

# The Martyr

## St. George Orthodox Church

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April 5, 2026

### Upcoming Services and Events

- Apr 5** 9:15 am - General Confession  
9:30 am - Palm Sunday Divine Liturgy w/Fr Danaks  
4:00 pm - Palm Sunday/Holy Monday Eve  
All Saints Orthodox Church  
205 Scarborough Street,  
Hartford  
Bridegroom Matins  
7:00 pm - Bridegroom Vespers w/Fr Sergei
- Apr 6** 7:00 pm - Bridegroom Vespers w/Fr Sergei
- Apr 7** 7:00 pm - Bridegroom Vespers w/Fr Sergei
- Apr 8** 7:00 pm - Matins with Unction Fr. Sergei & Fr. George Coca serving
- Apr 9** 7:00 pm - Matins with Passion Gospel Readings Fr. Sergei & Fr. George serving
- Apr 10** 3:00 pm - Vespers: Taking down from the Cross Fr. Sergei & Fr. George serving  
7:00 pm - Matins: Lamentations Fr. Sergei & Fr. George serving
- Apr 11** 10:30 pm - Nocturn & Midnight Paschal Liturgy Fr. Sergei & Fr. George serving (Blessing of Paschal baskets after Liturgy)
- Apr 12** 11:00 am - Paschal Vespers 11AM Fr. Sergei serving  
(Children's Egg Hunt to follow, weather permitting)

### 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 Kovachi; 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

Joshua Stevens  
Engjell Skenderaj

#### April

- 06 Jimi Tallcouch (1954)  
07 Irakli Naum (1931)  
Peter Tushi Nichio (1959)  
Joyce Athanas (2010)  
08 Dhimokli Athanas (1977)  
Meropi Cici Yapo (1994)  
09 Guri V. Cici (1977)  
11 Andon Pando (1954)

### Decorating the *Petafi* - Fri, April 10

We will be gathering to decorate the *Petafi* (Christ's Tomb) on Great and Holy Friday, April 10th, at 10AM.

Everyone is welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Pauline Dionis at 203-610-5261.

### April 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! **Locally our CROP Hunger Walk supports eleven local food pantry programs including:**

- Bridgeport Rescue Mission
- Daughters of Charity Rescue Mission
- King's Pantry
- nOURish Bridgeport
- Monroe Food Pantry
- Operation Hope
- Spooner House
- Stratford Baptist Church
- Thomas Merton Center
- Trumbull Social Services
- Beth-El Center

Thank you for your support ❤️

**Greater Bridgeport Crop Walk - Save the Date,  
Sun May 3rd @ 1:30PM**

In support of our April and May monthly charity tray collections for the Greater Bridgeport Crop Hunger Walk, St. George will be assembling volunteers to participate in this year's walk which will take place on May 3, 2026 beginning at 1:30PM at United Congregational Church in Bridgeport.

Details will be forthcoming soon. Please hold the date!

### Egg Hunt Candy Donations Needed

The Parish is having its **Children's Easter Egg Hunt** on Sunday, April 12.

We are requesting candy donations to support the Egg hunt. We have plenty of plastic eggs so there is no need

to donate those. The candy donations should be brought to church by Palm Sunday, April 5. There will be a box in the vestibule for the donations.

Reminder, for those bringing young children, please bring a basket for them to collect their eggs during the hunt.

Thank you for your continued support!

### Divine Liturgy Time Change

As a reminder, as we exit the winter season, Divine Liturgy returns to a **9:30 am** start time the first Sunday of April, which is **April 5**.

The 9:30am start time will continue for the next 7 months. We will return back to the 10am schedule the first weekend in November.

### Teuta Spring Luncheon

Teuta will be holding its Annual Spring Luncheon at Old Towne Restaurant in Trumbull, on Sunday, April 26 at 12pm after Divine Liturgy.

Cost will be \$25. ***The final day for reservations is Sunday, April 19.***

Please send checks to Teuta c/o St George or contact Diane Cryan, (Mobile: 203-520-2811), for reservations or questions.

### 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 .Curt Dionis- [curtstg@yahoo.com](mailto:curtstg@yahoo.com)

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