

# ST GEORGE ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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## Schedule of Services

Saturday Great Vespers at 5pm; Confession available after Vespers

Sunday Orthros at 8:30am and Divine Liturgy at 9:30am

Confession, Unction and other sacraments and services may be arranged by appointment

## A Warm Welcome to Our Guests!

We are very pleased to have you worshipping with us today. Please introduce yourself to the clergy and members of the community.

While we are more than happy to have you join your prayer with ours, please note that we understand the reception of Holy Communion to be the highest expression of our unity in the Orthodox faith. For this reason **Holy Communion in the Body and Blood of Christ is only for members of the Orthodox Church** who have prepared themselves by prayer, fasting, and periodic Confession. Everyone, however, is invited to partake of the blessed bread which will be offered at the end of the service and which may also be offered to you by one of your neighbors at Communion time as a sign of hospitality and blessing.

October 22, 2017

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Tone 3 Eothinon 9

Today we also commemorate: Averkios the Wonderworker, Equal-to-the-Apostles and Bishop of Hierapolis, The Seven Holy Youths ("Seven Sleepers") Martyred in Ephesus, and Bishop Eulalios.

Apolytikion of the Resurrection - Tone 3: Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death, and become the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.

Apolytikion of St. Averkios in Tone 4: Thy works of justice did reveal thee to thy community as a canon of faith, the likeness of humility and teacher of abstinence, O Father Bishop Averkios. Wherefore, by humility thou hast achieved exaltation, and by thy meekness wealth. Intercede, therefore, with Christ God to save our souls.

Apolytikion of the Seven Ephesian Youths in Tone 4: Thy Martyrs, O Lord, in their courageous contest for Thee received as the prize the crowns of incorruption and life from Thee, our immortal God. For since they possessed Thy strength, they cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the demons' strengthless presumption. O Christ God, by their prayers, save our souls, since Thou art merciful.

Apolytikion of St. George - Tone 4: Liberator of captives, defender of the poor, physician of the sick, and champion of kings, O trophy-bearer, Great Martyr George, intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.

Kontakion of the Theotokos - Tone 2: O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

جسد ربنا يسوع المسيح يعطي للمسيحيين الاورثوذكسيين الذين هياوا انفسهم بالصوم والصلاة والاعتراف. الرجاء عندما تتقدموا الي مناوله جسد المسيح المقدس ان ترسموا اشارة الصليب قبل ان تقتربوا من الكأس لكي لا تضرب يدك الكأس ويسفك دم المسيح وجسده علي الارض. بصوت واضح اذكر اسمك المعمداني واقتح فمك لوضع القربانه به. بإمكانك ان ترسم اشارة الصليب بعد المناولة بعد الابتعاد عن الكأس.

## Fasting Guidelines

This week we fast as usual on Wednesday, Oct 25, and Friday, Oct 27.

## Gyros Luncheon Today!

Please help the Church School children kick off the new school year with a fundraising event that will be held today at Ozzie's Deli and Gyros, located inside Mall205, from 11:30am-2:30pm in place of our usual coffee hour. Feel free to invite friends and family.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

WELCOMING FR.GEORGE AND FAMILY - Fr. George Saada and his family are officially moving to Portland on Oct 31st. We have secured a home for them and are currently working on gathering the furniture and the essentials needed. Filling their home will be a church-wide effort and we need your help!! We have created a list of these items that are needed and this list will be available today. If you would like to donate one of these items OR make a monetary donation that would go towards the larger items, please see Sh. Debbie or Tony Faris either today or next Sunday October 29th.

HOUSEWARMING COFFEE HOUR - Sunday Nov 5th we will have a potluck coffee hour as a housewarming party for the Saada family. Please bring your favorite dish to share. Also, consider bringing a gift or gift card for the store of your choice (Fred Meyer, Target, Costco, etc) as a way to help the Saada family get settled into their new home.

HELLENIC-AMERICAN MUSEUM GALA - "Ancient Futures - Gala for the Arts" is coming very soon! Saturday November 4, 2017 is the date to mark on your calendars. Come and help celebrate the museum's 10th anniversary. It promises to be a festive evening with silent and live auctions, Dessert Dash, and other fun activities, capping the evening with Greek dancing. Ticket sales have begun. Deadline for reservations is October 23rd. You can also make your reservation online at the Gala website --haccmgala.wordpress.com. Hellenic-American Cultural Center & Museum of Oregon and SW Washington - *Honoring the future by preserving our past* - 3131 NE Glisan St. Portland, OR 97232 - 503-858-8567 - www.hellenicamericanccc.org

Coffee Hour Hosts: Today -Church School Gyros Fundraiser; Oct 29 - Denice Lazzara & Erin Robertson; Nov 5 Church Potluck; Nov 12 - Krista Robertson; Nov 19 - Joanne Faris; Nov 26 - Salwa Karam *Dec 3- date available*

Holy Bread: Today Stacy Knuth; Oct 29 - Amanda Buffington; Nov 5 -Antiochian Women; Nov 12 - Nadia Kahl & Weesam Karam; Nov 19 - Evander & Andrea Faris; Nov 26 - Salwa Karam *Dec 3- date available*

Ushers: Today -Team 4: Marwan Abukhader, Beshara Kehdi, Patrick Barnes, Kerry Rose; Oct 29 - *Fifth Sunday Volunteer Team*; Nov 5 - Team 1: Patrick Stuart, Desale Araya, Doug Helling, Nabeel Hanna; Nov 12 - Team 2: Michel Teeny, David Morgan, Antoun Kehdi, Robert Keys; Dec 3 - 3: Larry Williams, Wadie Khouri, David Robertson, Nick Charles