

St. George Orthodox Church

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September 10, 2023

BLESSINGS ON THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY (BIRTH) OF THE VIRGIN MARY!

Welcome to St. George! Thank you for attending today's Divine Services. If you are a first-time visitor, please register your visit by completing the guest book located in the narthex. We would appreciate getting to meet you after liturgy, so feel free to join us during Coffee Fellowship! Every Sunday we remember the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The word "*Liturgy*" means *work of the people* that means everyone participates through singing, praying, hearing the teaching, and opening our hearts to allow God's grace to enter. Anyone interested in learning more about our faith are encouraged to speak with one of our clergy.

Guidelines for Receiving Holy Communion for Orthodox Christians: Orthodox Christians fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist by receiving Holy Communion in fulfillment of Christ's command *to eat His Body and drink His Blood*. In order to be properly prepared to receive Holy Communion, the faithful should fast (no food or drink from midnight the night before), the Sacrament of Confession (7 years and older) within the last 2 months, being at peace with others, and striving to always love God and their neighbor. Frequent communion and regular confession are recommended for all faithful Orthodox Christians.

For other Christians: We welcome you to this celebration of the Divine Liturgy. Unfortunately, we cannot extend to you a general invitation to receive Holy Communion. Orthodox Christians believe that the Eucharist is an action of the celebrating community signifying a oneness in faith, life, and worship of our community. Reception of the Eucharist by Christians not fully united with us would imply a oneness which does not yet exist, but for which we must all pray. All, however, are welcome to partake of the blessed bread (*antidoron*) which will be given when coming forward to venerate (kiss) the Holy Cross and receive the final blessing from the priest. Again, welcome!

Live Streaming of Divine Services

St. George is open for all parishioners and visitors. If you cannot attend, please pray with us through our livestream which can be seen on our YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/c/SaintGeorgeOrthodoxChurchFlintMI>

If you have a smart TV, you actually have a web browser and YouTube app built in. All you have to do is start the browser app for YouTube and put the link in the address bar.

Holy Bread Offerings (*Oblations*)

- Deborah, Eva, and Annette Saseen, and George and Jeanette Nassif and families for the health of their families and in loving memory of husband, father, and brother **Nick** Saseen (40 day, brother of Jeanette).
- St. George Parish for the health of our **Church School Staff, Teachers, and Students** as we begin a wonderful and fruitful new year ~ *May God grant them many years!*

BAPTISM/CHRISMATION DAYS

The Church School offers the Holy Bread for their teachers and students who are celebrating the day of their *New Birth* {Baptism and/or Chrismation} into the Church this coming week:

• **Daniel** Dubon and **Nadine** Khoury ~ September 11th

• **Christina** Alqazaha ~ September 12th

May they be children of the Light and heirs of eternal good things. {Baptismal Service}

- We also pray for the servants of God who have fallen asleep in the Lord: **Mother Nektaria** (+August 9th), **Khouriya Helen** White (+August 10th, friend of Fr. Joe and Kh. Leslee), **Cindy** Victorson (+August 31st, friend of Fr. Joe), and **Deborah** Salim (+September 7th) ~ *may their memory be eternal!*
- Prayers are offered for our parishioners who are ill, recovering, or in need, especially His servants: our **Bishop Anthony**, **Sahar** Abdallah, **Reader Fouad** and **Soad** Abuaita, **Philip** and **Janett** Abuaita, **Rasha** Abuaita, **Shafiqa** Abuaitah, **Laila** Abud, **Georgette** Abueita, **Jane** Abueita, **Youssif** Abousamra, **Mariam** Al-Khouri, **William** Alsahouri, **Naila** Banna, **Vera** Daoud, **Said** Farah, **Elias** Gantos, **Subdeacon George** and **Suad** Gantous, **Phyllis** Good, **Ronald** Haddad, **Daisy** Isaac, **Karen** Mortensen, **Laura** Nassar, **Luceille** Nassar, **Adam** Odeh, **Richard** Ramsdell (father of Jodie Bathish), **Rahmeh** Rashmawi, **Elaine** Shaheen, **Michael** Silpoch, and **Christa** Whitehead; **Branden**, **Letizia**, and newborn **Saylor Elli** Jones (August 21st); **Raed**, **Rania**, and newborn **Riyana** AbuAita (August 26th); and **Mariane** Rishmawi and **George** Chammas who were recently engaged to be united in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony.
- We also pray for our expectant parents: **Julia** and **Maroun** Alatrash, **Renea** and **Rakan** Bayouk, **Dania** and **Subdeacon Salim** Hanna, **Christine** (daughter of Ayman and Wafaa Elias) and Dr. **Matthew** Krinock, **Dina** and **Laith** Maymoun, **Kari** (daughter of John and Theresa Farah), and **Panagiotis** Mikroudias, **Amanda** and **Mousa** Rishmawi, & **Jacqueline** (daughter of Anwar and Janet Abueita) and **John** Timm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH SCHOOL KICK-OFF LUNCH Our Church School invites EVERYONE to celebrate the beginning of the year by breaking bread together with a lunch by our Men's Fellowship! There is no cost, but donations will be accepted to educate our children (see Janet Abueita, Church School Director)! Please pray for our staff and students that God will provide for a blessed and fruitful year!

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOSTS Available dates: September 17th and 24th ~ sign-up poster and hosting information is in the Lounge. Hosting includes bringing whatever you wish to serve, setting up, and cleaning up afterwards. St. George provides coffee, cups, cream, and sugar at a charge to the host of \$30. **For more information**, contact Manal Abuaita.

MIDDLE EASTERN COMMUNITY **DINE IN!** LUNCH AND BAKE SALE

This is for our community, family, and friends on Thursday, September 21st from 11am-2pm. Dine-In, Take-out or delivered (8 meals or more) are available. Everyone is asked to help – all profits benefit our church! Drivers are needed for deliveries, see Tony Daoud. For more information, please contact Manal Abuaita (810-577-0028) or Anaam Abueita (810-962-1033). If you would like to make sweets for the bake sale, contact Sally Abuaita (810-965-1046). Donations are welcomed to offset our costs.

ST. GEORGE GOLF CLASSIC

September 23rd at Flushing Valley Golf Club.

The Classic is for fellowship, fun, and to raise money for our church. Hole Sponsorships are needed, which is great for remembering a loved one, health of your family, or publicity for a business for only \$150 (see flier on Narthex Table). Donations of prizes, gift cards and/or money to buy gifts are also needed ~ you do not need to golf to support this wonderful event. If you are interested or need more information, contact chairman Tony Daoud 810-730-1011 or the church 810-732-0720.



THE SACRAMENT OF REPENTANCE (CONFESSION)

If you have not had Confession in the last 2 months and desire to return to the life of the Church and receive the Body and Blood of Christ, please remember you (8 years old and up) must offer a confession of your sins first. Fr. Joe and Fr. Michael are not the only Orthodox priests in the area and if you would prefer to go to one of the others, feel free to do so, please just inform Fr. Joe: Fr. Peter Bistorides (Assumption Church: 810-771-4611), Fr. Gabriel Bilas (St. Mary Magdalene: 810-750-1401), or Fr. Matthew Butrie (St. Nicholas Church: 810-744-0070). The important thing isn't who hears your confession, but that you participate in the Holy Sacrament on a regular basis.

Blessed are those who wash their robes that they may have the right to the Tree of Life (Christ in Holy Communion!).

(Revelations 22:14)

COMING EVENTS

Fasting Discipline The traditional fasting discipline (*no meat, poultry, eggs, dairy, fish, wine, olive oil, and their by-products*) is observed on Wednesday and Friday. On Thursday, we celebrate the Great Feast of the **Elevation of the Holy and Life-giving Cross** and the traditional fasting discipline (*no meat poultry, eggs, dairy, fish, wine, olive oil, and their by-products*) is observed.

Monday	Bible Study: <i>St. Paul's Letter to the Romans</i> 1:30-3:30pm
Tuesday	Altar Society Dinner Meeting ~ for more information, see <i>Theresa Farah</i> 6pm
Wednesday	Combined, Pan-Orthodox Divine Liturgy for the Finding and Elevation of the Holy and Life-giving Cross 6pm
Saturday	Great Vespers and Confessions 4pm

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5191 Lennon Road • Flint, MI
(Behind Kohl's) Between Linden and Dye Roads

MIDDLE EASTERN LUNCH & BAKE SALE

DINE IN our **NEWLY Renovated Banquet Center!**

Thursday, September 21, 2023
11am-2pm

Cost is \$17 per meal and Lunch includes:

Cooked Kibbee, Green Bean Stew (*Yahnee*), Rice, Hummus,
Salad, Pita Bread, Dessert, and a Bottled Water

Vegetarian Plates available

Free Delivery with eight (8) or more lunches!

~~~ for more information and/or free deliveries ~~~

**call: St. George at 810-732-0720**

**DEADLINE for orders is September 7<sup>th</sup>!**

| Item                         | Number of Dozens | Price (\$20 per dozen) |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| Kibbee                       |                  |                        |
| Meat Pies                    |                  |                        |
| Spinach Pies                 |                  |                        |
| Date Cookies ( <i>Kaak</i> ) |                  |                        |
| Baklava                      |                  |                        |
| Gharabeh                     |                  |                        |
|                              |                  | Price (\$17 per Lunch) |
| Lunch (as above)             |                  |                        |
| Lunch (Vegetarian)           |                  |                        |
| TOTAL                        |                  |                        |

~~~ **Lunch and items above** ~~~ **Pickups Available** ~~~

Name _____

Phone Number _____ Pick-up Time _____

St. George Orthodox Church

18th Annual Golf Classic



Flushing Valley Golf Club
1124 E Main Street
Flushing, MI 48433

SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE

Saturday, September 23, 2023

- 10am SHOTGUN START
- HOT DOG LUNCH AT TURN
- DINNER/AWARDS AT FINISH
- RAFFLES
- GIVE AWAYS
- ALL ARE WELCOME

\$150 – Individual Hole Sponsor

Sponsorship tee sign

\$600 – Foursome/Hole Sponsor

Four golfers plus a sponsorship tee sign

\$1,000 – Beverage Cart Sponsor

Sponsorship banner, tee sign, and a 'Thank You' plaque

\$1,250 – Dinner Sponsor

Four golfers, sponsorship tee sign & banner

\$2,000 – Silver Sponsor

Four golfers, sponsorship tee sign & banner, and a 3-month advertisement in The VOICE of St. George monthly newsletter

\$3,000 – Gold Sponsor

Four golfers, two sponsorship tee signs, table cards, sponsorship banner, and a 6-month advertisement in The VOICE of St. George monthly newsletter

\$5,000 – Benefactor & Friends

2 Foursomes, two sponsorship tee signs, sponsorship banner, 1-year advertisement in The VOICE of St. George monthly newsletter, and a sponsorship plaque displayed at St. George

Please make all checks payable to: **St. George Orthodox Church** (memo: *Golf Classic*)

Mail to: **5191 Lennon Road * Flint, MI 48507**

For more information on the Classic, sponsorships, and/or reserving a spot, please contact:



Scan to
Pay!

Tony Daoud: 810-730-1011 or Church Office: 810-732-0720

email: SaintGeorgeGolfClassic@gmail.com

Please submit all entries by September 10, 2023



Scan to
register
online

| Golf Team Information - \$125 per golfer | | |
|---|--|---------------------------|
| Golfer #1 (Captain's name): | | |
| Address: | | |
| Phone #: | | e-mail: |
| Golfer #2 (name): | e-mail: | |
| Golfer #3 (name): | e-mail: | |
| Golfer #4 (name): | e-mail: | |
| Division (circle one): | | |
| Men | MIXED- Any combination of men/women/or 4 women | Total Enclosed - \$ _____ |

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Saturday, September 23, 2023
10am Shotgun Start

**Flushing Valley Golf Club
1124 E Main Street * Flushing, MI 48433**

Hole Sponsorship Information **\$125 per Individual Hole Sponsor**

Your Sponsorship (*Tee Box Sign*) will be displayed on one of the 18 Tee Box areas. Please fill out your sign information below as you would like to see your sign appear (or attach a business card).

If you would like to donate golf items, table prizes, merchandise, gift or dinner certificates, door prizes and/or money to purchase door prizes, please list your donation and its value.

Gift Certificates: _____

Door Prize(s): _____

Money: _____

Please make checks payable to:
St. George Orthodox Church (memo: *Golf Classic*)
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All sponsorship information, with payment, must be completed by September 10, 2023.

Any questions, please contact:
Tony Daoud: 810-730-1011, Church Office: 810-732-0720
Email: SaintGeorgeGolfClassic@gmail.com