOTI më shpëtoi nga të gjitha. Po edhe gjithë sa duan të rrojnë me përkushtim në Jisu Krishtin do të përndiqen. Po njerëzit e ligj e gënjeshtarë do të shkojnë mbarë në më të ligën, duke gënjyer të tjerë e duke gënjyer veten. Po ti qëndro në ato që mësove e u vërtetove, duke ditur prej cilit i ke mësuar; edhe se që nga foshnjëria i di shkronjat e shenjtë, të cilat mund të të bëjnë të ditur për shpëtim me anë të besimit që është në Jisu Krishtin.

**Llukait 18:10-14**

ZOTI u tha këtë paravoli: "Dy njerëz u ngjitën në tempull që të faleshin; njëri ishte Farise dhe tjetri tagrambledhës. Fariseu ndenji e falej me veten e tij, duke thënë: 'O Perëndi, të faleminderit, se nuk jam si njerëzit e tjerë, rrëmbyes, të paudhë, të përdalë, ose edhe si ky tagrambledhës. Agjëroj dy herë në javë, jap të dhjetën nga gjithë ç'kam.' Edhe tagrambledhësi kishte ndenjuri larg e nuk donte as sytë të ngrinte përpjetë në qiell, po rrihte krahërorin e tij duke thënë: 'O Perëndi, përdëllemë mua mëkatarin.' Po ju them juve, se ky zbriti në shtëpinë e tij më i drejtësuar se ai, sepse kushdo që ngre lart veten e tij, do të përulet; dhe ai që përul veten e tij, do të ngrihet lart."