

# The Martyr

## St. George Orthodox Church

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February 4, 2024

### Upcoming Services and Events

- Feb 4 -** 9:45 am - General Confession  
10:00 am - Divine Liturgy celebrating Meeting of the Lord ("Papandia")
- Feb 11 -** 9:45 am Children meet w/Fr Sergei  
10:00 am - Divine Liturgy
- Feb 18 -** 9:45 am - Children meet w/Fr Sergei  
10:00 am - Divine Liturgy

### Prayers for the Blessing

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

Father Sergei

Father Stephen and Pani Debbie Masliuk

Matushka Evelyn Kreta

Abbot Archimandrite Seraphim

*Military Deployment:* Robert Buckles

*Those who are sick:* Christy & Christina Adams; Mildred Arendac; Juan Aguilar, Antonette Barmashi, Paul Betts; Sandra Bike; James Brideau; Jeannie Brideau; Debi Broadus; Jim Cernera; Joyce Chadwick; Frank Chamberlain; Larissa Chapin; Bernard & Kerri Christenson; Julie Cipu; Marianna Coca; Anthony Cordero; George Costa, Rosemary Delaney, Charlie Demetri; Jenna Dionis; Patti Fischer; Louise Karoli Gallagher; George Galich; 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; John Rafail, Nadia Rehbinder, 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*  
[kimobrien720@gmail.com](mailto:kimobrien720@gmail.com).

### Prayers in Memoriam

#### February

- 04 Loni Perestere (1974)  
05 Anastasia ("Cile") Vissar (1999)  
07 Olga Ellen Vani (1954)  
08 Christy Lambert (2019)  
Krisanthi Peters (2023)  
10 Philip C. Cotmil (1979)

### Lakror Workshop

The Teuta Ladies are sponsoring a Lakror Social on **February 10th. at 10:00 a.m.**

All are welcome to join us to learn how to make lakror or just brush up on your technique!

Of course we will be sampling what we make. Please let Laura Denisevich know if you plan on attending so that enough ingredients can be purchased.

Bring your rolling pin!

### Turkey and Ham Collection

Turkey and hams will be collected for about the next two weeks. If you have one or two to spare, please put it in the freezer in the church hall. Distribution will take place sometime around Valentine's Day.

**"Small Enough to Care, Big enough to Share"**

### Duckpin Bowling

FORCC (*The Fellowship of Orthodox Churches of Connecticut*) is inviting Orthodox youth (young people ages 2 through teens) to a Duckpin Bowling Social on February 18, 2024 from 2PM until 4PM.

The social will be held at Devon Duckpin Bowl at 551 Naugatuck Ave in Milford (Devon).

There is a capacity limit of 60 people (children + adults), so please make reservations. For more information or to make reservations, please contact Eve Nucifora by Feb 11th at 203-675-1575 or [eveckn@gmail.com](mailto:eveckn@gmail.com)

### Valentine Dinner Dance

There will be a **Valentine's Day Dance** held on **Saturday, Feb 17th** in the Church Hall. This is a fundraising event for St. George. The dance begins at 6PM. Tickets are \$50 per person. Children 15 and under are \$20 per person. Food is being provided by *Andini's Restaurant*. Music will be provided by *Jorgaq Tollkuci*. The last day to call/confirm is on Wednesday, Feb 14th. Please confirm with *Nardi Tollkuci at 203-895-4263*.

### February Charity

For the month of February, our charity tray will be dedicated to the **IOCC**.

For over 30 years, IOCC, in the spirit of Christ's love, has responded to those who are suffering and in need, without discrimination, in more than 60 countries. Your donation will help provide clean water for those in remote areas, health services to malnourished children and the elderly, assistance to refugees, and so much more. Please be generous.

### Konizmat Icon Auction

Once again we will engage in the annual secular ritual of the Konizmat Icon Auction.

From the time of Turkish occupation, through the years, even in America, this was a traditional and important fundraising method for those whose Church heritage is from the central Balkans.

"Bids" are to be submitted and will be collected beginning this weekend, Jan 21st until Sunday, Feb 4th. The icons will be assigned - based on the highest and/or earliest received bid. Icons will be available to take home the following weekend, Sunday Feb 11th.

Icons are to be returned back to church on Sunday, March 24th (Sunday of the Triumph of Orthodoxy).

The Icon and Bid form can be downloaded here: [2024 Konizmat Icons](#)

Click onto the following link to read more on the [Konizmat Icon Auction](#)

### Parish Body Meeting

There will be a Parish Body Meeting held after Divine Liturgy on **Sunday, February 25th**. All members are encouraged to attend.

### 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.