

The Martyr

St. George Orthodox Church

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Up-coming Services and Events

Today: *The Thirtieth Sunday after Pentecost*

9:30 a.m. Church School

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

16: 7:00 a.m. Matins

17: 7:00 a.m. Matins

18: 6:30 p.m. "Glory to God for All Things"

19: 7:00 a.m. Matins

20: 7:00 a.m. Matins

21: 4:00 p.m. Great Vespers

22: *The Thirty-first Sunday after Pentecost*

9:30 a.m. Church School

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

23: 7:00 a.m. Matins

24: 7:00 a.m. Matins

25: 6:30 p.m. "Glory to God for All Things"

26: 7:00 a.m. Matins

27: 7:00 a.m. Matins

28: 4:00 p.m. Great Vespers

29: *The Sunday of Zacchaeus*

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*), *serving 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; Sharon Buzi; Jim Cerna; Joyce Chadwick; Frank Chamberlain; Bernard & Annie Christenson; Bobby Christo; Tara Coppola; Anthony Cordero; Peter Costa; Renate Deer; Armando Dias; James & Pandora Dionis; Kevin Donnelly; Danielle Galich; Mary Galich;

Louise Karoli Gallagher; Lynn Graceski; Irene Jordhamo Hughes; Shirley Hunter; Nancy Hurd; Kiril Ivanov; Sug Jones; Donald & Shirley Jordan; Christy Lambert; Violet Laska; Bruce Lazar; June Lopen; Nicolas Lucas; 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; 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; Poullette Todisco; Margaret Torre; Alice & William Vasil; Ann Vitale.

Prayers in Memoriam

40 Days

Valentina Woliver; Victor Meskhishvili

January

- 15 Priftëresha Virginia Kovachi (1992)
Albert Glucksnis (2011)
Della Theodos (2014)
- 16 Michael J. Vani (1945)
Costas Adam (1977)
- 17 Nerenxa Buzi (1947)
Stephen Vangel (1977)
Thomas Nicholas, Sr. (2014)
- 18 Marinkaj Toroveci (1945)
- 20 Lazo Kosta (1962)
Ilo (Louis) Koli Kovachi

Coffee Hour

Today: Leftovers

22: The Parish Council

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

General Parish Meeting scheduled

The **General Parish Membership Meeting** scheduled for last Sunday has been postponed until next Sunday, January 22nd.

There are many important needs of our parish community that will be discussed. Please plan to attend.

Offering Envelopes and Wall Calendars

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

Akathist and Adult Education

This Wednesday, January 18th, we will celebrate the Akathist Hymn, "**Glory to God for All Things**" at 6:30 p.m. Our Adult Study group, however, will be taking a break until Great Lent

Konizmat

The deadline for submissions of **Konizmat** bids is next Sunday, *January 22nd*. The Icons will be distributed on Sunday, *January 29th*. They will be returned on the *Sunday of Orthodoxy, March 5th*

House Blessing

Father Dennis is continuing 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, or if you cannot meet Father on the scheduled day, please call him at (203) 598-4678.

St. George helps Trumbull Helps

This Saturday, January 21st, our Church will be one of two drop-off locations for **Trumbull Helps Town-wide Food Drive** for the **Trumbull Food Pantry**.

Donations will be accepted between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., and refreshments will be provided to donors.

We are looking for a few people to bake something for this. Contact *Laura Chadwick* if you would like to help.

News from the Women's Council

The **Orthodox Women's Council Post-Holiday Luncheon** will take place on Sunday, January 29th at the **Cast Iron Chop House** (the former *Marisa's Restaurant*) in Trumbull. The cost is \$30 per person, and the entree choices are beef, chicken, or fish.

Pre-Lenten Memorial Service

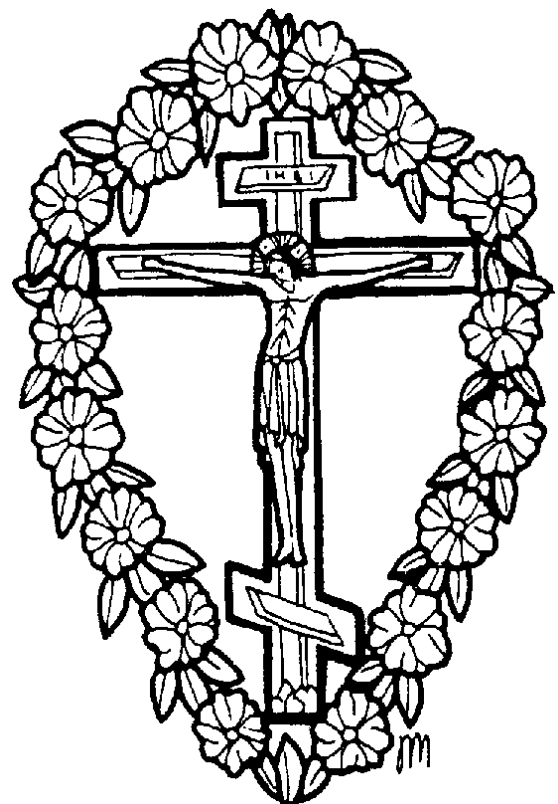
The first **Memorial Saturday** of 2017 is February 18th. The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated that morning and the names of all departed friends and family members of our parishioners will be remembered.

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

Charity Collection

This month we are supporting the **International Orthodox Christian Charities** as they work to help the people of the city of **Aleppo** in Syria and other places around the world who have been forced from their homes.

Please be generous!



Colossians 3:12-16

Brethren, holy and beloved, as God's chosen ones, put on a heart of kindness, mercy, humility, meekness, patience. Bear with one another and forgive one another, if anyone has a grievance against any other. Even as the LORD has forgiven you, you too forgive. But most of all, have love, which is the bond of perfection. And may the peace of God triumph in your hearts: indeed, it is to that peace you were called as a single body. Show yourselves thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you in full. Wisely teach and admonish one another by psalms, hymns and spiritual songs, singing in your hearts to the LORD by His grace.

Luke 18:18-28

At that time a certain man approached Jesus and asked Him, saying, "Good Master, what shall I do to gain eternal life?" But Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but only God. You know the commandments: 'Thou shalt not kill. Thou shalt not commit adultery. Thou shalt not steal. Thou shalt not bear false witness. Honor thy father and mother.'" And he said, "All these I have kept ever since I was a child." But when Jesus heard this, He said to him, "One thing is still lacking to you; sell everything you own, and give to the poor, and you shall have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." When he heard these things, he was much grieved, for he was very rich. But Jesus, seeing him become sad, said, "With what difficulty will the wealthy enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter the Kingdom of God." And they who heard it said, "Who then can be saved?" He said to them, "Things men cannot do alone, they can do with God's help."

Kolosianëve 3:12-16

Vëllezër, vishni, si shenjtorë të zgjedhur e të dashur të Perëndisë, përdëllim, mirësi, përlësi, butësi, zemërgjerësi, duke duruar njëri-tjetrin dhe duke ndjerë njëri-tjetrin, në pastë ndonjë ankesë kundër ndonjërit; ashtu si edhe Krishti ju ndjeu ju, kështu edhe ju. Edhe përmbi gjithë këto vishni dashurinë, e cila është bashkëlidhja e përsosmërisë. Edhe paqja e Perëndisë le të mbretërojë në zemrat tuaja, në të cilën edhe u thirrët në një trup dhe bëhuni mirënjohës. Fjala e Perëndisë le të rrijë tek ju e pasur me çdo lloj diturie; mësoni e këshilloni njëri-tjetrin me psalme dhe me himne e me këngë shpirtërore, duke i kënduar ZOTIT me hir në zemrën tuaj.

Llukait 18:18-28

Në atë kohë, i erdhi pranë Jisuit një i parë e pyeti, duke thënë: "Mësues i mirë, ç'të bëj që të trashëgoj jetë të përjetshme?" Edhe Jisui i tha: "Ç'më thua i mirë? Asnjë nuk është i mirë, përveçse një, Perëndia. Ti i di porositë: 'Mos shkel kurorën; Mos vrit; Mos vidh; Mos jep dëshmi të rreme; Ndero atin tënd dhe nënën tënde'." Edhe ai tha: "Të gjitha këto i kam ruajtur që në rininë time." Edhe Jisui, kur dëgjoi këto, i tha: "Edhe diçka të mungon, shit gjithë ç'ke dhe ndajua të varfërve, dhe do të kesh thesar në qiell; dhe eja, e ndiqmë pas." Por ai, kur dëgjoi këto, u hidhërua; sepse ishte fort i pasur. Edhe Jisui, kur pa se u hidhërua, tha: "Sa me vështirësi do të hyjnë në mbretërinë e Perëndisë ata që kanë pasuri! Sepse më kollaj është të hyjë gamilja nëpër vrimën e gjilpërës, se një i pasur të hyjë në mbretërinë e Perëndisë." Edhe ata që dëgjuan thanë: "E kush mund të shpëtojë?" Edhe ai tha: "Të pamundurat për njerëzit janë të mundura për Perëndinë."