

The Martyr

St. George Orthodox Church

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Up-coming Services and Events

Today: *Sunday of Pentecost*

9:15 a.m. General Confession
9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy and Kneeling Prayers

5: 7:00 a.m. Matins

6: 7:00 a.m. Matins

7: 7:00 a.m. Matins

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

8: 7:00 a.m. Matins

9: 7:00 a.m. Matins

10: 4:00 p.m. Great Vespers

11: *Sunday of All Saints*

9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy and 40-Day Memorial Prayers for Georgika Boria

12: *Apostles' Fast begins*

7:00 a.m. Matins

13: 7:00 a.m. Matins

14: 7:00 a.m. Matins

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

15: 7:00 a.m. Matins

16: 7:00 a.m. Matins

17: 4:00 p.m. Great Vespers

18: *Sunday of All Saints of North America Father's Day*

9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Prayers for Blessings and Health

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

Gregory Buzi II and his family, *testing his vocation*.

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

Those who are sick: Archbishop Nikon; Fr. Daniel Montgomery; Christy Adams; Matushka Suzanne Aleandro; Mildred & Michael Arendacs; Paul Betts;

Eileen Bochino; James Brideau; Debi Broadus; Arlene Bunnell; Jim Cernera; Joyce Chadwick; Frank Chamberlain; Bernard & Annie Christenson; Bobby Christo; Tara Coppola; Anthony Cordero; Peter Costa; Renate Deer; Armando Dias; Pandora Dionis; Kevin Donnelly; Danielle & Mary Galich; Louise Karoli Gallagher; 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; Michael Moras, Jr.; Theodore Morrison; Andy Nunn; Kimberly Orosz; James Pando; Pat Perrotta; Violet Polena, Dena Soter Reardon; Helen Reh; Linda Rich; David Schutte; Andrea Snedegar; Angie Soter; Charles & Joann Soter; Tessie Sotir; Sue & Thomas Spero; Christian Tallcouch; Richard Taylor, Jr.; Thomas Terzakis; Thalia Thomas; William Thomas; Poullette Todisco; Margaret Torre; Alice Vasil; Ann Vitale.

Prayers in Memoriam

40 Days

Georgika Boria; Michael Arendacs
Sotir Stilu; T. John Cook (Coca)

June

- 4 Vincent Van Thanas (1964)
- 5 Melpomeni Kyriakou (2015)
- 6 Philip Cotmil (1953)
Florence Tallcouch Beresky (2005)
- 7 Andrew Spero (1977)
- 8 Kristaq Ficami (1943)
Vaska Thanas (1964)
Lambi Fingelly (1971)
Victoria Lika (1981)
- 9 Marion Dionis Nicholas (1998)

Coffee Hour

Today: ???

11: The Boria Family for Georgika's 40-Days

18: ???

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

Condolences

We have learned of the death of **T. John Cook**, who passed away on Sunday, May 28, 2017. He was the brother of *Fr. George Coca*.

Memory Eternal! I Përjetshim Kujtimi!

Church Health Team

On Wednesday, June 14th, the **Church Health Team** will meet in the Church Hall at 7:00 p.m., following the celebration of the Akathist Hymn, "Glory to God for All Things," at 6:30 p.m.

Anyone who is interested in the future of our parish is invited to attend and participate.

Father's Day

We are preparing our annual **Father's Day** Commemorations.

Please submit names of your father, grandfather, step-father, god-father, brother, step-brother, or nephew (clearly indicating whether they are living or deceased) to a member of the Parish Council. The names will be remembered in prayer during the Divine Liturgy on Father's Day, Sunday, June 18th.

All donations will be used for the beautification of the church.

Fathers' Day Pilgrimage

On Sunday, June 18th, *All Saints of America Orthodox Church* in Salisbury, Conn., will celebrate the **Akathist to All Saints of North America** at 4:00 p.m. Refreshments will be offered after the service. If anyone would like to attend the service, speak with Father Dennis.

Parish Finances

Be sure to take a look at the sign at the Candle Desk which shows our current month's income and expenses.

Notification of illness

When you or someone you know is sick or in the hospital, please be sure to let Father Dennis know so he can visit. He can be reached at 203-598-4678.

2017 Youth Rally

The **2017 New England Youth Rally** will be held from August 7th through the 12th, and is open to young people who have completed the fifth grade and have not yet reached their 18th birthday.

The application packet is now available on line at: <http://www.terryvilleorthodox-church.org/files/YouthRally2017Application-Packet.pdf>

Charity Collection

This month, our Charity Collection will help support **UNICEF's** famine relief work in Somalia.

Please be generous!



Blessed are You, O Christ our God;
who revealed the fishermen as most wise,
by sending down upon them the Holy Spirit:
through them, You drew the world
into Your net!
O Lover of mankind, glory to You!

Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

When the days of Pentecost were ending, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a violent wind blowing, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them separate tongues as of fire, and they settled upon each one of them, and all were filled with the Holy Spirit, and they began to speak in foreign tongues, as the Holy Spirit granted them to speak. Now, there were staying in Jerusalem devout Jews from every nation under heaven. And when this sound occurred, a great crowd gathered, and they were astounded because each one heard them speaking in his own language. And all of them, amazed and wondering, were saying to each other, "Look, are not all these men who are speaking Galileans? How then have all of us heard our own language in which we were born? Parthians and Medes and Elamites, and inhabitants of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya around Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, Jews also and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs, we have heard them speaking in our own language of the wonderful works of God."

John 7:37-52; 8:12

Now on the last, the great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Anyone who believes in me, as the Scripture says, 'From within him

there shall flow rivers of living water.'" He said this, however, of the Spirit, whom they who believed in Him were to receive; for the Spirit had not yet been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified. Some of the crowd, therefore, when they had heard these words, said, "This is truly the Prophet." Others said, "This is the Christ." Some, however, said, "Can the Christ come from Galilee? Does not the Scripture say it is of the offspring of David, and from Bethlehem, the village where David lived, that the Christ is to come?" So there arose a division among the crowd because of Him. And some of them wanted to seize Him, but no one laid hands on Him. The attendants therefore came to the chief priests and Pharisees; and these said to them, "Why have you not brought Him?" The attendants answered, "Never has man spoken as this Man." The Pharisees then answered them, "Have you also been fooled? Has any one of the rulers believed in Him, or any of the Pharisees? But this crowd, which does not know the Law, is accursed." Nicodemus, the man who had come to Him at night, who was one of them, said to them, "Does our Law judge a man unless it first gives him a hearing, and knows that he does?" They answered and said to him, "Are you also a Galilean? Search and see that out of Galilee arises no prophet." And again Jesus spoke to them saying, "I am the Light of the world. Anyone who follows me does not walk in the darkness, but will have the light of life."

Veprat e Apostujve 2:1-11

Kur erdhi dita e Pendikostisë, apostujt ishin me një zemër në një vend. Edhe papritur u bë një oshëtimë nga qielli si oshëtimja e një ere që fryn me fuqi, dhe mbushi gjithë shtëpinë ku ishin duke ndenjur. Edhe u dukën mbi ta gjuhëra duke u ndarë si prej zjarri, dhe ndenjën mbi gjithësecilin nga ata. Edhe u mbushën të gjithë me Shpirt të Shenjtë, e zunë të flisnin me gjuhë të tjera, siç u jepte Shpirti të flisnin. Edhe ishin duke ndenjur në Jerusalem Judenj, burra me frikë Perëndie prej çdo kombi nën qiell. Edhe kur u bë ky zë, u mbledh turma dhe u turbullua; sepse gjithësecili i dëgjonte ata duke folur në gjuhën e tij. Edhe të gjithë mahniteshin e çuditeshin, duke i thënë njëri-tjetrit: "Ja, a nuk janë Galileas të gjithë këta që flasin? Edhe si gjithësecili nga ne dëgjojmë në gjuhën tonë, në të cilën kemi lindur? Partë e Medë e Elamitë, dhe ata që rrinë në Mesopotami e në Jude e në Kapadoki, në Pont e në Azi, në Frigji e në Pamfili, në Egjipt e në anët e Libisë pranë Qirenesë, dhe të ardhurit nga Roma, Judenj e të kthyer, Kretas e Arabë, i dëgjojmë ata duke folur në gjuhët tona madhëritë e Perëndisë."

Joani 7:37-52; 8:12

Ditën e fundit, ditën e madhe të së kremtes, Jisui qëndroi e thirri, duke thënë: "Kush të ketë etje, le të vijë tek unë e le të pijë. Ai që më beson mua, siç

tha Shkrimi, lumenj uji të gjallë do të rrjedhin nga barku i tij." Edhe këtë e tha për Shpirtin që kishin për të marrë ata që do t'i besonin; sepse ende s'ishte dhënë Shpirti i Shenjtë; sepse Jisui ende s'ishte lavdëruar. Shumë veta pra prej turmës kur dëgjuan këtë fjalë, thoshin: "Ky është me të vërtetë profeti." Të tjerë thoshin: "Ky është Krishti." Po të tjerë thoshin: "Mos vjen Krishti nga Galilea? A nuk tha shkrimi se Krishti vjen nga fara e Davidit dhe nga fshati Betlehem, prej ku ishte Davidi?" U bë pra një çarje në turmë për të. Edhe disa prej tyre donin ta kapnin; po asnjë s'vuri duart mbi të. Erdhën pra shërbëtorët te kryepiftërinjtë e te Farisenjtë, dhe ata u thanë atyre: "Pse nuk e prutë?" Shërbëtorët u përgjigjën: "Kurrë s'ka folur njeri kështu, si ky njeri." Farisenjtë pra iu përgjigjën atyre: "Mos u gënjet edhe ju? Mos i ka besuar atij ndonjë prej të parëve a prej Farisenjve? Po kjo turmë që s'di ligjin, janë të mallkuar." U thotë atyre Nikodhimi, ai që pati ardhur natën tek ai, i cili ishte një prej atyre: "Mos e gjykon njeriun ligji ynë, pa e dëgjuar më parë atë, e pa marrë vesh se ç'bën?" U përgjigjën e i thanë: "Mos je edhe ti nga Galilea? Vëzhgo e shih, se profet nga Galilea nuk është ngritur." Jisui pra përsëri u foli atyre, duke thënë: "Unë jam drita e botës. Ai që më vjen pas, nuk do të ecë në errësirë, por do të ketë dritën e jetës."