

The Martyr

St. George Orthodox Church

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July 30, 2023

Upcoming Services and Events

- July 30 - 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy
Aug 6 - 9:15 am - General Confession
9:30 am - Divine Liturgy- Transfiguration of Christ. Blessing of fruits & vegetables
Aug 13 - 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy
Aug 19 11:00 am - Baptism of Siena Moras
Aug 20 - 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy with Fr Dennis Rhodes

Prayers for the Blessing

Bishops Paul and John of Aleppo, *captive in Syria*.
Father Gregory Buzi on his journey in the monastery
Father Stephen and Pani Debbie Masliuk
Matushka Evelyn Kreta
Abbot Archimandrite Seraphim
Military Deployment: Robert Buckles
Those who are sick: Christy & Christina Adams; Mildred Arendac; Juan Aguilar, Antonette Barmashi, Paul Betts; James Brideau; Jeannie Brideau; Debi Broadus; Jim Cerner; 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; Luba Geeza, Mike Green; Patty Ivanov; George Jones; James Karoli; Bill Kovachi; Violet Laska; June Lopen; Jonathan Lubin, Thomas Matthews; Jaimie McCarvill; Zoe Michael; Michael Moras, Jr.; Theodore Morrison; Nezar Nassif, Kimberly Orosz; Walter Ostrowski, Pat Perrotta, George Piazza; John Rafail, Nadia Rehbinder, David Schutte; Chris Sheridan; Kelly Small; Charles &

Joann Soter; Ted Tallcouch; William Thomas; Paulette Todisco; Margaret Torre; Fr Andrew Tregubov Mary Valis; Alice Vasil; Joe Vitale; Lee Wojcak; 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

Teresa Brice
Richard Crane
Irene Billings

July

- 30 Pauline Sotir (1977)
Constantine ("Koch") Marko (2007)
31 Pandi Phillips (1951)

August

- 03 Louis Pando (1969)
Doxa Arthur (1975)
04 Andoni Peters (1987)

Welcome

We welcome Deacon Eugene Shkurti (our Archdiocesan seminarian) and his wife Livia to St. George today. His visits are part of his parish internship training. Please welcome both of them at our Coffee Hour.

"Small Enough to Care, Big enough to Share"

July Charity

The charity for the month of July will be **Trumbull Helps**.

Their mission 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.

Save the Date - 2nd Annual Church Picnic

St George is planning the 2nd annual church picnic, rain or shine, on **Sunday, August 27**, after liturgy. Tickets can be purchased at the candle desk, by mail, or through Diane Cryan. All inclusive price is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 12 and under. Advance purchase is preferred so we can get a headcount. Please contact cryandb@aol.com with any questions.

Book Club

We would like to organize a group that is interested in reading our former priest Father Siniari's book titled **Big in Heaven**. It is a collection of short stories. Once we determine the level of interest, we can aim for a meeting in September and try to get Father Siniari to Zoom with us to discuss. **Contact Laura Coughlin at Lemc15@aol.com** if you are interested. The book is available for purchase on Amazon.

Teuta Meeting

The next Teuta meeting will be Sunday, **August 6**, after Divine Liturgy. We will continue to discuss the Picnic and Food Fest. The Teuta ladies will host coffee hour.

Blessing of the Harvest on the Feast of Transfiguration of Christ

The August 6 Feast of the Transfiguration of Christ falls on a Sunday this year.

The Orthodox Church keeps an ancient tradition, stretching all the way back to the early church, of blessing grapes and other fruits and vegetables on this feast as a sign of God's renewal of all creation through Christ.

Please bring fruits or vegetables to be blessed and to share at coffee hour. In particular, if you have items that you have grown in your own gardens, please bring a few that are ripe and ready to eat!

Interviews from Albania with Fr. Nikodhim

The **Right Reverend Archimandrite Nikodhim**, the Bishop-elect of Boston and the Albanian Archdiocese, is presently spending 3 months in Albania before his scheduled episcopal ordination in September 2023. He conducted 2 interviews in Albania that were recently posted from *Radio Ngjallja* in Albania. The interviews are conducted in both Albanian and English. You may find links to the interviews on our website in the Announcement section, or on our Facebook page.

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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