

**DIVINE LITURGY VARIABLES ON SUNDAY, JULY 23, 2023  
TONE 6 / EOTHINON 7; SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
& SEVENTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW**

HIEROMARTYR PHOCAS, BISHOP OF SINOPE; HIEROMARTYRS APOLLINARIS AND VITALIS, BISHOPS OF RAVENNA;  
MARTYR APOLLONIUS OF ROME; HOLY PROPHET EZEKIEL

- *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:*

<p align="center"><b>RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE SIX</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>أبوليتيكيون القيامة بالحن السادس</b></p>
<p>When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb; and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.</p>	<p>إِنَّ الْقُوَاتِ الْمَلَائِكِيَّةَ ظَهَرُوا عَلَى قَبْرِكَ الْمُوقَّرِ، وَالْحُرَّاسَ صَارُوا كَالْأَمْوَاتِ، وَمَزِيمَ وَقَفَّتْ عِنْدَ الْقَبْرِ طَالِبَةً جَسَدَكَ الطَّاهِرَ، فَسَبَّيْتَ الْجَحِيمَ وَلَمْ تُجَرَّبْ مِنْهَا، وَصَادَفْتَ الْبَتُولَ مَانِحًا الْحَيَاةَ. فَيَا مَنْ قَامَ مِنْ بَيْنِ الْأَمْوَاتِ، يَا رَبُّ الْمَجْدُ لَكَ.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Now sing the apolytikion of the patron saint or feast of the temple.</i></li> </ul>	
<p align="center"><b>ORDINARY KONTAKION IN TONE TWO</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>قِنْدَاقِ بِالْحَنِ الثَّانِي</b></p>
<p>O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.</p>	<p>يَا شَفِيعَةَ الْمَسِيحِيِّينَ غَيْرِ الْخَازِيَةِ، الْوَسِيطَةَ لَدَى الْخَالِقِ غَيْرِ الْمَرْدُودَةِ، لَا تُعْرِضِي عَنَ أَصْوَاتِ طَلِبَاتِنَا نَحْنُ الْخَطَاةَ، بَلْ تَدَارِكِينَا بِالْمَعُونَةِ بِمَا أَنْكَ صَالِحَةٌ، نَحْنُ الصَّارِحِينَ إِلَيْكَ بِإِيْمَانٍ: بَادِرِي إِلَى الشَّفَاعَةِ وَأَسْرِعِي فِي الطَّلْبَةِ، يَا وَالِدَةَ الْإِلَهِ، الْمُتَشَفِّعَةَ دَائِمًا بِمَكْرَمِيكَ.</p>
<p align="center"><b>THE EPISTLE (For the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost)</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>الرسالة (للأحد السابع بعد العنصرة)</b></p>
<p><i>O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance. Unto Thee, O Lord, will I cry, O my God!</i></p> <p align="center"><b>The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (15:1-7)</b></p> <p>Brethren, we who are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let each one of us please his neighbor for that which is good for his edification. For Christ also did not please Himself; but, as it is written: "The reproaches of those who</p>	<p>خَلِّصْ يَا رَبُّ شَعْبَكَ وَبَارِكْ مِيراثَكَ. إِلَيْكَ يَا رَبُّ أَصْرُخُ إِلَهِي. فَصَلِّ مِنْ رِسَالَةِ الْقَدِّيسِ بُولْسِ الرَّسُولِ إِلَى أَهْلِ رُومِيَّةَ. يَا إِخْوَةَ، يَجِبُ عَلَيْنَا نَحْنُ الْأَقْوِيَاءَ أَنْ نَحْتَمِلَ وَهَنَ الضُّعْفَاءِ وَلَا نُرْضِيَ أَنْفُسَنَا. فَلْيُرْضِ كُلُّ وَاحِدٍ مِنَّا قَرِيبَهُ لِلْخَيْرِ، لِأَجْلِ الْبُنْيَانِ. فَإِنَّ الْمَسِيحَ لَمْ يُرْضِ</p>

<p>reproached Thee fell on Me.” For whatever was written beforehand was written for our learning, that we might have hope, through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures. Now may the God of patience and comfort grant you to be of the same mind with one another, according to Christ Jesus, that with one accord and one mouth you may glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, receive one another, even as Christ has also received you, to the glory of God.</p>	<p>نَفْسَهُ، وَلَكِنْ كَمَا كُتِبَ "تَغْيِيرَاتُ مُعْيَرِكَ وَقَعَتْ عَلَيَّ." لِأَنَّ كُلَّ مَا كُتِبَ مِنْ قَبْلُ، إِنَّمَا كُتِبَ لِتَعْلِيمِنَا، لِيَكُونَ لَنَا الرَّجَاءُ بِالصَّبْرِ وَبِتَغْيِيَةِ الْكُتُبِ. وَلْيُعْطِكُمْ إِلَهُ الصَّبْرِ وَالتَّغْيِيَةِ أَنْ تَكُونُوا مُتَّقِي الْأَرَاءِ فِيمَا بَيْنَكُمْ، بِحَسَبِ الْمَسِيحِ يَسُوعَ. حَتَّى إِنَّكُمْ بِنَفْسٍ وَاحِدَةٍ وَفَمٍ وَاحِدٍ تُمَجِّدُونَ اللَّهَ أَبَا رَبِّنَا يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحِ. مِنْ أَجْلِ ذَلِكَ، فَلْيَتَّخِذْ بَعْضُكُمْ بَعْضًا كَمَا اتَّخَذَكُمُ الْمَسِيحُ لِمَجْدِ اللَّهِ.</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>THE GOSPEL</b> (For the Seventh Sunday of Matthew)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">الإِنْجِيل (لِلْأَحَدِ السَّابِعِ مِنْ مَتَّى)</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (9:27-35)</b></p> <p>At that time, as Jesus passed on from there, two blind men followed him, crying aloud: “Have mercy on us, Son of David.” When He entered the house, the blind men came to Him; and Jesus said to them, “Do you believe that I am able to do this?” They said to Him, “Yes, Lord.” Then He touched their eyes, saying, “According to your faith be it done to you.” And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly charged them, “See that no one knows it.” But they went away and spread His fame through all that district. As they were going away, behold, a dumb demoniac was brought to Him. And when the demon had been cast out, the dumb man spoke; and the crowds marveled, saying, “Never was anything like this seen in Israel.” But the Pharisees said, “He casts out demons by the prince of demons.” And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every infirmity.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>فَصَلُّ شَرِيفٌ مِنْ بَشَارَةِ الْقَدِيسِ مَتَّى الْإِنْجِيلِيِّ الْبَشِيرِ وَالتَّلْمِيذِ الطَّاهِرِ. (٢٧:٩-٣٥)</b></p> <p>فِي ذَلِكَ الزَّمَانِ، فِيمَا يَسُوعُ مُجْتَازٌ، تَبِعَهُ أَعْمِيَانِ يَصِيحَانِ وَيَقُولَانِ: اِرْحَمْنَا يَا ابْنَ دَاوُدَ. فَلَمَّا دَخَلَ الْبَيْتَ، دَنَا إِلَيْهِ الْأَعْمِيَانِ، فَقَالَ لَهُمَا يَسُوعُ: هَلْ تُؤْمِنَانِ أَنِّي أَفْعَلُ ذَلِكَ؟ فَقَالَا لَهُ: نَعَمْ، يَا رَبُّ. حَيْثُ نَزِدُ لَمَسَ أَعْيُنَهُمَا قَائِلًا: كَأَيْمَانِكُمَا فَلْيَكُنْ لَكُمَا. فَاثْفَتَحَتْ أَعْيُنُهُمَا. فَاثْتَهَرَهُمَا يَسُوعُ قَائِلًا: انظُرَا، لَا يَعْزَمُ أَحَدٌ. فَلَمَّا خَرَجَا، شَهَرَاهُ فِي تِلْكَ الْأَرْضِ كُلِّهَا. وَبَعْدَ خُرُوجِهِمَا، قَدَّمُوا إِلَيْهِ أُخْرَسَ بِهِ شَيْطَانٌ. فَلَمَّا أَخْرَجَ الشَّيْطَانَ، تَكَلَّمَ الْأُخْرَسُ. فَتَعَجَّبَتِ الْجُمُوعُ قَائِلِينَ: لَمْ يَطْهَرْ قَطُّ مِثْلُ هَذَا فِي إِسْرَائِيلَ. أَمَّا الْفَرِيسِيُّونَ فَقَالُوا: إِنَّهُ بِرَبِّيسِ الشَّيَاطِينِ يُخْرِجُ الشَّيَاطِينِ. وَكَانَ يَسُوعُ يَطُوفُ الْمُدُنَ كُلِّهَا وَالْقُرَى، يُعَلِّمُ فِي مَجَامِعِهِمْ، وَيَكْرِزُ بِبَشَارَةِ الْمَلَكُوتِ، وَيَشْفِي كُلَّ مَرَضٍ وَكُلَّ ضَعْفٍ فِي الشَّعْبِ.</p>
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• *The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom continues as usual.*

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>THE DISMISSAL</b></p> <p><b>Priest:</b> May He Who rose from the dead, Christ our true God, through the intercessions of His all-immaculate and all-blameless holy Mother;</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>الْخَتْم</b></p> <p><b>الكاهن:</b> أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ إِلَهُنَا الْحَقِيقِي، يَا مَنْ قَامَ مِنْ بَيْنِ الْأَمْوَاتِ، بِشَفَاعَاتِ أُمِّكَ الْكُلِّيَّةِ الطَّاهِرَةِ وَالْبَرِيَّةِ</p>
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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, John 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 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 Hieromartyr Phocas, bishop of Sinope; Hieromartyrs Apollinaris and Vitalis, bishops of Ravenna; Martyr Apollonius of Rome; and the Holy Prophet Ezekiel**, 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.

مِنْ كُلِّ عَيْبٍ؛ وَبُقْدَرَةِ الصَّالِبِ الْكَرِيمِ الْمُحْيِي؛  
وَبِطَبَابَاتِ الْقُوَّاتِ السَّمَاوِيَّةِ الْمُكْرَمَةِ الْعَادِمَةِ  
الْأَجْسَادِ؛ وَالنَّبِيِّ الْكَرِيمِ السَّابِقِ الْمَجِيدِ يُوْحَنَّا  
الْمَعْمَدَانَ؛ وَالْقَدِيسِينَ الْمُشْرَفِينَ الرُّسُلِ الْجَدِيرِينَ  
بِكُلِّ مَدِيحٍ؛ وَأَبِينَا الْجَلِيلِ فِي الْقَدِيسِينَ يُوْحَنَّا الذَّهَبِيِّ  
الْقَمِّ رَئِيسِ أَسَاقِفَةِ الْقُسْطَنْطِينِيَّةِ، كَاتِبِ هَذِهِ الْخِدْمَةِ  
الشَّرِيفَةِ، وَالْقَدِيسِينَ الْمَجِيدِينَ الشُّهَدَاءِ الْمُتَأَلِّقِينَ  
بِالظَّفَرِ؛ وَأَبَائِنَا الْأَبْرَارِ الْمُتَوَشِّحِينَ بِاللَّهِ؛ وَالْقَدِيسِ  
(ة) (فُلَانِ، فُلَانَةِ) شَفِيعِ(ة) وَحَامِي(ة) هَذِهِ  
الرَّعِيَّةِ الْمُقَدَّسَةِ؛ وَالْقَدِيسِينَ الصِّدِّيقِينَ جَدِّي الْمَسِيحِ  
الْإِلَهِي، يُوَاكِمِ وَحَنَّةً؛ وَالْقَدِيسِ فَوْقَا أُسْقَفِ سِينُوبِيِّ؛  
وَالشَّهِيدِينَ فِي الْكَهَنَةِ أَبُوْنَارِيْسِ وَفِتَالِي أُسْقَفِي  
رَافِيْنَا؛ وَالشَّهِيدِ أَبُوْلُونِيُوسِ الرُّومِيِّ؛ وَالْقَدِيسِ النَّبِيِّ  
حَزَقِيَالِ، الَّذِينَ نُعْقِمُ تَذَكَارَهُمُ الْيَوْمَ وَجَمِيعِ قَدِيسِيكَ،  
إِرْحَمْنَا وَخَلِّصْنَا بِمَا أَنْتَ صَالِحٌ وَمُحِبُّ الْبَشَرِ.

**Priest:** Through the prayers of our holy fathers, Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy upon us and save us.

الْكَاهِنُ: بِصَلَوَاتِ آبَائِنَا الْقَدِيسِينَ، أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ يَسُوعُ  
الْمَسِيحُ الْهُنَا، اِرْحَمْنَا وَخَلِّصْنَا.

**Choir:** Amen.

الجوقة: آمين.

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**ANNIVERSARY OR OUR DEPARTED FOR THIS SUNDAY**

<b>DAY</b>	<b>NAME OF THE DEPARTED</b>	<b>ANNIVERSARY</b>
18	Moses Chamandy	48
18	George Zidde	33
19	Badawi Sabbouh	9
19	Edward Dabous	47
19	Nellie Deratnay	36
19	Nawal Jahshan	25
20	Jerries Qaqish	48
20	Alice Sayegh	20
20	Seham Al Bajali Henn	16
22	George Joussef Haddad	33
22	Tawfiq Khoury	32
23	Sarah Haddad	8
23	Doris Haick	33
23	Hanna Makhoul	22

- **Please**, 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 LIGHT**

- **Aug 13** In loving memory of **Nahida Irbib** from Nadim Irbib and family.
- **Aug 19:** In loving memory of **Nehmatallah Kerba** from his daughter Marie Kerba Gharghoury.

**SCHOLARSHIPS FUNDS**

- Scholarship funds made available to students attending college and university from our parish. Prospective applicants must be active in the life of the church. Applications are available at the church office. Deadline for acceptance is **August 14, 2023**. The following is a list of available scholarship funds:

**ALEXANDER & ROSE YOUNES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**ISSA KHOURY SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**FOUAD EL-HAGE SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

**ORTANSE EL-HAGE SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

## SALIM ELIAS ZABANA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

## RAMI & JOANIE YOUNES SCHOLARSHIP DONATION

**Please see attached application.**

### **GOLF TOURNAMENT 2023**

- On behalf of the Golf Committee, we are happy to announce that we had a successful tournament last year and are looking forward to seeing everyone again this year, in support of our Scholarship Program for Camp Transfiguration. Our St. George Golf Classic is now in its 26th Year and would love to see you all there. If you don't golf no problem, please join us for dinner. There are many ways to sponsor the golf whether it is one of our many sponsors or support with raffle prizes.

**Where: Caledon Woods Golf course in Bolton**

**When: August 1, 2023**

**Time: Registration opens at 11 am and Shotgun at 1pm.**

We have also made it easier to register online as well. Please click on the following link below to register for your sponsorship, golfing and dinner.

**Sponsorships**  
HOLE SPONSOR **\$750**  
CORPORATE SPONSOR **\$1,500**  
PLATINUM SPONSOR **\$2,500**  
DIAMOND SPONSOR **\$5,000**  
DOUBLE DIAMOND **\$10,000**

**\$300**  
Includes golf, golf cart, gift, lunch at halfway and dinner.  
\*100 for dinner only.

Proceeds to help fund underprivileged kids to Camp and support other St. George charitable initiatives.

**Caledon Woods Golf Club**  
15608 Regional Road 50  
Bolton, ON, L7E 3E5  
(905) 880-1210

**Contact: Aftim Nassar**  
aftim.nassar@gmail.com  
(416) 895-2767

**Buy Tickets – The 26th Annual St. George Golf Classic – Caledon Woods Golf Club**

[app.tickettailor.com](http://app.tickettailor.com)

We look forward to seeing you there! If you have any questions please reach out to Aftim Nassar 416-895-2767 or by email at [aftim.nassar@gmail.com](mailto:aftim.nassar@gmail.com)

## **2023 SOCCER TOURNAMENT SEPTEMBER 1-3**

- This year Saint George Montreal is Hosting 20<sup>th</sup> annual soccer tournament. If you are a good soccer player (Male or Female) over 16 years old and like to participate, please text one of the following people. **Wissam El-Bouri: 416-389-4937 or Adel Shami: 416-846-8001 or Nabil Tahan: 647-864-6117.** More information is available in the flyer. Please check it out if you are interested.

## **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.**

## **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.**

## **BLESSING OF HOMES**

- Father Georges is visiting our parishioners and blessing their homes. If you like to have your home blessed, please call Fr. Georges 416-725-2888 or email the office [info@stgeorgeantiochianchurch.org](mailto:info@stgeorgeantiochianchurch.org) with your name and address. Father prefers that those who live in apartment's building to arrange for few apartments to be blessed together.

## **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.

## **TEEN SOYO**

- **SOYO = Society of Orthodox Youth Organizations We are a dynamic group of Orthodox Christians that provides teens the opportunity to grow spiritually with fellow SOYO members within the community.**  
**We focus on Spiritual, Fundraising, and Bonding Activities for ages 13-18**

**Are you between the ages of 13-18?**

**Do you want to get involved?**

**Do you want to see behind the scene photos?**

**Do you have any questions?**

**Join our WhatsApp group for direct communication for all our events.**

**Contact your Youth Advisors!**

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(Psalm 112:5)**

## **The Blessing**

*By Metropolitan Saba (Isper)*

Father Dmitri Dudko (a Russian priest who was arrested and tortured with electric shocks in the late 1970s) tells the story of a seven-year-old girl who once came to a church asking for the sacrament of confession. Father Dmitri marveled at the little girl and asked to himself, “What sins does this angel have to confess?!” However, her attitude, which was revealed in her conversation with the priest, was very powerful and prompted her to shed tears of spiritual joy, stemming from the pain of the Cross and the hope of the Resurrection, at the same time. The sin she wanted to confess was having to wear the handkerchief of the atheist “Pioneers” organization (an obligatory school organization for children during communism in the Soviet Union) around her neck while she was in school. However, she remedied the situation by dipping the handkerchief in the holy water basin, which is in the church, before coming to the priest and asking his blessing to put the handkerchief around her neck.

This child’s behavior indicates true, authentic, and ingrained Orthodox piety in her family. Otherwise, how could she do what she did, in light of the strict monitoring of the churches by the “Pioneers” during that period? Orthodox upbringing teaches us to seek the Church’s blessing before undertaking any important work. The true believer does not undertake any important action without prior blessing. This is an important tradition in the Orthodox Church.

The relationship that binds believers to their spiritual fathers is a familial relationship in the spiritual sense. From here, the believer seeks the blessing of the Lord, which he finds in the blessing of his spiritual father. This protects the believer from deceptive pride and protects him from personal moods and pathological delusions. Self-reliance, on the spiritual path, exposes a person to fall into the trap of discretion, so he does what he inclines himself to do and what is in accordance with his mood and nature, even if it is harmful to him, whether he knows it or not.

This discussion leads us to a little insight into our current spiritual reality. The relationship that is supposed to be established between the believers and their shepherds is a spiritual relationship that aims at the salvation of all. The shepherd’s main concern is the salvation of his flock, one by one. From this standpoint, he takes care of them with love, tenderness, and patience. Their salvation is before him at all times. For their salvation, the priest draws up his plan and guidance. He is a spiritual father, first and foremost. And if the world is reducing the Church to a



social institution, and priests, to social workers, then the clergy and laity must correct this misperception.

The Church is a spiritual hospital and a ship of salvation. Following the example of her master, she seeks to heal the sick, feed the hungry, and do everything involved in what we call today the betterment of humanity and society. But, following the example of her master, she is also called, before anything else, to the salvation of souls, the forgiveness of sins, and the healing of souls and bodies. “Your sins are forgiven,” the Lord Jesus said to the paralytic before He healed Him of his physical infirmity (Mark 2:5).

The true believer seeks God’s blessing through the Church before anything else. Acts of love are an embodiment of man’s total commitment and a visible expression of man’s spiritual salvation. But if the Church fixates on this visible level of expression, then it becomes an institution of this age, and it loses the ability to provide true consolation. By virtue of its formation, as the living Body of Christ, the Church is not an institution of this world, regardless of how highly it is viewed by society. Her calling is to return this world to the bosom of God, its Father, and to restore the lost Paradise. It is a place in which the Kingdom of Heaven must be experienced, through which Christ opens the Kingdom’s doors to humanity. Otherwise, it is anything but the Church of Christ.

What is called social work today must be at the service of spiritual work, and not the other way around. The love for the sons and daughters of my flock, whom the Lord has entrusted to me—and my gratitude goes to Him—leads me to take care of them with all my strength and ability. My love for them and their salvation pushes me to provide what I can and what the Church can for their needs. Sometimes I may be able, and at other times, I may not; but their spiritual, moral, and psychological care is always within my ability.

Believers are called, in turn, to live in the spirit of salvation and to help their spiritual fathers work for their salvation. One of the signs of deviation among us is that many people deal with the Church as a social place that provides them with human warmth. This is not wrong, but it is not sufficient. The Church is, first of all, a body aiming at the salvation of human beings and all Creation. Most believers want to keep the Church on the ground level. They do not rise to the level of the Gospel, and they do not want the Church to remind them of this lofty call. They are satisfied with the various social and humanitarian activities, believing that they have fulfilled in their lives the Gospel of Christ. Isn’t the clearest sign the decline in the practice of the sacrament of repentance and confession?

When St. John the Baptist sent some of his messengers to the Lord, asking Him, “Are you the One who comes, or are we waiting for another?” Jesus answered them, “Go back and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor are given good news. Blessed is he who does not lose faith in Me” (Matthew 11:5–7).

Many follow the path of salvation, but are there many eyes that see and ears that hear?

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Holy Services at St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church – Toronto.

Month: **July 2023**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Service</b>
Saturday July 1 <sup>st</sup>	4:00 p.m.	Confessions
	5:00 p.m.	Great Vespers
Sunday July 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9:00 a.m.	Orthros
	10:30 a.m.	Divine Liturgy – 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Matthew
Thursday July 6 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p.m.	Divine Liturgy – Great Martyr Kyriake
Saturday July 8 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 p.m.	Confessions
	5:00 p.m.	Great Vespers
Sunday July 9 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 a.m.	Orthros
	10:30 a.m.	Divine Liturgy – 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Matthew
Tuesday July 11 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 p.m.	Orthros
	7:00 p.m.	Divine Liturgy – St. Paisios the Athonite
Saturday July 15 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 p.m.	Confessions
	5:00 p.m.	Great Vespers
Sunday July 16 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 a.m.	Orthros
	10:30 a.m.	Divine Liturgy – Holy Fathers of the 4 <sup>th</sup> Ecumenical Council
Wednesday July 19 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 p.m.	Orthros
	7:00 p.m.	Divine Liturgy - Prophet Elias (Elijah)
Saturday July 22 <sup>nd</sup>	4:00 p.m.	Confessions
	5:00 p.m.	Great Vespers
Sunday July 23 <sup>rd</sup>	9:00 a.m.	Orthros
	10:30 a.m.	Divine Liturgy – 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Matthew
Wednesday July 26 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 p.m.	Orthros
	7:00 p.m.	Divine Liturgy - Panteleimon the Great Martyr
Saturday July 29 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 p.m.	Confessions
	5:00 p.m.	Great Vespers
Sunday July 30 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 a.m.	Orthros
	10:30 a.m.	Divine Liturgy – 8 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Matthew

# JULY

## SACRAMENTAL SERVICES SCHEDULE

**SAT 01**

CONFESSIONS 4:00 PM  
GREAT VESPERS 5:00 PM

**SUN 02**

ORTHROS 9:00 AM  
DIVINE LITURGY 10:30 AM  
*4th Sunday of Matthew*

**THU 06**

DIVINE LITURGY 7:00 PM  
*Great Martyr Kyriake*

**SAT 08**

CONFESSIONS 4:00 PM  
GREAT VESPERS 5:00 PM

**SUN 09**

ORTHROS 9:00 AM  
DIVINE LITURGY 10:30 AM  
*5th Sunday of Matthew*

**TUE 11**

ORTHROS 6:00 PM  
DIVINE LITURGY 7:00 PM  
*St. Paisios the Athonite*

**SAT 15**

CONFESSIONS 4:00 PM  
GREAT VESPERS 5:00 PM

**SUN 16**

ORTHROS 9:00 AM  
DIVINE LITURGY 10:30 AM  
*Holy Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council*

**WED 19**

ORTHROS 6:00 PM  
DIVINE LITURGY 7:00 PM  
*Prophet Elias (Elijah)*

**SAT 22**

CONFESSIONS 4:00 PM  
GREAT VESPERS 5:00 PM

**SUN 23**

ORTHROS 9:00 AM  
DIVINE LITURGY 10:30 AM  
*7th Sunday of Matthew*

**WED 26**

ORTHROS 6:00 PM  
DIVINE LITURGY 7:00 PM  
*Panteleimon the Great Martyr*

**SAT 29**

CONFESSIONS 4:00 PM  
GREAT VESPERS 5:00 PM

**SUN 30**

ORTHROS 9:00 AM  
DIVINE LITURGY 10:30 AM  
*8th Sunday of Matthew*

ST. GEORGE ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

9116 Bayview Ave, Richmond Hill, ON

Activities at St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church – Toronto.

Month: **July 2023**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Location</b>
Saturday July 1 <sup>st</sup>	5:30 – 7:30 pm	Basketball for the Adults	Gym at St. George Centre
June 29 <sup>th</sup> to July 2 <sup>nd</sup>		Parish Life Conference (PLC)	St. Elias - Syracuse

Thursday July 6 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 – 11 pm	Soccer Practice	Gym at St. George Centre
Friday July 7 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 – 11:30 pm	Families Gathering & Sports	Gym at St. George Centre
Saturday July 8 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 – 6:00 pm	Half-day Camp for the Sunday School	Church and Gym
	5:30 – 7:30 pm	Basketball for the Adults	Gym at St. George Centre

Thursday July 13 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 – 11:00 pm	Soccer Practice	Gym at St. George Centre
Friday July 14 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 – 11:30 pm	Families Gathering & Sports	Gym at St. George Centre
Saturday July 15 <sup>th</sup>	5:30 – 7:30 pm	Basketball for the Adults	Gym at St. George Centre

Thursday July 20 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 – 11:00 pm	Soccer Practice	Gym at St. George Centre
Friday July 21 <sup>st</sup>	7:30 – 11:30 pm	Families Gathering & Sports	Gym at St. George Centre
Saturday July 22 <sup>nd</sup>	5:30 – 7:30 pm	Basketball for the Adults	Gym at St. George Centre

Thursday July 27 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 – 11:00 pm	Soccer Practice	Gym at St. George Centre
Friday July 28 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 – 11:30 pm	Families Gathering & Sports	Gym at St. George Centre
Saturday July 29 <sup>th</sup>	5:30 – 7:30 pm	Basketball for the Adults	Gym at St. George Centre



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