





## Welcome to St. George Greek Orthodox Church

### **READINGS OF THE DAY**

#### **The Matins Gospel According to Mark 16: 9-20**

Ἀναστὰς ὁ Ἰησοῦς πρῶτῃ πρώτῃ σαββάτου ἐφάνη πρῶτον Μαρία τῇ Μαγδαληνῇ, ἀφ' ἧς ἐκβεβλήκει ἑπτὰ δαιμόνια. ἐκείνη πορευθεῖσα ἀπήγγειλε τοῖς μετ' αὐτοῦ γενομένοις, πενθοῦσι καὶ κλαίουσι. κάκεινοι ἀκούσαντες ὅτι ζῆ καὶ ἐθεάθη ὑπ' αὐτῆς, ἠπίστησαν. Μετὰ δὲ ταῦτα δυοῖν ἐξ αὐτῶν περιπατοῦσιν ἐφανερώθη ἐν ἑτέρᾳ μορφῇ, πορευομένοις εἰς ἀγρόν. κάκεινοι ἀπελθόντες ἀπήγγειλαν τοῖς λοιποῖς· οὐδὲ ἐκείνοις ἐπίστευσαν. Ὑστερον ἀνακειμένοις αὐτοῖς τοῖς ἑνδεκα ἐφανερώθη, καὶ ὠνείδισε τὴν ἀπιστίαν αὐτῶν καὶ σκληροκαρδίαν, ὅτι τοῖς θεασαμένοις αὐτὸν ἐγγερμένον οὐκ ἐπίστευσαν. καὶ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· πορευθέντες εἰς τὸν κόσμον ἅπαντα κηρῦσατε τὸ εὐαγγέλιον πάσῃ τῇ κτίσει. ὁ πιστεύσας καὶ βαπτισθεὶς σωθήσεται, ὁ δὲ ἀπιστήσας κατακριθήσεται. σημεῖα δὲ τοῖς πιστεύουσι ταῦτα παρακολουθήσει· ἐν τῷ ὀνόματί μου δαιμόνια ἐκβαλοῦσι· γλώσσαις λαλήσουσι καιναῖς· ὄφεις ἀροῦσι· κἄν θανάσιμόν τι πίωσιν, οὐ μὴ αὐτοὺς βλάψει· ἐπὶ ἀρρώστους χεῖρας ἐπιθήσουσι, καὶ καλῶς ἔξουσιν. Ὁ μὲν οὖν Κύριος μετὰ τὸ λαλῆσαι αὐτοῖς ἀνελήφθη εἰς τὸν οὐρανὸν καὶ ἐκάθισεν ἐκ δεξιῶν τοῦ Θεοῦ. ἐκείνοι δὲ ἐξελθόντες ἐκήρυξαν πανταχοῦ, τοῦ Κυρίου συνεργούontos καὶ τὸν λόγον βεβαιούontos διὰ τῶν ἐπακολουθούντων σημείων. ἀμήν.

When Jesus rose early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, from whom he had cast out seven demons. She went out and told those who had been with him, as they mourned and wept. But when they heard that he was alive and had been seen by her, they would not believe it. After this he appeared in another form to two of them, as they were walking into the country. And they went back and told the rest, but they did not believe them. Afterward he appeared to the eleven themselves as they sat at table; and he upbraided them for their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they had not believed those who saw him after he had risen. And he said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to the whole creation. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. And these signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues; they will pick up serpents, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover." So then the Lord, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God. And they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by the signs that attended it. Amen.

#### **The reading is from 2 Cor. 1:21 – 24; 2:1 – 4**

Ἀδελφοί, ὁ βεβαιῶν ἡμᾶς σὺν ὑμῖν εἰς Χριστὸν καὶ χρίσας ἡμᾶς Θεός, ὁ καὶ σφραγισάμενος ἡμᾶς καὶ δοὺς τὸν ἀρραβῶνα τοῦ Πνεύματος ἐν ταῖς καρδίαις ἡμῶν. Ἐγὼ δὲ μάρτυρα τὸν Θεὸν ἐπικαλοῦμαι ἐπὶ τὴν ἐμὴν ψυχὴν, ὅτι φειδόμενος ὑμῶν οὐκέτι ἦλθον εἰς Κόρινθον. οὐχ ὅτι κυριεύομεν ὑμῶν τῆς πίστεως, ἀλλὰ συνεργοὶ ἐσμεν τῆς χαρᾶς ὑμῶν· τῇ γὰρ πίστει ἐστήκατε. Ἐκρίνα δὲ ἐμαυτῷ τοῦτο, τὸ μὴ πάλιν ἐν λύπῃ ἐλθεῖν πρὸς ὑμᾶς. εἰ γὰρ ἐγὼ λυπῶ ὑμᾶς, καὶ τίς ἐστὶν ὁ εὐφραίνων με εἰ μὴ ὁ λυπούμενος ἐξ ἑμοῦ; καὶ ἔγραψα ὑμῖν τοῦτο αὐτό, ἵνα μὴ ἐλθὼν λύπην ἔχω ἀφ' ὧν ἔδει με χαίρειν, πεποιθῶς ἐπὶ πάντας ὑμᾶς ὅτι ἡ ἐμὴ χαρὰ πάντων ὑμῶν ἐστίν. ἐκ γὰρ πολλῆς θλίψεως καὶ συνοχῆς καρδίας ἔγραψα ὑμῖν διὰ πολλῶν δακρῶν, οὐχ ἵνα λυπηθῆτε, ἀλλὰ τὴν ἀγάπην ἵνα γνῶτε ἦν ἔχω περισσοτέρως εἰς ὑμᾶς.

Brethren, it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has commissioned us; he has put his seal upon us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. But I call God to witness against me — it was to spare you that I refrained from coming to Corinth. Not that we lord it over your faith; we work with you for your joy, for you stand firm in your faith. For I made up my mind not to make you another painful visit. For if I cause you pain, who is there to make me glad but the one whom I have pained? And I wrote as I did, so that when I came I might not suffer pain from those who should have made me rejoice, for I felt sure of all of you, that my joy would be the joy of you all. For I wrote you out of much affliction and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to cause you pain but to let you know the abundant love that I have for you.

#### **The Gospel According to Luke 6:31-36**

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος· Καθὼς θέλετε ἵνα ποιῶσιν ὑμῖν οἱ ἄνθρωποι, καὶ ὑμεῖς ποιεῖτε αὐτοῖς ὁμοίως, καὶ εἰ ἀγαπᾶτε τοὺς ἀγαπῶντας ὑμᾶς, ποία ὑμῖν χάρις ἐστί; καὶ γὰρ οἱ ἁμαρτωλοὶ τοὺς ἀγαπῶντας αὐτοὺς ἀγαπῶσι. καὶ ἐὰν ἀγαθοποιῆτε τοὺς ἀγαθοποιούντας ὑμᾶς, ποία ὑμῖν χάρις ἐστί; καὶ γὰρ οἱ ἁμαρτωλοὶ τὸ αὐτὸ ποιοῦσι. καὶ ἐὰν δανείζητε παρ' ὧν ἐλπίζετε ἀπολαβεῖν, ποία ὑμῖν χάρις ἐστί; καὶ γὰρ ἁμαρτωλοὶ ἁμαρτωλοῖς δανείζουσιν ἵνα ἀπολάβωσι τὰ ἴσα. πλὴν ἀγαπᾶτε τοὺς ἐχθροὺς ὑμῶν καὶ ἀγαθοποιεῖτε καὶ δανείζετε μηδὲν ἀπελπίζοντες, καὶ ἔσται ὁ μισθὸς ὑμῶν πολὺς, καὶ ἔσεσθε υἱοὶ ὑψίστου, ὅτι αὐτὸς χρηστὸς ἐστὶν ἐπὶ τοὺς ἀχαρίστους καὶ πονηροὺς. Γίνεσθε οὖν οἰκτίρμονες, καθὼς καὶ ὁ πατὴρ ὑμῶν οἰκτίρμων ἐστί.

The Lord said, "And as you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to





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you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, despairing of no man; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."

### **HYMNS OF THE DAY**

#### **Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον**

Τὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι, τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ἀνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν· ὅτι ἠυδόκησε σαρκί, ἀνελεῖν ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγείραι τοὺς τεθνεώτας, ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

#### **Τοῦ Ὁσίου**

Τῆς ἐρήμου πολίτης καὶ ἐν σώματι ἄγγελος καὶ θαυματουργὸς ἀνεδείχθης θεοφόρε πατὴρ ἡμῶν Κυριακέ· νηστεία, ἀγρυπνία, προσευχῆ, οὐράνια χαρίσματα λαβών· θεραπεύεις τοὺς νοσοῦντας καὶ τὰς ψυχὰς τῶν πίστει προστρεχόντων σοι. Δόξα τῷ δεδωκότι σοι ἰσχύν, δόξα τῷ σὲ στεφανώσαντι, δόξα τῷ ἐνεργοῦντι διὰ σοῦ πᾶσιν ἰάματα.

#### **Apolytikion of St. George**

Ὡς τῶν αιχμαλώτων ελευθερωτῆς, καὶ τῶν πτωχῶν υπερασπιστῆς, ασθενούντων ἰατρός, βασιλέων υπέρμαχος, τροπαιοφόρε μεγαλομάρτυς Γεώργιε, πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ θῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

#### **Κοντάκιον**

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδης, ἀμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθὴ, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἢ προστατεύουσα ἀεὶ, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

#### **Resurrectional Apolytikion**

As the Father and Spirit are unoriginate, \* so the Word, who was born from the Virgin for us. \* Let us praise Him, O believers, and let us worship Him. \* For our salvation He was pleased \* to be crucified in the flesh, \* and to undergo death, \* and to resurrect the dead, by His glorious resurrection.

#### **For the Devout Man**

As a citizen of the desert and an angel incarnate \* and a wonder-worker you shone forth, O Kyriacos, our God-bearing father. \* Since you received the spiritual gifts \* by fasting and vigilance and prayer, \* you can cure those who are ailing and heal the souls \* of those who run to you with faith. \* Glory to Him who gave His might to you; \* glory to Him who placed a crown on you; \* glory to Him who operates through you, providing cures to all.

#### **Apolytikion of St. George**

Liberator of captives, defender of the Poor, physician of the sick and champion of kings, O trophy-bearer, Great Martyr George, intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.

#### **Kontakion**

O Protection of Christians that never falls, intercession with the Creator that never fails, we sinners beg you, do not ignore the voices of our prayers. O good Lady, we implore you, quickly come unto our aid, when we cry out to you with faith. Hurry to intercession, and hasten to supplication, O Theotokos who protect now and ever those who honor you.

### **IN CHURCH TODAY**

Today we commemorate 2nd Sunday of Luke, Cyriacus the Hermit of Palestine, Martyr Petronius, Malachi the New Righteous, Martyr of Lindos, Theophanes the Merciful of Gaza, Dionysios I, Patriarch of Constantinople.

We commemorate the 25 year memorial for Anna Kounoupis. May her memory be eternal.

**2024 Parish Council:** Brian Goodale, President; Dino Orfan, Vice President; Alexandra Casey, Treasurer; Balwant Kingra, Secretary; Maria Stamoulis: Asst. Treasurer; Lucy Brady, Arji Cakouros, Maria Dostis

#### **USHERS**

Sunday, September 29, 2024 Norina McGowen, Phil McGowen

**UPDATE:** Mondays are Fr. Neofitos day off. All not urgent messages will be returned on Tuesday. Thank you for your support.





# YOUTH APPLE PICKING FALL KICKOFF EVENT **At Bowman Orchards**

Meet us at: Bowman Orchards  
147 Sugar Hill Rd  
Rexford, NY 12148

October 5, 2024 - 10AM

Apple Picking | Pumpkins | Apple Cider  
Donuts | Farm Store | Hay Ride |

To RSVP please text Pres. Catherine  
845-428-0932





# TEACHING DIVINE LITURGY

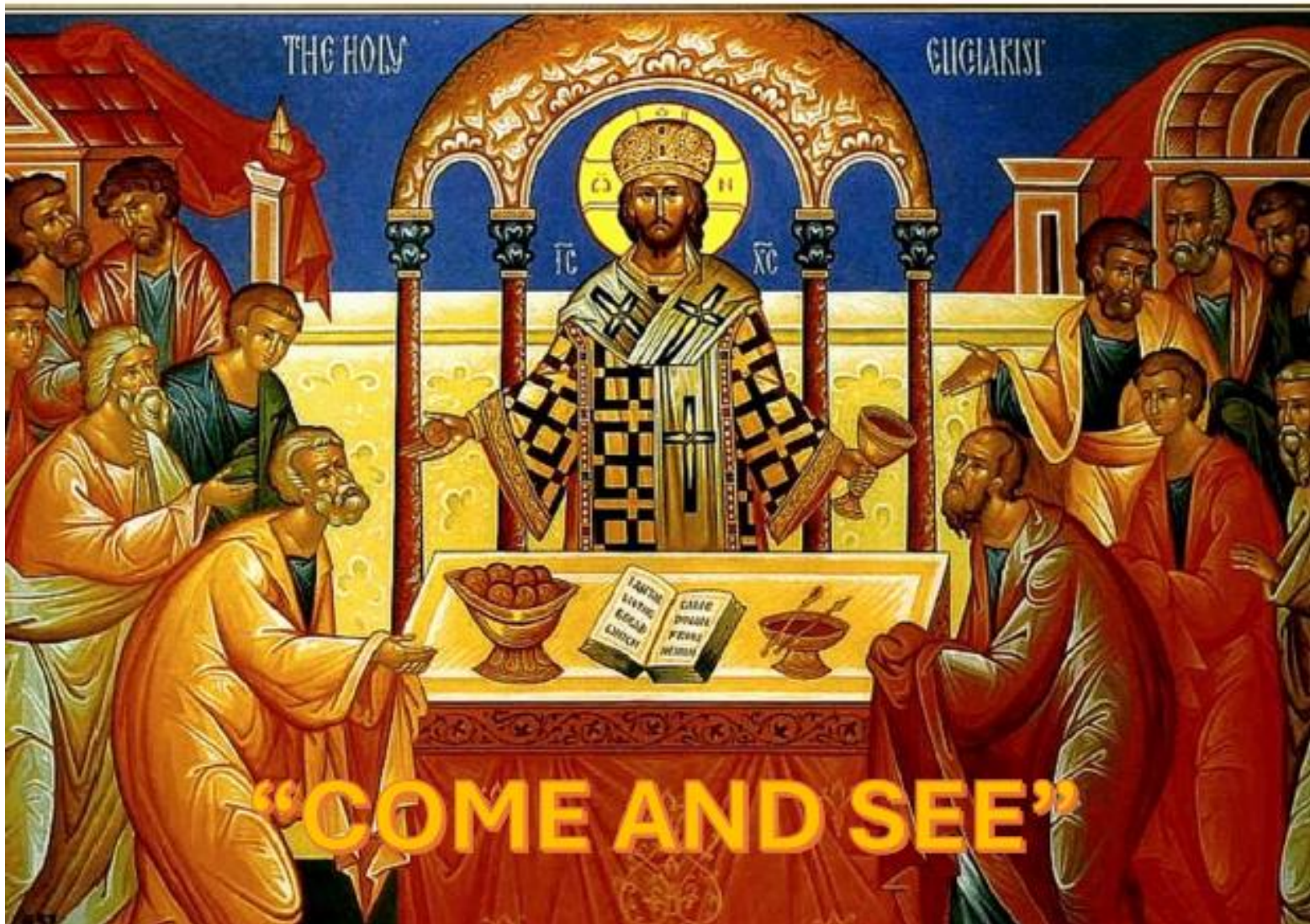
Sunday, October 20 at 9:30 am – The Preparation

Sunday, November 17 at 9:30 am – Liturgy of the Word

Sunday, February 2 at 9:30 am - Liturgy of the Eucharist

For You are the One Who both offers and is offered, the  
One Who is received and is distributed..."

From the Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom



# Dinner and Q and A with Father

## Twice a month on select Tuesdays at 6:30pm in the Hellenic Center

Join us as we explore our Orthodox Faith with a Fellowship Dinner and Q and A session with Father Neofitos Sarianni and other guest clergy members occasionally. Come ready with questions or submit your questions anonymously in our special Q and A box. Join our Group Today!!!! Email Fr. Neofitos: [frneofitos@saintgeorgegoc.com](mailto:frneofitos@saintgeorgegoc.com)

### Dinner and Q and A Schedule (mark your calendars)

#### Tuesdays

Bible Study 10/1/2024

Dinner Q and A 10/8/2024

Off 10/15/2024

Bible Study 10/22/2024

Dinner Q and A 10/29/2024

Dinner Q and A 11/5/2024

Off 11/12/2024

Bible Study 11/19/2024

Dinner Q and A 11/26/2024

Bible Study 12/3/2024

Off 12/10/2024

Dinner Q and A 12/17/2024

Off 12/24/2024

Off 12/31/2024

Bible Study 1/7/2025

Off 1/14/2025

Dinner Q and A 1/21/2025

Bible Study 1/28/2025

Dinner Q and A 2/4/2025

Off 2/11/2025

Bible Study 2/18/2025

Dinner Q and A 2/25/2025

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Off 4/8/2024

Off 4/15/2024

Off 4/22/2024

Bible Study 4/29/2025

Dinner Q and A 5/6/2025

Off 5/13/2024

Bible Study 5/20/2025

Dinner Q and A 5/27/2025

Services: Paraklesis to the  
Virgin Mary Every  
Tuesday is at 5:30pm



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# Bible Study

**Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary at 5:30 pm on Tuesdays**

**Bible Study On select Tuesdays at 6:30 pm in church**

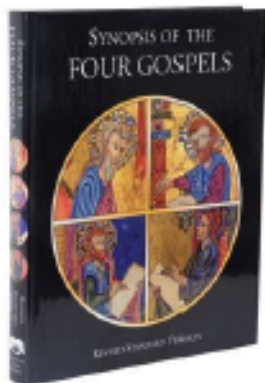
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**Bible Study Schedule (mark your calendars)**



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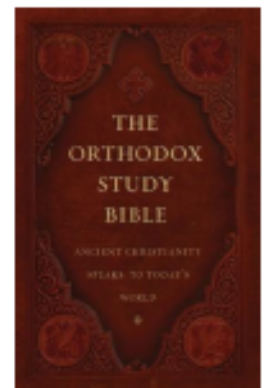
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Dinner Q and A 5/6/2025

Off 5/13/2024

**Bible Study 5/20/2025**

Dinner Q and A 5/27/2025



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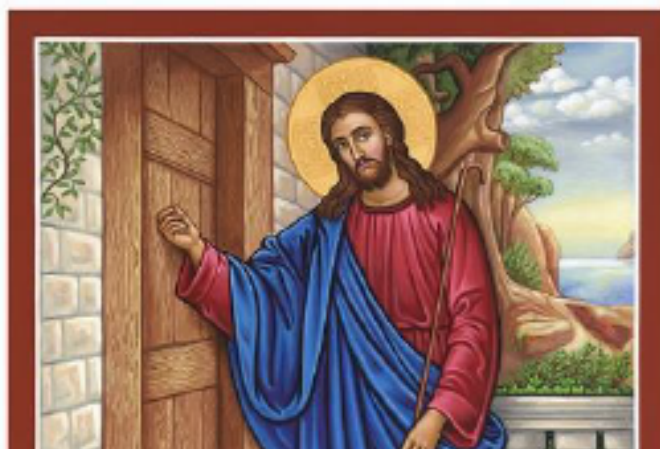
## Adult Religious Education Calendar 2024-25

- Dinner Q and A with Father is at 6:30 pm in the Hellenic Center.
- Bible Study is at 6:30 pm in the Church. (a zoom option will be offered)
- Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary is on Tuesdays at 5:30 pm. Occasionally on certain holidays vespers will be celebrated instead.

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***Revelation 3:20***

***Behold, I stand at the door and knock.***



# Saint George Schenectady Sunday School Calendar 2024-2025

Register now on our website! <http://www.saintgeorgeoc.com/> or  
click here <https://forms.gle/LXp93jp9S7H9u2Zr7>

Sunday School will meet in person, for 40 minutes after Holy Communion, every other week starting  
on September 22, 2024:

## September

9/22 Blessing of the School  
Year after the Divine Liturgy -  
First Day of Sunday School

## October

10/6 Sunday School  
10/20 Sunday School

\*\*10/27 Greek School "Oxi Day"  
Celebration after Divine Liturgy\*\*

## November

11/3 Sunday School  
11/17 Sunday School

## December

12/1 Sunday School  
Friday 12/6 Christmas Tree  
Lighting  
12/22 Christmas Pageant

## January

1/5 Sunday School (*Eve of  
Theophany*)  
1/19 Sunday School

## February

2/2 Sunday School (*God Parent  
Sunday*)  
2/16 Sunday School

## March

3/9 Sunday School (*Sunday of  
the Holy Cross*)  
3/23 Sunday School (*Sunday  
of Orthodoxy*)

\*\* 03/30 Greek School Greek  
Independence Day Celebration and  
Coffee Hour after Divine Liturgy \*\*

## April

4/6 Sunday School  
4/12 Saturday of Lazarus  
*10AM-1:30PM Youth Divine Liturgy,  
Palm Cross Making and Youth Retreat*  
4/13 Sunday School (*Palm  
Sunday*)  
04/20 Pascha  
*10:30AM -12:00PM Easter Egg Hunt  
after the Agape Service*

## May

5/4 Sunday School  
5/18 Last Day of Sunday  
School

*Thursday 05/05  
5:30-8:00PM Sunday School &  
Greek School End of the Year  
BBQ and Certificates*

### **CLASSES AND PROGRAM:**

Our Sunday school aims to help young people understand what we believe, why we believe it, and how to express and live out those timeless beliefs in the 21st century.

We will be using "**Orthodox Pebbles**" and additional educational resources to create a well-rounded and engaging curriculum that will help students develop an understanding and desire to grow closer to Jesus Christ through the riches of our Orthodox Faith.

#### **Some topics that will be visited regularly are:**

- \* Understanding and discussing the Sunday Gospel,
- \* Learning short prayers and hymns from the Divine Liturgy
- \* Hands-on activities about the customs and traditions of the church
- \* Activities about Feasts, Fasts, and Saints and Discussions about Contemporary Social Issues



# Tri-City School of Greek Language and Culture

2024-2025

for students in 9th grade - adults

Join us for lessons in:

Greek culture

Basic conversational skills

Modern Greek reading, writing,  
and speaking skills



Wednesdays starting Sept. 4

Beginners: 5:00pm

Intermediate: 6:00pm

Advanced: 7:00pm

\*Remote instruction only\*



Scan for registration form

or visit

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# St. George's School of Greek Language & Culture

Starting September 26 for students K- 8th grade

Join us for lessons in:



Greek culture and traditions



Basic conversational skills,  
modern Greek reading and writing



Traditional Greek dance  
(in-person only)

In person:

Thursdays 4:45-6:45pm

Online:

Wednesday evenings 4-7pm

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Luke

### The Golden Rule

The Lord said, "As you wish that men would do to you, do so to them."

