



# St. George Greek Orthodox Church

Sunday, May 24, 2026

**WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!**



## **Fathers of the 1st Council**

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### **Prior to Holy Communion:**

1. Ladies, kindly remove lipstick before receiving.
2. Non-Orthodox Christians may not receive Holy Communion, but they may receive the Holy Bread at the end of the service.
3. All Orthodox Christians must be spiritually prepared to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Please see the priest if you have any questions.



**Prokeimenon. Mode 4  
Daniel 3.26,27**

Blessed are you, O Lord, the God  
of our fathers.

Verse: For you are just in all you  
have done.



## **EPISTLE - ACTS 20:16 – 18, 28 – 36**

In those days, Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus, so that he might not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hastening to be at Jerusalem, if possible, on the day of Pentecost. And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called to him the elders of the church. And when they came to him, he said to them: "Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of the Lord and God, which he obtained with his own blood. I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish every one with tears. And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities, and to those who were with me. In all things I have shown you that by so toiling one must help the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, "it is more blessed to give than to receive." And when he had spoken thus, he knelt down and prayed with them all.

## **GOSPEL - JN. 17:1 – 13**

At that time, Jesus lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work which you gave me to do; and now, Father, you glorify me in your own presence with the glory which I had with you before the world was made. I have manifested your name to the men whom you gave me out of the world; yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you; for I have given them the words

## GOSPEL- JN. 17:1 – 13 - CONTINUED

which you gave me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you did send me. I am praying for them; I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are mine; all mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. While I was with them in the world, I kept them in your name; those whom you have given me I have guarded, and none of them is lost but the son of perdition, that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves.”



## Liturgical Notes For Today's Divine Liturgy

### Resurrectional Apolytikion

When the angelic powers appeared at Your tomb, \* the soldiers guarding it feared and became as dead. \* And standing by the sepulcher was Mary, who was seeking Your immaculate body. \* Unassailed by Hades, You divested it of spoils. \* Then You met the Virgin. You granted life. \* O Lord, risen from the dead, glory to You!

### Apolytikion of the Feast

You ascended in glory, O Christ our God, after You filled the Disciples with joy, by promising to send them the Holy Spirit, and You blessed them and established their faith, that You are the Son of God, the Redeemer of the world.

### For the Fathers

Supremely glorified are You, O Christ our God, who established the holy Fathers on earth as beacons, and through them guided us all to the true Faith. Most compassionate Lord, glory be to You!

### Kontakion of the Feast

When You had fulfilled the dispensation for our sake, \* and united things on earth with the things in heaven, \* You were taken up thither in glory, O Christ our God, \* going not away from any place, \* but continuing inseparable, \* and to them that love You crying out: \* “I am with you, and there is, therefore, none against you.”



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## MEMORIAL

Today's Memorial Service is offered for the eternal rest of the servants of God, **Fr. Konstantino and Presvytera Rubena Mengatos**, departed **44 years**, beloved parents of **Evangelia (Eve) Canakis**, and grandparents and great-grandparents of **Rubena and Maria Despina Canakis**, and **Nicholas Spiros Canakis**.

May our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ grant eternal life and salvation to **Fr. Constantino and Presvytera Rubena Mengatos**, and grant peace and comfort to their beloved daughter, **Evangelina (Eve) Canakis**, and to the entire family.

**MAY THEIR MEMORY BE ETERNAL!**

## PARISH COUNCIL

We are honored to welcome **Father Father Alexander Karcher**, from Oakland, who joins us to celebrate the Divine Liturgy today.

Please join us for coffee hour to greet him and introduce yourselves. We thank you, Father, for traveling to be with our community and ask for your prayers for our parish.

Parish Council President

# STEWARDSHIP

Thank you to all our stewards for their commitment to our St. George parish!

Newcomers are always welcome to become stewards.

See our website at [STEWARDSHIP](#) and learn about stewardship and how you can become a steward.

Allen ,Becky (Nicoletta)

Andros, Nick

Argyros, George & Stacey

Barringer, Louise Dobbs

Berz, Diana & Robert

Boatwright, Jonathan

Borgman, James

Gianopoulos, Anastasia & Andrew

Bozigian, Linda Jean

Brown, Alex & Mary

Canakis, Eva

Carkonen, Paul & Paulette

Castrale, Craig

Chiotis, Antony & Penny

Christodulelis, Charles & Eva

Christopoulos, Dr Jim & Gloria

Clark, Susan (Segaar)

Constantine, Kay & Odysseus

Dalkas, Anthony & Patricia

Delegans, Chris

Delegans, Edie

Diamond, George & Paula

Diamond, Mari Lou

Dilberakis, Anastasia

Dixson, Ann & Richard

Doubaratzis, Elias

Dunkel, Mariya & Gregory

Dymond, Donald & Alexandra

Eaton, Tina

Evrigenis, Sophia

Fakinos, Joan

Gandrillon, Vincent

Georgas, James

Hanna, Linda

Hector, Tim & Nadia

Hoffman, Kenneth

Holm, Matthew

Howell, Stephen & Lydia

Jaskulski, Thomas & Debra

Jefferson, Virginia P

Kallis, Linda

Karagianis, Lou & Penny

Karris, Emmy

Kassotakis, George & Mary Ellen

Katsaros, Agathe

Kezios, Rev Spencer T. (Bishop Spyridon)

Kiner, Maria & Michael

Kiriakopoulos, Frank

Kontaxis, Euthym & Krisann

Kosturos, Anthony & Tatum

Kosturos, Paul & Dena

Krespis, Nick & Fotini

Kuchulis, William & Terri

Kundanis, Christine

Laskaris, Annette

Latkovic, Nicholas & Rhonda

Lee, Bill & Mary

Lekas, Bill & Denise

Lewis, Annette

Lyons, Douglas & Carol

Makrianis, Julie M.

Maletis, Chris & Kristi

Maletis, Edward & Cyndy

Maletis, Tom & Susan

Mallen, Andrea

Manesis, Bess

Mantes, E.G. & Mary Ann

Meek, Eve

Metropoulos-Ward, Maria and Thomas

O'Brien, Douglas & Marianna

Pagoulatos, Margarita

Pallis, Chris & Vicki

Pano, Hiede

Panopoulos, Joan

Pantels, Fr. Theodore & Pres Petula

Parasidis, Anastasia

Petalas, John & Linda

Peterson, Anastasia & Silas

Piggott, Mary

Pishue, Sam & Michele

Platis, Harry PLLC

Pousen, Debbie (DJ)

Prineas, Anna

Psaltis, Harry

Psihogis, Peter & Lisa Marie

Rassi, Abraham & Geraloine

Rellos, Bill & Maria

Richards, Tasia

Sarantos, Dean

Sellas, Dr James & Anastasia

Shaheen, Bernice

Snarskis, Peter & Athena

Spagnolo, David & Maria

Spanos, George & Angie

Speliopoulos, Nick & Carol

Stambolos, Irene

Steele, Dr. Stephen & Lynanne

Storton, Wynn & Ana

Tripodes, Peter & Nicoletta

Vasilomanolakis, Francine

Veroulis, Angelo & Tina

Xitco, John V & Kalitsa Z

Xouleis, Pete & Mary

Young, Diane

Zagas, Sophie

**Thursday Meetings  
Intro to the Orthodox Church  
through the Eyes of God's Love**



Join us in person inside our church hall or via Zoom for Thursday meetings at 5:30 PM.

Open to anyone interested in learning more about the Orthodox Faith or enjoying a refresher.

Each session includes a brief presentation followed by discussion and questions.

**Meeting Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88278181278?pwd=yUgB9YxxMCbkwFtQ2lq6iA4YuAYGbr.1>**

**Meeting ID: 882 7818 1278**

**Passcode: 982560**

**Christ is Risen  
Dcn Euthym**

## UP COMING EVENTS & SERVICES

Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup>

Zoom Meeting with Deacon Euthym - 5:30 PM

Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup> To B Confirmed

Orthos 8:30 AM & 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy

Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>

Orthos 8:30 AM & 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy

Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>

Orthos 8:30 AM & 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy

Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup>

Parish Council Meeting - 11AM

# Coffee Hour

MEET YOUR COFFEE HOUR HOSTS FOR THE SUNDAY'S AHEAD

May 24<sup>th</sup> - Mary Ellen

May 31<sup>st</sup> - Paulette Carkonen

June 7<sup>th</sup> - Linda Hanna (Memorial)

June 14<sup>th</sup> - Bernice Shaheen

June 21<sup>st</sup> - Ron Gregory

June 28<sup>th</sup> - Elane Grillos

July 5<sup>th</sup> - Annette Lewis



Available dates

• July 12<sup>th</sup>

• July 19<sup>th</sup>

• July 26<sup>th</sup>

• All August

To sign up or for more information, contact

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