## DIVINE LITURGY VARIABLES ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 01, 2024 Tone 1 / Eothinon 10

## BEGINNING OF THE INDICTION: ECCLESIASTICAL NEW YEAR RIGHTEOUS SIMEON THE STYLITE: SYNAXIS OF THE THEOTOKOS AT MIASINAE

• During the Little Entrance, chant the Resurrectional Apolytikion. The Eisodikon (Entrance Hymn) is "O come, let us worship... save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead..." After the Little Entrance, chant these hymns in the following order:

## RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE ONE

While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.

## APOLYTIKION OF THE INDICTION IN TONE TWO

O Maker of all creation, Who hast established the times and the seasons in Thine own power: Bless the crown of this year with Thy goodness, O Lord, and keep our rulers and Thy flock in peace, by the intercessions of the Theotokos, and save us.

## APOLYTIKION OF THE SYNAXIS OF THE THEOTOKOS IN TONE SEVEN

Rejoice, thou who art full of grace, O Virgin Theotokos, haven and protection of the race of man; for the Redeemer of the world became incarnate of thee; for thou alone art both mother and virgin, ever blessed and glorified. Intercede with Christ God that peace be granted unto all the world.

## APOLYTIKION OF ST. SIMEON THE STYLITE IN TONE ONE

Thou becamest a pillar of patience and didst emulate the Forefathers, O righteous one: Job in his sufferings, Joseph in temptations, and the life of the bodiless while in the body. O Simeon, our righteous Father, intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.

## أبوليتيكيون القيامة باللحن الأوّل

إِنَّ الحجَرَ لمَّا خُتِمَ مِنَ اليَهود، وجسَدَكَ الطاهِرَ حُفِظَ مِنَ الجُنْدِ، قُمْتَ في اليَوْمِ الثالِثِ أَيُّها المُخَلِّصُ، مانِحاً العالَمَ الحياة. لِذلكَ قُوّاتُ السَّماوات، هتَفُوا إليكَ يا واهِبَ الحياة: المَجْدُ لِقِيامَتِكَ أَيُّها المَسيحُ، المَجْدُ لِفِيامَتِكَ أَيُّها المَسيحُ، المَجْدُ لِفِيامَتِكَ أَيُّها المَسيحُ، المَجْدُ لِفِيامَتِكَ البَشَر وَحْدَك.

## أبوليتيكيون للأندكتيون (رأس السنة) باللحنِ الثاني

يا بارِئَ الخَليقَةِ كُلِّها، والجاعِلَ الأَوْقاتَ والأَزْمِنَةَ في سُلْطانِكَ الخاصّ، بارِكْ إِكْليلَ السَنَةِ بِصَلاحِكَ، يا ربُّ، واحْفَظِ العالَمَ وكَنيسَتَكَ بِسَلام، بِشَفاعَةِ والدِّة الإله، وخَلِّصْنا.

## أبوليتيكيون العيد الجامع لوالدة الإله باللحن السابع

إِفْرَحي يا والدَةَ الإلهِ العَذراءَ المُمْتَائِةَ نِعْمَةً، يا ميناءَ الجِنْسِ البَشَرِيِّ ونَصيرَتَهُ، فَمِنْكِ قَدْ تَجَسَّدَ مُنْقِذُ العالَمِ، وَأَنْتِ وَحْدَكِ أُمُّ وبَتولٌ، دَوْماً مُبارَكَةٌ ومُمَجَّدَة. فَتَشَفَّعي إلى المسيحِ الإلهِ لِيَهَبَ السَّلامَ لِلْمَسكونَةِ كُلّها.

## أبوليتيكيون للقديس سِمعانَ العَمودِيّ باللحنِ الأوَّل

صِرْتَ للصَّبْرِ عَموداً، وَلِلْآباءِ القُدَماءِ ضارَعْتَ مُبارِياً، لِأَيّوبَ بالآلام، وليوسُفَ بالتَجارِب، وَلسيرَةِ العادِمي الأَجْسَادِ وأَنتَ بالجَسَد. فيا أَبانا البارَّ سِمْعان، تَشَفَّعْ إلى المسيحِ الإلهِ في خَلاصِ نفُوْسِنا.

• Now sing the apolytikion of the patron saint or feast of the temple.

## KONTAKION FOR THE INDICTION IN TONE FOUR

(\*\*Thou Who wast raised up\*\*)

O God of all, Thou Who hast made all the ages, \*O Sovereign Lord, truly transcendent in essence, \*bestow Thy grace and blessing on the year to come; \* and, O Most Compassionate, \* in Thine infinite mercy \* save all them that worship Thee, \* Who alone art our Master, \* and that with fear, O Savior, cry to Thee: \* Grant unto all men a fruitful and godly year.

#### **THE EPISTLE (For the Indiction)**

Great is our Lord, and great is His power. Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good.

## The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to St. Timothy. (2:1-7)

Timothy, my son, first of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, thanksgivings be made for all men, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life, godly and respectful in every way. This is good, and it is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, Who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, Who gave Himself as a ransom for all, the testimony to which was borne at the proper time. For this I was appointed a preacher and apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

#### **THE GOSPEL (For the Indiction)**

## The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (4:16-22)

At that time, Jesus came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up; and He went to the synagogue, as His custom was, on the Sabbath day. And He stood up to read; and there was given to Him the book of the prophet Isaiah.

## القنداق للأندكتيون (رأس السننة) باللحن الرابع

يا مَنْ خَلَقَ كُلَّ البَرايا بِحِكْمَةٍ لا تُفَسَّر، ووَضَعَ الأَزْمِنَةَ بِسُلْطانِهِ الخاصَّ، هَبِ الغَلَبَاتِ لِشَعْبِكَ المُحِبِّ المَسيح، وبارِكْ مَدْخَلَ السَنةِ ومَخْرَجَها، مُسَدِّداً أعْمالَنا على ما يُوافِقُ مَشيئَتكَ الإلَهِيَّة.

## الرسالة (للأندكتيون، لرأس السنة)

عَظيمٌ هُوَ رَبُّنِا وعَظيمَةٌ هِيَ قُوَّتُهُ. سَبِحوا الرَّبَّ فَانَّهُ صالِحٌ. فَصْلٌ مِنْ رسالَةِ القِدّيس بولُسَ الرَسولِ الأولى

فَصْلٌ مِنْ رِسِالَةِ القِديسِ بولسَ الرَسولِ الأولى المُصلِّ مِنْ رِسِالَةِ القِديسِ بولسَ الرَسولِ الأولى الم

يا ولَدي تيموثاؤس، أَسألُ قَبْلَ كُلِّ شَيءٍ أَنْ ثُقامَ تَضَرُعات، وَصَلَوات، وتَوَسُّلات، وتَشَكُّرات مِنْ أَجْلِ جَميعِ الناس، مِنْ أَجْلِ المُلوكِ وكُلِّ ذي مَنْصِبٍ، لِنَقْضِيَ حَياةً مُطْمَئِنَّةً، هادِئةً، في كُلِّ تَقْوى لِنَقْضِيَ حَياةً مُطْمَئِنَّةً، هادِئةً، في كُلِّ تَقْوى وَعَفافٍ. فَإِنَّ هَذا حَسَنُ ومَقْبولُ لَدى اللهِ مُخَلِّصِنا، الذي يُريدُ أَنَّ جَميعَ الناسِ يَخْلُصونَ وإلى مَعْرِفَةِ الذي يُريدُ أَنَّ جَميعَ الناسِ يَخْلُصونَ وإلى مَعْرِفَةِ الذي يَبْلُغونَ. لأَنَّ الله واحِد، والوسيطُ بَيْنَ اللهِ والناسِ واحِد، وهُو الإِنسانُ يسوعُ المَسيحُ، الذي والناسِ واحِد، وهُو الإِنسانُ يسوعُ المَسيحُ، الذي بذَلَ نَفْسَهُ فِداءً عَنِ الجَميع، وَهُو شَهَادَةٌ في آوِنَتِها، نُصِبْتُ أَنا لَها كارِزاً ورَسولاً (الحَقَّ أقولُ لا أَكْذِبُ) معلِّماً لِلأُمَم في الإِيمان والحَقّ. معلِّماً لِلأُمَم في الإِيمان والحَقّ.

## الإنجيل (للأندكتيون، لرأس السنة)

## فَصْلُ شَريفٌ مِنْ بشارةِ القديسِ لوقا الإِنْجيلِيِّ البَشير والتلميذِ الطاهِر.

في ذَلِكَ الزَمانِ، أَتَى يَسوعُ إلى الناصِرةِ حَيْثُ كانَ قَدْ تَرَبَّى وَدَخَلَ كَعادَتِهِ إلى المَجْمَعِ يَوْمَ السَبْتِ وقامَ لِيَقْرَأَ. فَدُفِعَ إلَيْهِ سِفْرُ أشْعِياءَ النَبِيّ. فَلَمَّا فَتَحَ

Jesus opened the book and found the place where it was written, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach good news to the poor and to heal the broken hearted. He has sent Me to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord." And Jesus closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant, and sat down; and the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on Him. And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." And all spoke well of Him, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of His mouth.

السِفْرَ، وَجَدَ المَوْضِعَ المَكْتُوبَ فَيهِ: "إِنَّ رُوحَ الرَّبِّ عَلَيَّ، ولِأَجْلِ ذَلِكَ مَسَحَني وأَرْسَلَني لأَبْشِرَ المَساكينَ وأَشْفِيَ مُنكَسِري القُلوب، وأُنادِيَ للمَأْسُورِينَ بالتَخْلِيَةِ، ولِلْعُمْيانِ بالبَصَرِ، وأُطْلِقَ المُهَمَّشَينَ إلى الخَلاصِ، وأكْرِزَ بِسَنَةِ الرَّبِ المَهْمَّشَينَ إلى الخَلاصِ، وأكْرِزَ بِسَنَةِ الرَّبِ المَقْبُولَةِ." ثُمَّ طَوى السِفْرَ ودَفَعَهُ إلى الخادِم وجَلَسَ. وكانَتْ عُيونُ جَميعِ الذينَ في المَجْمَعِ شاخِصَةً النّيهِ. فَجَعَلَ يَقُولُ لَهُمْ: "اليَوْمَ تَمَّتْ هَذِهِ الكِتَابَةُ التي ليَيْتُ على مَسامِعِكُمْ." وكانَ جَميعُهُمْ يَشْهَدُونَ لَهُ تُلِيتَ على مَسامِعِكُمْ." وكانَ جَميعُهُمْ يَشْهَدُونَ لَهُ وَيَتَعَجَّبُونَ مِنْ كَلام النّعْمَةِ البارِز مِنْ فَمِه.

- If parishes will offer today's supplication service for the ecclesiastical new year at the end of the Divine Liturgy, then these readings above need not be repeated there.
- The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom continues as usual with the following koinonikon.

#### KOINONIKON (COMMUNION HYMN) OF THE INDICTION IN TONE EIGHT

Bless the crown of the year with Thy goodness, O Lord. Alleluia.

## كينونيكون لرأس السنة باللحن الثامن

بارِكْ إِكْليلَ السَنَةِ بِصَلاحِكَ، يا رَبُّ. هَلِلوييا.

• After "Blessed be the Name of the Lord", the "Service of Supplication on the First Day of the New Year" takes place. For the complete structure of the Service, consult "The Liturgikon" pgs. 418-423 (3rd edition), pgs. 411-417 (4th edition).

#### THE DISMISSAL

**Priest:** May He Who rose from the dead, Christ our true God, through the intercessions of His all-immaculate and all-blameless holv Mother—as we celebrate her miracle wrought at Miasinae Monastery—by the might of the Precious and Life-giving Cross; by the protection of the honorable Bodiless Powers of Heaven; at the supplication of the honorable, glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John; of the holy, glorious and all-laudable apostles; of our father among the saints, Chrysostom, archbishop of Constantinople, whose Divine Liturgy we have now celebrated; of the holy, glorious and right-victorious Martyrs; of our venerable and God-bearing

#### الختم

الكاهن: أيُها المَسيخُ إلهُنا الحَقيقي، يا مَنْ قامَ مِن بِينِ الأمواتِ، بِشَفاعاتِ أُمِّكَ القِدِّيسةِ الكُلِيَّةِ الطهارةِ والبَريئةِ مِنْ كُلِّ عيبٍ - إِذْ نُقيمُ تَذْكارَ المُعْجِزةِ البَريئةِ مِنْ كُلِّ عيبٍ مياسيني - وبقُدْرةِ الصليبِ التي صَنَعَتْها في دَيْرِ مياسيني - وبقُدْرةِ الصليبِ الكَريمِ المُحْيي، وبطِلْباتِ القُوّاتِ السماويّةِ المُكَرَّمةِ العادِمةِ الأَجْسادِ، والنبيّ الكَريمِ السابقِ المَجيدِ يوحَنّا العادِمةِ الأَجْسادِ، والنبيّ الكَريمِ السابقِ المَجيدِ يوحَنّا المَعمدان، والقديسِّينَ المُشَرَّفينَ الرُّسُلِ الجَديرينَ بِكُلِّ مَديح، وَأبِينَا الجَلِيلِ فِي الْقِرِّيْسِينَ يُوْحَنَّا الْذَهَبِيِّ الْفُمِ رئيسِ أَسَاقِفَةِ الْقسطنطينيَّة، كاتِبِ هَذِهِ الخِدْمةِ الشَّريفِينَ الشُّهَةِ الْقسطنطينيَّة، كاتِبِ هَذِهِ الخِدْمةِ الشَّريفِينَ الشُّهَا المُتَألِقِينَ بالله، والقديسِ بالظفَر، وآبائِنا الأَبْرارِ المُتَوَشِّدِينَ بالله، والقديسِ

Fathers; of Saint N., the patron and protector of this holy community; of the holy and righteous ancestors of God, Joachim and Anna; of the holy and righteous Simeon the Stylite, whose memory we celebrate today, and of all the saints: have mercy on us and save us, forasmuch as He is good and loveth mankind.	الدَّمَّة المُقَدَّد ة، والقدِّد مُنْ المِ دِّبَقَيْن والْحَدَ وَنَّا
<b>Priest:</b> Through the prayers of our holy fathers, Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy upon us and save us.	الكاهن: بِصَلُواتِ آبائِنا القِدّيسينَ، أَيُّها الرَّبُ يَسوعُ المَسيحُ إلهُنا، ارْحَمْنا وخَلِّصْنا.
Choir: Amen.	الجوقة: آمين.

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#### ANNIVERSARY OR OUR DEPARTED FOR THIS SUNDAY

NAME OF THE DEPARTED	ANNIVERSARY
Dana Wanasanda	1
Rose Kanawaty	1
Assaf Aziz	67
George Haddad	1
Michel Zakkak	11
Suha Halteh	33
Farid Nassar	8
Faiq George Bsharat	1
Adele Ayoub	40
Michael Isaac	68
Attiat Homsy	13
Delia Chamandy	58
Hilda Zaghloul	8
	Rose Kanawaty Assaf Aziz George Haddad Michel Zakkak Suha Halteh Farid Nassar Faiq George Bsharat Adele Ayoub Michael Isaac Attiat Homsy Delia Chamandy

• <u>Please</u>, pray for the health of the following parishioners: Ellen, Robert, Alex, Sam, Elias, Nassar, George, Nina, Sonia, George, Beshara, Irene, Nadia, Christine, Toni, George, Helena, Rami and Maien.

#### **ETERNAL LIGHTS**

- Sep 1: in loving memory of Samir Shehadeh from his sister Samira Rizik and her family.
- Sep 1: in loving memory of Hanna Qaqish from his daughter Wafa Alchekh and family.
- Sep 1: in loving memory of Emmanuel Gharghoury from Marie Gharghoury.
- Sep 1: in loving memory of Michel Massad from his family
- Sep 22: in loving memory of Ernest Younes from his family.

#### **CHURCH OFFICE**

Anyone wishing to church a child, removal of crowns, have a memorial service, or would like Fr.
George to give communion or visit their loved sick ones, should contact the church office ahead of
time (905) 731-7210. In case of emergency, call Fr. Georges Mokbel (416) 725-2888

#### **MEMORIAL**

- 7 Days memorial service for Wardeh Salloum, and 33 years memorial service for Taisir Salloum offered by their son Elie and his family. May their memory be eternal!

  The coffee hour is offered today in loving memory of Wardeh and Taisir Salloum by their family.
- A Memorial service for Attiat Homsy offered by George Homsy. May her memory be eternal!

#### **SCHEDULE OF USHERING FOR SEPTEMBER 1, 2024**

• **Head Usher:** Ra'ed Dallal

• Ushers from the Parish Council: Lena AbouSaleh Ramzi Shnoudeh

• Ushers: Lara Ayoub Alexandra Morton

Nabil AbouSaleh Fadi Deratani

#### FIRE ROUTE, HANDICAPPED PARKING, AND PARKING LINES

• Please make sure not to park on the side of the church or in front of the Fire Hydrant, for this is a fire route. Also ensure not to park in the spots designated for handicapped parking. Anyone who parks and does not show a handicap permit on the window will be tagged.

#### MAINTAINING SILENCE DURING THE SERVICE

• The congregation is expected to actively participate in worship. However, God's house is a place for reverence and worship, not loud and idle conversations (between each other or on cell phones). Please, turn off cell phones and any other devices when you are attending the Liturgy. If you have a situation that requires you to speak to other parishioners, please do that quietly outside the church or downstairs in the basement.

#### **TEEN SOYO**

Congratulations to our newly elected TEEN SOYO Board Members...

President: Peter Mokbel VP: Peter Novratidis Treasurer: Helena Mokbel Secretary: Michael Ishac Social Media: Dima Alzidan

Coordinators: Lucas El Bouri, Mark Moussa and Paul Petro Youth Advisors: Angela Ghazal and Fadi

Freiga

If you are interested in joining our Teen SOYO group please contact our Youth Advisors.

Note: members must be between the ages of 13-19 years old.

Angela Ghazal: 416-720-0308 Fadi Freiga: 647-829-6136

- Kindly Submit your Contribution through the Following Methods: Connect to the Church Website www.stgeorgeto.org Click on *Donate*
- PayPal, or send your Cheque by Mail to: St. George Antiochian Church, 9116 Bayview Ave, Richmond Hill ON, L4B 3M9

(Psalm 112:5)			



## **USHERS**

Sep 1st, 2024

## **Ushers**

Lara Ayoub
Alexandra Morton
Nabil Abo Saleh
Fadi Deratani

## **Ushers from the Parish Council**

Lena Abo Saleh Ramzi Shnoudeh

## **Head Usher**

Ra'ed Dallal

Services at St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church – Toronto.  Month: September 2024						
Date	Time	Service				
1 <sup>st</sup> Week						
Sunday September 1st	9:00 a.m.	Orthros				
Ecclesiastical New Year, Symeon the Stylite	10:15 a.m.	Divine Liturgy				
<b>Saturday</b> September 7 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 p.m.	Confessions (upon appointment)				
	5:00 p.m.	Great Vespers				
<b>Sunday</b> September 8 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 a.m.	Orthros				
Sunday before Holy Cross. The Nativity of Our Most Holy Lady the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary	10:15 a.m.	Divine Liturgy				
	<sup>d</sup> Week					
T. I. C. I. J. J. J. D. T.	5:00 p.m.	Vespers with Litia Artoklasia				
Friday September 13 <sup>th</sup> Elevation of the Venerable and Life-Giving Cross	6:00 p.m.	Festal Orthros				
Elevation of the venerable and Life-Giving Cross	7:30 p.m.	Divine Liturgy with Procession of the Cross				
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<b>Saturday</b> September 14 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 p.m.	Great Vespers				
<b>Sunday</b> September 15 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 a.m.	Orthros				
Sunday after Holy Cross, Nikitas the Great Martyr.	10:15 a.m.	Divine Liturgy				
3'	d Week					
Monday September 16 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 p.m.	Orthros				
Sophia & her three daughters: Faith, Hope, and Love	7:00 p.m.	Divine Liturgy				
	4:00 p.m.	Confessions (upon appointment)				
Saturday September 21st	5:00 p.m.	Great Vespers				
Sunday September 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9:00 a.m.	Orthros				
1st Sunday of Luke; Phocas the Martyr, Bishop of Sinope.	10:15 a.m.	Divine Liturgy				
41	h Week					
Monday September 23 <sup>rd</sup> Thecla the Protomartyr & Equal to the Apostles, Silouan of Athos	7:00 p.m.	Great Vespers				
<b>Wednesday</b> September 25 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 p.m.	Orthros				
Falling Asleep of St. John, the Evangelist and Theologian	7:00 p.m.	Divine Liturgy				
Saturday September 28 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 p.m.	Confessions (upon appointment)				
Saturday September 28	5:00 p.m.	Great Vespers				
<b>Sunday</b> September 29 <sup>th</sup> 2nd Sunday of Luke, Cyriacus the Hermit of	9:00 a.m.	Orthros				
Palestine.	10:15 a.m.	Divine Liturgy				
5 <sup>th</sup> Week						
Monday September 30 <sup>th</sup> Romanos the Melodist, John Koukouzelis the Psalti.	7:00 p.m.	Great Vespers				

Activities at St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church – Toronto.  Month: September 2024				
Date	Time	Activity	Location	
1 <sup>st</sup> Week				
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 – 11:00 pm	Basketball for the Adults	Gym at St. George Centre	
	8:00 – 11:30 pm	Families Gathering & Sports	Gym at St. George Centre	
1 8.00 – 10.00 nm		Antiochian Women General Monthly Meeting	Church Basement	
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	After Communion	Blessing of the Students on the Beginning of the Scholastic Year	Church	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Week				
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	1:00 – 4:00 pm	Seniors' Social	Church Basement	
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 – 11:00 pm	Basketball for the Adults	Gym at St. George Centre	
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 – 11:30 pm	Families Gathering & Sports	Gym at St. George Centre	
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	After Communion Sunday School		Church Basement	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Week				
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 – 11:00 pm	Basketball for the Adults	Gym at St. George Centre	
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 – 11:30 pm	Families Gathering & Sports	Gym at St. George Centre	
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	After Communion	Sunday School	Church Basement	
4 <sup>th</sup> Week				
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 – 11:00 pm	Basketball for the Adults	Gym at St. George Centre	
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 – 11:30 pm	Families Gathering & Sports	Gym at St. George Centre	
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup>	After Communion	Sunday School	Church Basement	



# SENIORS' SOCIAL

- St. George Orthodox Church Basement
- Wednesday, September 11, 2024
- 1-4pm

For any queries please contact us at antiochianwomen@stgeorgeto.org



March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024

Dearest Brothers and sisters in Christ,

Subject: Ushering Procedures and protocols

We are pleased to inform you that during its March 26th Meeting, the Parish Council endorsed the new procedures and protocols for ushering. The primary aim of these measures is to update ushering activities and, most importantly, to welcome new volunteers to participate and engage in the church community's life.

As such, we are currently seeking volunteers for the month of April to help with ushering duties and support the process. If you are available during the upcoming weeks, please reach out to me via email or text message at the contact details below. According to the updated protocol, the Head Usher to supervise all ushering activities, along with 4-6 volunteer ushers who will assist the two (2) Parish Council member volunteers.

We welcome new volunteers to serve during our liturgy, however, kindly note that to ensure a fair opportunity for as many parishioners as possible to volunteer, only those whose names have been announced will be serving as ushers. Others are kindly requested to wait for their turn. Thank you for your understanding.

Thank you for your cooperation. For the Glory of God!

Ra'ed G Dallal

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#### Summary of Duties and Responsibilities

- Arrive early before 9:30am
- Refill Candle supply when required
- Assist with seating when needed
- Maintain order during the service
- Collection offerings
- Ensure order during communion
- Counting collection tray by the appointed Board Members with Head Usher

#### Responsibilities of head Usher Plus One usher

- Remove old burnt candles in the Candle stand
- Keep the area as clean as possible
- Try to make the area clear; minimize chit chat
- Minimize hazards at the entrance
- No more than \$50 in \$5 and \$10 denominations shall be used as change
- Bring forward the names before beginning of Liturgy

#### Collection Offering:

#### Steps for collecting the Offering

- Four ushers line up in rows of two at the back of Church
- At the appointed time, ushers walk forward and stand together in front of the Altar, they will meet Abouna, they will kiss the Cross and proceed with the collection.
- Ushers move in pairs to the left and right pews.
- Once collection is complete, the Head Usher will wait near the front door with the large collection basket:
- All collection baskets are distributed into the large collection basket;
- The two (assigned "usher" board members) will jointly walk up the stairs to deliver money to the church office; these two (2) Ushers shall count the offering and will sign the collection offering spreadsheet that
- Is prepared by Office Manager. At the time of counting the offering, there shall only be two (2) Ushers counting.

#### Ushers for Communion

- Firm Ushering during communion is the key to success for an orderly movement of people.
- As the two (2) appointed "Ushers" Council Members are counting the collection,
- The other ushers (4) will keep order during communion. An additional Usher is required for the middle row

#### Collections

- Candle BOX Retrieval
- Normally completed once during the service, second after tray collection
- Head Usher obtains a separate basket (different than the ones for the tray collection);

- In the presence of another Usher; box is open, money poured into the basket;
- Ensure that the candle box is locked after being emptied;
- The two (2) appointed Board Members serving as ushers take the basket up together to deliver and count the offering. They may be assisted by the Treasurer and the vice chair.

#### Counting of the Offering

- The two (2) assigned "Ushers" Board Member are responsible for counting the offering; must always be present during the counting and depositing into church safe.
- These will be the same Ushers that will sign the collection spreadsheet as prepared by Waddah.
- The Head Usher shall designate an additional usher to assist with the counting should the collection require support.

# September

SACRAMENTAL SERVICES SCHEDULE

ST. GEORGE **ANTIOCHIAN** ORTHODOX CHURCH

9116 Bayview Ave, Richmond Hill, ON

#### Sunday

**ORTHROS** 9:00 AM **DIVINE LITURGY** 10:15 AM

Ecclesiastical New Year, Symeon the Stylite

### Saturday 7

4:00 PM CONFESSIONS 5:00 PM **GREAT VESPERS** 

#### Sunday 8

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**VESPERS & LITIA** 

**DIVINE LITURGY** 

FESTAL ORTHROS

& PROCESSION OF

Elevation of the Venerable and

ORTHROS 9:00 AM **DIVINE LITURGY 10:15 AM** Nativity of the Theotokos

5:00 PM

6:00 PM

7:30 PM

#### Sunday 15

**ORTHROS** 9:00 AM 10:15 AM **DIVINE LITURGY** 

Sunday After Holy Cross, Nikitas the Great Martyr



Wednesday

**FESTAL ORTHROS DIVINE LITURGY** 

6:00 PM 7:00 PM

The Falling Asleep of St. John the Theologian



Monday 16

6:00 PM **FESTAL ORTHROS DIVINE LITURGY** 7:00 PM

St. Sophia and her three daughters: Faith, Hope, and Love.

#### Saturday 21

4:00 PM CONFESSIONS 5:00 PM **GREAT VESPERS** 

## Saturday 28

CONFESSIONS 4:00 PM **GREAT VESPERS** 5:00 PM

#### Sunday 29

**ORTHROS** 9:00 AM **DIVINE LITURGY** 10:15 AM

2nd Sunday of Luke Cyriacus the Hermit of Palestine

Saturday 14

Life-giving Cross

THE CROSS

**Friday** 

4:00 PM CONFESSIONS 5:00 PM **GREAT VESPERS** 

#### Sunday 22

9:00 AM **ORTHROS** 10:15 AM **DIVINE LITURGY** 

1st Sunday of Luke Phocas the Martyr, Bishop of Sinope



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**GREAT VESPERS** 7:00 PM

Romanos the Melodist, John Koukouzelis the Psalti



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