

The Martyr

St. George Orthodox Church

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March 24, 2024

Upcoming Services and Events

- Mar 24 -** 9:45 am - Children meet w/Fr Sergei
10:00 am - Divine Liturgy to include prayers for the founding of Albanian Orthodox Archdiocese and returning of the icons. Feast of the Annunciation (transferred from March 25)
- Mar 28 -** 6:15 pm - Prayer & Discussion meeting
- Mar 31 -** 10:00 am - Reader's service
- Apr 4 -** 6:15 pm - Prayer & Discussion meeting
- Apr 7 -** 9:15 am - General Confession
9:30 am - Divine Liturgy

Prayers for the Blessing

Bishops Paul and John of Aleppo, *captive in Syria*.
Archbishop Nathaniel of Detroit and the Romanian Episcopate
Father Stephen and Pani Debbie Masliuk
Matushka Evelyn Kreta
Abbot Archimandrite Seraphim
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; Patti Fischer; Louise Karoli Gallagher; Luba Geeza, Mike Green; Patty Ivanov; George Jones; Bill Kovachi; Violet Laska; June Lopen, Jonathan Lubin, Thomas Matthews; Jaimie McCarvill; Zoe Michael; Nancy Mangianello; Michael Moras, Jr.; Theodore

Morrison; Nezar Nassif, Kimberly Orosz; Pat Perrotta, George Piazza; Nadia Reh binder, 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 kimbrien720@gmail.com.

Prayers in Memoriam

40 Days

George Galich
Richard Joseph Crane

March

- 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)
29 Helen Tallcouch (2016)
30 Thomas Vani Thanas (1961)

Prayer and Discussion Group

Greg Buzi II will be leading a prayer and discussion group each Thursday evening during Lent. The group will meet at 6:15pm. All are welcome!

"Small Enough to Care, Big enough to Share"

Divine Liturgy returns back to 9:30 am

As a reminder, Divine Liturgy returns to a **9:30am** start time the first Sunday of April, which is **April 7th**.

The **9:30 am** start time will continue for the next 7 months. We will return back to the 10:00 am schedule the first weekend in November.

March Charity

For the month of March, we continue to dedicate our charity tray 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.

2024 Lenten Pan-Orthodox Vespers Schedule

Below please find the 2024 Lenten Pan-Orthodox Vespers Schedule. The following contains the schedule of Pan-Orthodox Lenten Vespers services in our region. Special note: FORCC (Fellowship of Orthodox Church in Connecticut) is hosting the April 7th Vespers.

Sunday, March 24th - 1st Sunday of Lent
Sunday of Orthodoxy/Eve of Annunciation
4PM Vespers; St. Dimitrie Church, Easton

Sunday, March 31st - 2nd Sunday of Lent
St. Gregory Palamas
4PM Vespers; Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, Bridgeport

Sunday, April 7th - 3rd Sunday of Lent
Sunday of the Cross
FORCC Sunday
4PM Vespers; St. John the Baptist, Bridgeport

Sunday, April 14th - 4th Sunday of Lent
St. John Climacus (of The Ladder)

4PM Vespers; St. Nicholas Antiochian, Bridgeport

Sunday, April 21st - 5th Sunday of Lent
St. Mary of Egypt
4PM (Holy Unction Service) Three Saints Church, Ansonia

Return of the Icons

Please remember that your icons from Konizmat are due back today, **Sunday, March 24**.

Parish Body Meeting

A Parish Body Meeting will be held today, **March 24** after Divine Liturgy. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss Stewardship.

Commemoration for the Archdiocese - Mar 24

Bishop Nikodhim is inaugurating a new annual commemoration for the Albanian Archdiocese to be held each March, on the Sunday before the Feast of the Annunciation. March is an important month in the history of the Albanian Archdiocese.

This year, on Sunday, March 24th, Bishop Nikodhim is requesting all parishes in the Albanian Archdiocese offer additional prayers at the close of Divine Liturgy for the blessing and guidance of the Albanian Archdiocese. Additionally, parishes have been requested to offer memorial prayers for all of our departed diocesan hierarchs, and for the priests and priftëresha who served our parishes.

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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