

# The Martyr

## St. George Orthodox Church

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March 16, 2025

### Upcoming Services and Events

- Mar 16** 10:00 am Reader's Service
- Mar 23** 9:45 am Church school children meet w/Fr Sergei
- 10:00 am Divine Liturgy - Churching of Otto Lugus and Banks Davis 'Heritage Sunday'
- Mar 30** 10:00 am Divine Liturgy with Fr Coca - The Feast of the Annunciation (transferred from March 25)
- Apr 6** 9:45 am - General Confession
- 10:00 am - Divine Liturgy

### Prayers for the Blessing

Bishops Paul and John of Aleppo, *captive in Syria*.  
Very Rev. Vladimir and Matushka Suzanne Aleandro  
Father Danaks Rhodes  
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; Arley Broadus, Debi Broadus; Jim Cerner; Joyce Chadwick; Frank Chamberlain; Rebecca Chapin; Bernard & Kerri Christenson; Tina Ciambriello, Marianna Coca; Anthony Cordero; Charlie Demetri; Mary Dilulio; Mallory Ferrari; Patti Fischer; Yekta Fridkia; Louise Karoli Gallagher; Luba Geeza, Mike Green; Patty Ivanov; Donna Kerma, Christy Kobeli; Mia Kovachi; Violet Laska; June Lopen, Thomas Matthews; Jaimie McCarvill; Timothy McCormick; Zoe Michael; Michael Moras, Jr.; Theodore Morrison; Mary Nikola; Kimberly Orosz; Philip Pepin; Pat Perrotta, Sandy Philippo; George Piazza; David Schutte; Molly Sabas; 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***  
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### Prayers in Memoriam

[40 Days](#)

George Costa  
Archbishop Anastasios

[March](#)

- 16 Ligor Lazar (1951)  
Harriet Atanas Lambert (2001)
- 19 Maria Karaja (1984)
- 20 James N. Vani (1951)  
Naum Nicholas (1952)  
Ilo Vasil (1980)  
Efthemia (Thimika) G. Vasil (1995)
- 21 Theodore Athanas (1977)  
Andrew Yap (2013)
- 22 Jimi Vani (1951)

### Anniversary Journal Workshop

Members of the Journal Committee will be available again at coffee hour on **March 23** to assist people who need help creating their ads. Bring your ad, pictures, and ideas if you're not sure how to do it yourself.

### 100th Anniversary Journal

**The St. George Anniversary Committee is requesting ads for the Anniversary Journal book.** We encourage you to create your ads to acknowledge family members, offer good wishes, etc. We are also asking people to try to get businesses to sponsor ads. Ad forms with all of the details were handed out at last

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week's Parish Body meeting and are also available at the candle desk or online. Forms were also mailed out to some members of our extended community, but please reach out to your family and friends that might not be aware. **Ads should be sent to [stganniversary@gmail.com](mailto:stganniversary@gmail.com).** Payment can be made with a check to St. George Orthodox Church or on our website under Donate - Anniversary Journal. **Deadline for ads is April 1st.** We need your support to help to make this a beautiful keepsake and tribute to our 100 Year history.

Online please click onto the following links to view and download two forms about the 100th Anniversary Journal: 1) [Ad Request Letter](#) and 2) [Ad Form](#)

### Tueta Bazaar Check presented

Following Divine Liturgy on March 9th, Sue Galich, the Treasurer of the Teuta Society, presented a check of \$10,000 from the Teuta Society to Bill Kovachi, the President of the Parish Council for St. George's Future Fund..The check was from the profit of the November 2024 Fall Bazaar. After receiving the check, Bill invited Curt Dionis, the incoming Parish Council President (pending final approval and blessing from Bishop Nikodhim), and handed the check to Curt. Sue thanked everyone for the great teamwork and efforts that had made the annual Bazaar a success. Many Years to the Teuta Society of St. George!

### March and April Charity Tray

For the months of March and April, our charity tray will be ear-marked for the **Trumbull Food Pantry**. This is in support of the Refill the Pantry program that all Trumbull churches have been asked to participate in.

### Heritage Sunday March 23

Heritage Sunday is an annual commemoration directed by Bishop Nikodhim as a remembrance of the first liturgy ever served in the Albanian language in America, and a time to remember the bishops and priests that served the Archdiocese

### Lenten Vesper Services

#### **Sunday, March 16**

*2nd Sunday of Lent*

*St. Gregory Palamas—Vespers*

*St. Dimitrie, Easton 4:00 pm*

Sunday, March 23 - 3rd Sunday of Lent

Veneration of the Holy Cross—Vespers

FORCC Sunday

Holy Ghost, Bridgeport—4 pm

#### **Sunday, March 30**

*4th Sunday of Lent*

*St. John Climacus—Vespers*

*St. John, Bridgeport—4:00 pm*

#### **Sunday April 6— 5th Sunday of Lent**

*St. Mary of Egypt—Holy Unction*

*Three Saints Church, Ansonia—4:00pm*

*His Grace Bp. Benedict Presiding*

### Refill the Pantry Food Drive

This year, St. George has been asked to participate with other Trumbull churches in 2 food drives for a program called **Refill the Pantry** to support The Trumbull Food Pantry. The first drive we are asked to participate in is now for Mar and Apr, with all food collected to be delivered on Sat, April 19. A list of non-perishable items needed can be found at the back of the church or downstairs in the church hall.

### Sign-up for a Video Series for Great Lent

A video series from FOCUS (The Fellowship of Orthodox Christians United to Serve) is available - please go to our announcement on our website to sign up.

### 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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