



St George the Great Martyr
Orthodox Church

Weekly Bulletin – Sunday, November 27, 2016

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Trip to Saint Barbara's Monastery this Saturday. We will be leaving from the Church parking lot at 6am on Saturday December 3rd. We will be attending Divine Liturgy with Abp BENJAMIN as soon as we arrive, so please be sure to prepare to receive communion as usual.

No Choir Practice, Class, or Great Vespers on Saturday, December 3rd. Since Father and Matushka will be travelling with our parishioners to Saint Barbara's Monastery, there will be no activities or services at St George on Saturday. Hours and Divine Liturgy will be held as usual on Sunday morning.

Please turn in Pledge Cards next Sunday, Dec 4th

This is the time of year for each of us to prayerfully, thoughtfully and intentionally consider the gifts that God has placed in our care and to plan how we can offer it back to Him for his blessing and glory. **Please be sure to take a pledge card and return it no later than December 4th so that the parish council can get to work on our financial plans for next year.**

Annual St Nicholas Children's Christmas Party – In commemoration of St Nicholas Day, our parish will be hosting a party for our children after Liturgy next week on **December 4th**. Please contact Dn George to let us know if your children will be attending. Also, we are accepting donations for the party from any generous soul willing to spread a little Christmas cheer.

Advent Confession – As Orthodox Christians, we struggle constantly to grow in our relationship with Our Lord Jesus Christ. Yet, time after time, all of us fall and suffer the effects of our own sinfulness. The Church provides us with the sacrament of Confession so that we may participate in the healing and saving grace of forgiveness. During this season of advent, it is imperative that all of us take advantage of this opportunity to come before the Lord and confess our sins. When we do this with sincerity, He will wash us, bind up our wounds and heal us, so that we can continue our journey towards Him and celebrate His Nativity and Baptism in faith and love.

Father Michael is available to hear confessions after Great Vespers on Saturdays as well as during the week, especially on Wednesdays during his regular office hours. If you would like, you can even make an appointment. Please be sure to come to confession no later than December 21st. Father will not be hearing confessions on Christmas Eve, unless it is due to very dire circumstances.

No Office Hours or Akathist this Wednesday – Father will be travelling down the hill to attend the Altar Feast for Saint Andrew Antiochian Orthodox Church on Wednesday, so there will be no office hours or Akathist on that day this week.

Calendar of Events – November 27 – December 4

Sun 11/27	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 9:40am – Hours and Divine Liturgy General Memorial to follow
Mon 11/28	
Tue 11/29	
Wed 11/30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Feast of St Andrew• NO Office Hours• NO Akathist
Thu 12/1	
Fri 12/2	
Sat 12/3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trip to St Barbara’s Monastery – Van leaves 6am• NO Choir practice or Adult Education• NO Great Vespers
Sun 12/4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 9:40am – Hours and Divine Liturgy• General Memorial after Divine Liturgy

Save the Dates:

December 3, 2016 at 6am – Trip to Saint Barbara’s Monastery

December 4, 2016 – Return Pledge Cards

December 4, 2016 – St Nicholas Day Children’s party

December 18, 2016 at 8:30am – Baptisms/Chrismations

December 21, 2016 – Last day for confessions before Christmas