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## WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday: Matins (Orthros) Service 9:00 a.m. Sunday School: Every other Sunday, 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.  
Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m. **Church Office Hours:** Tuesday through Friday, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Divine Liturgy begins at 10:00 a.m. and we should not arrive late. When we do arrive late and the Epistle or Gospel is being read or the priest is preaching the sermon or the Great Entrance is taking place, please **REMAIN** in the Vestibule until it is finished before entering the Church. At the end of the Divine Liturgy please keep your conversation until the "Coffee Hour". **We should leave the Church in silence.**

**Important Notice:** The reception of Holy Communion is limited to Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves by prayer, fasting and recent Confession. Confessions are heard on Sunday mornings during the Matins Service or by special appointment. The Eucharistic Fast begins at midnight on Saturday and ends up with the receiving of Holy Communion. If you are on medication or a young child, you can have a light breakfast before coming to church. If you have any questions, please call Fr. Leonard.

*Thank you,  
Father Leonard*

**Prayer Requests and Bulletin News:** All prayer requests and articles for the weekly bulletin must be submitted each week by **Noon, Tuesday:** emailed to Fr. Leonard at [fatherfaris@comcast.net](mailto:fatherfaris@comcast.net) or call 978-452-4816, otherwise, the requests and articles will be published the following week.

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

If anyone is in the hospital it is the duty of the family to inform the priest so that he can visit the patient. Also, if anyone is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, he/she or a family member should contact Fr. Leonard to make arrangements to bring the Sacrament to the shut-in. Fr. Leonard is always happy to bring the Sacraments to those in Hospitals, Nursing Homes or at home. Thank you and God bless!

**Troparion of the Ascension, Tone 4**

Thou hast ascended in glory, O Christ our God, and gladdened Thy Disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit, making them confident through the blessing that Thou art the Son of God, and Deliverer of the world.

**Entrance Hymn**

Ha-lum-mu lu li-nas-judu, lil-nar-ka' lil-ma-sih, khal-lis-na ya bna l-lah, ya man qa-ma min bal-nil-am-wat, li-nu-rat-til la-ka, Hal-li-lu-ia

**Troparion of the Resurrection, Tone 6**

When Mary stood at thy grave looking for thy sacred Body, angelic powers shone above thy revered tomb, and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby; Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world; O thou Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

**Troparion of the Ascension, Tone 4 (repeated)**

**Troparion of the Holy Fathers, Tone 8**

Thou, O Christ, art our God of exceeding praise Who didst establish our holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true Faith, O most merciful One, glory to Thee.

**Troparion of St. George, Tone 4**

As deliver of captives and defender of the poor, healer of the infirmed, champion of kings, victorious great martyr George, intercede with Christ our God, for our souls' salvation.

**Kontakion of the Ascension, Tone 6**

When Thou didst fulfill Thy dispensation for our sakes, uniting the terrestrials with the celestials, Thou didst ascend in glory, O Christ our God, inseparable in space, but constant without separation, and crying unto Thy beloved: I am with you, and no one shall be against you.

## THE EPISTLE

*Blessed art Thou, O Lord, the God of our Fathers. For Thou art just in all Thou hast done.*

### **The Reading from the Acts of the Apostles. (20:16-18, 28-36)**

In those days, Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus, so that he might not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hastening to be at Jerusalem, if possible, on the day of Pentecost. And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called to him the elders of the church. And when they came to him, he said to them: "Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God which he obtained with the blood of his own Son. I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. Therefore, be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears. And now I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities, and to those who were with me. In all things I have shown you that by so toiling one must help the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, how He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" And when he had spoken thus, he knelt down and prayed with them all.

## THE GOSPEL

### **The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (17:1-13)**

At that time, Jesus lifted up His eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify Thy Son that the Son may glorify Thee, since Thou hast given Him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom Thou hast given Him. And this is eternal life, that they know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ Whom Thou hast sent. I glorified Thee on earth, having accomplished the work which Thou gavest Me to do; and now, Father, glorify Thou Me in Thy own presence with the glory which I had with Thee before the world was made. I have manifested Thy Name to the men whom Thou gavest Me out of the world; Thine they were, and Thou gavest them to Me, and they have kept Thy word. Now they know that everything that Thou hast given Me is from Thee; for I have given them the words which Thou gavest Me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from Thee; and they have believed that Thou didst send Me. I am praying for them; I am not praying for the world but for those whom Thou hast given Me, for they are Thine; all Mine are Thine, and Thine are Mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to Thee. Holy Father, keep them in Thy Name, which Thou hast given Me, that they may be one, even as We are one. While I was with them, I kept them in Thy Name, which Thou have given Me; I have guarded them, and none of them is lost but the son of perdition, that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to Thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves."

*Prayers are being offered for the  
Health and Safety of:*

Nora Abdelahad  
Connie Abodeely  
Phyllis & Nel Arsenault  
Siham Bahou  
June Behrakis  
Ed Betor  
David and Cindy Boragine  
Ida Boragine  
April Bouras  
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Michael Faris  
Athanasia Grivas  
Veronique, Annabelle & Chloe Groff  
Duayne Habib  
Rosalind Hajjar & Family  
Sam Halperin & Family  
Lloyd Jennings  
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Charles Kourkalakos  
Fr. Stephen and Family  
Rose Lowe  
Joseph Mansour  
Lynn, Thomas Marcotte & Family  
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John Maria  
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Marjorie Newhook  
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Helen Poulos  
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Jack Trottier  
Dr. Vartan & Lisa Yeghiazarians &  
Family  
Genia Yeghiazarians  
  
Fr. Leonard on his 25th Priestly  
Anniversary, requested by Sandra  
Matook and Family

*Prayers are being offered in Memory of:*

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George Abodeely  
Miriam Abodeely  
Andrew Ansara  
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## ALTAR BREAD

Today's Altar Bread is being offered for the repose of the souls of the Handmaids of God, Nahil and Hilda Zananiri requested by the Zananiri Family. May Nahil and Hilda's memories be eternal.

## MEMORIAL ~ Today, May 31st

A Two Year Memorial is being offered for the repose of the souls of the Handmaids of God, Nahil and Hilda Zananiri requested by the Zananiri Family. May Nahil and Hilda's memories be eternal.

## NEXT SUNDAY, June 7th

A One Year Memorial will be offered for the repose of the soul of the Handmaid of God, Amanda Louh requested by her husband and children. May Amanda's memory be eternal.

## THANK YOU

We would like to thank the Zananiri, Hassey, Lichtenstein and Murray Families for their very generous donation to St. George Church in memory of their beloved Mother Nahil Zananiri and their beloved Sister Hilda Zananiri on the second anniversary of their passing into eternal life. May Nahil and Hilda's memory be eternal and may God bless their families with peace, good health and happiness!

## Christ Is Risen, Truly He Is Risen

Christ is Risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and on those in the tombs bestowing life.

Xristos anesti ek nekron, thanato, thanaton patisas, ke tis en tis mnimasin, zoin xarisamenos.

Al Masih Qam min bain'il-amwat, wa wati al mowt bil mowt, wa Wahab'l hayah lil ladhina fi'l gubur.

## THANK YOU

We would like to thank Sandra Matook and Family for their generous donation to St. George Church for the health and safety of Fr. Leonard. May God bless Sandra and her Family with peace, good health and happiness!

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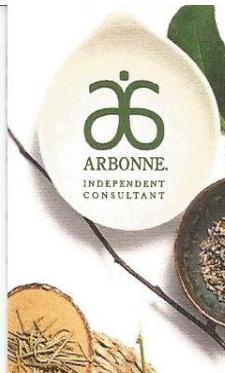
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