

# The Martyr

## St. George Orthodox Church

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May 24, 2026

### Upcoming Services and Events

- May 24** 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy w/Fr Sergei  
Ascension of the Lord (transferred  
from May 21)  
Prayers for our  
Deceased Military Vets
- May 31** 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy w/Fr George  
Pentecost followed by kneeling  
Vespers
- Jun 7** 9:15 am - General Confession  
Divine Liturgy w/Fr Danaks  
Church School Ceremony followed  
by parish picnic

### 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; Cindy Jordan;  
Harry Jordhamo; Christy Kobeli; Mia Kovachij; 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; Jessica Riha; Molly Sabas;  
David Schutte; Charles & Joann Soter; Ted Tallcouch;  
Cheryl Themel; Paulette Todisco; 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

Alice Barmashi  
Joan Deaky

### May

- 24 Simon Pappas (1952)  
Katherine Kosma (1992)  
Charalampos (Harry) Demetri (1993)
- 26 Lemona Rubis (1958)

### Church School Commencement & Recognition

The parish will mark the end of the Church School year  
with a short **Recognition Ceremony & Commencement**  
on Sunday, June 7 immediately after Divine Liturgy. We  
wish to acknowledge and congratulate the students,  
teachers, and coordinators for all of their efforts and  
dedication this past year.

Fr. Danaks Rhodes will be serving that day.

Additionally, we will be holding our annual Parish  
Picnic after services.

### Parish Picnic June 7

The Parish will be holding a **Parish Picnic**, rain or shine,  
on Sunday, June 7 after Divine Liturgy. Additionally on  
this day we will be celebrating our Church School  
Commencement.

If you are planning to attend, tickets can be purchased  
at the candle desk or through Sue Galich. The all-  
inclusive price is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 12  
and under.

Advance purchase is preferred so we can get a  
headcount (**please confirm by Sunday, May 31**).

## Invitation - All Saints of North America

Dear Brothers in Christ,

Christ is Risen! Once again, I would like to invite you and your parishioners to join us and to come and pray in front of the relics of 10 of our American Saints on the Feast of All Saints of America Sunday June 14th at 4:00 pm. His Grace, Bishop Benedict, will be with us to celebrate the Akathist to All Saints of America on that afternoon. Our parish will be offering a small meal following the Akathist for some nourishment before heading home. I hope and pray that you will be able to make this small pilgrimage and join us in praising these saints that have so brightly shined in this land of North America.

With Love in the Risen Lord,

Archpriest John Kreta

Rector, All Saints of North America Orthodox Church,  
Salisbury, CT

## Guest Speaker - Linda Kolton

On Sunday, May 31st, we will be welcoming **Linda Kolton**, the *Center Director for FOCUS Bridgeport*, as a guest speaker during our Coffee Hour.

Linda will talk about progress during the first half-year of FOCUS Bridgeport, some present volunteer opportunities, and other upcoming events.

Please try to stay for her presentation.

## Volunteer Opportunities with FOCUS Bridgeport - Spring 2026

Below is an announcement from [Linda Kolton, the Center Director for FOCUS Bridgeport](#) with available volunteer opportunities in May and June.

**Volunteers are essential to this ministry and the local Orthodox churches are at the heart of everything we**

**do.** We warmly invite you to get involved. It's a meaningful way to put our faith into action and serve our neighbors with love.

## Upcoming volunteer opportunities:

- **May 30** – Monthly Community Meal (Holy Ghost Church)
- **June 11** – Afterschool Snack Bag Distribution (Beardsley School)
- **June 27** – Monthly Community Meal (Holy Ghost Church)

To volunteer, sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0945ABAC2FA7F9C70-63316798-focus>

For more information, contact Linda Kolton, FOCUS Bridgeport Center Director. Linda's email is:

[Lkolton@focusna.org](mailto:Lkolton@focusna.org)

## May Charity Tray

The April/May charity is dedicated to **The Greater Bridgeport Crop Walk**. For over 50 years, the Greater Bridgeport CROP Hunger Walks has raised more than \$2 million to benefit our most vulnerable neighbors both around the globe and right here in the Bridgeport area. Last year, we once again were one of the top walks in the nation, raising over \$30,000 to help others!

Thank you for your support ❤️

## Pastoral Emergency Care

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

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