

# The Martyr

## St. George Orthodox Church

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### Upcoming Services and Events

- Mar 22** 10:00 am - Divine Liturgy w/Fr George Heritage Sunday Commemoration  
4:00 pm - Deanery Mission Vespers St. Alexis Orthodox Church
- Mar 29** 10:00 am - Reader Service The Feast of the Annunciation of The Theotokos (transferred from March 25)
- Apr 4** 4:00 pm - Vespers w/Fr Danaks
- Apr 5** 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy w/Fr Danaks  
7:00 pm - Bridegroom Vespers w/Fr Sergei
- Apr 6** 7:00 pm - Bridegroom Vespers w/Fr Sergei
- Apr 7** 7:00 pm - Bridegroom Vespers w/Fr Sergei

### Prayers for the Blessing

Bishops Paul and John of Aleppo, *captive in Syria*.  
Very Rev. Vladimir and Matushka Suzanne Aleandro  
Father Sergei Bouteneff  
Father Stephen and Pani Debbie Masliuk  
*Those who are sick:* Christy & Christina Adams; Mildred Arendacs; Juan Aguilar, Antonette Barmashi, Sandra Bike; James Brideau; Jeannie Brideau; Arley Broadus, Debi Broadus; Joyce Chadwick; Judy Chadwick; Frank Chamberlain; Kerri Christenson; Tina Ciambriello, Marianna Coca; Anthony Cordero; Joan Coughlin; Charlie Demetri; Mary Dilulio; Mallory Ferrari; Patti Fischer; Anita Flynn; Yekta Fridkia; Louise Karoli Gallagher; Luba Geeza, Mike Green; Harry Jordhamo; Christy Kobeli; Mia Kovachi; Violet Laska; June Lopen; John Louis; JR Martikainen; Thomas Matthews; Jaimie McCarvill; Timothy McCormick; Michael Moras, Jr.; Theodore Morrison; Mary Nikola; Pat Perrotta, George Piazza; Molly Sabas; David Schutte; Charles & Joann Soter; Ted Tallcouch; Cheryl Themel; Paulette Todisco;

Margaret Torre; Mary Valis; Stephan Valis; Joe Vitale  
*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

Joshua Stevens  
Engjëll Skenderaj

#### March

- 22 Jimi Vani (1951)  
23 Nancy C. Peters (2023)  
Costandino Schutte (1958)  
Nicholas Schutte (1980)  
Robert Vissar (1964)  
Archpriest Eugene Vansuch (2008)  
24 Constandin K. Vassil (1964)  
25 Priftëresha Helen Tallcouch (1979)  
26 Frosina Vissar (1964)  
Kosta Vangel (1963)  
27 Kosta Lika (1975)  
28 Julia Peters (1997)

### Heritage Sunday

Bishop Nikodhim inaugurated a new annual commemoration called Heritage Sunday for the Albanian Archdiocese in 2024. The annual commemoration will be held on the Sunday before the Feast of the Annunciation. The Feast of the Annunciation is celebrated annually on March 25th.

March is an important month in the history of the Albanian Archdiocese: March 22, 1908 is the date of the first liturgy was ever served in the Albanian language in

America (in Boston), and March 13, 1965 is the date of repose of our first hierarch Theophan (Noli).

Additionally as part of "Heritage Sunday", St. George will be offering additional prayers at the close of Divine Liturgy for the blessing and guidance of the Albanian Archdiocese. And per Bishop Nikodhim's request to all parishes in the Archdiocese, we will hold a Memorial service for all of our departed diocesan hierarchs, and for the priests and priftëresha who served our parishes.

### March Charity Tray

St. George will be forwarding its cash Charity Tray donations during the month of March to the **Trumbull Food Pantry**. Parishioners can participate by shopping for pantry food items, making a cash donation, or doing both.

### Refill the Pantry Program-Last Day

As part of St. George's service outreach this year, we have committed again with other Trumbull faith-based churches, communities, and organizations to participate in a coordinated food drive organized by the [Refill the Pantry](#) program which will support the [Trumbull Food Pantry](#).

As part of this commitment, we will be participating in 2 food drives in 2026 supporting the Trumbull Food Pantry – the first one for March 22, and the second one will be October 24.

Please visit our website for a wish list of items to be donated.

### Egg Hunt Candy Donations Needed

The Parish is having its **Children's Easter Egg Hunt** on Sunday, April 12.

We are requesting candy donations to support the Egg hunt. We have plenty of plastic eggs so there is no need to donate those. The **candy donations should be brought to church by Palm Sunday, April 5.** There will be a box in the vestibule for the donations.

Reminder, for those bringing young children, please bring a basket for them to collect their eggs during the hunt.

Thank you for your continued support!

### Divine Liturgy Time Change

As a reminder, as we exit the winter season, Divine Liturgy returns to a **9:30 am** start time the first Sunday of April, which is **April 5**.

The 9:30am start time will continue for the next 7 months. We will return back to the 10am schedule the first weekend in November.

### Great Lent 2026 CT Deanery Mission Services

**March 22- 4:00 pm Saint John Climacus**  
St. Alexis Orthodox Church  
108 E Main St, Clinton

Deanery Mission Vespers

**March 29 - 4:00 pm Saint Mary of Egypt**  
Three Saints Orthodox Church 26  
Howard Ave, Ansonia

Service of Holy Unction

**April 5 - 4:00 pm Palm Sunday/Holy Monday Eve**  
All Saints Orthodox Church  
205 Scarborough Street, Hartford

Bridegroom Matins

All services are followed by a reception.

### Pastoral Emergency Care

If there is an emergency, and you would like a priest to contact you, call Bill Kovachi at 203-449-4404.

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