

The Martyr

St. George Orthodox Church

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Up-coming Services and Events

Today: *The Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee*

9:30 a.m. Church School

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

29: 7:00 a.m. Matins

30: 7:00 a.m. Matins

31: 7:00 a.m. Matins

Feb 1: 7:00 a.m. Matins

2: *The Meeting of our LORD in the Temple*

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

3: 4:00 p.m. Great Vespers

4: *The Sunday of the Prodigal Son*

The Sunday after the Meeting of our LORD in the Temple

9:30 a.m. Church School

9:45 a.m. General Confession

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy and One-year Memorial Prayers for James Dionis

5: 7:00 a.m. Matins

6: 7:00 a.m. Matins

7: 7:00 a.m. Matins

8: 7:00 a.m. Matins

9: 7:00 a.m. Matins

10: 10:00 a.m. Memorial Divine Liturgy

4:00 p.m. Great Vespers

11: *The Sunday of the Last Judgment*

(The last day to eat meat)

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.*

Those who are sick: Archbishop Nikon; Fr. Steven Belonick; Fr. Daniel Montgomery; Fr. Dimitrie Vincent; Christy & Christina Adams; Mildred & Michael Arendacs; Paul Betts; Eileen Bochino; James

Brideau; Debi Broadus; Arlene Bunnell; Sharon Buzi; Jim Cenera; Joyce Chadwick; Frank Chamberlain; Bernard & Annie Christenson; Bobby Christo; Tara Coppola; Anthony Cordero; Peter Costa; Renate Deer; Armando Dias; Pandora Dionis; Kevin Donnelly; Mary Galich; Louise Karoli Gallagher; Luba Geeza; Irene Jordhamo Hughes; Shirley Hunter; Nancy Hurd; Kiril & Patricia Ivanov; Sug Jones; Donald & Shirley Jordan; Christy Lambert; Violet Laska; Bruce Lazar; June Lopen; Carole Lundquist; Steven Malandra; Karen Marlin; Jeanine Masek; Thomas Matthews; Jaimie McCarvill; Serge Mihaly; Michael Moras, Jr.; Theodore Morrison; Andy Nunn; Kimberly Orosz; James Pando; Katherine Pando; Pat Perrotta, Judi Petro; Dena Soter Reardon; Helen Reh; Linda Rich; David Schutte; Andrea Snedegar; Angie Soter; Charles & Joann Soter; Tessie Sotir; Sue & Thomas Spero; Christian Tallcouch; Thomas Terzakis; Thalia Thomas; William Thomas; Paullette Todisco; Margaret Torre; Alice Vasil; Ann Vitale.

Prayers in Memoriam

40 Days

Benjamin Masliuk; Bishop Mark (Forsberg);
Richard Taylor, Jr.

January

28 Psalt Stavros (Steve) C. Tallcouch (1997)
P. Vangel (Vinnie) Soter (2012)

29 Maria Koli Kovachi (1960)

30 Heracli Theodos (1970)

Archilea (Archie) P. Themel (1997)

James Dionis (2017)

31 Archpriest Christo A. Costa (1992)

February

1 Alexandra Cotmil (1947)

Coffee Hour

Today: Patty & Kiril Ivanov for Patty's Birthday

Feb 4: The Dionis Family in memory of James

11: The Teuta Ladies' Society

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

Parish Council 2018

Last Sunday, at the General Parish Meeting, we elected the Parish Council for 2018. With the blessing of Archbishop Nikon, they are being installed in office today. They are:

Bill Kovachi, Chairman; **Peter Dacey**, Vice-Chairman; **Cathy Hotova**, Treasurer; **Luba Csernica**, Financial Secretary; **Louise Gallagher**, Recording Secretary; **Laura Chadwick**, Corresponding Secretary; **Joe Chadwick**, Corresponding Secretary; **Bob Lazar**, Building and Grounds; and **Joe Galich**, Building and Grounds.

Many Years!

Për Shumë Vjet!

Parish Stewardship

At the General Meeting of our parish membership last Sunday, it was decided that the minimum annual stewardship contribution is raised to \$9.00 per person per week, for an annual total of \$468.00.

Those who give more are asked to increase their contribution by a minimum of %10.

Please take note of this change.

Theophany House Blessings

Father Dennis is completing the blessing homes in connection with the **Feast of the Theophany**.

If you have not been contacted or your name was not on the list and you would like him to bless your home, call him at (203) 598-4678.

News from the Teuta Ladies' Society

The **Teuta Ladies' Society** treasurer, *Sue Galich*, is currently collecting 2018 Society dues in the amount of \$10.00.

Also, the Society's annual **Papandia** celebration will be held on Sunday, February 11th.

Financial Statements available

Financial Statements for 2017 are now available at the Candle Desk. Pick yours up today.

Offering Envelopes & Calendars available

The 2018 **Offering Envelopes** and **Wall Calendars** (courtesy of *Commerce Hill Funeral Home*) are now available at the Candle Desk.

News from the Women's Council

The *Orthodox Women's Council's* annual drive for **Pajamas for Kids** (infants to 18-year-olds) is continuing through March. (Please note, sweat pants will work for the 18-year-olds).

If you would like to contribute **new** pajamas, a container is located in the Church Hall. Thank you for your participation.

Flu Season

This year's flu season seems to be quite severe. Let's all be especially careful not to spread the virus.

Pre-Lenten Memorial Service

The first **Memorial Saturday** of 2018 is February 10th. 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.

Valentine's Day Dance

There will be a **Valentine's Day Dance** in the Church Hall on Saturday, February 17th, starting at 6:00 p.m.

See the flyer printed on the back page of *The Martyr* for complete information.

Charity Collection

This month, our **Charity Collection** will be sent to the **Hockey Has Heart** organization in Detroit, Michigan, which is collecting money to help **Fr. Dimitrie Vincent**, Pastor of our St. Thomas Church in Detroit, in his recovery from a spinal cord injury.

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 mësimet 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 shenjta, 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 ndenjor 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."