



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church
كنيسة القديس جاورجيوس الانطاكية الارثوذكسية

The Creator is smitten by the hand of his creatures! The Judge of the living and the dead is condemned to death on a Tree; and the Destroyer of Hades is enfolded in the grave. O long-suffering Lord, glory to Thee.



*Great and Holy Friday
Memorial Bulletin*

Friday, May 3, 2024



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church كنيسة القديس جاورجيوس الانطاكية الارثوذكسية

The Most Reverend Metropolitan **SABA, Primate**
Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America

The Right Reverend Bishop **ANTHONY, Auxiliary Bishop**
Diocese of Toledo and the Midwest

The Very Reverend Father **Fouad Saba, Pastor**

"The disciples were first called Christians in Antioch." Acts 11:26

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WEEKLY SERVICES SCHEDULE:

Saturdays: Great Vespers as announced
Sundays: 9:15am Orthros (Matins) and
10:20am Great Doxology and Divine Liturgy
Confession by Appointment

Welcome to Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church!

This Church is one community of many in the One, Holy, Catholic (Universal), and Apostolic Church. The Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church belongs to two thousand years of evangelization, teaching, history, and tradition, which express the continued commitment of its members to the Orthodox Christian faith in **The Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!** Receiving Holy Communion in this Church is to adhere and commit to the One True Church, the Orthodox Church.

Visitor(s), please feel at home in prayer and worship. Please submit your name(s) to the Ushers and introduce yourself to Father Saba at the end of the service so he may welcome you personally.

Welcome! Ahlan wa Sahlan! أهلا وسهلا!

“For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you...”

- Matthew 6:14



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The Haddad Family	Siham Issa Haddad
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The Zayed Family	Bishara and Lorette Louh, Yasmin Zayed
The Zayed Family	Isam Zayed, Yasmine Zayed
Laila Zayed and Family	Mufid Zayed, Isam Zayed
Zayed, Dalieh, Lauren, Hanna, and Joseph Zayed	Hanna Zayed Zayed, Zayed Hanna Zayed, Nicola and Jamileh Zayed, Riad Zayed

**SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR
GREAT and HOLY SATURDAY and PASCHA**

Saturday, May 4th

Vespereal Liturgy of Saint Basil at 10:00 a.m.

(“Sabt Il-Nour” — “Saturday of Light” — Anticipation Service)

Saturday, May 4th

Rush Procession and Matins

followed by PASCHAL Liturgy at 10:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 5th

Agape Vespers Service at 1:00 p.m.

Gospel Read in Various Languages



HOLY SEASON SPONSORSHIPS

Thank You!

Sincere thanks to the individuals who bought or sponsored items to be used for Great Lent, Holy Week, and Paschal services, listed below. They will be remembered during Paschal Divine Liturgy:

Flowers - First Madayeh Service	Sdn. Mazen and Souzan Rihani Sameer and Mariana Saba
Flowers - Second Madayeh Service	Daoud and Hania Kahoush and Family
Flowers - Third Madayeh Service	George and Ibtisam Imreibe and Family
Flowers - Adoration of the Cross	Suhail and Jomana Fakhouri and Family
Flowers - Fourth Madayeh Service	Anonymous
Flowers - Fifth Madayeh Service	Yasmin Haddad and Family
Palms	Elias and Maggie Akkari and Family
Wine	Laila Zayed and Family
Wreath for Cross	Elias and Maggie Akkari and Family
Flowers - Bier (Tomb of Christ)	Mourice and Hanan Mseih and Family
Flowers - Processional Bier	Mourice and Hanan Mseih and Family
Great Friday Decorations	Anonymous
Bay Leaves	Yaacoub and Antionette Akkari and Family
Paschal Church Decorating Committee	Sanaa Jdaidany and Committee
Paschal "Rush" Candles	Dr. Carlos and Marwa Bechara and Family
Paschal Clergy Candles Decorations	Kareem and Dina Khoury and Family
Paschal Flower Large Arrangements	Suhail and Jomana Fakhouri and Family
Paschal Flower Small Arrangements	Daoud and Hania Kahoush and Family
Paschal Eggs	Johny and Renata Massih and Family
Church Services	Subdeacons and Servers, All Ushers All Choir Members, Chanters, Readers
Live-Streaming of Services	Technology Committee
Paschal Breakfast	Elie and Paula Haig and Family
Paschal Breakfast Cooking	Michael Moukheiber Michael Mufarreh Raed Sweiss

ACCORDING TO TRADITION, AFTER THE CRUCIFIXION AND RESURRECTION OF CHRIST, SAINT MARY MAGDALENE WAS BROUGHT IN FRONT OF THE EMPEROR OF ROME IN THE PRESENCE OF A LARGE CROWD. ST. MARY BEGAN TALKING TO CAESAR ABOUT THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST. SHE PICKED UP AN EGG FROM THE DINNER TABLE TO ILLUSTRATE HER POINT ABOUT THE RESURRECTION. CAESAR WAS NOT CONVINCED AND REPLIED: "THERE IS MUCH CHANCE OF A HUMAN BEING RETURNING TO LIFE AS MUCH AS THERE IS A CHANCE FOR THE EGG THAT YOU HOLD TO TURN RED" IMMEDIATELY, THE EGG MIRACULOUSLY TURNED RED IN HER HAND! IT IS BECAUSE OF THIS TRADITION THAT ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS EXCHANGE RED EGGS AT EASTER.



Sunday, May 5th
Agape Vespers Service

1:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 12th

Patronal Feast of Saint George
celebrating



Name's Day for all Georges and Georgettes
Godparents' Sunday
Mothers' Day

9:15 a.m. Orthros (Matins)

10:20 a.m. Great Doxology and Divine Liturgy with Artoklasia

Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL



PASCHAL BREAKFAST



SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024

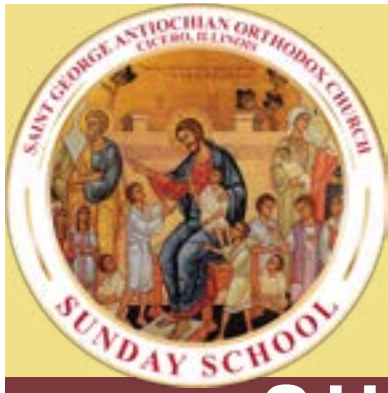
***Saturday Night* FOLLOWING PASCHAL LITURGY**



BENEFITTING NEEDY FAMILIES

THROUGH

THE ORDER OF SAINT IGNATIUS – CICERO CHAPTER



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL

Sunday School

Godparents' Sunday

SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2024

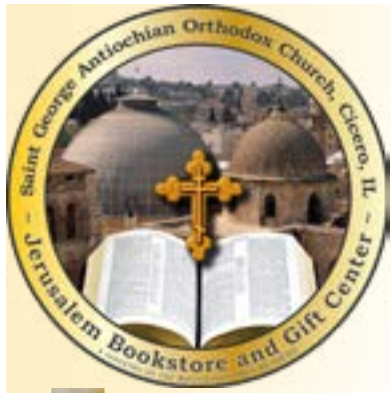
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— All GODPARENTS and GODCHILDREN —

Please sit together during Liturgy, recite the Baptismal Vows together, and join us for *refreshments, short program, and photo opportunity* after Liturgy!

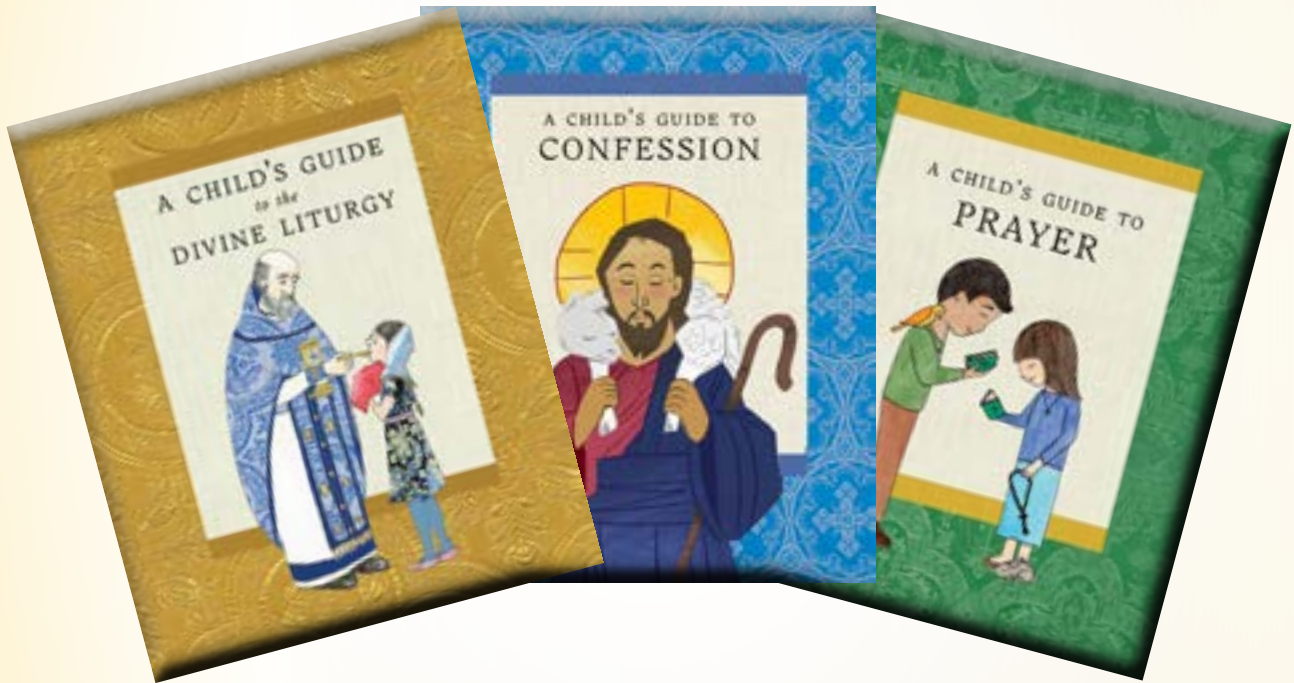


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2024

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Participate in the Sixth Annual

GRADUATION BLESSING CEREMONY

Sunday, June 9th

During Sunday Morning Services



Each participating graduate will be escorted down the Church aisle by their parents and receive a Blessing and Gift from Father Saba.

Sponsored by The Order of Saint Ignatius

To participate in the ceremony, complete the 2024 Graduate Form (online) and submit with a digital graduation photo (*cap and gown if available or formal attire headshot only*) by Friday, May 24th.

A Special Edition Graduation Bulletin will be published for the Ceremony. Non-participant 2024 Graduates may submit a graduation announcement for publication without a photo.

SAVE THE DATE



JOIN US FOR
**32ND ANNUAL IOCC
CHICAGO GRAND BANQUET**

Thursday, May 16, 2024

Cocktails 6:00 pm | Dinner 7:00 pm

NEW
LOCATION

GEORGIO'S BANQUETS

8800 West 159th Street, Orland Park, IL 60462

Please join us for an amazing evening to enjoy great fellowship and learn how your generosity helps those in need in places like Greece, the Holy Land, Ukraine, and right here in the US. Please consider contributing to IOCC by becoming an IOCC Banquet Benefactor, Sponsor, Patron, or Friend.

\$125 per person | \$1,250 per table

RSVP by Tuesday, April 30



Register at ioccc.org/Chicago



SCAN ME

The fair market value (FMV) for each ticket is \$55. Only the portion of the payment that exceeds the FMV is deductible as a charitable contribution.



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL

ANTIOCHIAN FAMILY MINISTRY

A JOINT MINISTRY OF THE ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN AND THE ANTIOCHIAN MEN



Couples' Night Out

Dinner, Games, Fellowship, and Fun
to rejuvenate after Great Lent and Pascha!

Saturday, May 18 | 7:00 pm



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\$50/Person

RSVP by
Mon, May 6



Inviting all Engaged and Married Couples,
but **ALL** are welcome...

...Married, Single, Widowed, etc.



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL

Antiochian Men (*A-MEN*) SOCCER CLUB

INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Sunday | May 19

12:30^{PM}

Orthodox
Club (NADI)



ALL Gentlemen 18+ Invited



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL

Young Adult Fellowship (YAF)

SAVE THE DATE

FRI, May 3 Great and Holy Friday
• Royal Hours Service 10:00 am 10:00 am
• Great Vespers Service 3:00 pm 3:00 pm
• Service of Lamentations 7:00 pm 7:00 pm

SAT, May 4 Great and Holy Saturday
• Vespers Liturgy of Saint Basil 10:00 am
• Rush Procession and Matins Service followed by Paschal Liturgy 10:00 pm

SUN, May 5 **Great and Holy Pascha (Easter)**
• Agape Vespers Service 1:00 pm

FRI, May 10 **YAF SOCIAL OUTING (390 GOLF EXPERIENCE)** 7:00 pm

SUN, May 12 **YAF COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP** After Liturgy

SUN, May 26 **YAF COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP** After Liturgy

SUN, Jun 9 **YAF COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP** After Liturgy

SAT, Jun 15 **Saint George Church Annual Golf Outing**

FRI, Jun 21 **YAF ELECTIONS** (End of Term Celebration and Annual YAF General Assembly Meeting) 7:30 pm

SUN, Jun 23 **YAF Coffee and Fellowship** After Liturgy

WED-SAT, Jun 26-29 **PARISH LIFE CONFERENCE**

SUN, Jul 14 **YAF Coffee and Fellowship** After Liturgy

FRI, Jul 19 **SPIRITUAL DISCUSSION** following Evening Divine Liturgy for the Feast of the Prophet Elijah 7:00 pm

SUN, Jul 28 **YAF Coffee and Fellowship** After Liturgy

TUE, Aug 6 **BIBLE STUDY** following Evening Divine Liturgy for the Feast of Transfiguration 7:00 pm

*INVITING ALL YOUNG PROFESSIONALS, YOUNG MARRIED COUPLES,
AND COLLEGE STUDENTS (AGES 18+)*



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL

Young Adult Fellowship (YAF) **SOCIAL OUTING**

390 Golf Experience

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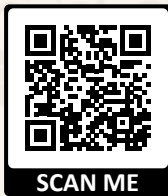
Friday | May 10
7:00 PM

\$40/PERSON

INCLUDES 3 HOURS OF GOLFING,
DINNER, AND FELLOWSHIP!

RSVP by
Mon | May 6

LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE



SCAN ME

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MARRIED COUPLES, AND
COLLEGE STUDENTS
(AGES 18+)***



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL



**FREE
EVENT!**

Teen SOYO

Mothers' Day

Cupcake Bake!

SAT | MAY 11

9:30 AM

BAKE CUPCAKES FOR MOTHERS' DAY!

**Text Any Teen
SOYO Officer
to RSVP by
Wed | May 8**



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2024 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

YOU BELONG



ON THE TREE OF LIFE



“Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.” - Matthew 6:21

“لَأَنَّهُ حَيْثُ يَكُونُ كَنْزُكُمْ هُنَاكَ يَكُونُ قَلْبُكُمْ أَيْضًا.” (مَتَّى 6:21)

What does it mean to offer our, *“FIRST FRUITS?”* We need to be very literal about this particular passage from the Bible. Before we allocate time to devote to our jobs, we must allocate time to worship God. God wants us to enjoy full and enjoyable lives on this earth, but we are called upon to do this by adhering to the teachings and practices of Orthodox Christian teachings. As we go through this year-long journey together, we ask you to open your minds and your hearts to the possibility of learning information that can transform the way you give to the church.

- PARISH MEMBER GIVING CAMPAIGN, ANTIOCHIAN ARCHDIOCESE OF NORTH AMERICA

*Register
Today*



This Membership Drive is designed to give us the opportunity to thank God for the blessings He has given to us all. If we profess belief in the Orthodox Christian faith and if we love God, we must demonstrate this through our words and our actions. In the Book of Proverbs 3:9-10, we read...

“Honor the Lord with your possessions, and with the firstfruits of all your increase; So your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will overflow with new wine.”



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2024 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE YOU BELONG!



YOU BELONG ON THE **TREE OF LIFE**

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**PICK UP A MEMBERSHIP BROCHURE
IN THE CHURCH HALL TODAY!**



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church كنيسة القديس جاورجيوس الانطاكية الارثوذكسية

Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America
Diocese of Toledo and the Midwest
Very Reverend Father Fouad Saba, Pastor

March 22, 2024

Dear Saint George Church Parishioners,

Greetings to you during this most Holy Season of Great Lent!

The Saint George Parish Council would like to inform you of an important decision made by the Parish Council regarding our collection practices during Church services. After much prayerful consideration and discussion, the Parish Council has unanimously decided to remove the collection tray from all our services.

This decision was made with the intention of enhancing our liturgical services and encouraging all parishioners to embrace the practice of tithing through membership and online giving. By transitioning away from the physical collection tray, we aim to streamline our giving process and foster a deeper sense of commitment to supporting our parish community.

We believe that this change will not only simplify our administrative procedures but also align more closely with the modern preferences and lifestyles of our parishioners. Online giving provides a convenient and secure way to contribute to the financial needs of our parish, allowing for regular and consistent support even when unable to attend services in person.

We understand that change can sometimes be challenging, but we trust that this decision will ultimately strengthen our community and our shared mission of spreading the love of Christ. Your continued support and generosity are vital to the ongoing success of our parish, and we are grateful for your commitment to our shared journey of faith.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this change, please do not hesitate to reach out to a member of the Parish Council or our Clergy. We are here to support you and ensure a smooth transition as we move forward together.

In addition, please see the enclosed letter sent to your homes earlier this month concerning the 2024 Membership Drive. Kindly review that letter and we pray that all of us will come together with a new effort this year regarding the well-being of our Church. You may scan the code on that letter to register online or see the Membership table on Sundays.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we strive to serve our parish community with excellence and integrity. Have a blessed Lenten Season!

Your servants in Christ,

V. Rev. Fr. Fouad Saba

V. Rev. Fr. Fouad Saba
Pastor

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"And they were called Christians first in Antioch" (Acts 11:26)



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church كنيسة القديس جاورجيوس الانطاكية الارثوذكسية

Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America
Diocese of Toledo and the Midwest
Very Reverend Father Fouad Saba, Pastor

March 22, 2024



Annual Membership Drive 2024: Make Your 2024 Commitment TODAY!

"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Matthew 6:21)

"لَأَنَّهُ حَيْثُ يَكُونُ كَنْزُكَ هُنَاكَ يَكُونُ قَلْبُكَ أَيْضًا." (مَتَّى 6:21)

Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ as we approach the Holy Season of Great Lent!

Membership / Stewardship is an important part of our Christian lives. It is a reflection of our faith, gratitude and love for God by sharing our time, talent, and treasure. It is recognizing that our entire life is a gift from God. It is our commitment to give back some portion of that which we have received.

Saint George Church is truly blessed with a faithful family of members who together serve God through many ministries and formed organizations. Most importantly, gathering at Sunday Services: Orthros (Matins) Service begins at 9:15 am and the Great Doxology and Divine Liturgy at 10:20 am.

The purpose of this letter is to invite you to register as a Member this year and make your annual commitment for Membership Giving. Registering as a Member annually is more than a formality; it signifies your commitment to a shared mission. If you are currently giving but not registered, thank you, you registering today will *help keep your contact information up-to-date, allows the Church to better serve you, and to make your annual Giving commitment with a prayerful increase.*

Enclosed, please find the 2024 Membership Brochure describing what the Church does, how to get involved, what are the Membership privileges, and how my Giving is used. You may register using the QR Code above or in the Brochure. Online registration offers the convenient and secure Automatic Giving Program to help streamline your giving on a weekly or monthly basis.

Committed Membership Giving in the Orthodox Christian Church is vital to continue the good work of the Church and makes a difference in continuing the mission and spreading of the Gospel. May God bless you and multiply His blessings to serve Him as good managers! We remain

Yours in Christ's Service,

V. Rev. Fr. Fouad Saba

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Pastor

Elias Akkari

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Parish Council Chairman

Karen Nawas

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Membership Committee Chairlady

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SAVE THE DATE



2024 DIOCESE OF TOLEDO PARISH LIFE CONFERENCE

All Saints and Holy Transfiguration invite you to join us for a few days of Christian fellowship, prayer, and fun for all ages. Whether you are new to the Diocese or have been attending PLCs for many years, we welcome each of you and your families. We look forward to seeing you and getting to know you at the Toledo Diocese Parish Life Conference in Chicago-Land in June 2024!

DATE

June 26-29
Wednesday - Saturday

LOCATION

Chicago Marriott Oak Brook
1401 W 22nd St, Oak Brook, IL 60523

SAVE THE DATE



SCAN ME

CHICAGO

57TH BIENNIAL

2025

Antiochian
ORTHODOX
ARCHDIOCESE CONVENTION

JULY 20-27, 2025



SUMMER BIBLE SCHOOL

MON-THURS
JUNE 17-20

9:00AM
-
5:30PM



AGES 6-12

MUST BE 6 BEFORE
JUNE 17, 2024

"I HAVE FOUGHT THE GOOD FIGHT. I HAVE FINISHED THE RACE.
I HAVE KEPT THE FAITH." -2 TIMOTHY 4:7

~~\$160~~ \$100/CAMPER
\$80/3RD SIBLING ❖

REGISTRATION DEADLINE
SUNDAY, MAY 19

REGISTER NOW



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THE SUMMER BIBLE SCHOOL IS A MINISTRY OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL ORGANIZATION





Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL

GOLF OUTING

Golfing for a purpose

Raffle



1220 South 60th Court
Cicero, IL 60804
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Office@StGeorgeChi.org
www.StGeorgeChi.org



Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church 23rd Annual **GOLF** OUTING RAFFLE

PORTION OF PROFITS TO BENEFIT



St. Jude Children's
Research Hospital



GRAND PRIZE: FLORIDA GETAWAY! INCLUDES: 4-DAY/3-NIGHT TRIP W/HOTEL AND AIRFARE FOR 2 TO ORLANDO, FLORIDA (\$2,000 VALUE)

2ND PRIZE: A DAY IN THE CITY! INCLUDES: 1-NIGHT STAY AT TRUMP INTERNATIONAL HOTEL, DINNER GIFT CARD, CRUISE ON LAKE MICHIGAN (\$1,000 VALUE)

3RD PRIZE: A DAY AT THE PARK! INCLUDES: 4 SCOUT SEAT TICKETS, YANKEES VS WHITE SOX ON AUG 12, 2024, PARKING, DINNER, AND DRINK (\$1,000 VALUE)

\$25 per ticket / 5 tickets for \$100

Drawing on Saturday, June 15, 2024 during After-Golf Social
(winner need not be present to win)

To Purchase Raffle Tickets...

- Scan the QR Code
- Contact Church Office: Office@StGeorgeChi.org or 708.656.2927
- Contact Golf Outing Committee: Golf@StGeorgeChi.org





GOLF OUTING

Golfing for a purpose
Cantigny Golf Course - Wheaton, IL

SATURDAY, JUNE 15TH

CANTIGNY GOLF COURSE
27W270 MACK RD, WHEATON, IL

REGISTRATION & CHECK IN: 11:00AM

BRUNCH & PROGRAM: 11:30AM

SHOT GUN START

AWARDS, RAFFLE DRAWING, AND COCKTAILS

\$600 PER FOURSOME*
INDIVIDUAL SPOTS AVAILABLE BY REQUEST ONLY

SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE

**SPORTS
MEMORABILIA
SILENT
AUCTION**

Portion of Profits to Benefit





Sponsorships

HIGHLIGHT YOUR COMPANY, BUSINESS, OR FAMILY'S COMMITMENT TO CHILDREN'S HEALTH AND BUILDING OUR COMMUNITY

GOLFING FOR A PURPOSE

Saint George Church is committed to supporting local and national nonprofits through fundraising efforts. This year, Saint Jude Children's Research Hospital will be the charity of choice for our 23rd Annual Golf Outing.

Premier \$20,000	Presenting \$10,000	Platinum \$5,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 Golf outing tickets • Promo material in golf bags • Premier banner position • Acknowledgement during brunch • Advertisement in golf program • <i>Weekly Bulletin</i> recognition • Company recognition on the 1st, 9th, & 18th hole • Weekly social media "Shout Out" • Weekly email blasts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 Golf outing tickets • Promo material in golf bags • Highlighted banner position • Acknowledgement during brunch • Advertisement in golf program • <i>Weekly Bulletin</i> recognition • Company recognition on the 1st, 9th, & 18th hole • Weekly social media "Shout Out" • Weekly email blasts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 Golf outing tickets • Promo material in golf bags • Spotlitged banner position • Advertisement in golf program • <i>Weekly Bulletin</i> recognition • Weekly social media "Shout Out" • Weekly email blasts
Corporate \$3,500	Patron \$2,000	Brunch \$1,000
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Beverage
\$600 - limited spots

- Logo on beverage cart
- Table tents at bar
- Spotlitged banner position
- Recognition on church website
- Recognition in *Weekly Bulletin*

Email questions to: golf@stgeorgechi.org





Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Cicero, IL

The Patronal Feast of Saint George Church

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Sunday, May 12, 2024

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Orthros (Matins) – 9:15 AM

Great Doxology and Divine Liturgy – 10:20 AM

FOLLOWED BY ARTOKLASIA

Celebrating



NAME'S
DAY OF ALL
GEORGES AND
GEORGETTES



GODPARENTS'
SUNDAY



MOTHERS' DAY

