

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AUGUST 19, 2018

**“NEW FACES” RECEPTION
JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP FOLLOWING THE LITURGY:**

After the Divine Liturgy today, our Welcoming Ministry Team will host the coffee hour in honor of our new members and “new faces” from over the course of the past two years.



All new members or ‘new faces’ (those who may be considering joining the church, at any stage in the process): **please pick up a carnation** from one of the ushers at the candle stand in the narthex, as you come into Liturgy or as you go down to the fellowship hall afterwards.

We also ask all members of our parish to introduce yourselves to those wearing carnations whom you haven’t had a chance to meet or greet and personally to welcome them to our wonderful church family.

Welcome to our St. George New Faces and their families: July 2017 – August 2018

Amini, Muza and Feleg Mehari, Ezra	D'Ambrosio, Justine Deek, Dr. Joseph	Freeman, Ronald and Loni Friend, Timothy
Arbuckle, Michael and Audrey	Edwards, Billy and Victoria, Ja'Mya	Ghobrial, Angie, Gina Eskandar Ginn, Jessi, Jeremiah
Azakie, Dr. Tony and Emily, Sasha	Fadoul, Anthony	Goia, Romeo and Ancuta
Bandak, Carlos	Frank, Andy	Robert Green
Bastani, Haya	Frank, Chris and Andrea Skimos	Grey, Alla
Bereket, Efrem and Rahwa Hadgu, Mikam Efrem	Frank, Michael and Caitlin	Grotzinger, Michael
Linda Burkett	Frank, Michelle	Harnashevich, Alesia
Catanoiu, Alex and Jenny, Maria, David	Frank, Ron	Hopkins, David and Amanda
	Frank, Vicki	Johnson, Helen

Kachur, Nataliya
Kahoush, Issa and Nawal and
family
Khoury, Nawar
Kojouharov, Dr. Anton and Dr.
Daniela Djodjeva
Kovalenko, Anna
Lee, Sherry
Lesin, Aleksey and Mariia
Lieberman, Gary
Livingston, David and Candace
Lyon, Matthew and Rachel,
Enoch, Elisha, Joshua
Mason, Ben and Megan, Alma,
Ruby

McClary, Dean
Mercho, Elias and Elsy Taza,
Leah, Fouad
Michael, Eyob and Yodit Habte
Minnefield, Veronica
O'Brien, Catherine
Osinnie, Natasha
Phillips, Anna, Elizabeth
Phillips, Brian and Sarah
Quigley, Neil and Aleksandra
Andropova, Misha, Quentyn
Redding, Heather
Robinson, Mary
Schoeff, Caroline
Seat, Christopher

Smith, Andre and Kana, Ken,
Charlotte
Sparzo, Mark
Sproull, Christine
Trissler, Karen
Tullis, Scott and Maureen
Velazquez, Jorge and Leela
Vershaw, Jill
Volyk, Sasha
Warner, Kelly
Watson, Aaron and Ashley,
Owen
Zaki, Peter and Sara Guirguis
And anyone else we missed or
who is visiting today

ST. GEORGE DAY AT CHIC-FIL-A

**Any time Monday, August 20
14647 Thatcher Ln, Carmel**

Get ready for some "CHIKIN," and **let them know you support St. George Church before you order**, so they will donate a portion of our sales to help send our parish kids to Antiochian Village Camp! We hope to see everyone there for fun and a good cause!



PARISH OUTING TO THE MOVIE: AN INTERVIEW WITH GOD

This movie appears to be interesting and, certainly, a conversation starter. It will have very limited showings. **Liza Nahas has already purchased a block of 25 discounted tickets**, so we won't have to stand in line individually or worry about the theatre being sold out. **Contact Liza at (317) 797-2966 or lizanahas@yahoo.com** to get tickets from her.

We will **meet at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, August 22, at Regal Galaxy 14, 8105 E 96th Street. (This will replace vespers on Wednesday, Aug. 22.)**

St. George Orthodox Church

Spirit Day

Monday, August 20th, 2018

6:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.



Dine at Chick-fil-A at Westfield on the date listed above and we will donate 20% of your sales to benefit St. George Orthodox Church!

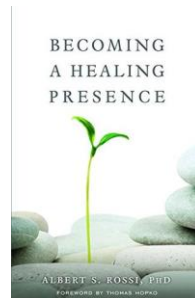
Don't forget to tell your cashier that you are here to support their Spirit Day!

Thank you for your support!



THE LADIES OF ST. GEORGE INVITE YOU TO READ A GOOD BOOK THIS SUMMER

The Ladies of St. George are reading the book *Becoming a Healing Presence* (copies are available in our bookstore) by Albert S. Rossi, with a **group discussion to be held at 7 pm on August 27** at the home of Christy Roberts (3254 Smokey Ridge Way, Carmel). All ladies are welcome to join us, but kindly RSVP to ccrwildcat28@hotmail.com



In order to become a healing presence for others, we must first be healed ourselves—through an active relationship with the great Healer, Christ. Drawing on the teachings of the Fathers and saints of the Church, Dr. Rossi gently points the way toward deepening our love for God and for each other so that others may experience Christ through us.



UPDATE FROM TEEN SOYO

The Pop Machine is now working, at the bottom of the back stairs. Our teens maintain the pop machine, with proceeds helping to fund their projects.

The Teens' service project this month is to help out at GreekFest this Saturday. Please see President Katie Sankey or Advisors Jason and Christy Roberts and Julia Beck for more information.

REACHING OUT TO OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS

One of the several ministries that are being taken on by our Ladies of St. George is outreach to our college students. Parents or students: please send us the contact information for our St. George college students, so that we may keep in touch while they're in school! Please send to Donna Dickinson at ddickinson25@aol.com or the church office:

***Student name, Address & E-mail address,
Favorite candy/snack, any food allergies, Birthday***

The Orthodox Christian Fellowship at **Ball State University**—which our parish sponsors—will have regular **meetings every Thursday, starting this week**. We gather at 6:30 pm at the Christian Campus House (1411 W Riverside Ave, adjacent to the campus) for prayer, dinner and discussion.



Do you pray with Faith?
You're heard!
Do you repent with Faith?
You're granted mercy!
Do you confess with Faith?
You're forgiven!
Are you patient with Faith?
You're sanctified!

Elder Yermanos Stavrovouniotis



The Orthodox Family - by Archbishop Chrysostomos

The Orthodox Church exalts the family. The Church itself is often characterized by the Fathers in images drawn from the family. In the family, as in the Church, basic values are formed, the soul is shaped and established, and the path of salvation is set forth. The family is that warm place where the leaven of the Faith is nurtured, where we first begin to rise to full life in Christ.

The Orthodox family, however, is always understood in its spiritual context. It is a spiritual unit. The selfish, social family, which triumphs the rights or privileges of blood ties, is for us Orthodox not a true family. An economic unit that uses family relationships to attain worldly possessions or wealth; the social unit turned in on itself, making the family responsible only for itself, that family which is a "god," the single most important thing in life, that thing most worth fighting for-these, too, are not families for the Orthodox believer. As exalted and sacred as the family might be, our first loyalty as true Christians is to God. Anything which comes before Christ, to paraphrase Holy Scripture, is not worthy of Christ. Anyone who places the priorities of the family before the Church and the commandments is a cultist, betraying both the Church and the authentic family. A true family is not worldly. A true family is an Icon of the Church and the brotherhood of all mankind. A true family does not confine its love to those within its boundaries, but extends to its neighbors (and even its enemies) the love which has been developed, cultivated, and refined within the family.

In contemporary America the social family, the family created without spiritual goals, is turning ugly. On Christmas and holidays, for example, we gather in our homes, ignore the poor, resent the "intrusion" of friends and acquaintances into our food- and drink-filled festivities, and pay homage to Christ or the theme of the holiday in perfunctory services or commemorations designed around the family activities-if any homage is paid at all. We have abandoned, to a great extent, the custom of visiting the infirm and needy on holidays. Rather, we have turned to a social selfishness that extends out from these holidays to the whole year, poisoning and killing society itself, making people cold, alien, and insensitive to others. And even the family itself suffers. Family members embrace, relate to one another in empty and inane exchanges of words, and often hide their need for real love and affection-for the true love and affection known only to the spiritual family, to that family which reaches beyond itself. Thus the model American family which so shocks us Christians, but which predominates in the society around us: a family beset by drug abuse, alcohol, the killing comforts of wealth and material gain, divorce, and even suicide!

Just as an army trains soldiers to battle the enemy for the sake of the homeland, so the true family, the Orthodox family, endows its children with the spiritual armor by which they can overcome temptation, battle sin, live exemplary and moral lives, gain union here on earth with God, fulfill the divine potential within man, and pass into the next life with the spiritual power to pray for family members left behind. A true Orthodox family teaches love to its members-that intuitive, spontaneous

love natural to blood relations-and encourages them to go out into the world sharing this love with others and perfecting it to whatever degree possible. A true family moves out beyond itself. If family members should gain wealth or fame, these are secondary things. These accomplishments are measured only by the primary contribution that they make to the Church, to society in general, and to the fulfillment of Christian ideals. And if a family member should embrace monasticism, it is for this individual that the Church reserves the greatest praise: for one who can, without the reinforcement of family ties and the comfort of marital affection, show and give love unselfishly; for one who can, living in poverty, produce richness in his soul and heart; for one who can, in the face of the world's ridicule and scorn, maintain inner dignity; for one who can, though separated from his family, show more real love, in his prayers and example, than those present to it.

There could be nothing more pristine than the true Orthodox family. It is, after all, the crucible in which the elements of whole persons are formed. We should exalt such a family and pray that God will make us worthy to lead and to establish such families. At the same time, we must be careful not to accept as a true family that which is false! We must guard against mere social views of the family. And those families wrongly formed and wrongly operating we must call-by the power of love that even they have in their midst-back to the Christian image of the family that we see in the lives of Christ, the Theotokos, the Apostles, and the Martyrs and Saints.



Friday, Sep. 21 • 5 – 10 pm

Saturday, Sep. 22 • 1 – 10 pm

Sunday, Sep. 23 • 1 – 5 pm

“Sharing our heritage of Faith, food, music and hospitality from the Middle East and various cultures in our church family”

**Sign up to Work at the Festival Now,
and Get Free Parking**

As you enjoy your coffee today, please find the Festival information table to sign up to work, get coupon books, flyers, etc.

We need everybody to help in preparing for and working at the Festival. **Please see Christy Roberts today.**

Signing up to work at the Festival will also get you a pass for free parking. *If you sign up to work an entire day (because there can be no car traffic during Festival hours), you can even park in the church parking lot.*

Festival Mission:

- 1. Outreach – Information to the community about Orthodoxy and our parish**
- 2. Inreach – Fellowship among our own parishioners**
- 3. Fundraising – for our mortgage and for future growth**

Sign up to Volunteer

- At Church Coffee Hour
- Or on Sign up Genius
<https://tinyurl.com/stgfest-volunteer>

- Or Contact Christy Roberts
843-822-0684
ccrwildcat28@hotmail.com

Thank You to the many hands who helped make Kafta yesterday!
We finished in great time. Many hands do make light work.

UPCOMING FESTIVAL WORKDAYS

- **Monday, Aug. 27:** we need 6-8 people for Falafel prep 4-7 pm – sign up with Christy Roberts
- **Tuesday, Aug. 28:** we need 6-8 people for Falafel prep 4-7 pm – sign up with Christy Roberts
- **Wednesday, Aug. 29:** we need 6-8 people for Falafel prep 4-7 pm – sign up with Christy Roberts

HELP SPREAD THE WORD

Flyers are available for you to take and help us get the word out.

- Please take flyers and posters to put wherever there's a bulletin board that allows it.
- "Like" us on Facebook at facebook.com/stgffestival - get updates, and send invites to your friends
- Get more information on our website at www.stgfest.org, where you your friends can also buy discount coupons *only until Sep. 20. People who order online can pick up their coupons at will call (in the bell tower) when they arrive.*
- Follow us on Twitter @[StGIndyFest](https://twitter.com/StGIndyFest) and Tweet about the Festival

See Vicki Mesalam for Advance Purchase Coupon Books for yourself and for gifts and to help us sell them.

Every \$25 coupon book, includes a bonus \$5 coupon.
These will not be sold during the festival. The discount is incentive only for those who buy them in advance.



If you buy books for gifts, you're welcome to take them apart and to give only as many of the individual \$5 coupons as you want.

YOUTH DANCERS FOR THE FESTIVAL ALL ARE WELCOME!

Vanessa Freije will be teaching the youth dancers. Please see her at coffee social to sign up and get fitted for costumes. All rehearsals will be after church on Sundays. Attending rehearsals is necessary if you want to dance at the Festival.

If you are interested in Dancing at the festival this year or if you any questions, please contact Vanessa Freije at (317)-823-9582.

You can reach Vanessa at vfreije95@gmail.com

FESTIVAL SPONSORSHIP: LAST CALL!

Please see Duke Haddad (dhaddad324@gmail.com), David Sumner (davidesumner@gmail.com) or Riyad Bannourah (riyadsb61@aol.com) to become a Festival sponsor or to give them leads for other businesses.

St. George Youth Dance Schedule		
SUNDAY	8/19/2018	Callout Meeting
SUNDAY	9/2/2018	Dance Practice
SUNDAY	9/9/2018	Dance Practice
SUNDAY	9/16/2018	Dress Rehearsal
FRIDAY	9/21/2018	FESTIVAL
SATURDAY	9/22/2018	FESTIVAL
SUNDAY	9/23/2018	FESTIVAL
ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN		

POSITIONS STILL OPEN FOR FALL 2018 MISSION TEAMS!

Opportunities for 2018 mission teams still exist. Orthodox women are especially needed for teams to Albania and Kenya this year. Please prayerfully consider applying today. The Orthodox Christian Mission Center needs your talents and gifts in the mission field. These short-term mission teams are an excellent way to get involved in the Church, and to have an amazing experience in the process.



9/17/2018 to 9/27/2018 - Tirana, Albania

11/19/2018 to 11/28/2018 - Nyeri, Kenya

11/28/2018 to 12/08/2018 - Nandi, Kenya

11/28/2018 to 12/08/2018 - Nairobi, Kenya

Visit https://www.ocmc.org/about/open_teams.aspx, e-mail teams@ocmc.org, or call 1-877-463-6784 for more information or to volunteer.

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GREEKFEST 2018



Friday, August 24, 4 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Saturday, August 25, 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.

Sunday, August 26, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

- Free Admission
- Authentic Food & Pastry
- Beer & Greek Wine
- Live Music & Dancing
- Open Marketplace
- Church Tours
- Bounce House City

www.indygreekfest.org



LET'S SUPPORT THE GREEKFEST TOO!

Holy Trinity's GreekFest will be August 24-26. Many of our parishioners work at the Greek Festival every year, and members of Holy Trinity are always a great help to us for our Festival in Fishers.

Let us continue to help each other and learn from each other. Please consider volunteering at the Greek Fest (as well as at our own, of course). Contact Vicki Perry at vperry001@gmail.com or (317) 409-8329

St. George Festival

"The Church on the Hill Under the Gold Dome"

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Free Bounce Village

Live Music & Dancing

Marketplace

Ethnic Foods & Desserts

Church Tours

Beer & Wine

Offsite parking is \$5 at Journey Lutheran Ministries, 10401 East 116th Street (within walking distance). Free shuttle buses will run continuously. Parking on the church premises is for Handicapped only.

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