

The Martyr

St. George Orthodox Church

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March 20, 2011

Up-coming Services/Events

- Today:** **Saint Gregory Palamas**
 9:30 a.m. Church School
 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
 4:00 p.m. Vespers at Saint Mary's Ukrainian Orthodox Church, Bridgeport
- 25:** **Annunciation to the Virgin Mary**
 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy
- 26:** 4:00 p.m. Great Vespers and personal confession
- 27:** **The Holy Cross**
 9:30 a.m. Church School
 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
 4:00 p.m. Vespers at Saint Nicholas Church, Park Ave., Bridgeport
- April 2:** 4:00 p.m. Great Vespers and personal confession followed by Lenten Pot-luck
- 3:** **St. John of the Ladder**
 9:30 a.m. General Confession & Church School
 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
 4:00 p.m. Vespers at Saint Nicholas Church, Honeyspot Rd., Stratford

June 4: **Food Festival**

Prayers for Blessings/Health

His Grace **Bishop Nikon**; **Protopresbyter Demetrios Recachinas**; **Christy Adams**; **Kirsten Battachio (USMC)**; **Paul Betts**; **Eileen**

Bochino; **Georgika Boria**; **Diana Breaz**; **Priscilla Christianson**; **Leon Cotter**; **Charles (Basil) Csernica**; **Eva Demetri**; Infants **Sophie Marie & Brooke Petra Dionis**; **Charles Dougiello, Sr.**; **Jason Gartsu (USAR)**; **Cindy Held**; **Richard Hirst**; **Nicholas Hotova**; **Diane Hoffmeyer**; **Nancy Hurd**; **Eva Karajani**; **William Kovachi**; **Meni Kyriacou**; **Katherine LaBache**; **Christy Lambert**; **Dhimitra Leka**; Infant **Adelynn, Erin, & Christopher Louis**; **John Louis**; **Alma Masek**; **Thomas Matthews**; **Barbara Evans Maynard**; **Thomas Michael**; **Kelly Montagna**; **Louise Moran**; **Theodore Morrison**; **Peter Naum**; **James Pando**; **Pandora Plasa**; **Eleanor Polena**; **Violet Polena**; **Mark Sabatino**; **Mary Sak**; **David Schutte**; **Noella Sidarweck**; **Gloria Simo**; **David Snedegar**; **Tessie Sotir**; **Jo Anne Tallcouch**; **Mary & Peter Themel**; **Michael, Thalia & Leonora Thomas**; **Vincent J. Torre**; **Aphrodita (Rita) Vangel**; **Marilyn Vissar**; **Robert Volpe**; **Galina Voronin**; **Kaitlyn Woolard**.

As a community of Faith our prime responsibility is to support one another – in both faith and action. Prayer combines both. Please submit the name of the person for whom you wish to pray – and remember that when the prayers have been answered, to take that name off the list as well.

Coffee Hour

Today: ??????????????

27: ??????????????

April 3: ??????????????

If you would like to sponsor coffee hour, please notify Kim O'Brien. Phone: 203-877-2286 or email: IBALL007@aol.com



For the month of March our Charity Collections will go to the IOCC to assist in relief efforts in Japan

Prayers in Memoriam

40 Days

Victoria Balamaci; Christy Thomas;
Metropolitan Nicholas (Smisko);
Thomas Soter

March

- 20 James N. Vani (1951)
Naum Nicholas (1952)
Ilo Vasil (1980)
Efthemia (Thimika) G. Vasil (1995)
- 21 Theodore Athanas (1977)
- 22 Jimi Vani (1951)
- 23 Costandino Schutte (1958)
Nicholas Schutte (1980)
Robert Vissar (1964)
Archpriest Eugene Vansuch (2008)
- 24 Constandin K. Vassil (1964)
- 25 Prifteresha Helen Tallcouch (1979)
- 26 Frosina Vissar (1964)
Kosta Vangel (1963)

Vespers Change

Please note that this afternoon’s Vespers Service originally scheduled for Saint John’s Church, Broadbridge Ave., Stratford, has been moved to Saint Mary’s Ukrainian Orthodox Church, 15 Oakwood St., Bridgeport.

Lenten Pot-luck Supper

There will be a **Lenten Pot-luck Supper** following Great Vespers on Saturday, April 2nd.
Please come and bring your favorite lenten dish to share.

Children’s Cancer Research Fundraiser

John Babich, son of Michael and Valerie Babich, is raising money for the St. Baldrick’s Foundation, an organization that funds research to find a cure for childhood cancer. (check out his new haircut!) He is participating in memory of his friend Teddy Gerber, who died of cancer last year.

You can support him by going to www.stbaldricks.org or calling (888) 889-BALD to make a donation. John’s participant ID number is P-440484.

Community Pascha Card

We will be sending out a **Community Pascha Card** this year.

If you did not receive a notice in the mail with the contribution form or if you would like an extra one, there are some at the Candle Desk. Donations must be received by Sunday, April 10th for your name to be included on the card.

Mary Nikola is collecting names and donations.

Great Lent

We are now in **Great Lent**.

During this time, Orthodox Christians fast and pray in preparation for the celebration of Christ’s Resurrection.

According to the Tradition of the Church, we observe this Fast by abstaining from meat (including poultry and eggs), dairy, fish, olive oil and wine. 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 Resurrection.

Special Charity Collection

This Sunday and next, at the request of the Holy Synod of Bishops of the Orthodox Church in America our **Charity Collections** will go to the **International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC)** to assist in its relief efforts in Japan. Please be generous!



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