

# The Martyr

## St. George Orthodox Church

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January 15, 2023

### Upcoming Services and Events

- Jan 15 -** 9:30 am - Children meet w/Fr Sergei  
10:00 am - Divine Liturgy-followed by coffee hour sponsored by the Teuta Ladies Society.
- Jan 22 -** 9:30 am - Children meet w/Fr Sergei  
10:00 am -Divine Liturgy followed by 1 year memorial service for Angie Soter
- Jan 29 -** 9:30 am - Children meet w/Fr Sergei  
10:00 am - Divine Liturgy followed by Parish Body meeting

### Prayers for the Blessing

Bishops Paul and John of Aleppo, *captive in Syria*.  
Fr. Ceraphim, Matushka Faith and family  
Father Gregory Buzi on his journey in the monastery.  
Abbot Archimandrite Seraphim  
*Military Deployment:* Robert Buckles  
*Those who are sick:* Christy & Christina Adams; Mildred Arendac; Juan Aguilar, Antonette Barmashi, Paul Betts; Teresa Brice; James Brideau; Jeannie Brideau; Debi Broadus; Jim Cerner; Joyce Chadwick; Frank Chamberlain; Bernard & Annie Christenson; Julie Cipu; Marianna Coca; Anthony Cordero; George Costa, Renate Deer, Rosemary Delaney, Charlie Demetri; Armando Dias; Patti Fischer; Miles Flynn, Louise Karoli Gallagher; Luba Geeza, Linda Vasil Gilbert; Mike Green; Patty Ivanov; George Jones; Sug Jones; Shirley Jordan; Violet Laska; John Louis; June Lopen; Jonathan Lubin, Carole Lundquist; Thomas Matthews; Jaimie McCarvill; Zoe Michael; Melissa and Wayne Moras, Michael Moras, Jr.; Theodore Morrison; Nezar Nassif, Kimberly Orosz; Walter Ostrowski, Krisanthi Peters, Pat Perrotta, John Rafail, Nadia Rehbinder, David Schutte; Kelly Small; Charles & Joann Soter; Sue & Thomas Spero; Ted Tallcouch; William Thomas; Paulette Todisco; Margaret Torre; Fr Andrew Tregubov 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](mailto:kimbrien720@gmail.com).

### Prayers in Memoriam

#### 40 Days

Fr John Duranko

#### January

- 15 Priftëresha Virginia Kovachi (1992)  
Della Theodos (2014)
- 16 Michael J. Vani (1945)  
Costas Adam (1977)
- 17 Nerenxa Buzi (1947)  
Stephen Vangel (1977)  
Thomas Nicholas, Sr. (2014)  
Vangjeli 'Angie' Soter (2022)
- 18 Marinkaj Toroveci (1945)
- 20 Lazo Kosta (1962)  
Christian Tallcouch (2020)  
Ilo (Louis) Koli Kovachi

### Parish Meeting - Sunday Jan 29th

There will be a Parish-body meeting on Sunday, January 29th after Divine Liturgy in the Church Hall. Please plan to attend and participate!

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

## Teuta Ladies 90th Anniversary & History

We will be celebrating the 90th anniversary of the Teuta Society on Sunday, January 15th at our coffee hour.

There will also be a Teuta meeting to make plans for the new year. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

Diane Cryan - President

A little history:

The ladies of our community were not idle. Between 1928 and 1930, many wives of the original settlers arrived from Albania. Often they were homesick, missing the relatives and loved ones they had left behind, and lonely as their husbands had to work long hours away from home. The same Thomas L. Tallcouch, who formed the *Ylli*, organized the Queen *Teuta* Ladies Society in 1931.

The *Teuta* Ladies Society satisfied a deeply felt need for social interaction and provided the opportunity to share concerns and experiences. The first meeting was held at the home of Cornelia Soter in January, 1932. The hostess prepared a delicious byrek for the occasion. [This dish, sometimes referred to as lakror in our community, continues to be the *piece de resistance* of our parish hospitality.] The first executive committee consisted of Cornelia Soter (president), Dhora Polena (vice-president), Beatrice Tallcouch (secretary), Kalirroi Dionis (treasurer) and Emilia Stephan (trustee). These two societies formed the nucleus of the future church. The Teuta Ladies Society has always been at the heart of all church activities, sponsoring numerous social and religious affairs. Their continued contributions have been a blessing to us all.

## Coffee Hour

**Jan 15** - Sponsored by Teuta Ladies Society in honor of their 90th anniversary

**Jan 22** - Sponsored by the Soter family in memory of Angie on her 1 year memorial.

## Birth Announcement

**Alexis and Peter Dacey** were blessed with the arrival of **Elizabeth Post Dacey** in the wee (3:22am) hours of December 30th, 2022. She weighed 7lbs 2oz and 20.5 in long. Congratulations to the entire Dacey family!

## Wedding Announcement

On December 30, 2022, **Chelsey O'Brien** was married to **Hans Lugus** in Narragansett, RI. We wish them many happy and healthy years!

## January Charity Tray

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> As always, St. George appreciates your generosity.

## 2022 Contribution Statements

Year-End 2022 Contribution Statements were emailed to parishioners on Tuesday, January 10th

If you haven't provided the church with your email address, or do not have an email account, please pick up your statement at the Church Desk this Sunday, January 15th.

For those who do not, or cannot pick them up this Sunday - they will be physically mailed next week.

If you have any questions, please email the Financial Secretary @ [luba.csernica@gmail.com](mailto:luba.csernica@gmail.com)

## 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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