

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAY 19, 2019

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING TODAY

The official meeting will take place in the church hall immediately following Liturgy Today *before coffee or the meal are served.*

We will have a major announcement to make in the context of the Pastor's message. Our Council Chairman will also make his remarks. Having already had the opportunity for discussion last Sunday, we will then just have approval of reports and nominations.

We need you to be at this meeting. In turn, we will keep it short. Not only do we need you for the quorum requirement; we really want you to be part of the parish 'family meeting.'

Sign-up sheets for hosting coffee hour as well as for the Church School snack are posted on the bulletin board next to the elevator. (Something simple is all that's expected, though you may do more, if you want, for a special occasion.)



Celebrating Saint George

Sunday, May 19, 2019

Following the Divine Liturgy and Parish Meeting

Roast Lamb Dinner

Prepared by the Knights of St. George

**NO Charge: the meal for this Paschal Feast has been donated anonymously.
Please just join us in honor of St. George. Free-will offerings accepted.**



TO SEND OUR YOUTH TO CAMP

During the month of May, our Campers will have coupons for Crew Car Wash, just in time for Father's Day gifting.



Coupons don't expire, and Crew will give 50% back for our youth to go to camp.

See any member of our Teen SOYO during coffee hour for Car Wash coupons.

NEED INFO. ON GRADUATES

We will present end-of-year awards on Sunday, June 2. At that time, we will also have special gifts for our high school and college graduates. Please let us know if you have a graduate, from where he/she is graduating, special awards or accomplishments, and his/her plans. Please include a photo, and send to church@stgindy.org by **May 28**.



College Scholarships Numerous scholarships for our Midwest Diocese students are listed at antiochian.org/scholarships - deadline has been extended to June 1.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP PRAYER BREAKFAST

Every Thursday, our men, the Knights of St. George, gather at Sunrise Café (9767 E 116th St, Fishers) in the Kroger Plaza, from 6:30 - 7:30 am. Those who need to be at work at 8 am should still be able to get there in time, and those who wish to linger and talk more are more than welcome to do so. Stop in as your schedule allows for morning prayer, breakfast, discussion and fellowship with your brothers.



More information and registration for the Summer Creative Arts Academy is available at creativeartsacademy.wordpress.com/

Summer Creative Arts Academy

Give Young People Ages 3 through high school the opportunity to build hands-on skills this summer!



Taught by Stefanida Luque and Annie Turano

at Sts. Constatntine and Elena Orthodox Church *3237 West 16th Street, Indianapolis

FIVE CHRISTIAN CHILDREN KILLED IN ROCKET ATTACK IN SYRIA

Will Maule | CHRISTIANHEADLINES.COM
CONTRIBUTOR | Wednesday, May 15, 2019

Five young Christian children have been killed in Syria while playing outside a monastery. The kids, aged between six and ten, were struck by a rocket attack in the northwestern Syrian town of al-Suqaylabiyah on Sunday, May 12. Those behind the attack are thought to be Islamic extremists who were specifically targeting the faith community.



"The kids went out to play after some days of calm," Father Maher Haddad, a local priest, told the Associated Press. Then, out of nowhere, there was an enormous explosion resulting in the death of the children and eight others, including a 35-year-old woman.

"The deadly silence of the persecution of the Christians of Syria. Terrorists killed 5 children and their teacher in an attack on a Sunday school in Suqaylabiyeh/Hama, in northwest Syria yesterday," noted "A Demand For Action," a group that "advocates for the protection of Assyrian/Chaldean/Syriac Christians and other minorities in the Middle East."

State news agency SANA reported that Syrian troops had fired retaliatory shells into the rebel-held area thought to be the site from which the fatal rocket was launched, according to ABC News. There is speculation that an Al-Qaeda-linked group, Hayat Tahrir al-Sham, was responsible for the attack.

The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, which reports on the atrocities occurring in Syria on a daily basis, also confirmed that children were among the dead.

According to the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, an uptick in violent clashes between Syrian government troops and various rebel factions has resulted in the death of over 120 people since April, and the displacement of some 180,000.

"The Syrian Civil War is a sad example of the indiscriminate killing of civilians and senseless violence," said Claire Evans from persecution watchdog International Christian Concern. "As the situation escalates, many have warned that an increase of targeted massacres would be the result. It has started—with Christians paying a high cost as they are often viewed as vulnerable, second-class citizens."

She added: "Their villages have become a pawn in a greater strategy for the multiple factions involved in the civil war. We must keep the families of the deceased in our prayers, and offer up continued prayers for the safety of those believers who find themselves caught between Syria's warring sides."

FOOD FOR HUNGRY PEOPLE

Please bring back your boxes *filled*. If you did not use the alms boxes, you can still support the Food for Hungry People program. Please make your donation to St. George Church, and earmark it "FFHP."



MIDWEST PARISH LIFE CONFERENCE

2019 Midwest Diocesan Parish Life Conference Lodging deadline is May 19, and Conference Registration deadline is June 10. Register at www.antiochianevents.com/toledo.html for this most affordable conference ever! The host parish has been working hard to make it possible for everyone to attend, especially families that have never before been able to attend on account of cost. You have the option to stay at a traditional hotel, but the best option is to stay at the Newman Conference Center on the Campus of the University of Illinois, where 2-bedroom suites are just \$60 for the whole family! (There are also private suites and semi-private suites). See below for more information on meal options, etc.

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me"

June 19-22, 2019 at Champaign-Urbana, Illinois

Hosted by St. Nicholas Antiochian Orthodox Church

This year we are trying something a little different.
We will take all our meals together to enhance our fellowship.

8 great meals for \$75 (kids 3-12 are ½ price)

Other meals options for late arrivals

We will worship morning and evening in the chapel where
Thomas Howard was inspired to write Splendor in the Ordinary

Where

St. John's Catholic Newman Center on the campus of the University of Illinois

Housing Option #1

Family Friendly

A family of four can stay for \$60 per night in their own suite
Singles or groups of singles can stay for as little as \$35 per person per night

Housing Option #2

Conference Hotel- Holiday Inn 104.99 per night
1½ miles from conference site • Reservations at IHG.com - conference rate code PLC

Bible Bowl Thursday evening followed by separate activities for youth and adults
Oratorical Competition Friday evening in Gregory Hall, Teen Dance to follow
Hierarchical Divine Liturgy Saturday morning, deluxe brunch & awards to follow

Great Speakers and Workshops

Bill Marianes – Why Are We Here?

How Do We Empower Engaged Disciples of Christ to Create a Consensus Vision and Strategic Plan for our Parish?

John & Carrie Colis - How Our Life in Christ Is Mission

Fr. Paul Abernathy - An Eye to See, An Ear to Hear: What is the ministry God has for me?

Molly Sabourin
Holy Motherhood

Kh Linda Ellison
Helping Those Who Grieve

John Maddex
AFR In Your Parish

Robert Snyder
Parents as Christian Educators