

# The Martyr

## St. George Orthodox Church

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February 25, 2024

### Upcoming Services and Events

- Feb 25 -** 9:45 am - Children meet w/Fr Sergei  
10:00 am - Divine Liturgy followed by the one year memorial service for Vangjo 'Petri' Kostandini. Coffee hour will be sponsored by the family
- Mar 3 -** 9:45 am - General Confession  
10:00 am - Divine Liturgy
- Mar 10 -** 9:45 am - Children meet w/Fr Sergei  
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; Jim Cernera; Joyce Chadwick; Frank Chamberlain; Larissa Chapin; Bernard & Kerri Christenson; Julie Cipu; Marianna Coca; Anthony Cordero; George Costa, Rosemary Delaney, Charlie Demetri; 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 [kimobrien720@gmail.com](mailto:kimobrien720@gmail.com).*

### Prayers in Memoriam

#### February

- 25 Zoitsa Misto Boria (1994)  
Tatyana Valis (2015)
- 26 Anastas Kosta (1963)  
Eileen Bochino (2018)  
Vangjo 'Petri' Kostandini (2023)
- 27 George Tochy (1954)  
Dorothy Atanas Louis (2000)  
Todd Christopher Buzi (2001)
- 28 Olympia Tallcouch Henry (1989)  
Jeffrey Mark Louis (1999)

#### March

- 01 Charles C. Sotir (1984)  
Victoria Brideau Vitale (2020)
- 02 Miche Sotir (1953)

### Parish Body Meeting

There will be a Parish Body Meeting held after Divine Liturgy today, **February 25th**. All members are encouraged to attend

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

## Online Giving

St. George has added an **Online Giving** function as an additional way to donate. Online giving allows payments to be made either through a credit card, debit card, or directly from a bank account. Online giving options for charities have been available for over 20 years, and have become more and more popular over the years, and it is widely used today by numerous churches and the vast majority of charities. Obviously, parishioners may continue to donate the traditional ways (by cash or check) for those who prefer to use those methods. As many of you may be aware, there are fees associated and charged with all electronic payment methods. Donating by credit card or debit card has an associated fee of 2.9% + \$0.30 per transaction. Note: American Express charges a higher processing fee, using their card will cost 3.65% + \$0.30 per transaction. If you choose to use your bank account, the fee is 1.0% + \$0.30 per transaction. We ask those who wish to use the online donation service to pay for the donation fees, as this is a common practice when donating to a charity.

Currently, there are two methods available to make an online donation to St. George:

Option 1 – Using the donation platform on our website: (<https://www.stgeorgetrumbull.org>). On the navigation bar at the top of the website, click onto the "Support / Donate link". This will open up to our donation platform page. Click onto the red "Donate" button and a Tithe.ly payment window will open up where you can make your donation. This payment window is similar to what you will find if you use any other online payment function for any retail or charity provider. If you intend to use the online donations payment method frequently, to speed up the process of making a donation, you may set up an account with Tithe.ly (the link to set up an account is on the top right of the Tithe.ly payment window).

Option 2 – Using the Tithe.ly App on your mobile phone.

You may download the Tithe.ly Mobile app for Apple phones (iOS) on the App Store, or for Google phones (Android) on the Google Play Store. The correct Tithe.ly app icon has a light green background. After downloading the Tithe.ly app, it will ask you to set up an account (name, email address, PIN). Next it will ask you to "Find a church ..." Search for and select: "St. George

Orthodox Church, 5490 Main St. Trumbull". Follow the payment instructions to finish setting up your account and to make a donation (Credit, Debit, or Bank Account).

## Teuta Ladies Luncheon

Teuta invites all the women of St George to a luncheon on **Sunday, March 3rd** at 12 Noon. The luncheon will be held at Vazzy's, 513 Broadbridge Rd, Bridgeport. Cost is \$32/person.

If you are interested, please contact Diane Cryan on her mobile: (203) 520-2811 or by email: [cryandb@aol.com](mailto:cryandb@aol.com), or mail a \$32 check addressed to Teuta, care of St George, as soon as possible, The last day to sign up is Wednesday **February 28th**.

## February Charity

For the month of February, our charity tray will be dedicated to the **IOCC**.

For over 30 years, IOCC, in the spirit of Christ's love, has responded to those who are suffering and in need, without discrimination, in more than 60 countries. Your donation will help provide clean water for those in remote areas, health services to malnourished children and the elderly, assistance to refugees, and so much more. Please be generous.

## 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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