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Namedays, Birthdays and Anniversaries

April 1 to April 30, 2024

Birthdays

April

- 1** Kirolous M. Meshraky
Kyra A. Salim
- 2** Randy S. Hadad
- 3** Tamer K. AbuAita
Yasmeen V. Haddad
Basem S. Nassar
- 4** Fadi Y. El-Chaer
Rana M. Fanous
- 5** Antoine E. Elia
Rafiq Ghareeb
Andres Qumsieh
- 6** Jerious C. Selby
- 7** Phyllis Good
Jessica R. Saadeh
Norma Sophiea
- 8** George M. Alqazaha
- 9** George Farah Jr.
Suha Isaac
- 10** Sandy Abueita
Aida Nassar
Steven R. Sanderson
- 11** Laila N. Abdallah
Joleen Awwad
Gabrielle K. Gantos
Majd Helal
- 12** Maria M. Abu Aita
- 13** Farid S. Nassar
Elaine E. Salim
- 14** Maia Assaf
- 15** Kholoud Habbass
George A. Nassif
Matthew "Matt" M. Thomas
- 16** Salim A. Farah
Iyad F. Isaac
- 17** Hailey M. Farah
Yazan A. Khair
Julia F. Shamshoum
- 18** Samantha R. Al-Sahuri
Margee M. Nickola
- 19** Emil "Emil J." H. Joseph III

- 20** Elias "Louie" Gantos
Kenzi K. Isaac
Hisham Rishmawi
Julia M. Rishmawi
- 21** Levi Abu-Aitah
Joseph J. Brack
Eric D. Isaac
Yazan L. Sababa
Elaina E. Tijerina
- 22** Ameer Assaf
- 23** Ramzy Abueita
- 24** Danny Mortensen
- 25** Elena Jaraysa
- 27** Jeanette M. Nassif
- 28** Lourdes Abuaita
Raed S. Al-Sahuri
Adham Habbass
- 29** Landon N. Gantos
Liela L. Gantos
- 30** Nicholas "Nick" P. Abud
Basheer Z. Hawwash

Namedays

April

- 23** Cezar George Abuaita
George Michael Abuaita
George Philip Abuaita
George Issa Abuaita
George Abueita
Georgette Abueita
Ramzy Abueita
Sandy Abueita
Ola J.Y. Alqazaha
Sandra (Alexandra) Raed Al-Sahuri
Douglas Coone
George Jacob David
George Fanous
George Farah Jr.
Georgio Aiden Farah

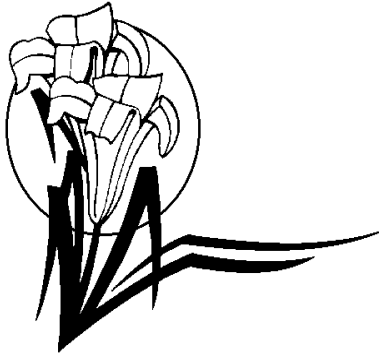
- George Edward Gagne
George Azar Gantous
George Ishaq
Dina George Maymoun
Sean (George) Michael McCann
George Elias Mitri
Alexandra Nassar
George Nassar
George A. Nassif
Fadi Giries Odeh
Nisreen George Rodriguez
William "Bill" George Sophiea
Alexandria Elisa Tijerina
George Adnan Yacoub
- 25** Marc Andrew Smith

Wedding Anniversaries

April

- 27** Mr. and Mrs. Tarek Jarayseh
- 28** Mr. and Mrs. Fuad Albaba
- 30** Mr. and Mrs. Luai Abuaita
Mr. and Dr. Anirudh Nath

God Grant You All Many Years!



Decorations for the Great Fast, Holy Week, and Pascha

As of March 25, 2024

5 Icon Flowers for the Madayeh/Akathist

\$40 each (All Taken)

- March 22nd (Taken)
- March 29th (Taken)
- April 5th (Taken)
- April 12th (Taken)
- April 19th (Taken)

2 Icon Flowers (Lazarus Saturday/Palm Sunday) \$40 each

(All Taken)

- One Icon (Taken)
- (Taken)

4 Icon Flowers for Holy Week \$40 each (All Taken)

- One Icon (Taken)
- One Icon (Taken)
- One Icon (Taken)
- One Icon (Taken)

2 pounds of Incense \$70 each (All Taken)

- One Pound
- One Pound

Flowers and Decorations for the Tomb (Taken)

Rose Water / Bay Leaves for Holy Saturday (Taken)

Carnations for the Holy Cross (Taken)

- \$340

Palms (Taken)

- \$275

Donations toward Pascha Flowers

- \$35 each
- \$35 each
- \$35 each
- \$35 each
- \$35 each
- \$35 each

Fern Arrangements - Palm Sunday/Holy Week

1 more needed at \$45 each (All Taken)

- One Arrangement
- One Arrangement
- One Arrangement
- One Arrangement

2 Icon Flowers for the Resurrection \$40 each

- One Icon (Taken)
- One Icon

3 Paschal Candles \$110 each (All Taken)

- One Candle
- One Candle
- One Candle

Please print clearly

Your name: _____

For the health of the living:

In loving memory of the departed:

The Living and Departed will be remembered at the service for which the item will be used the first time.

Please fill out this form, put in an envelope (with check made out to "St. George" memo: "Decorations"), and drop it in the Sunday Offering Tray or send it to the church office.

Orthodox Churches of Genesee County, Michigan

Assumption (Greek) 2245 Baldwin Road ❖ Grand Blanc, MI 48439 ❖ 810-771-4611

St. George (Antiochian) 5191 Lennon Road ❖ Flint, MI 48507 ❖ 810-732-0720

St. Mary Magdalene (OCA) 2439 S. Long Lake Road ❖ Fenton, MI 48430 ❖ 810-750-1401

St. Nicholas (OCA) 2143 South Center Road ❖ Burton, MI 48519 ❖ 810-744-0070

2024 Great Fast and Bright Week



Pan-Orthodox Divine Services and Lenten Refreshments

Great Compline at St. George (*Mondays, 6pm*) All are welcome every Monday night. This beautiful service, along with the Lenten Hours on Wednesdays at St. Nicholas, allows us to experience the Great Fast more deeply. Confessions will be available after the service.

Lenten Hours at St. Nicholas (*Wednesdays, 10am*) All are welcome every Wednesday morning.

Presanctified Divine Liturgy and **Lenten Potluck Dinner** (*Wednesdays, 6pm*) We will celebrate together the Presanctified Liturgy and the Great Feast of the Annunciation according to the schedule below. Holy Communion is given at both. To partake of Holy Communion at evening liturgies, please be prepared with prayer and fasting (*no eating or drinking after 12 Noon*). Confessions will be available prior to the evening liturgies from 5:30pm–6pm. The Lenten Potluck Dinners will be coordinated by the host parish.

Sunday, March 24th Great Feast of the **Annunciation Great Vespers** at Assumption 6pm

Monday, March 25th Great Feast of the **Annunciation Divine Liturgy** at Assumption 10am

March 27th **Presanctified Liturgy** at St. Nicholas 6pm

Saturday, April 6th **Lenten Retreat** (*more information to follow*)

April 10th **Presanctified Liturgy** at St. George 6pm

April 24th **Presanctified Liturgy** at St. Mary Magdalene 6pm

April 27th **Preparation of Gifts, Raising of Lazarus Liturgy** at Assumption 9:30am

Bright Week (May 5th - 11th)

May 6th **Paschal Divine Liturgy** at St. Mary Magdalene 10am

May 7th **Paschal Divine Liturgy** at St. Nicholas 10am

May 8th **Paschal Evening Liturgy** at St. George 6pm

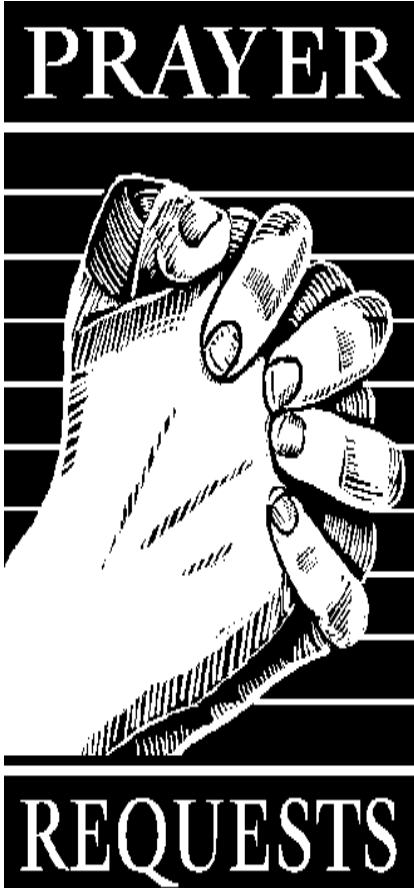
May 10th **Paschal Divine Liturgy for the Life-giving Font** at Assumption 10am

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Daily Prayer Life

- ◆ For the servant of God who has fallen asleep in the Lord: **Yusra Al-Qassis** (+March 1st, aunt of Iman David), **Khawleh David** (+March 6th, cousin of Iman David), **Hanna Bannoura** (+March 7th, uncle of Fouad Awad), **Mary Abueita** (+March 18th), **Inam Bathish** (+March 23rd) and **Jameela Alghanim** (+March 24th, grandmother of Dania Hanna).

May their memory be eternal!



- ◆ REMEMBER OUR PARISHIONERS AND THOSE WHO ARE ILL, RECOVERING, OR IN NEED, ESPECIALLY HIS SERVANTS: **Archbishop Nathaniel** (Romanian Diocese of the Orthodox Church in America), our **Bishop Anthony, Fr. Joe Abud, Sahar Abdallah, Abeer Abuaita, Reader Fouad & Soad Abuaita, Philip & Janett Abuaita, Rasha Abuaita, Sami & Shafiq Abuaitah, Laila Abud, George Abueita, Georgette Abueita, Jane Abueita, Youssif Abousamra, William Alsaouri, Naila Banna, Douglas Coone, Vera Daoud, Said Farah, Joseph Gagne, Elias Gantos, Subdeacon George & Suad Gantous, Phyllis Good, Ronald Haddad, Daisy Isaac, John Joseph, Danny Mortensen, Karen Mortensen, Laura Nassar, Jeanette Nassif, Adam Odeh, Rahmeh Rashmawi, Elaine Shaheen, and Michael Silpoch**; *all first-responders and those suffering from illness, violence, and want throughout the world and in our community, the Holy Land, the Middle East, and the war in Ukraine; the supporters and benefactors of St. George, the members of our Parish Council, Ladies Auxiliary, Teen SOYO, Altar Servers, Altar Society, Chanters, Choir, Church School, St. George Preschool Ministry, and Ushers.*

- ◆ REMEMBER OUR EXPECTANT PARENTS: **Natania and Rene Hanna, Natania and Rene Hanna, Andrea and Josh Jones, & Vera and Luay Sababa.**

➤ *Please update Fr. Joe on how the following are doing and whether they should remain on our prayer list!*

- ◆ REMEMBER THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF ST. GEORGE PARISHIONERS:

Kristo (friend of Anwar Abueita), **Danial Alghanim** (father of Dania Hanna), **Sanaa Alqassis** (daughter of Zahra Abuaita), **Shafiq Abuleil** (mother of Vicky Nassar), **Sharon Ballreich** (sister of Nancy Silpoch), **Kameel Srouji** (son-in-law of Hiam Bathish), **Nihad Bannura** (cousin of Jane Abu-Eita), **Georgia Coone, Tanika Russell, Dennis, and Sue** (mother/friends of Doug Coone), **Youssef and Georgette Damouni** (parents of Lina Burbar and May Gantos), **Tom Ellenburg** (friend of Sally Joseph), **Abdulnour Hanna** (brother of the Hanna, Elias, Joubran families), **Philip Jones** (brother-in-law of Lubna Jones), **Larry Judson** (friend of Tim Beers), **Nejma Khair** (mother of Esperanza Abuaita), **Scott Lints** (friend of Mary Jo Ghattas), **Scott Allen, Antonia Molina, Reuben Reyes, and Dominique Vasquez** (friends of Areen Bathish), **Saliba Musleh** (father of Julianna Abuaita), **Ibtisam Odeh** (cousin of Elham Ishak), **Eva Saseen** (niece of Jeanette Nassif), **Kinan Turjman** (nephew of Sahar Abdallah), **Shirley Zerka** (mother of Victoria), **Michael Bauer, Cynthia Brooks, Cindy and Heather Campbell, Joseph Collins, Zossima and Georgiana Daugherty, Courtney Knadler, and Nancy Maes** (family/friends of Fr. Michael and Kh. Pam Bassett), **Maha Qassis and Nadia Ibrahim** (sister/mother of Ziyad), **Shafeka Qurpan and George Ishak** (mother/nephew of Amira Hanna), **Elias Ibrahim and Taghrid** (uncle/friend of Rula Alkazaha), **Mary Khal** (relative of Karam and Aida Nassar), **Gloria Nakfoor** (sister of Elaine Shaheen), **Jennifer Craft and Brionna Gorbutt** (friends of Mariann Hayek), **Randy** (friend of Evan Sanford), **Valland Frangi** (sister of Ron Haddad), **Megan Meade, Danielle Teunion-Smith, Laura Teunion-Smith, and Casey Webb** (relatives of Bob Teunion), **Mother Macrina, Gary Stewart, Kamal Kheirallah, Barb Maness, Matthew Agle, Judy Sanderson, and Norman Thomas** (family/friends of Steve and Kelly Sanderson), and **Richard Ramsdell** (father of Jodie [Paul] Bathish).

Congratulations and God bless:



- ❖ Drs. **Ryan, Lindsey**, and newborn **Cassandra Carri** Brunner (February 25th).
 - ❖ **Panagiotis, Kari** (*daughter of John & Theresa Farah*), and newborn **Jacob Michael** Mikroudis (February 25th).
 - ❖ **Danial, Casandra**, and newborn **Isla Danial** Burbar (March 21st).
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Announcements

FASTING DISCIPLINE FOR APRIL The **Great Fast** began on Monday, March 18th and continues until our celebration of the Feast of Feasts, **Pascha: our Lord's Resurrection** on May 5th. The traditional fasting discipline (*no meat, poultry, dairy, eggs, fish, wine, olive oil, and their by-products*) is observed on all weekdays; on Saturdays and Sundays, *wine and olive oil* are allowed. On the Great Feast of the Entrance of our Lord into Jerusalem (Palm Sunday on April 28th), *fish, wine, and olive oil are permitted*.

FOOD FOR HUNGRY PEOPLE (FFHP) As we do every year during the Great Fast, we follow the command of Christ to give alms (money) to the poor. Please use the special FFHP Boxes and Canisters that are provided on the front pew and return them to the church on or after Pascha (May 5th).

LENTEN DIVINE SERVICES Please check out the monthly calendar for services, the times, and the place. Services and Activities for the *Great and Holy Week, Pascha, and Bright Week* will be found on a separate page. If you know of any College students who will be home for Holy Week and Pascha Services and would like to have Confession, please tell them to contact Fr. Joe.

The Great Fast continues ...

Our preparation for the Feast of Feasts (**Pascha**), began on Monday, March 18th and lasts until our midnight celebration of **Pascha** on May 4th/5th. This preparation is based on our increased participation in the three disciplines Christ gave us: Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving (Matthew 6:1-18):

1. Prayer: By attending the Lenten services as well as an increased daily prayer life at home, we spend more time with God.
2. Fasting: By restricting the types and frequency of meals, we experience physical weakness and learn to depend more on God than on ourselves.
3. Almsgiving: By giving to those less fortunate than ourselves, we cease to consider ourselves as the most important of all people (Food for Hungry People and other programs).

Our real experience of Christ's Resurrection on Pascha depends on how deeply we enter into these three disciplines. The additional weekday services gives all of us a wonderful opportunity to increase our Prayer life and be strengthened in Fasting and Almsgiving as well. We should strive to come to as many Lenten Services as possible besides Saturday Great Vespers and Sunday Matins and Divine Liturgy. Do you have questions? Speak with Fr. Joe or Fr. Michael for guidance during this holy time of the year!

Great Compline صلاة النوم الكبرى – Mondays at 6pm at *St. George*

Lenten Hours – Wednesdays at 10am at *St. Nicholas* (see *Calendar*)

Presanctified Liturgy القداس السابق تقد بيسه & Lenten Dinner ~ Wednesday at 6pm (see *calendar for location!*)

Supplication to the Virgin Mary / Madayeh خدمة المديح – Fridays at 6pm at *St. George*

Great Vespers and Confessions – Saturdays at 4pm at *St. George*

LENTEN POTLUCK DINNERS Our Ladies Auxiliary will be hosting Lenten Potluck Dinners after our celebration of the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts on Wednesday evenings. Please bring what is listed below according to the first letter of your last name. If you have any questions, please see or call our coordinators Anaam Abueita 810-962-1033 or Wafaa Elias 810-875-3398.

FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3RD

<u>A-F</u>	<u>G-J</u>	<u>K-R</u>	<u>S-Z</u>
Salad or Side Dish	Main Dish	Desserts	Relish Dish or Bread

FOR OUR COMBINED CELEBRATION ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10TH

<u>A-F</u>	<u>G-J</u>	<u>K-R</u>	<u>S-Z</u>
Main Dish	Desserts	Relish Dish or Bread	Salad or Side Dish

FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17TH

<u>A-F</u>	<u>G-J</u>	<u>K-R</u>	<u>S-Z</u>
Relish Dish or Bread	Salad or Side Dish	Main Dish	Desserts

CLEANING AND DECORATING We will do our annual major cleaning of the church on Saturday, April 13th, and our normal clean and decorating for Palm Sunday, on Saturday, April 27th at 1pm, and on Saturday, May 4th for Pascha after the morning Vesperal Divine Liturgy at 10am -- everyone is welcome to come and help!

The **GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY VIGIL** begins after Holy Friday Vespers (May 3rd at 3pm). A sign-up poster will be available in the Lounge on April 28th with 1/2-hour time slots for reading (in any language) from the Bible at the Tomb of Christ. Anyone can sign-up or come and spend time with our Lord at His Tomb.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE We are very fortunate to have several scholarships available to those who wish to further their college education. All are located at <https://antiochian.org/regulararticle/386>. One scholarship is \$10,000 for incoming college freshman! Check all of the scholarships out, read carefully the qualifications, and please do not miss the DEADLINES!

FEBRUARY 2024 MONTHLY OFFERINGS

Our average monthly parishioner offerings (not including other income) needs to be \$32,833 to meet our 2024 Budget of \$394,600. Our total offerings in January 2024 were \$15,758 ~ which means we were **short \$17,075!** Please keep up with your weekly offerings! If you haven't already, please fill out your 2024 Offering Form (form is in this VOICE), put it in the offering tray or send it to the church, so we all can support the work we are doing at St. George for the glory of God.

OUR STEWARDSHIP, OFFERINGS, & DONATIONS

Though you might not be able to come to church on a regular basis, **our stewardship, offerings, and donations are still very badly needed.** PLEASE help your parish by continuing to offer! If you cannot come, you can simply go to our parish website (<https://saintgeorgeflint.org/>) and donate on-line, use the QR code to the right, or you can bring or mail your offerings to St. George, 5191 Lennon Road, Flint, MI 48507. As always, THANK YOU for your generosity and love of our St. George!



Coming Events in May

28th-May 1st The Great and Holy Week

May 5th Pascha, our Lord's Glorious Resurrection!

May 6th-11th The Bright (New) Week ~ Paschal Liturgies, Mon., Tues., Wed. and Friday!

May 11th First Confessions of our 2nd Grade Church School Class

May 19th Church School Recognition Sunday!



If you would like to host our Coffee Fellowship in memory of a loved one, the occasion of a birthday, a wedding anniversary, or simply in thanksgiving to God, sign up on the poster in the Lounge or speak with Manal Abuaita 810-577-0028.

TO TITHE IS TO LOVE!

The Bible says a “tithe” is giving 10% of our income to God through His Holy Church. In the Old Testament, the tithe was the maximum.

For Christians (yes, US!),
the tithe is the minimum!

“Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.”

2 Corinthians 9:7

ALL of our **240 families** are asked to make an Offering. Why? Because it is such a blessing to give back to God a little of what He has given us!

- Our 2024 Budget is \$394,600
- To meet our budget, our weekly offerings need to average: \$7,588
- Number of Families who need to offer: ALL THOSE WHO BELONG TO OUR ST. GEORGE FAMILY!
- Offering Range: according to how God has blessed you!



Your commitment is NEEDED!

Please fill out your 2024 Offering Form -- as soon as possible.

THANK YOU!!!

TO TITHE IS TO LOVE!

2024 OFFERING UPDATE

As of March 25, 2024

We thank the following families for turning in their 2024 Offering Form in support of God's work at St. George. If your name is not listed, please fill out your 2024 Offering Form and mail it to the Church or put it in the Sunday Offering Tray.

Thank You and God Bless You!

New this year in Underlined (did not fill out a form last year)
Increase in Offering is **BOLD**

ADD YOUR NAME TO THE LIST!!!

- | | |
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| 1. <u>Hanna and Liana AbuAita</u> | 17. Elias and Amirah Hanna |
| 2. Najeb and Eman Abuaita | 18. <u>Salim and Dania Hanna</u> |
| 3. Fr. Joe and Kh. Leslee Abud | 19. Daisy Isaac |
| 4. Laila Abud | 20. Najwa Joubran |
| 5. Anwar and Janet Abueita | 21. Reema Khoury |
| 6. Atallah and Anaam Abueita | 22. Dr. Raouf and Judy Mikhail |
| 7. Issa and Jane Abueita | 23. Karam and Aida Nassar |
| 8. Fr. Mike and Kh. Pam Bassett | 24. Olga Nassar |
| 9. Hiam Bathish | 25. George and Jeanette Nassif |
| 10. Douglas Coone | 26. <u>Jeries and Juliette Qumseya</u> |
| 11. Issa and Vera Daoud | 27. Richard Shaheen |
| 12. Iman David | 28. Ric and Martha Shahin |
| 13. James David | 29. Paul and Camela Takach |
| 14. Ayman and Wafaa Elias | 30. Robert Teunion |
| 15. <u>John and Mariah Elias</u> | |
| 16. George and Suad Gantous | |

2024 Offering Form

St. George Orthodox Church ~ Flint, Michigan

I Want To Be Counted!

Frequency	Amount	A % of Income
Weekly	\$	
OR Twice Monthly	\$	
OR Monthly	\$	
OR Quarterly	\$	
OR Annually	\$	

~ Offerings Are Treated confidentially ~ Please fill out completely.

Name(s)	
Address	
City	
ZIP	
Telephone	

Offerings can be made in different ways.

- Put your offering in the **Sunday Tray** or **send it to St. George.**
- Online at <https://app.easytithes.com/app/giving/saintgeorgeflint>.
- Call the office (810-732-0720) and use a **Credit Card.**
- An **ACH** direct-payment transaction from your bank account.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

"Bring all the tithes into the storehouse" (Malachi 3:10)

Seeing the rich bringing their gifts and then a widow bringing a few pennies, Jesus said, *"Truly I say to you that this widow has put in more than all."* (Luke 21:3)

2024 بطاقة التبرعات لعام

كنيسة القديس جورج للروم الاورثوذكس فلانت، متشغن

أريد أن أكون معدودا !

% من قيمة الدخل	المبلغ	الدفعات
	\$	اسبوعيا
	\$	مرتين بالشهر
	\$	شهريا
	\$	كل ثلاثة شهور
	\$	سنويا

كل التبرعات يتم التعامل معها بسرية تامة ~ الرجاء تعبئة كل البطاقة.

الاسم / الأسماء	
العنوان	
المدينة	
الرقم	
رقم الهاتف	

يمكن تقديم التبرعات بعدة طرق مختلفة.

- يمكن وضع التبرعات في صينية التبرعات يوم الأحد أو ارسالها الى عنوان الكنيسة.
- عن طريق الانترنت <https://app.easytithes.com/app/giving/saintgeorgeflint>
- عن طريق الاتصال على رقم تلفون مكتب الكنيسة (810)732-0720 واستخدام بطاقة الائتمان (كريديت كارت).
- أو عن طريق الدفع أو التحويل المباشر من حسابك المصرفي-ACH.

الامضاء _____ التاريخ _____

هاتوا العشور جميعها الى بيت الجزية (ملاخي 10:3)

عندما رأى الأغنياء يتقدمون بتبرعاتهم والأرملة الفقيرة تقدم القليل قال يسوع: *"الحق أقول لكم أن هذه الأرملة الفقيرة قد ألقّت أكثر منهم جميعا"* (لوقا 3:21)



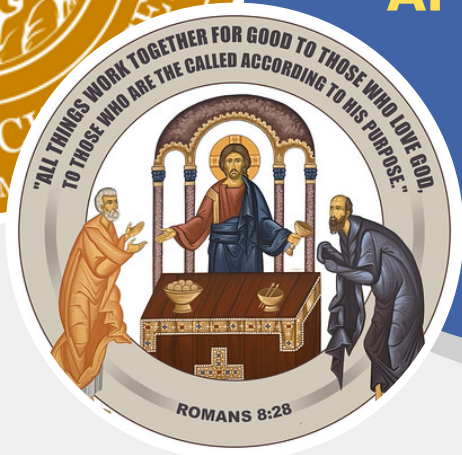
Antiochian Diocese of
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2024

METROPOLITAN ANTONY BASHIR SCHOLARSHIP

APPLY FOR A \$1000 TOWARDS
YOUR SCHOOLING – NOW
ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Due May 1st, 2024



Current undergraduate students and high school seniors committed to and involved in their church community are eligible to apply to receive one of up to four \$1000 scholarships.



available at antiochian.org

QUESTIONS? ANTONYBASHIRSCOLARSHIP@GMAIL.COM

April

Sunday <i>we remember the Resurrection</i>	Monday <i>we remember the Holy Angels</i>	Tuesday <i>we remember John the Baptist</i>	Wednesday <i>we remember the Life-Giving Cross</i>	Thursday <i>we remember the Apostles & Nicholas of Myra</i>	Friday <i>we remember the Life-Giving Cross</i>	Saturday <i>we remember the Martyrs & Monastics</i>
	1 Great Compline 6pm	2	3 Lenten Hours at **St. Nicholas 10am Presanctified Liturgy and Lenten Potluck at St. George 6pm	4	5 Akathist to the Theotokos (خدمة المديح) 6pm	6 Pan-Orthodox Lenten Retreat (see flier)
7 3rd Sunday of the Fast Procession and Adoration of the Life-Giving Cross	8 Great Compline 6pm	9	10 Lenten Hours at **St. Nicholas 10am Combined Presanctified Liturgy and Lenten Potluck at St. George 6pm	11	12 Akathist to the Theotokos (خدمة المديح) 6pm	13 Great Vespers and Confessions 4pm
14 4th Sunday of the Fast St. John of the Ladder	15 Great Compline 6pm	16	17 Lenten Hours at **St. Nicholas 10am Presanctified Liturgy and Lenten Potluck at St. George 6pm	18	19 Akathist to the Theotokos (خدمة المديح) 6pm	20 Great Vespers and Confessions 4pm
21 5th Sunday of the Fast St. Mary of Egypt	22 Great Compline 6pm	23	24 Lenten Hours at **St. Nicholas 10am Combined Presanctified Liturgy and Lenten Potluck at ***St. Mary Magdalene 6pm	25	26 Little Compline with Canon of St. Lazarus 6pm	27 Raising of Lazarus Combined Liturgy @ *Assumption 9:30am Clean & Decorate 1pm Great Vespers and Confessions 4pm
28 Entrance of our Lord into Jerusalem Palm Sunday Bake Sale	29 The Great and Holy Week (see flier for schedule of Divine Services and Activities)		30		<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 30%;"> <p>*Assumption 2245 Baldwin Road (between Holly & Fenton Roads) Grand Blanc 810-771-4611</p> </div> <div style="width: 30%;"> <p>** St. Nicholas Church 2143 South Center Road (1/2 mile south of Lippincott) Burton 810-744-0070</p> </div> <div style="width: 30%;"> <p>***St. Mary Magdalene 2439 S Long Lake Rd (north of North Road) Fenton 810-750-1401</p> </div> </div>	

2024

Mark your Calendars and Plan AHEAD!!!

THE GREAT AND HOLY WEEK

APRIL 28TH-MAY 4TH

April

27	Saturday	Raising of Lazarus —Combined <i>Preparation of Gifts/Liturgy at Assumption</i> 9:30 am ➤ <i>Cleaning and Decorating of our Church</i> ----- 1 pm Great Vespers for Palm Sunday and Confessions ----- 4 pm
28	Sunday	Entrance of our Lord into Jerusalem—Palm Sunday Matins – 8:50am Liturgy and Procession ----- 10 am Bridegroom Matins for Great and Holy Monday ----- 6 pm
29	Monday	Presanctified Liturgy ----- 9 am Bridegroom Matins for Great and Holy Tuesday ----- 6 pm
30	Tuesday	Presanctified Liturgy ----- 9 am ➤ Confessions (Last opportunity before Pascha!) ----- 4:30-5:30 pm Bridegroom Matins for Great and Holy Wednesday ----- 6 pm
May 1	Weds.	Presanctified Liturgy ----- 9 am Sacrament of Holy Unction ----- 6 pm ➤ <u><i>Holy Unction is a Sacrament of the Orthodox Church and for Her members. Confession is required.</i></u>
2	Thursday	Celebration of the Institution of the Last Supper Vespers Liturgy of St. Basil the Great followed by Holy Thursday Meal ----- 10 am Holy Friday Matins with Reading of the Twelve Passion Gospels----- 6 pm
3	Friday	Royal Hours of Pascha ----- 9 am Decoration of Tomb follows. Vespers of the Descent of Christ from the Cross ----- 3 pm Vigil at the Tomb of Christ sponsored by Teen SOYO begins at 4:30pm. Holy Saturday Matins with the Praises at the Tomb / Procession with the Tomb 6 pm
4	Saturday	Descent into Hades—Vespers Liturgy of St. Basil ----- 10 am ➤ <i>Cleaning and Decorating of the Church for Pascha follows.</i>

PASCHA

THE GLORIOUS RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

4/5		Nocturnes/Paschal Matins/Paschal Divine Liturgy ----- 11:30 pm
5	Sunday	Agape (Baa'ooth) Vespers—Vespers of Love ----- 1 pm Reading of the Gospel in Different Languages Paschal Egg Hunt follows

THE NEW (BRIGHT) WEEK

6	Bright Monday	Paschal Liturgy at St. Mary Magdalene ----- 10 am
7	Bright Tuesday	Paschal Liturgy at St. Nicholas ----- 10 am
8	Bright Wednesday	Paschal Liturgy at St. George ----- 6 pm
10	Bright Friday	Paschal Liturgy at Assumption ----- 10 am

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Divine Services for the Lord's Day

- Saturday

Great Vespers 4:00 PM (except when noted!)

* Confessions may also take place by appointment with Father Joe or Father Michael during the week.

- Sunday

Sacrament of Repentance {Confession*} 8:30 AM—9:30 AM

Matins {Arabic & English} 8:50 AM

Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM

Church School: Classes are in session following Holy Communion from September to May

Major Feast Days (see Calendar)

2023-24 Theme for
Church School, Bible
Bowl, Creative Festivals,
our Parish Life
Conference, and
Archdiocesan Convention



Parish Ministries

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