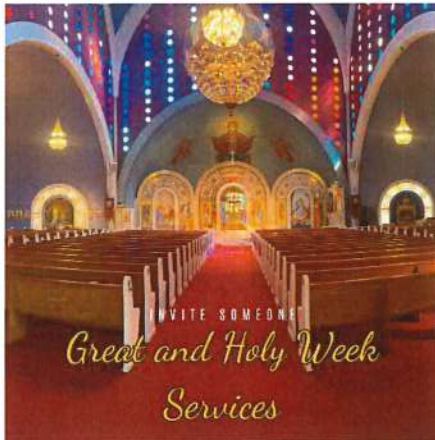




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Family and Friends of St. George,
As we draw nearer to Great and Holy Week, which then bring us to the Glorious Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, I want to encourage you to think of someone to invite for that entire week or to attend and witness a Divine Service or two.

While we live in a busy world - remember a quote from my sermon on March 16: If the devil can't make you sin, he will keep you busy - the most significant thing we can do with our time is spend it in the presence of our Lord in worship, especially as we remember the last week in which He walked this earth. There is something very powerful about gathering together as the Body of Christ as well!

I was looking over statistics/surveys (as I usually do) and found that in a recent national survey in which 82% of non-churched individuals said they would attend worship with a friend or relative...IF invited.

The statistics show that those who come for worship for the first time do so in the following ways:

- 6-8% Walked in by own initiative
- 2-3% Liked a program offered
- 8-10% Liked the pastor
- 3-4% Had a need met by the church
- 1-2% Were evangelized
- 3-4% Attracted by Religious Education
- 70-85% Invited by a relative or friend!

The average is 82% came to/for worship because of an INVITE by a friend or relative.

While there are many ways to invite someone for worship, the first thing we must do is make up our mind much like a shoe company's trademark and simply "just do it"!

In our Orthodox Faith, Great and Holy Week has the most beautiful Services which include deep reflecting hymns along with passages from the Old and New Testaments.

Some of you reading this message may come to all of the Divine Services of Great and Holy Week, others may come to a few (as they learned to attend only certain Services from a relative at a young age) and some may just come for a few moments and quickly leave for reasons they have pre-decided.

I ask... can YOU think of one person you will invite to "Come and See" so they may experience Great and Holy Week in the Orthodox Faith?

Why not pray that God will prepare you to ask while opening their heart to hear YOUR invitation?

Seeing that all Christian Faiths will celebrate the Resurrection this year on the same date, many Christian denominations only have services on Holy Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Invite those to witness the beautiful Services and hymnology which are only found in our Orthodox Faith. If you know of someone who doesn't attend anywhere let them know they can join us here at St. George!

You could be the difference in a person(s) spiritual growth! It is my hope and prayer that as we complete our Great Lenten Journey, that we will have a full Cathedral for the Divine Services of Great and Holy Week and that all will be present and STAY for the entire celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior!

"I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go into the house of the Lord.'" Psalm 121(122):1
Good strength and God bless,

Father Demetri
Fr Demetri

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

For this month's message I decided to look back at my Pascha messages since Covid. I'd like to share these thoughts again.

April 2022

"As I get older, I can't help but remember past Palm Sundays and Holy Weeks in our beloved Cathedral. The pews were filled, and people lined the perimeter, the narthex, and the ramp leading to the church.... It was not until I got older that I could appreciate my mother "dragging" my brother, sister and me to church on Holy Wednesday afternoon, Holy Thursday morning to receive Communion, Good Friday afternoon and evening, and of course Holy Saturday night. Many of you know what I am talking about. Now, we have assumed the roles of our parents or grandparents taking our children to church to participate and worship.

"Sadly, the days of "standing room only" in church are over. One could argue that those were simpler times. The demands on our time were less. Were those times simpler? Are there more demands on our time today? Perhaps. Last year I spoke about the crosses that we bear. How some of our crosses were heavier than others. At the time Covid was teaching us to take stock of what is important; health, family, the power of faith, and to look out for each other. This year, as we emerge to a more normal way of life, I believe that we must hold ourselves accountable, to challenge ourselves to a new standard of attending church services and the services of Great Lent and Holy Week."

April 2023

"... I must say that this post-winter, pre-spring, pothole, mud season really takes its toll on our psyches and our cars. This time of year, nature treats us to every shade of brown and gray imaginable on the trees, the lawns, the roads, and the dirt on our cars. Besides just enduring this time of year, what do we do?

We prepare our minds for what lies ahead. We plan to clean our yards. We plan to clean our cars. Then we do it. We prepare for brighter more colorful times. By executing our plans, we can enjoy the beautiful sights and sounds of spring even more."

"Throughout Great Lent and through Holy Week, we prepare ourselves for Pascha. We are preparing our minds, bodies, and souls to receive The Light. We are taught that Christ knew that He was sent to accomplish the will of God the Father. He was prepared for all that He endured leading to His ultimate sacrifice, His Crucifixion. As The Creed tells us, "He was Crucified for our salvation..." That was God's plan for His Son, to sacrifice Him for us, for our salvation because of God's love for us. God gave us His Son as a man, so that we can understand, dare I say appreciate, that Jesus knew what it meant to be a man, to be hungry, thirsty, tired, loved, scorned, and to feel pain. Again, Jesus prepared himself for us and our salvation.

"We could all do better in preparing ourselves for receiving The Light. It's more than being in church on Holy Wednes-

day or Holy Friday. It's more than coming to church on Holy Saturday, receiving The Light and waiting until the Fr. Demetri's back is turned to leave. I know that life gets in the way, and it may not be possible to attend all services. If we prepare to sacrifice a bit more of our time to attend the services of Holy Week, to acknowledge the sacrifices made for us, I trust that we will all be better off."

April 2024

"... What happens when a simple difference of opinion or comment taken out of context takes on a life of its own? Sometimes these differences resolve themselves, sometimes they do not.

When left unchecked these differences can grow into discord or divisiveness. When this happens, things could really get out of hand. It is okay to disagree. It is okay to feel differently about a topic or issue. That is why they make chocolate or vanilla. It's when we stop listening because we think that "it's our way or the highway," that gets us into trouble. Nothing gets resolved. The intensity rises and so does the volume. A simple disagreement or difference of opinion becomes personal. All one must do is to turn on the news to see what I mean.

Through our faith we are taught tolerance and forgiveness. The Lord's Prayer reminds us to "... forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us." To be forgiven, we must forgive. It seems so simple...

Our journey through Great Lent and Holy Week teaches us about the final days of the teachings, suffering, crucifixion, and Resurrection of Christ. But do you remember His words while on the Cross? "Forgive them Father, for they know not what they do."

April 2025

It wasn't until I read and re-read these messages in their entirety many times that I saw the pattern.

ACCOUNTABILITY

PREPARATION AND SACRIFICE

TOLERANCE AND FORGIVENESS

We are accountable for our actions. We should prepare our hearts and minds to receive The Light by sacrificing our time to attend as many services as we can in our beautiful cathedral. Finally, practice tolerance by being more forgiving as we will be forgiven "at the awesome judgement seat of Christ."

Happy Easter. Thank you to all of you who will clean, decorate, chant, sing, and for helping Fr. Demetri celebrate our most Holy of Holy times. Thank you to everyone for their monetary contributions to beautify our cathedral, we couldn't do any of this without you.

Be safe, be strong, join us in church,

George
George

Palm Sunday Fish Dinner

Sunday, April 13, 2025
Following Divine Liturgy
Eat In or Take Out

Fish Dinner Ticket \$20 each
Fish, Rice, Green Beans, Salad, Roll
Pasta Meal for kids \$8 each

Sorbet for dessert

*Tickets are on sale at coffee hour and
in the church office weekdays from 9am to 4pm
Tickets must be purchased by Thursday April 10!*

*Please make checks payable to
*Anagennesis Ladies Society**

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THE ST. GEORGE SENIOR CHOIR

The St. George Senior Choir is welcoming donations to help with new music books and a filing system for their music.

ORTHODOX STUDY BIBLES

will soon be placed in the pews. The purchase of 120 Bibles was made possible thanks to the Pananos Fund.

RECEIVE THE NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL

Sign up to receive the color version of the monthly newsletter! If you are already signed up to receive emails, then you already receive the newsletter. Signing up also sends the other information: events, announcements, etc.

2025 MARKS THE 1700TH ANNIVERSARY

of the First Ecumenical Council of Nicaea. The Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America joins Christians worldwide in commemorating the anniversary of this ever-important gathering of our Church

Storytime



With a special reading
of the book,
**Adventures of Harriet the
Bumblebee
Gold Glitter in the Air**

Guest Reader and Illustrator:
Ana Liz Bourassa
READING & DRAWING

For our Sunday school children.
Parents and families
are welcomed.

Sunday, April 6th, 2025
Immediately following
Sunday School.

Adventures of Harriet the Bumblebee Gold Glitter in the Air



By Karen Comer
Illustrated by Ana Liz Bourassa



PROJECT MEXICO
& St. Innocent Orphanage

"Missionaries of the Church"



JOIN US!

**Sunday,
April 6th**

Fr. Nicholas Andruchow, Executive Director of Project Mexico, will be giving the homily at liturgy and speak on this great ministry!

Project Mexico

Project Mexico provides safe, secure, permanent homes for families in Baja California with the help of selfless and hardworking volunteers with over thirty years of experience. Our mission provides sturdy structures and a foundation for families to build a better future and community.

St. Innocent Orphanage

St. Innocent Orphanage was founded in 1996 to provide children with love, hope and a safe home. The children are given a chance to live successful, productive lives and receive a comprehensive education. Most importantly, they are instructed in the Orthodox Christian life.

In 2023 Casa Cuna San Felipe opened as the only Orthodox infant orphanage in North America. With the support from our donors, Board of Directors and generous endowment from the Phillip Giannakis Foundation, the Casa Cuna houses up to 12 infants or toddlers and is located on the same 16-acre ranch as our Casa Hogar boys orphanage.

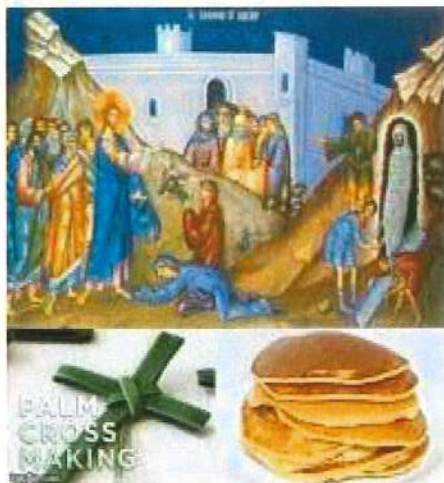


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Lazarus Sat. Apr 12

Orthros 830am

Divine Liturgy 930am

We encourage everyone to stay after the Divine Services to enjoy fellowship, pancake breakfast and to help make palm crosses and other prep for Great and Holy Week!

We are looking and in need for individuals to help with the pancake breakfast!!!

GREAT HOLY FRIDAY RETREAT

April 18, 2025
10AM - 2PM

Retreat welcomes children Pre-K
thru 12th grade**

Sessions and activities will take
place and a Lenten lunch will be
provided.

Every participant must register for
the retreat!



***Children 5 and under need to be
accompanied by an adult during the entire
retreat***



Excuse letters are available
from Father Demetri.
All students should be
excused from school and
participate on this Holy Day!



GREAT AND HOLY PASCHA
April 20, 2025

VESPERS OF LOVE



*We are looking for
individuals to read the
Gospel passages in as
many languages as
possible during this
beautiful Service on
Pascha!*

If you are interested in participating, please
contact the Church office office@stgeorgenh.org

Use this QR Code to Scan to view all the
languages available.



ST. GEORGE LIBRARY

Thank you to **Anna Tatakis**, guest reader of the book, "H is for Holy" at our March 16 "Storytime in The Library" event.

Many thanks to **Georgia Saitas** for donating a beautiful, vintage copy of the book, "Aesop's Fables."

Our thanks to **Chris Chrisafides**, for donating the Reflections of Lent and the Leadership 100 pamphlets, as well as a copy of the Hellenic News of America newspaper.

Thank you to **George Copadis**, for donating the photos from the St. Methodios Faith and Heritage Center.



Our thanks to **Linda Tsatsios** for donating a historical document of St. George Cathedral.

Thank you to **Phil Liakos**, who shared a 1930's group photo that was 8" x 51" and filled with hundreds of people, and to **Stephanie Forseze Connor** for visiting the Library and helping with the photo ID.

Many thanks to **Iphigenia Boulogiane**, for the collection of choir sheet music that belonged to Helen Boulogiane.

Thank you to **Linda Martin**, for donating her copy of the 2022 Glendi Ad book, which we did not have in the collection.



St. Methodios Faith & Heritage Center - Photo from George Copadis

Library Calendar

Special dates

Storytime for Children in the Library, Sunday, April 6th.

Guest Reader Ana Liz Bourassa will be reading from "Adventures of Harriet the Bumblebee - Gold Glitter in the Air."

JOIN US for our next bus trip on **Saturday, June 7th, 2025**, and spend an afternoon at **The St Methodios Faith & Heritage Center in Contoocook, NH.** More details will follow!

Check out our latest book arrivals at The Library!



Our books are being cataloged here:

Books may be borrowed for up to one month at a time and should be signed out. If you need to extend the return date, please let a member of the Library staff know.

We have a basket set up outside the church office for book returns.

Thank you to all who support the Library at St. George!

Donations may be made securely online by visiting the Cathedral's website. Checks should be made out to St George Greek Orthodox Cathedral. In both options, please indicate that your donation is for the **Library Fund** and please add **Attn: Phil Liakos** when sending in your donation. If desired, donations may be made in honor of or in memory of someone.

Respectfully,
Phil Liakos and Meletios Pouliopoulos



Tsourekia



Delicious Easter Breads

made by the Sisters of Holy Protection
Monastery in Pennsylvania

Available Sunday April 13 after Divine Liturgy
in the church hall and
Wednesday April 16 from 10am to 2pm and
6pm to 8pm.

Purchase \$20 each. Cash or checks payable to "Anagennesis Ladies Society"
Individually wrapped and packaged in a box with accompanying prayer.

Anagennesis Ladies Society

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Feast Day of St. George



***Renewal/Bright
Tuesday,
April 22
Great Vespers 6pm***

***Renewal/Bright
Wednesday, April 23
Orthros 830am Divine Liturgy 930am***

*We hope and pray all members of our Cathedral Family will be with us as we celebrate
the Feast Day of our Patron Saint, George the Trophybearer.*



WHY DO THE DATES OF EASTER DIFFER BETWEEN EAST & WEST?

The Fascinating History Behind the Celebration of Christ's Resurrection

Dr. Lewis J. Patsavos, Emeritus Professor of Canon Law Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology (First published, October 2001 Edited, March 2009)

One of the most frequent questions asked by and to Orthodox Christians is, "Why does the Orthodox Church celebrate Easter on a different day than other Christians?" This difference has a long history related to Christianity itself, the complex nature of calendars, and the use of astronomical data.

Almost from the very beginning of the existence of the Christian Church, the issue regarding the date of our Lord's death and resurrection presented variations. Although the New Testament relates these events to the Jewish Passover, the details of this relationship are not clear. On the one hand, the tradition of the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke identifies the Lord's Last Supper with His disciples as a Passover meal. This would place the death of our Lord on the day after Passover. On the other hand, the tradition of the Gospel of John situates the death of our Lord at the very hour the paschal lambs were sacrificed on the day of Passover itself. This variation in the interpretation of the Scriptures led to two different practices. The one observed Pascha on the day of Passover, regardless of the day of the week, that is a fixed date. The other observed it on the Sunday following Passover. By the fourth century, the latter practice prevailed throughout the Church universally; nevertheless, differences continued to exist.

In response to this ongoing problem, the First Ecumenical Council, convened at Nicaea in 325 A.D., took up the issue. It determined that Pascha should be celebrated on the Sunday that follows the first full moon after the vernal equinox – the actual beginning of spring. If the full moon happens to fall on a Sunday, Pascha is observed the following Sunday. The day taken to be the invariable date of the vernal equinox is March 21. Hence, the determination of the date of Pascha is governed by a process dependent on the vernal equinox and the phase of the moon.

Another factor that figures prominently in determining the date of Pascha is the date of the Jewish Passover. Originally, Passover was celebrated on the first full moon after the vernal equinox. Christians, therefore, celebrated Pascha according to the same calculation – that is, on the first Sunday after the first full moon following the vernal equinox. The correlation between the date of Pascha and the date of Passover is clear. Our Lord's death and resurrection coincided with Passover, thereby assuring a secure point of reference in time. This assurance lasted, however, only for a short time.

Events in Jewish history contributing to the dispersion of the Jews had, as a consequence, a departure from the way Passover was reckoned at the time of our Lord's death and resurrection. This caused the Passover to precede the vernal equinox in some years. It was, in fact, this anomaly that led to the condemnation reflected in Canon 1 of Antioch (ca. 330 A.D.) and Canon 7 of the Holy Apostles (late 4th century) of those who celebrate Pascha "with the Jews." The purpose of this condemnation was to prevent Christians from taking into account the calculation of Passover in determining the date of Pascha.

Most Christians eventually ceased to regulate the observance of Pascha by the Jewish Passover. Their purpose, of course, was to preserve the original practice of celebrating Pascha following the vernal equinox. Thus, the Council of Nicaea sought to link the principles for determining the date of Pascha to the norms for calculating Passover during our Lord's lifetime. Despite the intervention of the Council of Nicaea, certain differences in the technicalities of regulating the date of Pascha remained even thereafter. This resulted occasionally in local variations until, by the sixth century, a more secure mode of calculation based on astronomical data was universally accepted. This was an alternative to calculating Pascha by the Passover and consisted in the creation of so-called "paschal cycles." Each paschal cycle corresponded to a certain number of years. Depending upon the number of years in the cycle, the full moon occurred on the same day of the year as at the beginning of the cycle with some exceptions. The more accurate the cycle, the less frequent were the exceptions. In the East, a nineteen-year cycle was eventually adopted, whereas in the West an eighty-four-year cycle. The use of two different paschal cycles inevitably gave way to differences between the Eastern and Western Churches regarding the observance of Pascha.

A further cause for these differences was the adoption by the Western Church of the Gregorian Calendar in 1582 to replace the Julian Calendar. This took place in order to adjust the discrepancy, then observed between the paschal cycle approach to calculating Pascha and the available astronomical data. The Orthodox Church continues to base its calculations for the date of Pascha on the Julian Calendar, which was in use at the time of the First Ecumenical Council. As such, it does not take into account the thirteen-day difference between the Julian and Gregorian Calendars.

Practically speaking, this means that Pascha may not be celebrated before April 3, which was March 21, the date of the vernal equinox, at the time of the First Ecumenical Council. In other words, a difference of thirteen days exists between the accepted date for the vernal equinox then and now.

Consequently, it is the combination of these variables that accounts for the different dates of Pascha observed by the Orthodox Church and other Christian Churches. If anything, this review of the complexities surrounding the issue of the date of Pascha underscores the compelling need to revisit it with patience and openness. This topic has long been a concern of ecumenical dialogue. This was the spirit that predominated at a consultation on the matter held in Aleppo, Syria in 1997. One of its conclusions was that the underlying reason for the differences in the date of Pascha was the differences in the calendars and lunar tables (paschal cycles) employed rather than any theological disagreement between Eastern and Western Christians. In view of the fact that today both the Julian and Gregorian modes of calculation diverge from the astronomical data, it behooves all Christians to return to the norms determined by the Council of Nicaea, taking advantage of the most up-to-date astronomical data for the vernal equinox and the phase of the moon.

~ STEWARDSHIP 2025 ~

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
April 2025		1 4pm Greek Preschool	2 9:30am PreSanctified Liturgy 11am Bible Study 6pm Girl Scouts 6:30pm Zoom: Orthodoxy Answers Your Questions	3 9:30am "Do Drop In" with Anagennesis 6pm Choir Rehearsal	4 The Akathist Hymn 6pm	5
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11 *** Monthly Bulletin Deadline ***	12 Lazarus Saturday 8:30am Orthros 9:30am Divine Liturgy Pancake Breakfast Holy Week Preparation with Folding Palms	13 Palm Sunday 8:30am Orthros 9:30am Divine Liturgy Sunday School HS Discussion Group Palm Sunday Fish Dinner 6pm Bridgroom Service	14 Great Holy Monday 6pm Bridgroom Service	15 Great Holy Tuesday 6pm Bridgroom Service	16 Great Holy Wednesday 4pm Mystery of Holy Unction	17 Great Holy Thursday 9:30am Vespereal Divine Liturgy 6pm The Passion of our Lord (12 Gospel Passages)
18 Great Holy Friday 8:30am The Great Hours Decorating of the Kouvouklion 10am Holy Friday Retreat 2pm Un-Nailing Service 6pm The Engomia	19 Great Holy Saturday 9:30am Vespereal Divine Liturgy 11pm Resurrection Vigil	20 Great Holy Pascha 11am Vespers of Love (Gospel in many languages)	21 Renewal/Bright Monday 6:30pm Anagennesis	22 Renewal/Bright Tuesday 4pm Greek Preschool 6pm Great Vespers for St. George	23 Renewal/Bright Wednesday Feast of St. George 8:30am Orthros 9:30am Divine Liturgy 6pm Girl Scouts	24 Renewal/Bright Thursday 10:30am "Do Drop In" with Anagennesis 6pm Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm GLENDI Meeting
25 Renewal/Bright Friday	26 Renewal/Bright Saturday	27 Thomas Sunday 8:30am Orthros 9:30am Divine Liturgy	28	29 4pm Greek Preschool	30 11am Bible Study 6pm Girl Scouts	

ANAGENNESIS NEWS

- ✓ Cleaning of the church Saturday, March 29 at 9am
- ✓ Folding of the Palms on Saturday, April 12, the Saturday of Lazarus
- ✓ Palm Sunday Fish Dinner, Sunday, April 13
- ✓ Decorating the Kouvouklion on Holy Friday, April 18 at 10am
- ✓ Easter Flower Donations are being accepted through Holy Week.
- ✓ Please feel free to drop off red eggs for Easter during Holy Week, from Holy Monday, April 14 through Holy Saturday, April 19 from 9am to 4pm.
- ✓ Thank you to everyone who volunteers with Coffee Hour.
- ✓ We are still doing "Do Drop In" on Thursdays and would love to see you join us.
- ✓ Tsourekia will be available Sunday April 13 in the church hall after Divine Liturgy and Wednesday April 16 from 10am to 2pm and 6pm to 8pm.
- ✓ Upcoming Dates
 - o Individual Pita Triangles on Thursday, April 24
 - o Mother's Day Dinner Monday, May 12

Your Own from Your Own

My Pledge to St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral in 2025 (Please respond as soon as you can!)

NAME _____ SPOUSE (If Married) _____

SPOUSE RELIGION (if not Orthodox) _____

STREET _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ MOBILE _____ SPOUSE MOBILE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____ EMAIL ADDRESS of Spouse (If Married) _____

DEPENDENT CHILDREN'S names and grade in school: _____

May we include your contact information in the parish directory? ☐ YES ☐ NO May we add you to our parish email list? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Indicate any information you would like excluded from parish directory: _____

TIME & TALENT

INDIVIDUAL STEWARDS should indicate areas of interest with a check mark. **FAMILIES** should mark "H" for HUSBAND, "W" for WIFE, or "C" for CHILDREN.

EDUCATION

- _____ Bible Study
- _____ Adult Religious Education
- _____ Intro to Orthodoxy
- _____ Publications
- _____ Speakers
- _____ Library

YOUTH

- _____ Sunday School Teacher
- _____ GOYA
- _____ Little Lambs
- _____ Hope/Joy
- _____ Scouts
- _____ Basketball
- _____ Youth Choir

BUILDING & GROUNDS

- _____ Garden & Landscape
- _____ Clean-up
- _____ Interior Repairs
- _____ Exterior Repairs
- _____ Hall Rentals

ADMINISTRATION

- _____ Review / Audit
- _____ By-Laws
- _____ Office Help
- _____ Computer / Technical
- _____ Data Entry
- _____ Board of Directors
- _____ Anagenesis

DEVELOPMENT / FUNDRAISING

- _____ Glendi

LITURGICAL

- _____ Sanctuary & Altar Care
- _____ Altar boys / Acolytes
- _____ Baking Prosfora
- _____ Choir
- _____ Reader
- _____ Greeter / Usher

MINISTRIES & PROGRAMS

- _____ Campus Ministry
- _____ Welcome Team
- _____ New Member Events

- _____ Outreach
- _____ Stewardship
- _____ Sunday Fellowship / Coffee
- _____ Visitation – Hospital
- _____ Visitation – Shut-ins
- _____ Feed the Hungry
- _____ Prison Ministry
- _____ Grief Bereavement Group
- _____ Disaster Relief Projects
- _____ Blood Drives
- _____ Project Mexico
- _____ Int'l Orth Christian Charities
- _____ OCMC Mission Center
- _____ Seniors Ministry
- _____ Couples Ministry
- _____ Singles Ministry
- _____ Military Ministry

COMMUNICATIONS

- _____ Website & E-mail
- _____ Bulletin & Newsletter
- _____ Public Relations

TREASURE

NAME: _____

In gratitude for God's blessings, I/we commit to Christ and His Church the following amount for 2025: \$ _____

I WILL FULFILL MY PLEDGE IN THIS MANNER: ☐ MONTHLY ☐ QUARTERLY ☐ YEARLY ☐ OTHER _____

I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE MY PLEDGE BILLED TO MY DEBIT / CREDIT CARD. (This is preferred in order to save fees)

Card #: _____ Exp. Date: _____ CCV#: _____

PLEASE BILL MY CARD: ☐ YEARLY ☐ QUARTERLY ☐ MONTHLY



March 2025


Can you believe it's already time to start planning for **GLENDI**? Our **46th GLENDI** takes place September 12th – 14th, so now is the time to start planning our Souvenir Book. We ask you to consider contributing to this important piece of **GLENDI** fundraising by taking out an ad and helping us to grow by finding **NEW** businesses to advertise.

Use the QR code below or go to www.stgeorgenh.org/activities/glendi for an application and the Sponsor Level info sheet. Take a set to give to barbers/hair stylists, restaurants, auto shops, landscapers, doctors, realtors, insurance agents, anyone you think can benefit from all the advertising opportunities afforded by **GLENDI**.

Please return your application and payment to St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral by **July 25** to ensure your listing makes the printer's deadline. Be sure to add your name to the bottom of the Souvenir Book Application to receive your **free dinner tickets** for finding new advertisers. Please contact the church office with any questions.

Respectfully,

George Skaperdas, Dick Anagnost, Linda Martin, Chairs, GLENDI 2025



GLENDI 2025
Meeting

Thursday, April 24
6:30pm
In the Library



GLENDI
COOKING & BAKING

9am start time unless otherwise noted.

- Tuesday, May 6: Finikia
- Tuesday, May 20: Meatballs
- Saturday, May 31: Pastitsio
- Friday, June 6: Dolmathes
- Monday, June 9: Stuffed Peppers
- Wednesday Sept. 3: Koulourakia
- Friday Sept. 5: Kourambiethes
- Monday & Tuesday, Sept 8 & 9: Spanakopita
- Wednesday, Sept. 10: Galaktoboureko

GREAT AND HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Lazarus Saturday

April 12



Matins 830am
Divine Liturgy 930am
*Breakfast to follow
with Palm Cross Making*

Palm Sunday

April 13



Orthros 830am
Divine Liturgy 930am
*Palm Sunday Fish Dinner to
follow*

Bridegroom Services

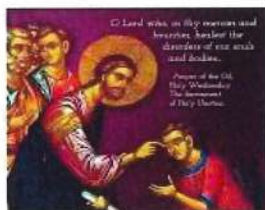
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Palm Sunday Evening
Holy Monday Evening
Holy Tuesday Evening
6pm

Great Holy Wed.

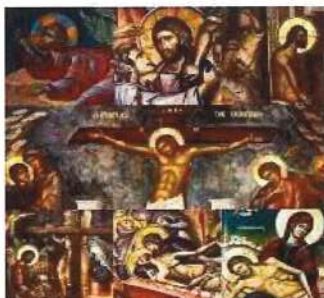
April 16



Mystery of Holy Unction
4pm

Great Holy Thursday

April 17



Vespers Divine Liturgy
930am

The Passion of our Lord
(12 Gospel Passages)
6pm

Great Holy Friday

April 18



The Royal Hours 830am
*Decorating of Kouvouklion
Youth Retreat 10am*

Un-Nailing Service 2pm

The Engomia 6pm

Great Holy Saturday

April 19



Vespers Divine Liturgy 930am

Paschal Vigil 11pm
Canon,
Resurrection, Matins, Divine Liturgy
Pascha Reception to follow

Great Holy Pascha

April 20



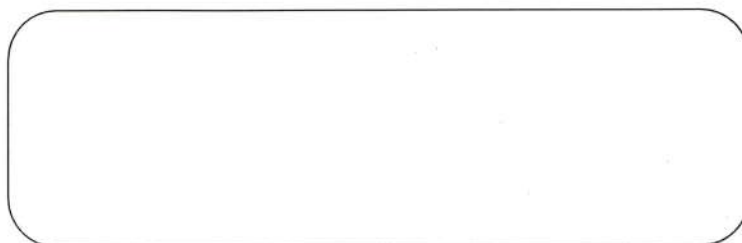
Vespers of Love 11am

Gospel Reading in many languages
Egg hunt for kids to follow

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Thursday, May 1, 2025

\$25 admission

5pm doors open

6pm games begin



Held at
St. George Cathedral
Community Center
650 Hanover Street
Manchester

COMMUNITY CENTER CLOSED SUMMER 2025

The community center will be unavailable from approximately the middle of June through the middle of August for maintenance.

THANK YOU

We had a great time at the Apokreatiko Celebration this year! The dancing, the fellowship, the music, the fun...it was all part of a wonderful evening.

A big thank you goes out to everyone who helped. To John S., Nick S. and Steve C. who helped in the kitchen. Our bartenders Tim G., John N. and Jim L.. To Aspa for all her help and generous donations! George Sioras for all your help. Thank you to Bill H for helping sell raffle tickets. To all the ladies that helped serve the meal. To Dan and Beth for their hard work also.

Thank you! Toula Barber

**MAY MONTHLY BULLETIN
DEADLINE IS APRIL 11.**