

The Martyr

St. George Orthodox Church

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Upcoming Services and Events

- Apr 28 -** 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy - Palm Sunday
- May 2 -** 7:00 pm - Matins with Reading of Twelve Passion Gospels
- May 3 -** 3:00 pm - Vespers: Taking down from the Cross
- 7:00 pm - Matins: Lamentations
- May 4 -** 11:00 pm - Nocturn, Midnight Paschal Liturgy
- May 5 -** 11:00 am - Paschal Vespers - Children's Egg Hunt to follow immediately after Vespers
- May 12-** 9:15 am - General Confession
- 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy

Prayers for the Blessing

Bishops Paul and John of Aleppo, *captive in Syria*.
Archbishop Nathaniel of Detroit and the Romanian Episcopate
Father Sergei
Father Stephen and Pani Debbie Masliuk
Matushka Evelyn Kreta
Abbot Archimandrite Seraphim
Those who are sick: Christy & Christina Adams; Mildred Arendac; Juan Aguilar, Antonette Barmashi, Paul Betts; Sandra Bike; James Brideau; Jeannie Brideau; Debi Broadus; Jami Brown; Jim Cernera; Joyce Chadwick; Frank Chamberlain; Larissa Chapin; Bernard & Kerri Christenson; Julie Cipu; Marianna Coca; Anthony Cordero; George Costa, Rosemary Delaney, Charlie Demetri; Mary Dilulio: Patti Fischer; Louise Karoli Gallagher; Luba Geeza, Mike Green; Patty Ivanov; George Jones; Bill Kovachi; Violet Laska; June Lopen, Jonathan Lubin, Thomas Matthews; Jaimie McCarvill; Zoe Michael; Michael Moras, Jr.; Theodore Morrison;

Nezar Nassif, Kimberly Orosz; Pat Perrotta, George Piazza; Nadia Reh binder, David; Schutte; Kelly Small; Charles & Joann Soter; Ted Tallcouch; William Thomas; Paulette Todisco; Margaret Torre; Mary Valis; Alice Vasil; Joe Vitale; Michael Wilson

If anyone should be added or removed from this list, please contact Kim O'Brien at kimbrien720@gmail.com.

Prayers in Memoriam

April

- 28 Richard Taylor, Sr. (2006)
- 30 Dhori Toroveci (1951)
- Bishop Stephen Lasko (1975)
- Christopher F. Phostole (1979)
- Joseph Kasperek (1992)

May

- 01 Theodore D. Yapo (1964)
- Georgika Boria (2017)
- 02 Olga Lazar (1992)
- 03 Teuta(Tessie)Sotir (2020)
- 04 Katherine Pando (2020)
- Kaliroi Dionis (1974)

Mother's Day Commemorations

We are preparing our annual Mother's Day Commemorations. Please submit your donation and names of your mother, stepmother, daughters, stepdaughters, wives, sisters, stepsisters, great grandmothers, great granddaughters, grandmothers, granddaughters, great-aunts, aunts, niece, godmothers, and all those who "mothered" us in our time of need. Clearly indicate whether they are living or deceased.

"Small Enough to Care, Big enough to Share"

Please submit your names to Louise Gallagher by Saturday, May 11th at 3PM - she needs time to prepare a prayer list for use during Divine Liturgy on Sunday. Louise can be reached by email: jlcall103@aol.com, or by phone @ 203-268-3803. The names will be remembered in prayer during the Divine Liturgy on Mother's Day, May 12th. All donations will be used for the beautification of the Church.

Many Years!

On Saturday, April 20th, Sydney May Gartsu was received into the Orthodox Church through the sacraments of Holy Baptism and Holy Chrismation. Congratulations to her parents, **Crystal and Jason Gartsu**, her godmother, **Gretta Lee Cynthia (Gartsu) Flynn**, grandparents **Elsie and Tom Gartsu**, and the extended Gartsu family. Sydney May was churched the following day, on Sunday April 21st. *God grant her Many years!*

No Memorials

According to Orthodox teaching, no Memorial Services may be served in the Church from Lazarus Saturday (April 27th) until the Tuesday after Thomas Sunday (May 14th).

Similarly, there are no funerals/burial services served from Holy Thursday (May 2nd) through Bright Monday (May 6th).

Our departed will only be commemorated at the Proskomedia (Liturgy of Preparation).

Beaded Crosses for sale

Donna Kerma has generously donated a variety of her hand strung beaded crosses. These will be for sale in the church hall from now until Pascha. All proceeds will benefit St George.

April Charity

For the month of April, St. George will be collecting for the Bridgeport Rescue Mission. Their mission is "to fight poverty from the inside out by embracing people with the compassion of Christ, offering hope and healing for a changed life" Go to the following link to learn more: <https://bridgeportrescuemission.org>

Decorating the Petafi

It's that time again for our Myrrhbearing Women to gather to decorate the Petafi (Christ's Tomb).

Great and Holy Friday is on May 3rd. We will meet at 10:00 a.m. and the decorating will take approximately 2 hours.

Everyone is welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Pauline Dionis at 203-261-0611

Wedding Banns

Evan Stamps and Luiza Tollkuci have declared their intention to marry at the Saint George Orthodox Church on May 18, 9 AM.

If anyone knows why they should not be married, let them "speak now or forever, hold their peace."

Pastoral Emergency Care

If there is an emergency, and you would like a priest to contact you, call Father Sergei at 203-331-2251 (cell), 203-713-6007 (home) or Bill Kovachi at 203-449-4404.

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