

The Martyr

St. George Orthodox Church

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November 24, 2024

Upcoming Services and Events

- 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.
- Nov 30** Baptism of Elizabeth and Christopher Tona
- Dec 1** 9:45 am General Confession
10:00 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; 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; 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](#)

Joann Supan

[November](#)

- 24 Joseph Kubicko (1980)
25 Prifteresha Elisabeth (Lisa) Bouteneff (2023)
Constantine (Charles) Kochi (1992)
Beverly Peters Macleod (1991)
26. Vani (John) Nauchy (1993)
27 Nicholas Vissar (2004)
28 Stafania Nikolla Polena (1940)
Dimitri (James) Thoma (1972)
Constance Petro Evans (1993)
30 Jim Peters (1947)
Athanas (Arthur) Nicholas (1959)

Teuta Meeting

There will be a brief Teuta meeting on Sunday, December 1, during coffee hour.

Albanian Flag Day

"Small Enough to Care, Big enough to Share"

As we announced before, **His Grace, Bishop Nikodhim**, has directed all parishes within the Albanian Archdiocese to annually celebrate/commemorate **Flag Day/Dita e Flamurit** on its observation date of November 28th, or on the prior Sunday. Flag Day (or Albanian Independence Day) is on Thursday this year, so per Bishop Nikdhim's directive, we will commemorate it with a short Doxology service today after Divine Liturgy.

Commemorative T-Shirt Orders Due

Please note the December 1 deadline is approaching to order your 100th year commemorative t-shirts. You can order in church or online. Follow the links on the website to complete the online order form and pay online. Shirts will be delivered to church Dec. 15. Questions can be directed to Laura Coughlin @ lemc15@aol.com or Diane Cryan cryandb@aol.com.

Congratulations!

St. George wishes to congratulate **Fr. Sergei Bouteneff** on the occasion of his 47th anniversary of his ordination into the Priesthood which will occur tomorrow, Monday, Nov 25th. *Many Years! Për Shumë Vjet!* to Fr. Sergei, and to his family.

Prayer Group

Greg Buzi II will be hosting a prayer group on **Saturday, December 7 at 10:00 a.m.** Please bring a small dessert or breakfast dish for fellowship afterward.

YTD Stewardship Statements distributed

A 2024 Year-to-date Contribution Summary, that includes donations received through Sunday, November 3, were emailed to parishioners on Wed, Nov 13. For those who have not provided us with an email address and were not in church this past Sunday, those statements were physically mailed on Tues, Nov 19th. If you have an email address, we would appreciate it if you would forward it to us so we may use it, rather than utilizing physical mail. If you have any questions or corrections, please contact the Financial Secretary, Luba Csernica via email luba.csernica@gmail.com; or text or

call @ 203-414-8141. Thank you for your continued support of St. George!

Open Position Parish Council

Beginning January 1, 2025 there will be an opening on the Parish Council for **Recording Secretary**. This involves taking and transcribing notes at the council and parish body meetings. The notes are kept in the Council Binder and forwarded to the council members and Bishop Nikodhem via Barry.

Please see Louise Gallagher for any questions. Thank you, Louise, for your 10 years of service!

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.

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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