

# St. George Orthodox Church

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## The Great and Holy Pascha (*Passover*)

The Glorious Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

# Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

# المسيح قام! حقا قام!

Greeters and Ushers: **Members of our Parish Council:** Yara Abuaita, Emil Abueita, Basil Andoni, Troy Farah, Wael Hayek, and Amjad Ishak

Please follow the **Pascha Service Book** {*white sheets*}. When Divine Liturgy begins (*Red Service book*, p.91 and *Bilingual books*), all special Hymns are in the Pascha Service Book.

**Welcome to St. George:** Every Sunday in the Orthodox Church, we remember the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim the Good News of Salvation through the Divine Liturgy. For those who have committed themselves to the Orthodox Faith (through Baptism and Chrismation) it also means, if prepared, the reception of Holy Communion. Preparation includes the Sacrament of Confession within the last 2 months, prayer, and fasting {no food or drink from a light noon day meal}. If you are not prepared or not Orthodox, everyone is invited to venerate the Holy Cross and receive Holy Bread {*antidoron*} at the end of Liturgy.

### Holy Bread Offerings

- Karam and Aida Nassar for the health of their family especially **Fred, Omar and Salam.**
- Janet Abueita for the health of her family especially **Anwar** on the occasion of his Namesday and **Jacqueline, Jenny, Tony, Chrissy, Haleena, Maliyah, and Anthony** -- *May God grant them many years!*
- Emil and Elaine Abueita for the health of their family especially **Sandy** on the occasion of her 16<sup>th</sup> birthday -- *May God grant her many years!*

### Baptism/Chrismation Days

The Church School offers the Holy Bread for those students who are celebrating their birth {Baptism/Chrismation} into the Church this week:

◆ **Karim Al-Khoury** – April 18<sup>th</sup>      ◆ **Jeffrey Sophiea** – April 21<sup>st</sup>

*May our children be children of the Light and heirs of eternal good things.*

- This morning we also pray for the servants of God who have fallen asleep in the Lord: **Pope Shenouda III** (+March 17<sup>th</sup>, Patriarch of the Coptic Orthodox Church in Egypt), **Fr. Michael Shahin** (+March 31<sup>st</sup>, brother-in-law of JoAnn Hawkins), **Helen Isaac** (+March 13<sup>th</sup>), **Susan Kheirallah** (+March 17<sup>th</sup>, wife of Kamal), **Rose Darah** (+March 18<sup>th</sup>, relative of Sue Shaheen and Ron Haddad), **Libby Kohl** (+March 18<sup>th</sup>, friend of Elaine Shaheen), and **Evelyn Lutfy** (+March 18<sup>th</sup>, aunt of Leslee Abud).

Incense (2 pounds):

- Gisele Farah for the health of **Gisele, George, Troy, Said**, and their **Families** and in loving memory of beloved husband and father **George**.

Holy Week Items:

- *Bridegroom Icon* offered by Deacon David and Norma Lazar for the health of their families and friends and in loving memory of **Norman, Betty, Dr. Fred, Norman Paul, and David Landsgaard**.
- *Crucifixion Icon* offered by Najwa Joubran for the health of her family especially **Jennifer and Marten Khoshaba** on the occasion of their 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary (April 14<sup>th</sup>) of being united in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony.
- *Crown of Thorns* offered by Drs. Ronald Shaheen and Kathy Kudray for the health of their family and in loving memory of parents **George and Beatrice**, and brother **Kenneth Shaheen**.
- *Flowers for the Tomb of Christ* offered by the Ghattas Family for the health of their families and in loving memory of **George, Lucy, Salwa, Yousif, Freida, Elia, Ajaeb, Skander, Daad, Kamelia, and Fouad**.

Resurrection Icons:

- Robert Teunion for the health of his family especially **Lois Teunion and Casey Webb** and in loving memory of granddaughter **Catherine Webb**.
- Michael Khal for the health of his family especially baby **Alexis and Yvette Ghantous Family** and in loving memory of father **Raja**.
- Dn. David and Norma Lazar for the health of their families and friends and in loving memory of **Norman, Betty, Dr. Fred, Norman Paul, and David Landsgaard**.

Lilies:

- Basil and Hiam Andoni for the health of their family especially granddaughters **Zayna and Leyla** and in loving memory of **George and Rosa Andoni** (Basil's parents).
- Ayman and Wafaa Elias for the health of their family especially **Joselyn, Christine, John**, and the **Hanna, Joubran, and Elias Families** and in memory of **Elias, Salim, Badia, Elias, Saman, Naeema, Zarefa, Ibrahim, Jamil, Yakoub, Namnoum, Aziza, Ghaiz, and Emil**.
- Najwa Joubran for the health of her family especially **Jennifer and Marten Khoshaba** and the **Hanna, Elias, and Joubran Families** and in loving memory of **Emil, Namnoum, Ibrahim, Jamil, Jacoub, Elyas, Ghaiz, Badia, Saleem, Salom, Zareefe, Saman, Naeema, Aziza, Naem, and Hassan**.
- Michael and Diana Rishmawi for their health of their family especially **Mike, Andrew, Andrea, Aziz, Miguel, Aaron, Owen, and Peighton** and in loving memory of **Saleem and Azizeh Rishmawi, Aziz and Margarita Salomon, and Carlos and Miladeh Salomon**.
- Douglas and Sandy Thomas for their health of their family especially **Laney Thomas and Jean Khouri** and in loving memory of **Alex Khouri and Virginia and Marvin Thomas**.

Paschal Floral Arrangements:

- Timothy Beers for the health of his family especially Godchildren **Branden, Tanner, and Sofie** and in loving memory of **George, Lourice, Sam, Sadie, Handoumi, Harry, Louise, and Fred**.

Paschal Candles:

- Gisele Farah for the health of **Gisele, George, Troy, Said**, and their **Families** and in loving memory of beloved husband and father **George**.
- Ronald Haddad for the health of his family and in loving memory of **Gilbert, Lettie, Joretta**, and **Ronald Jr.**

Paschal Eggs:

- Roger and Sandy Isaac and the Isaac Family for the health of their family and in loving memory of **Matthew, Wanda, Michael, Helen, Tofic, Eddy, Freddy, Woody, Charlie, Gloria, George, Tommy, Louie Sr., Louie Jr., James, Norma, Emily**, and **Gary**.

**Announcements**

- For the next forty days, until the Feast of our Lord's Ascension into Heaven on May 23<sup>rd</sup> we greet each other with ***Christ is Risen!*** and respond ***Indeed He is Risen!***
- Our Ladies Auxiliary invites everyone to our **Paschal Breakfast** immediately following the Paschal Liturgy. Let us break the fast together! Thank you to all who donated toward the breakfast.
- At **Vespers of Love {Baa'ooth or Agape Vespers}** and **Egg Hunt**, today at 4pm, the Holy Gospel is read in many different languages. If you would like to read one of the languages, come to church about 3:45pm so we can organize who is reading. **Kids, BRING YOUR BASKETS!!!**
- **Pascha Party today at 5pm!** Please see *Sally Abuaita* for more information.
- May God bless all who donated toward flowers, palms, Pascha eggs, and all the other items during the Great Fast, the Great and Holy Week, and Holy Pascha. Without their generosity we could not fully express our Orthodox Faith and celebrate this Feast of Feasts!
- **Thank you** to the members of our **Altar Servers, Altar Society, Chanters, Choir, Parish Council, Ladies Auxiliary, Teen SOYO, Ushers**, and **Laura Nichols**, our office secretary, for all of their hard work which enabled everything to be done properly and in order.

<u>Bright Week – No Fasting</u>	
TODAY	<b><i>Vespers of Love {Baa'ooth or Agape Vespers}</i></b> and Egg Hunt 4pm
Monday	<b>Bright Monday Paschal Liturgy</b> CANCELLED for a Funeral
Wednesday	<b>Bright Wednesday Paschal Liturgy</b> at St. George 10am SOYO Wednesday 7-9pm
Thursday	<b>Parish Council Dinner Meeting</b> 6:15pm
Friday	<b>Bright Friday Paschal Liturgy</b> at Assumption 10:30am
Saturday	<b>Great Vespers and Confessions</b> 5pm <b>Teen SOYO Party</b> at Kabob City 6:30pm

**Paschal Greeting and Response used for 40 days**

*Until Ascension on May 23<sup>rd</sup>*

English: *Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!*  
Arabic: *Al-Maseeh Qam! Haqqan Qam!*

Greek: *Christos Aneste! Alethos Aneste!*  
Slavonic: *Christos Voskrese! Voistinu Voskrese!*