

The Martyr

St. George Orthodox Church

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November 10, 2024

Upcoming Services and Events

- Nov 10** 9:45 am Fr Sergei meets w/church school children
10:00 am Divine Liturgy followed by recognition of our veterans
- Nov 17** 10:00 am Divine Liturgy w/Fr Danaks Rhodes
- Nov 21** Feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos to the Temple (transferred to Nov 24)
- Nov 24** 9:45 am Fr Sergei meets w/church school children
10:00 am Divine Liturgy followed by Feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos to the Temple and then "Doxology" in honor of Albanian Flag Day as per Bishop Nikodhim for the Archdiocese.

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; Caitlyn; Jim Cerner; Joyce Chadwick; Frank Chamberlain; Bernard & Kerri Christenson; Marianna Coca; Anthony Cordero; George Costa, Rosemary Delaney,

Charlie Demetri; Mary Dilulio Mallory Ferrari; Patti Fischer; Yekta Fridkia; Louise Karoli Gallagher; Luba Geeza, Mike Green; Patty Ivanov; Christy Kobeli; Mia Kovachi; Violet Laska; June Lopen, Thomas Matthews; Jaimie McCarvill; Timothy McCormick; Zoe Michael; Michael Moras, Jr.; Theodore Morrison; Nezar Nassif, Mary Nikola; Kimberly Orosz; Philip Pepin; Pat Perrotta, George Piazza; David Schutte; Molly Sabas; Charles & Joann Soter; Joann Supan; 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](#)

Julie Cipu

[November](#)

- 11 Donald D. Tait (2001)
Janet Glucksnis Caliendo (2019)
- 12 Anna Peristere (1964)
Maria F. Taylor (2009)
- 14 Sotir Demas (1955)
Rita Vangel (2014)
- 15 Helen Peters (1958)
Dimitri Tasi (1971)

Recognizing our Military Veterans

As in prior years, St. George will be recognizing and expressing thanks to our Military Veterans today. In the United States, Veterans Day is celebrated tomorrow (Mon, Nov 11th)

Nativity Fast

"Small Enough to Care, Big enough to Share"

The Nativity Fast (often referred as Advent in the West) begins on Friday, November 15th, and lasts through the Divine Liturgy of Christmas Day. This is one of the four fasting seasons during the year. During this time, Orthodox Christians fast and pray in preparation for the Feast. According to the Tradition of the Church, we observe this Fast by abstaining from meat (including poultry and eggs), dairy, olive oil and wine. On Wednesdays and Fridays, we also abstain from fish. In a long-standing tradition, the bishops of the OCA gave a special dispensation to break the fast for Thanksgiving. While many people relax these rules, it is important that we do as much as we can, so that we can properly prepare ourselves spiritually for the Great Feast of our Lord's Nativity.

100th Anniversary Commemorative T-shirts

Two styles are available- see displays in church hall. Order now to have in time for the holidays. Reach out to Laura Coughlin or Diane Cryan for more information.

St. Nektarios Vespers - Christ the Savior Church, Southbury

All are invited to Christ the Savior Parish in Southbury, Sunday November 10th, 2024 at 4:00 pm for the Vespers of St. Nektarios. Please note this is the Sunday after his Feast Day.

There will be a procession with his relics, prayers for the sick and anointing with the oil from St. Nektarios' tomb. A light Buffet will follow.

*Christ the Savior Orthodox Church
1070 Roxbury Rd Southbury Ct. 06788*

St Nicholas party December 8

Our annual St Nicholas party will be held on Sunday, December 8. A brunch will be held after liturgy followed by a visit from Santa. All children are welcome!

If you are planning on attending, please let Pauline know the name and age of the child. She may be reached by phone at 203-261-0611 or email 3grammmmma@gmail.com.

The church school will be collecting new, unwrapped toys for **St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Shop and Food Bank** who will distribute them to the underprivileged children of the lower Naugatuck Valley.

November Charity Tray

Our November 2024 Charity Tray will be dedicated to **Trumbull Helps**. This organization's 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.

Frozen Ham and Turkey collection

As we did in prior years, over the next 3 months (from November 2024 through early February 2025), St. George will be collecting frozen hams and turkeys. They can be placed in the church's freezers located in the Church Hall Storage Room. This charity project's intent is to donate the hams and turkeys to local soup kitchens during February 2025 - this is typically when food donations are low. We will target to deliver them after Valentines Day, Feb 14, 2025. Thank you again for your continued support of our various Charity efforts throughout each year!

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.