

# The Martyr

## St. George Orthodox Church

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May 1, 2022

### Upcoming Services and Events

**May 1** - 9:15 am - General Confession - 'St Thomas Sunday'

9:30 am - Divine Liturgy

**May 8** - 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy - Myrrh Bearing Women 'St. John the Theologian'

**May 15** - 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy -

### Prayers for the Blessing

Bishops Paul and John of Aleppo, *captive in Syria*.

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; Marion Hricus Bichun, Alexis Black; James Brideau; Jeannie Brideau; Debi Broadus; Jim Cerner; Joyce Chadwick; Frank Chamberlain; Bernard & Annie Christenson; Julie Cipu; Marianna Coca; Anthony Cordero; George and Carmen Costa; Renate Deer, Charlie Demetri; Armando Dias; Patti Fischer; Louise Karoli Gallagher; Luba Geeza, Linda Vasil Gilbert; Mike Green; Nancy Hurd, Patty Ivanov; George Jones; Sug Jones; Shirley Jordan; Isabella Kerma; Violet Laska; June Lopen; Jonathan Lubin, Carole Lundquist; Jeannine Masek; Thomas Matthews; Jaimie McCarvill; Kathy Meahlenbrock; Zoe Michael; Michael Moras, Jr.; Theodore Morrison; Kimberly Orosz; Walter Ostrowski, Pat Perrotta, John Rafail, Helen Reh,

Nadia Reh binder David Schutte; Charles & Joann Soter; Sue & Thomas Spero; Ted Tallcouch; William Thomas; Paulette Todisco; Margaret Torre; Alice Vasil; Joe Vitale; Michael Wilson; Voula Zargos

*If anyone should be added or removed from this list, please contact Kim O'Brien at [kimobrien720@gmail.com](mailto:kimobrien720@gmail.com).*

### Prayers in Memoriam

#### May

- 01 Theodore D. Yapo (1964)  
Georgika Boria (2017)
- 02 Olga Lazar (1992)
- 03 Teuta (Tessie) Sotir (2020)
- 04 Katherine Pando (2020)  
Kaliroi Dionis (1974)  
Pandora Thanas Panoli (2006)
- 05 Meropi (Mary) Nichio (2009)
- 07 Emily Adam (1987)  
Olga Cotmil (2000)

Christ is risen!

Indeed, He is risen!

Krishti u-ngjall!

Vërtet u-ngjall!

Χριστός ἀνέστη!

Ἀληθῶς ἀνέστη!

Христос воскрес!

Воистину воскрес!

Hristos a înviat!

Adevărat a înviat!

### Memorials & the Paschal Season

According to Orthodox teaching, no Memorial Services may be served in the Church from Lazarus Saturday (April 17th) until the Tuesday after Thomas Sunday (May 3rd).

Our departed will only be commemorated at the Proskomedia (Liturgy of Preparation).

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## May Charity Tray

This month's charity is dedicated to **Trumbull Helps**.  
<https://trumbullhelps.org>



*Our goal is to make a difference by providing meals at the Bridgeport Rescue Mission, supporting the Trumbull Food Pantry, and coming together as a community to help others.*

## Mother's Day Commemorations

We are preparing our annual Mother's Day Commemorations. Please submit names of your mother, grandmother, stepmother, godmother, sister, stepsister, or niece (clearly indicating whether they are living or deceased) to Louise Gallagher.

The names will be remembered in prayer during the Divine Liturgy on Mother's Day, May 8th. All donations will be used for the beautification of the Church.

## A Note of Appreciation

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the many people who helped to make Lent, Holy Week and Pascha beautiful and meaningful celebrations. Additionally much of this stewardship continued throughout the past year and helped St. George maintain its service cycles throughout the liturgical year.

Initially, we would like to offer our sincere thanks to **Bill Kovachi, Fr. Sergei Bouteneff** and to the other members of the Parish Council: **Laura Coughlin, Luba Csernica, Peter Dacey, Joe Galich, Louise Karoli Gallagher, Cathy Hotova, and Bob Lazar** for all their leadership, hard work and diligence to ensuring St. George could continue to operate safely over the past 2 years of this COVID pandemic.

To **Louise Karoli Gallagher** and **Cathy Hotova** for managing all the COVID safety protocols (temperatures, attendance, seating charts, special cleaning, etc) over the past 2 years (as required and as they changed) by regulatory authorities.

Thank you to **Karen Masek, Chirstine Kruczek, and Mark Michael** for their donation of flowers for the Petafi in memory of the *Michael family*. Additional thanks to **Voula Zargos** and other anonymous donations towards Petafi flowers.

Thank you to the 'Myrrh-bearing Women" who decorated the Petafi: **Jean Brideau, Laura Coughlin, Mary Dilulio, Pauline Dionis, Louise Karoli Gallagher, Cathy Hotova, Dolores Nauchy, and Jeanette Nichio.**

A special thanks to **Louise Karoli Gallagher** for donating the dyed Pascha Eggs.

Thanks to **Jennifer Goetz** for decorating the Church for Holy Pascha, as she also does each year for the Nativity of Christ.

**Fr. Sergei Bouteneff** who served all the Lenten, Holy Week and Paschal services for us, and for continuing to assist us, and serve all the Liturgies at St. George since September 2018.

**Luba Csernica** and **Cathy Hotova** for the live-streaming of services.

Cantors **Peter Dacey** and **Charles Soter** for their dedication and singing at all the services, and for their singing over the past 2 years.

The **Choir** and **Karen Masek** for their singing on Palm Sunday, the Holy Wednesday Bridegroom service with Unction, the Holy Friday Matins with Lamentations, and the midnight Paschal Liturgy.

Our all the **volunteer readers** who helped during all of the Holy Week services.

**Bob Lazar** for his assistance in the sanctuary – he faithfully helps at all services.

To the **Altar Servers** for their time and assistance.

To **Sue, Melissa, and Erin Galich** and **Laura Chadwick** for preparing and organizing the successful Children's Easter Egg Hunt after the Paschal Vesper service. Also

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thanks to all the donations of candy which was needed to fill the plastic eggs.

Also to **Laura Coughlin** who helped organize a few Church School activities this year. Additional thanks to **Lauren and Haley Dionis**, and **Dana Moras** for working with the children, and to **Sue and Melissa Galich** who helped with the palm crosses for Palm Sunday.

**And to all those who came to pray and celebrate the services.**

We wish to thank everyone for their continued cooperation and diligence with following the ever-changing parish's COVID procedures. Ensuring the safety of all congregants remains the priority for St. George.

<b>Pastoral Emergency Care</b>
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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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