

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Wed. Nov. 30	6 pm	Service to St. Andrew & Bible Study
Thurs. Dec. 1	6 pm	Choir Practice
Fri. Dec. 2	10 am	Divine Liturgy

## Nativity Service Schedule

Sat. Dec. 24	10 am	Divine Liturgy for Christmas Eve
	10:30 pm	Festal Midnight Liturgy for Nativity

## STEWARDSHIP

FAITH IN THE FATHER, FREEDOM IN CHRIST, LOVE IN THE SPIRIT

**St. George Church exists on faith and love in Christ.**

Help us reach our goal of 70 Stewards this year. If you are 18+ yrs old, please fill out your pledge form today and return it to a parish council member this week.

**Pledge in faith, reap in bounty!**



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GREAT-MARTYR JAMES THE PERSIAN

Sun. Nov. 27, 2011

Tone 7



Date	Readers
11-27	Mike Winney & Kenny Scott
12-4	Kenny Scott & Bob Frisby
12-11	Bob Frisby & Mike Normandin

### Resurrection Hymn - Tone 7

Thou didst shatter death by Thy Cross. Thou didst open Paradise to the thief. Thou didst turn the sadness of the Myrrhbearing women into joy, And didst bid Thine Apostles proclaim that Thou art Risen, O Christ, granting to the world great mercy.

*Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.*

### Hymn of GreatMartyr 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.

*Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

### Hymn of the Theotokos - Tone 7

In that you are the treasury of our Resurrection, O all praised One. Lead forth from the bottomless pit of transgressions those who set their hope in you. For you have saved those who were guilty of sin in that you gave birth to our Salvation, O You who, before and after giving birth, were a Virgin.

### Prokeimenon in the 7th Tone (Ps 29)

The Lord shall give strength to His people. The Lord shall bless His people with peace!

Offer the Lord, O you sons of God!  
Offer young rams to the Lord!

### Epistle: Ephesians 2:14-22

**B**RETHREN, Christ is our peace, who has made us both one, and has broken down the dividing wall of hostility, by abolishing in His flesh the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in Himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby bringing the hostility to an end. And He came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through Him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and sojourners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built into it for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit. +

### Alleluia in the 7th Tone (Ps 92)

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Thy Name, O Most High!

To declare Thy mercy in the morning, and Thy truth by night!

### Gospel: Luke 18:18-27

**A**T THAT TIME, a ruler came to Jesus and asked him, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother.' " And he said, "All these I have observed from my youth." And when Jesus heard it, he said to him, "One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute it to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." But when he heard this he became sad, for he was very rich. Jesus looking at him said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" But he said, "What is impossible with men is possible with God." +

*Give thanks unto the Lord  
for He is good.  
Alleluia!*



## Sunshine!

*Know someone who needs some?*

**Contact our Sunshine committee**

**Anne Lunsford**

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# PARISH PRAYER LIST

## LIVING:

Kimmy, Melody Casper, Lynn Angebrannt, Cheryl Drake, Ruth Kleinman, Joseph, Winney, Jim & Michelle Smith, George Robertson, Molly Markos, Jen Kelley, Josh Hondaly, Susan Hill, Mary Ellen Halvorsen, Retta Baughman, Lola Rizk, Ameliana Gusty, Samson Winters, James Peck, Samin, Chad, Aidan, Victoria, Anastasia, Basil, Cassian, Luke, and Garet Trenham, Carrie, Griffin, Nolan, Grayson, Olivia Salicos & family, Scott & Katie Windsor, Benjamin Peck, Gail & Vicki Brannock, Jennifer, Diane Berkholtz, Jerry Spires, Fr. Thomas Williams, Robin Hyduke, Nathan & Merilee Peck, Dan Thanos, Connie, Crystal, Tom & Kymie Bowden, James Anthony, Jim Burns, Alex, Sandy, Adrian, Melanie Schlapfer, Judy Raessler, Viola Hammerstrom, Kris Wells, Helen Vlahakis, Ovi Lungu, Bill Kountanis, Darrell and Patty Bostic, Deon Christensen and family, Helen Ko, Campbell Mackenzie, Betty Dudley, Will Degenhart & family, Sky Rizk, Dumitri Popita, Tanya, Darlene, Glenn, Fr. Hans & Susan Jacobse, Fr. Bill Clark, Steve Brooks, Tom & Geris Kourkoumelis, Kristi Thanos, Philip Winney, Lindsay, George Peter Rizk, Barbara Wright, Marnie Butts, Luke Glen, Charity Books, the Borza family, Elizabeth, Seraphima, Macrina, Mary, Silas, Susana, Robert, Kayla, Briana, Joel, Kelsey, Shaun, Theresa, Chris' 2 grandmothers, Raymond Zogob's father, Diane Robertson, Kathy & Chris Hough.

## DEPARTED:

Arthur Jarvinen, Dushan, Gregoria, Mike Wogan, Bill Mueller, Joel McKalie, Marcus Ruttrell, infant Bailey Smith, Preston, Milanka, Charles Kirk, Michael Hicha, Jr., Ioanni Vlahakis, Kalliroi Vlahakis, Evagalia Vlahakis, Cassandra & Stephen Landis, James Devlin, Thomas Lindberg, Boyd Jackson, Irene Teneralli, Julianne Windsor, Allan Fairbanks, Robert Dery, George Nassimos, George Komashko, Fr. Antony Vladimir, Lambrini, Dominic Teneralli Sr., Dominic Teneralli Jr., Rose Bachmann, Janine, George Hicha, Lola Christie, Jackie Pelkey, Helen Shugrue, Eugenia, Elizabeth Higbee, Janet Maissen, Nat, Amanda, James, Abp Job, Abp Anthony, Don, Anastasia Jones, Jack Christensen, Ethel Hunt, Child Nicholas, John, Delores, Lydia (Letitia) Preda, Fr. Gabriel Cooke, Richard & Larry Peck, Randy Poffo, Chuck, Lisa Covington, Andrew Lubnick, Dennis Kontonis, Julia Sedon, Ariel Borza, Michael Hicha, Tom Pallad, Peter Rizk; Demos Vlahakis; Rhonda Dawson; Nicholas, Peter, Kay, Shirley, George Cosmakos, Andrew Degenhart, Annuncio Aaflaq; Bishop Innocent (Gula); Fr. Michael St. Andrew.

## Visitors

We are happy that you joined us today, and we want you to know the following;

- Visitors and children are always welcome at all of our worship services.
- You won't be asked to do anything that would make you uncomfortable.
- We don't expect visitors to contribute anything financially to support our parish.
- Our children worship with us, and we love having them here.

If you are an Orthodox Christian, please introduce yourself to Fr. John before the service begins, so that, if possible, you may receive the Holy Mysteries of our Lord Jesus Christ.

If you are not an Orthodox Christian, we invite you to partake of the blessed bread distributed at the end of the service, to fill out a "Welcome" card (available in the Narthex), and to join us after the service for some hospitality!

## THE WORLD OF THE GENEROUS GETS LARGER AND LARGER

It is at this time that we want to thank every one of our Stewards, whose pledge has allowed our Church to prosper and grow. As we look ahead to the year's end, there are a few things to keep in mind:

- ❖ **Complete your pledge.** Finishing our pledge for the year builds up our faith as we see that God Himself has provided what we needed to bring it to completion, and He will be faithful to provide for us again.
- ❖ **Make a substantial gift to the Church.** Don't have all your finances squared away for tax purposes for the new year? Donations to St. George are tax deductible, and benefit the Body of Christ, and those we serve, in so many ways. As we grow, your gift allows us to set the foundation of future blessings for coming generations now.
- ❖ **Give a special offering, in thanksgiving to God,** for all the blessings you have received this year. Many people are living in fear, but we all rest in the palm of the God of Life. He will not disappoint, and leads us to every good thing in His time. Give generously now.

**Behold, now is the appointed time. Today is the day of salvation.**

# SAINTS ALIVE

*The lives and deeds of the heroes of our faith*

## Great Martyr James the Persian

*The saint who denied Christ and then repented for glory!*

The Holy Great Martyr James the Persian (the Sawn-Asunder) was born in the fourth century into a pious Christian family, both wealthy and illustrious. His wife was also a Christian, and the couple raised their children in piety, inspiring in them a love for prayer and the Holy Scriptures.

James occupied a high position at the court of the Persian emperor Izdegerd (399-420) and his successor Barakhranes (420-438). But on one of the military campaigns James, seduced by the emperor's beneficence, was afraid to acknowledge himself a Christian, and so he offered sacrifice to idols with the emperor.

Learning of this, James' mother and wife wrote him a letter, in which they rebuked him and urged him to repent. Receiving the letter, James realized the gravity of his sin. Faced with the horror of being cut off not only from his family, but also from God Himself, he began to weep loudly, imploring



the Lord for forgiveness.

His fellow-soldiers, hearing him pray to the Lord Jesus Christ, reported this to the emperor. Under interrogation, St James bravely confessed his faith in the one True God.

No amount of urging by the emperor could make him renounce Christ. The emperor then ordered the saint to be put to death.

They began to cut off his fingers and his toes one by one, then his hands and his feet, and then his arms and

legs. During the prolonged torture St James offered prayers of thanksgiving to the Lord, Who had granted him the possibility of redemption from his sins by enduring these terrible torments. Finally, the martyr was beheaded. Christians gathered up the pieces of his body and buried them with great reverence.

**Glory to God for All Things!**

# JOIN THE Parish Christmas Card



This year, rather than send out dozens of Christmas Cards to everyone in Church, why not put your name on our Parish Christmas Card.

Everyone who participates will have their name included on a card sent to all members, stewards and inquirers on our parish contact list, wishing them, and you, a Merry Christmas during this holiest of holy seasons.

\$20 will cover all the participant expenses and send a beautiful Nativity Card to everyone in our parish and any outside personal and professional contacts for St. George.

**DEADLINE: SUN. DEC. 11TH**

(THAT'S TWO WEEKS AWAY)

If you would like to join in, please give your name and \$20 to  
By Sunday, December 11th.

(Please have checks made out to St. George Church)