

# The Martyr

## St. George Orthodox Church

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December 17, 2023

### Upcoming Services and Events

- Dec 17** - 9:45 am - Children meet with Fr Sergei  
10:00 am - Divine Liturgy
- Dec 22** - 6:15 pm Christmas Lenten Akathist
- Dec 24** - 10:00 am - Divine Liturgy with reception of Sally Balis into orthodox church followed by Christmas Vespers
- Dec 31** - 10:00 am - Divine Liturgy with a prayer for the New Year

### Prayers for the Blessing

Bishops Paul and John of Aleppo, *captive in Syria*.

Father Stephen and Pani Debbie Masliuk

Matushka Evelyn Kreta

Abbot Archimandrite Seraphim

*Military Deployment:* Robert Buckles

*Catechumen:* Sally Balis

*Those who are sick:* Christy & Christina Adams; Mildred Arendac; Juan Aguilar, Antonette Barmashi, Paul Betts; Sandra Bike; James Brideau; Jeannie Brideau; Debi Broadus; Jim Cernera; Joyce Chadwick; Frank Chamberlain; Bernard & Kerri Christenson; Julie Cipu; Marianna Coca; Anthony Cordero; George Costa, Rosemary Delaney, Charlie Demetri; Jenna Dionis; Patti Fischer; Louise Karoli Gallagher; George Galich; Luba Geeza, Mike Green; Patty Ivanov; George Jones; Bill Kovachi; Violet Laska; June Lopen, Jonathan Lubin, Thomas Matthews; Jaimie McCarvill; Zoe Michael; Michael Moras, Jr.; Theodore Morrison; Nezar Nassif, Kimberly Orosz; Pat Perrotta, George Piazza; John Rafail, Nadia Rehbinder, David; Schutte; Kelly Small; 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](mailto:kimbrien720@gmail.com).*

### Prayers in Memoriam

#### 40 Days

Prifteresha Lisa Bouteneff

#### December

- 17 Theodora (Dhora) M. Polena (2003)  
Aphrodita (Frieda) Jones (2006)
- 18 Elias Nikola (1977)  
Peter Atanas (1970)
- 19 Mary Albrecht (1972)  
Olga Theodos Peters (2001)
- 20 Andromaqi Kosta Theodos (1939)  
Gloria Ruseski (2018)
- 23 Peter Athanas (2003).

### Memory Eternal

We were saddened to learn that Priscilla Christianson died on Thursday, Dec 7th. St. George extends our condolences to her husband Daniel, her sister JoAnn Mahoney, and their extended family.

### Parish meeting December 17

There will be a parish meeting at coffee hour, today, **December 17** to follow up on the priest candidate.. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

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

### **December Charity**

For the month of December, our charity tray will benefit Caroline's Place <https://carolynsplace.org/>. This charity comes to us through the suggestion of Pauline Dionis who knows Sofia Cole, a parishioner of Christ the Saviour Orthodox Church in Southbury. Sofia is a high school senior and the granddaughter of Father Vladimir Aleandro. She is a volunteer at Caroline's Place which is a Catholic pregnancy resource center in Waterbury.

Caroline's Place relies totally on individual donations so your generosity is especially appreciated. You can read more about the charity on the link above.

### **Collecting frozen Hams and Turkeys**

As we did last year, over the next 3 months (from November 2023 through January 2024), 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 2024 - this is typically when food donations are low.

Thank you again for your continued support of our various Charity efforts throughout each year!

### **Holiday break schedule for Church School**

This year, the Church School holiday break will be on Sunday, Dec 24<sup>th</sup> and Sun, Dec 31<sup>st</sup>. There will be no meet with Fr. Sergei or class instruction on those days. Church School will resume on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of January, Jan 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **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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