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“And the Disciples were first called Christians in Antioch”. Acts 11:26

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THE FIFTIETH DAY AFTER PASCHA-THE GREAT FEAST OF PENTECOST

Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council

Martyrs Thallelaios the Unmercenary Healer of Phoenicia, and his disciples Alexander and Asterios of Cilicia; Martyr Askellas of Egypt; Venerable Nikitas, John and Joseph of Chios; Lydia 'the seller of purple' of Thyatira and Philippi; Alexis the wonderworker, metropolitan of Moscow; and Venerable Stephen of Piperi in Serbia

TONE 7

EOTHINON 11

Saturday Service: Vespers 5:00 P.M.

Sunday Service: Orthros (Matins) 9:15 AM, **Followed by the Divine Liturgy**

Epistle: Lauren Ferris

Altar Boys: All are welcome to serve.

THE FIRST ANTIPHON

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaimeth the work of His hands. Day unto day poureth forth speech, and night unto night proclaimeth knowledge.

Refrain: Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

There are neither tongues nor words in which their voices are not heard. Their sound hath gone forth into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world. (**Refrain**)

Glory... Both now... (**Refrain**)

THE SECOND ANTIPHON

The Lord hear thee in the day of affliction; the Name of the God of Jacob defend thee. Let Him send forth unto thee help from His sanctuary, and out of Zion let Him help thee.

Refrain: Save us, O Good Comforter, who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

“And they were called Christians first in Antioch” (Acts 11:26)

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Let Him remember every sacrifice of thine, and thy whole-burnt offering let Him fatten. (*Refrain*)
The Lord grant thee according to thy heart, and fulfill all thy purposes. (*Refrain*)
Glory... Both now... O, only begotten Son and Word of God...

THE THIRD ANTIPHON

O Lord, in Thy strength the king shall be glad, and in Thy salvation shall he rejoice exceedingly. The desire of his heart hast Thou granted unto him, and hast not denied him the request of his lips. Thou wentest before him with blessings of goodness, Thou hast set upon his head a crown of precious stones. He asked life of Thee, and Thou gavest him length of days unto ages of ages.

THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN) OF THE FEAST

Be Thou exalted, O Lord, in Thy strength; we shall praise and sing of Thy mighty acts. Save us, O Good Comforter, who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

APOLYTIKION OF PENTECOST IN TONE EIGHT

Blessed art Thou, O Christ our God, Who hast revealed the fishermen as most wise, having sent upon them the Holy Spirit, and through them Thou hast fished the universe, O Lover of mankind, glory to Thee.
you.

THE EPISTLE

Their voice has gone out into all the earth. The heavens declare the glory of God.

The Reading from the Acts of the Apostles. (2:1-11)

When the day of Pentecost had come, the Disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. And they were amazed and wondered, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians, we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God."

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (7:37-52; 8:12)

On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and proclaimed, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now this He said about the Spirit, which those who believed in Him were to receive; for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified. When they heard these words, many of the people said, "This is really the prophet." Others said, "This is the Christ." But some said, "Is the Christ to come from

Galilee? Has not the Scripture said that the Christ is descended from David, and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David was?” So there was a division among the people over Him. Some of them wanted to arrest Him, but no one laid hands on Him. The officers then went back to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, “Why did you not bring Him?” The officers answered, “No man ever spoke like this man!” The Pharisees answered them, “Are you led astray, you also? Have any of the authorities or the Pharisees believed in Him? But this crowd, who do not know the Law, are accursed.” Nicodemus, who had gone to Him before, and who was one of them, said to them, “Does our Law judge a man without first giving him a hearing and learning what he does?” They replied, “Are you from Galilee too? Search and you will see that no prophet is to rise from Galilee.” Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “I am the light of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”

THE SYNAXARION

On this day, the eighth Sunday of Pascha, we celebrate Holy Pentecost.

In one great day, the Spirit was poured out on the Fishermen.

On this day—the fiftieth after Great and Holy Pascha—we commemorate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the holy Disciples and Apostles in the form of tongues of fire. Numbering about 120, they who followed the Master gathered in Jerusalem in the upper room of a house to await the Lord’s promise to send the Holy Spirit. At about the third hour of the day, there came a sound from Heaven as of a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the house. Cloven tongues immediately appeared, like as of fire, and sat upon the head of each of them. The Apostles began to speak, not with the languages of their ancestors, but with other languages with which the Holy Spirit supplied them, as He inspired them. After the Apostle Peter explained what had happened, 3,000 people joined the Church on the inauguration of the priesthood of grace. The objectives of Pentecost are, namely, the coming of the Holy Spirit into the world, the fulfillment of the promise of Jesus Christ, and the completion of the undefiled hope of the Apostles

By the intercessions of the Holy Apostles, O Christ our God, have mercy on us. Amen.

Thought of the Day

Malice will never drive out malice. But, if someone does an evil act to you, you should do good to him, so that by your good work you may destroy his malice.

A Desert Father

“If a man has a full intention to please God, then God teaches him His will either through thoughts, through some other person, or through Holy Scripture.” -- St. Peter of Damascus

Holy Bread is offered by:



P.J. & Jacky, Lauren, and Christopher Ferris for the health and long life of their family and their birthdays during June and July. Also, for the health of Fr. Jihad & Kh. Salwa and their family.

Laila Schmidt for her good Health and the health of Raad Nasra and Milia Nasra and their children, wishing Maya, Paul and Maribel success in their daily life. Happy birthday to my granddaughter Maya, may the Lord grant her many years.

DONATIONS

Salah & Nada Al-Hanna Congratulations to Johnathan Jarjour & Christian Khoury.

Salma Isaac For the health of Ken & Marilyn Drahan & Family, Albert Malooly & Family, James & Frances Isaac & Family, The Thomas, Elias & All Isaac & Joudi Families.

Jamie Isaac Congratulations Michelle Shaheen on Recital Performance, Olga's Russian Ballet School—Olga Balbocean for Annual Performance; for the Health of the Borschow family.

Sada Vaughan in Loving Memory of my beloved Mother Namnoume Haddad and Father Salim Haddad. I love and miss you. In Memory of Suleiman Elias Aboud.

In Memory of Selma (Sally) Abraham Malooly

Allen & Patricia Borschow Tony Dayoub Paul & Laila Ferris Salma Isaac
Bryan & Annette Haddad Gilbert Malooly Sr. James & Odette Shaheen Skee Risk

In Memory of Samuel Isaac

Salma Isaac Jamie Isaac Chris & Tiffany Joudi

Festival Donations and Sponsors

Drs. Hassan and Maha Salloum sponsoring the Entertainment

George Jr., Wendy & Alexander Salom sponsoring the Bake Table.

Anonymous in memory of Dale Nasser, Peter Rizk, & Eddie Abraham.

Phillip & Edwina Youngblood General Sponsor

Salah & Nada Al-Hanna made Coffee & Cups donation.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR YOUNG ADULTS & YOUTH!

Jonathan Jarjour, son of Antoun & Suha, graduated Valedictorian from St. Edwards University.

Cody Farah graduating from Cal State San Marcos, Magna Cum Laude & His acceptance at Loma Linda University's Doctor of Physical Therapy program.

Alyse Nicole Nasser, granddaughter of Sudie Nasser, is graduating Cum Laude with a

Bachelor of Science in Allied Health from Texas A&M University, Friday, May 11. She will be attending UTEP for her Masters of Occupational Therapy to become a licensed Occupational therapist.

David Dayoub graduating from The University of Arizona with a Bachelor of Music degree and is going to The University of Tennessee to get his Masters in Music.

Randa Shaghoury graduated with MBA from Texas A&M San Antonio.

St. George Family wishes you all God's Blessings in your future endeavors.

LIGHTING THE DOME

Michel & Antwanette Shaghoury for the success of Randa Shaghoury & all St. George graduates.

Congratulations to the Ladies Society officers who were sworn on Sunday



May the Lord grant you many years serving the church



I wish to send out a heartfelt thank you to the children who participated in the talent show, to the parents of the children and others who came to support them, and to the families and friends of the teens who helped me so much with this event. I truly appreciate your support! Due to your generosity, we raised a good amount of money for the costs of the festival and the PLC. Sincerely,

Alexie Baine and Teen SOYO of Saint George



Saturday of the Souls

There will be a Divine Liturgy for the Saturday of the Souls this coming Saturday 26 of May.

Matins: **9:30 a.m.**

Divine Liturgy: **10:30 a.m.**

Bring the names of our beloved departed ones in ordered to be commemorated.

Festival Donations

Donations are welcome to offset the cost of many items for the festival. Your monetary donations will help increase our profit and counts towards your pledge and can be made for the health of your loved ones.

Many thanks to the following parishioners for their donations:

Sylvana Aldouri:	Cabbage rolls and grape leaves
Hend Odeh:	Cabbage rolls and grape leaves
Dalal Young:	Cabbage rolls
Jaime Isaac:	Cabbage rolls and grape leaves
Tiffany & Chris Joudi:	Cabbage rolls and grape leaves
Laila Salloum:	Cabbage rolls
Joseph & Melissa Isaac:	Cabbage rolls and grape leaves
Olga Balbocean:	Cabbage rolls
Antoinette Esper:	Grape leaves with meat
Mahaseen Salloum:	Grape leaves with meat
Salma Farah:	Grape leaves with meat

The Festival Committee News

The committee is now accepting sponsorships. The letter/form can be picked up from Jamie Isaac. Please make an effort to take copies of the Sponsorship letters to your neighbors, businesses and friends.

St. George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church 2018 Annual Festival Sponsor Request Form

I would like to contribute to St. George Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church Annual Festival for 2018 as a sponsor of the event.

Sponsor's Name _____

Purchaser's Name (if different from Sponsor's Name) _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Entertainment Sponsor	_____	\$2,000 (minimum)
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Bake Table Sponsor	_____	\$1,000 (minimum)
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Falafel Booth Sponsor	_____	\$500 (minimum)
Tabbouleh/Hummus Booth Sponsor	_____	\$500 (minimum)
Beverages Sponsor	_____	\$500 (minimum)
Baklawa Sundae Booth Sponsor	_____	\$500 (minimum)
Children's Activities Sponsor	_____	\$500 (minimum)
Festival General Sponsor	_____	\$300 (minimum)
Donation	_____	Store credit Gift cards or monetary donation
Total Amount Contributed	_____	

This is a tax deductible donation and we will be providing letters to the sponsors. Please make checks payable to: **St. George Church earmarked "2018 Annual Festival"**

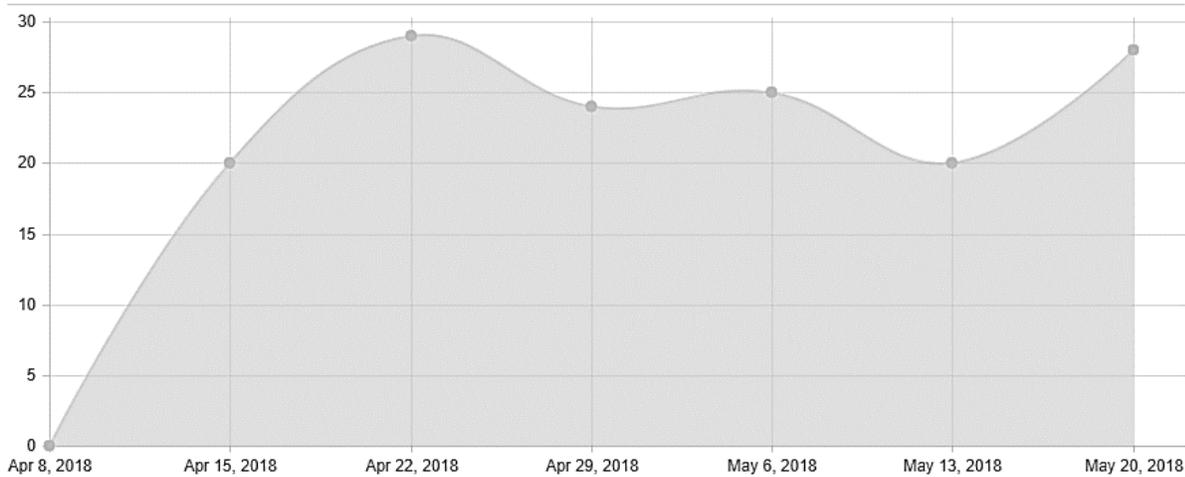
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Sunday School News

Attendance is up by 40%

Compared to the Past 6 Months

People Attended This Event



Pre- School	Kinder – 1 st	2nd – 3rd	4th – 5th	6th – 7th	8th – 12th
Tiya Henok Kingston Joudi Anastasia Salinas Nicolas Mijares	Larissa Alyoussef Nia Isaac Abram Isaac	Ophelia Adkins Nigel Rangel Atticus Denny Abel Eyasu Binyam Eyasu Ruth Henok	Finlay Adkins Naomi Henok Christiana Crawford Denny Judah Nahum Eyasu	Andrew Crawford Sami Odeh Emma Isaac Rediet Eyasu	James Shaheen Boris Salinas Anthony Jarjour Joseph Odeh Johnny Odeh Teresa Salloum

Outstanding! Great Job parents and Sunday School students for such great attendance!

CONTACT INFORMATION

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OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday – Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Hospital & Pastoral Visits (During the morning or evenings – Please contact Fr. Joseph to schedule the visits or in case of any emergency at any time).

Confessions: Saturdays from 3:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. (or during the week by appointment).

Deadline for Holy Bread Offering and any Bulletin Announcement is Thursday.