

St. George 2024 Summer Mini- Bulletin



Our St. George
Ministry Leaders

Saint George Greek Orthodox Church

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Summer Service Schedule 2024

Sunday Services: Orthros 8:30 am Divine Liturgy 9:30 am

July

Thursday, July 11 - St. Olga, Equal-to-the-Apostles, Princess of Kiev and Euphemia the Great Martyr

*8:30 am Orthros & 9:30 am Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, July 17 - St. Marina the Great Martyr

*8:30 am Orthros & 9:30 am Divine Liturgy

August - Dekapentavgousto

Thursday, August 1

*6:30 pm Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary

Friday, August 2

*6:30 pm Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary

Monday, August 5

*6:30 pm Great Vespers for Transfiguration of Christ

Tuesday, August 6 - Transfiguration of Christ

*8:30 am Orthros & 9:30 am Divine Liturgy and blessing of the grapes

*6:30 pm Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary

Wednesday, August 7

*6:30 pm Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary

Thursday, August 8

*6:30 pm Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary

Friday, August 9

*6:30 pm Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary

Sunday, August 11

*6:30 pm Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary

Monday, August 12

*6:30 pm Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary

Tuesday, August 13

*6:30 pm Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary

Wednesday, August 14

*7:00 pm Great Vespers Windham or Poughkeepsie Assumption/ Dormition of the Virgin Mary

Thursday, August 15 - The Dormition of our Most Holy Lady the Theotokos and Ever Virgin Mary

*8:30 am Orthros & 9:30 am Divine Liturgy

Friday, August 16 - Location: Christ the Savior in Ballston Lake
The Image of Christ Made-Without-Hands

* 9:10 am Hours and Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, August 27 - St. Phanourios

*8:30 am Orthros & 9:30 am Divine Liturgy and Phanouropita Blessing

Thursday, August 29 - Beheading of the Holy and Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John

*8:30 am Orthros & 9:30 am Divine Liturgy

Our 2024 Graduates



Our St. George Sunday School Teachers



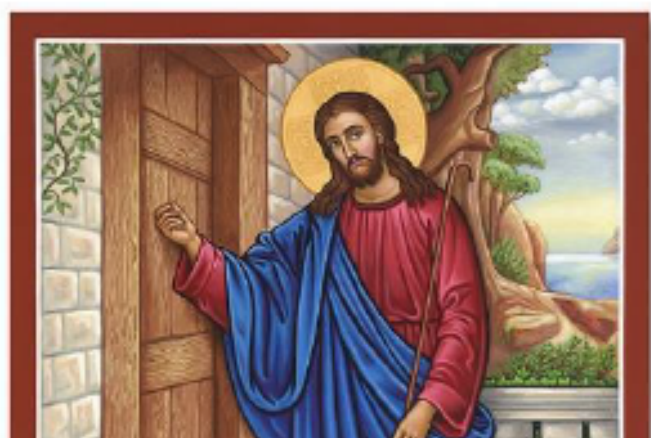
Adult Religious Education Calendar 2024-25

- 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.

Tuesdays

Dinner Q and A	9/24/2024
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
Bible Study	3/4/2025
Off	3/11/2025
Dinner Q and A	3/18/2025
Bible Study	3/25/2025
Dinner Q and A	4/1/2025
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



Revelation 3:20

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

Our St. George Dancers (some)





Eleni Maria's Baptism



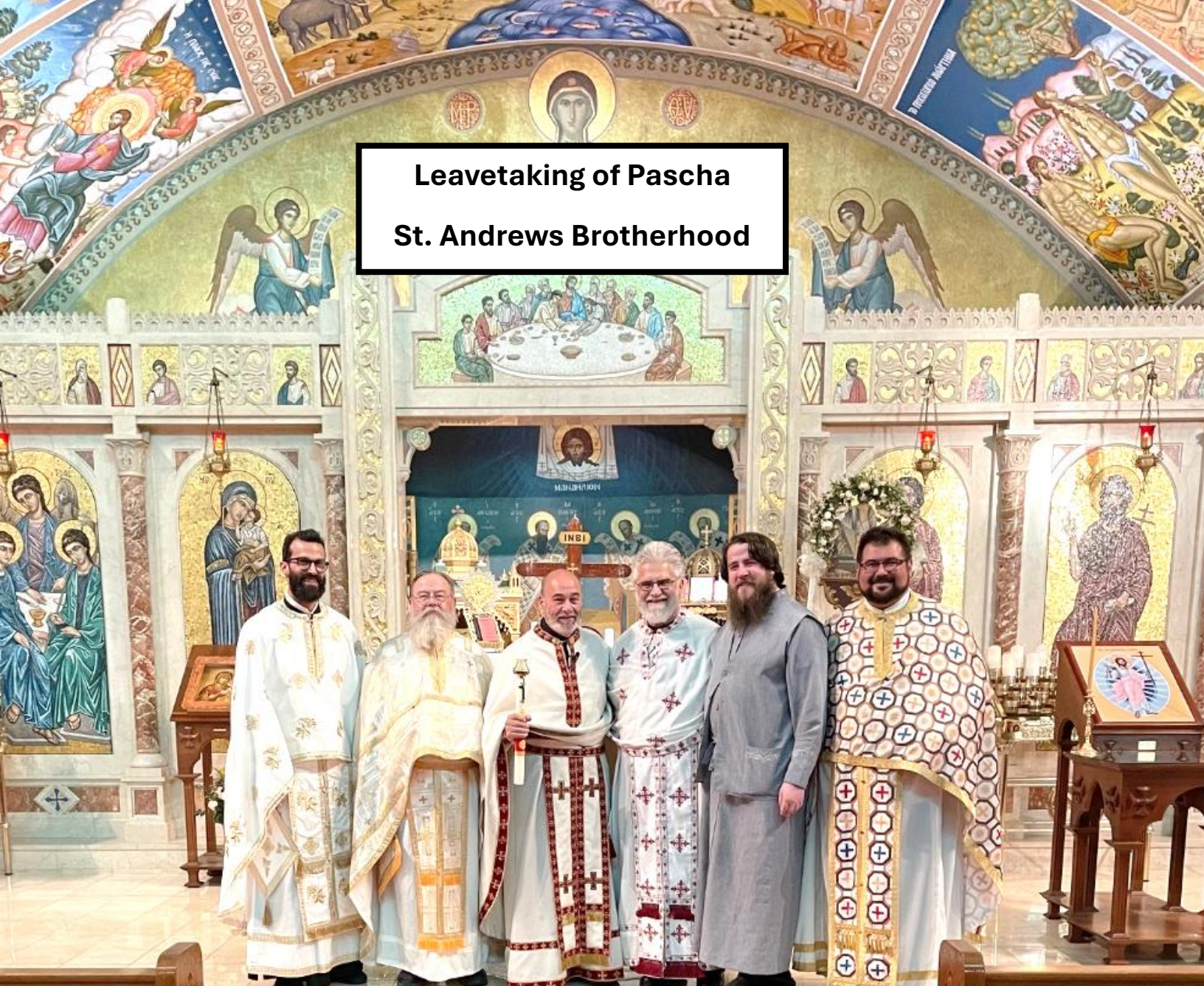
**Greek School Year
End Program**



**2024 AHEPA golf outing and
National Convention**



**2024 Annual Servant Leadership Awards
Dino Orfan - Nominee**



Leavetaking of Pascha
St. Andrews Brotherhood

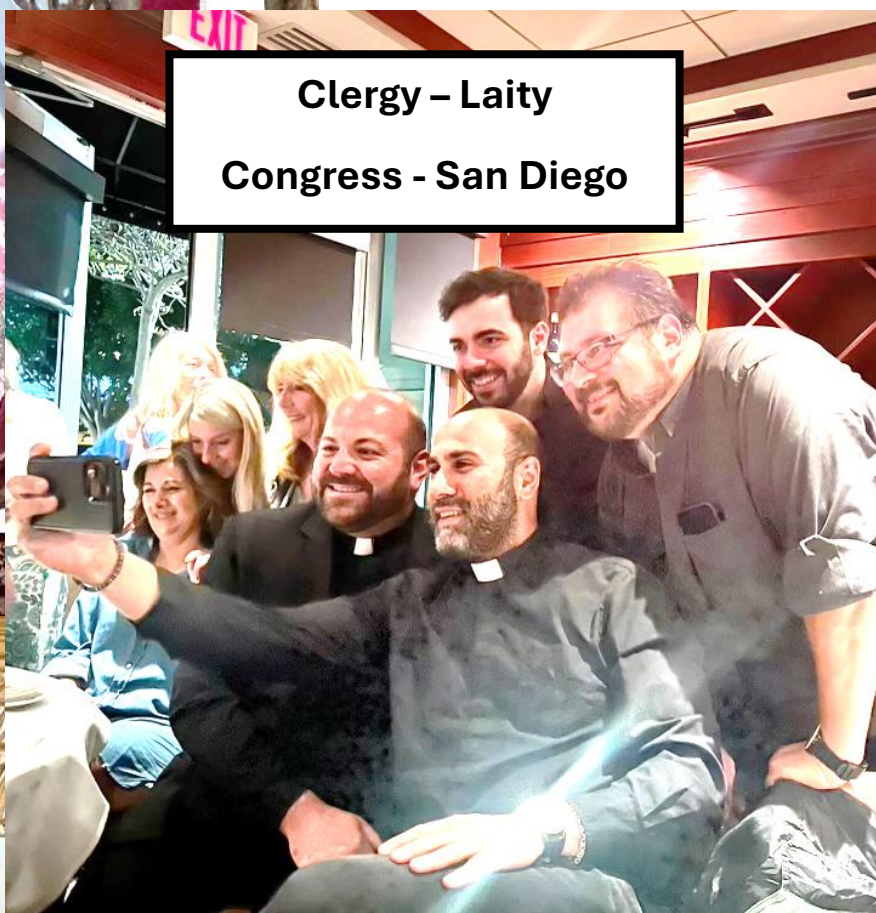


Amanda Petri's
Baptism



District Clergy Meeting





Clergy – Laity
Congress - San Diego

Honoring Presvyteres –
Visit to Holy Cross, Whitestone



48TH ANNUAL GREEK FESTIVAL

presented by
St. George Greek Orthodox Church

SEPTEMBER 6TH, 7TH & 8TH, 2024

FRIDAY

11AM - 11PM

SATURDAY

11AM - 11PM

SUNDAY

11AM - 3PM



FREE ADMISSION

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Hellenic Center
510 Liberty Street, Schenectady
Directly across from City Hall and the Public Library

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LIVE MUSIC BY PROMETHEUS

FOLK DANCE PERFORMANCES BY ST. GEORGE HELLENIC DANCERS

GREAT GREEK FOOD & PASTRIES ~ ARTS & CRAFTS

RAFFLES ~ CHURCH TOURS

Matthew 6:21

July 2024

“For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

48th Annual Greek Festival

St. George Greek Orthodox Church, Schenectady, NY

Friday, September 6, 2024, at 11am - 11pm

Saturday, September 7, 2024, at 11 am – 11 pm

Sunday, September 8, 2024, at 11am – 3pm

**BE A PART OF OUR CELEBRATION AND OFFERING OF
CULTURE AND “KEFI”.**

Kefi: high spirits, fun, mirth, cheer, conviviality, joviality

Dear Friends,

We pray you and your families are enjoying this beautiful summer. Our efforts and our resolve are stronger than ever after completing 3 years of great festivals after the pandemic and another beautiful year of worship, Greek School, and other endeavors. It has been a very inspiring experience for us all!

And we invite you to partake in our vibrant ministries. We ask for your support as we prepare for our 48th Annual Greek Festival. Enclosed is a sponsorship form and a flyer for our upcoming festival. We ask that you post our flyer and, if possible, contribute in any way you can. This could also be by means of volunteering, soliciting more sponsorships, or patronizing our festival.

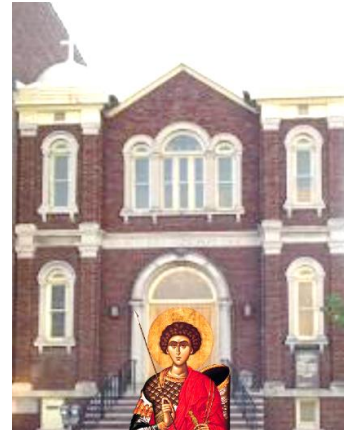
We hope you will prayerfully consider your contribution and return the enclosed form. We are grateful for your time and consideration. We hope to see you soon whether on the dance floor for a dance, in the church for a tour, or at a banquet table, feasting on our delicious dinners and sweets!

We anticipate a great showing this year!

May God bless our efforts in 2024.

Respectfully,

Fr. Nectarios Sarigiannis



The annual Greek Festival presents a tremendous opportunity for us to unite together as family & friends to share our faith and culture with the Schenectady community. In order to help deflate the expenses of the **48th Annual St. George Greek Festival** and maximize profits, we are seeking monetary donations to help fund the below listed items.

As you can see from the some of the expenses below, it takes an enormous amount of money to put together this wonderful event. Please, take the time to look over this list and select any item(s) that you and your family would like to donate towards this year's festival.

It is not necessary to cover the entire estimated cost of an item. You may choose to make a partial donation. All donations are accepted no matter the amount. Thank you for your generosity!

Platinum (\$1,000 and up) Gold (\$500-\$999) Silver (\$250-\$499) Bronze (\$25-\$249)

We will recognize your donation in our festival program under the correct level. Thank you for your generosity.

In Christ,
Festival Committee

Item Needed	Amount Needed	Price	Total
Anchovies	1 case	\$84	\$84
Baklava	40 pans	\$74	\$2,960
Beer (1/2 kegs)	9 kegs	\$163/keg	\$1,467
Butter	4 cases	\$155/each	\$620
Cucumbers	13 cases	\$23/case	\$299
Dolmades	4 cases	\$121/case	\$484
Eggplant (Moussaka)	10 cases	\$35/case	\$350
Eggs	60 dozen (2 cases)	\$70/case	\$140
Flour	12 bags (50 lb. each)	\$31/bag	\$372
French Fries	22 cases	\$42/case	\$924
Galaktoboureko	48 pans (18 cut pan)	\$48/pan	\$2,304
Ground Beef	3 cases (16-5lb/case)	\$296/case	\$888
Gyro Meat	40 cases	\$51/case	\$2,040
Gyro Pita	36 cases	\$33/case	\$1,188
Kalamata Olives	5 cases	\$55/case	\$275
Kataifi	12 pans	\$121/pan	\$1,452
Lamb Shanks	18 cases	\$120/case	\$2,160
Lemons	3 cases (140/case)	\$84/case	\$252

Item Needed	Amount Needed	Price	Total
Nescafe	2 cases	\$126/case	\$252
Nut Roll	12 pans	\$84/pan	\$1,008
Oil (divo blend)	7 cases	\$72/case	\$504
Oil (fries)	8 cases	\$42/case	\$336
Olive Oil	2 cases	\$79/case	\$158
Onions	5 bags (50 lb. bags)	\$36/bag	\$180
Orzo	6 bags	\$31/bag	\$186
Peppers	12 cases	\$31/cases	\$372
Potatoes	7 cases	\$37/case	\$259
Salad Mix	15 cases	\$25/case	\$375
Soft Drinks	100 cases	\$40/case	\$4,000
Souvlaki (chicken)	15 cases (40 lbs. ea)	\$60/case	\$900
Souvlaki (pork)	10 cases (10 lbs. ea)	\$25/case	\$250
Spanakopita	45 pans	\$42/pan	\$1,890
Sugar	5 bags (50 lb. bags)	\$42/bag	\$210
Tomatoes	16 boxes	\$42/box	\$672
Tsoureki	25 pans	\$21/pan	\$525
Wine (red)	7 cases	\$152/case	\$1,069
Wine (white)	7 cases	\$145/case	\$1,015
Yogurt (Tzatziki)	20 containers	\$42/each	\$840

Please fill out this form and mail it or drop it off at the church by **August 16, 2024**. Please make checks payable to: **St. George Greek Orthodox Church** and mail to Attn: Festival Funds, 107 Clinton Street, Schenectady, NY 12305

Items donating towards: _____ Amount: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____ City/State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #: _____ Email address: _____





Festival Baking



Dear Friends,

**Please join us and come help make
Spanakopita,**

Spinach Pie, for our festival!

**Men and women needed. Tell your
friends.**



Friday, July 26, 9:00 am

Saturday, July 27, 8:00 am sharp!

**For any questions contact Fr. Neofitos at
frneofitos@saintgeorgegoc.com or**

Call Aleka Menagias at 518-365-7148

St. George Schenectady Greek Dance Program

Tuesdays at 5:30 PM – Contact Balwant Maria Kingra

balwant.kingra98@gmail.com / (518) 878-4109

Young Children: Tuesdays, 5:30 PM

Teens and up: Tuesdays, 6:00 PM

Please Join Us!!

Upcoming Scheduled Classes

FIRST CLASS 6/25/2024

7/2/2024

7/9/2024

7/16/2024

7/23/2024

7/30/2024

8/6/2024

8/13/2024

8/20/2024

8/27/2024

8/25/2024 11am-1pm Dance Showcase

9/3/2024

St. George Schenectady 2024 Greek Festival

September 6, 7, & 8 2024



Dear St. George Family,

We are enthusiastically approaching our 48th Annual St. George Greek Festival on September 6-8, 2024. The Festival is our most important fundraiser of the year.

Are you wondering how to support our strong effort?

You can help by buying and/or selling Grand Raffle tickets for the church!

We ask that you fill out the form enclosed and help us by selling 2 or 3 raffle tickets. Please share this news with your friends and families as well. Your partnership will help us make this year's Grand Raffle another record-breaking success!

This year we are giving away \$10,000 in Cash prizes!

We will mail you the raffles. Raffles are also available for pick up during office hours and at coffee hour.

Our Grand Raffle drawing will be held on Sunday, September 8, 2024 at 2:00 pm. On behalf of our entire Festival Committee, we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all who have and continue to support this major fundraiser for our Church.

We hope to see you at our 2024 Greek Festival at St. George in Schenectady, NY!

Respectfully,

Fr. Neofitos Sarigiannis

Parish Priest

Jan Gallas and Dino Orfan

Raffle Committee Co – Chairs

— ST. GEORGE GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH —

GREEK FESTIVAL GRAND RAFFLE



GRAND PRIZE:

\$5,000 CASH PRIZE!



**AND OTHER EXCITING PRIZES
Including...**

- \$1,500 Cash Prize – 8 total cash prizes!
- 2 Big Screen TV's
- HP 15.6" Touch Screen Laptop
- Play Station 5
- Apple 10.9" iPad WiFi 64 GB
- Proctor's Theater 4 tickets to Life of Pi
- Weber BBQ Grill plus accessories
- \$250 Livingston Furniture Gift Certificate
- Marcella's Appliance Center Specialty Coffee Maker
- Beverage Refrigerator

FESTIVAL HOURS

September 6th 11am-11pm

September 7th 11am-11pm

September 8th 11am-3pm

DRAWING TO BE HELD:

Sunday, September 8, 2024 at 2:00pm

AND MANY MORE PRIZES !!!

ONLY 600 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD



TEAR OFF AND RETURN LOWER PORTION WITH PAYMENT

**YES! I would like to be included in this fabulous raffle to be held on Sunday, September 8, 2024 at 2:00pm
For a Chance to Win the Grand Prize of \$5,000 or one of the other exciting prizes!**

Please send _____ raffle ticket(s) at \$100 each.

Method of Payment being sent with this form: ____Cash or ____Check Total amount enclosed: \$_____

Name (only one name per ticket): _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Telephone _____

Email Address _____

I certify that I am 18 years of age or older

Signature _____ Date _____

Mail completed form with payment to:

**St. George Greek Orthodox Church
107 Clinton Street
Schenectady, NY 12305**

Upon receipt of this completed form with payment,
your ticket stub will be mailed to you

RAFFLE TICKETS

\$100 each



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

Scan for registration form



or visit

sites.google.com/view/st-george-greetschool/home

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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



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Saint George Schenectady Sunday School **Calendar 2024-2025**

Register now on our website! <http://www.saintgeorgegoc.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 Orthodoxy*)
3/23 Sunday School
(*Sunday of the Holy Cross*)

**** 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
04/27 Easter Pot-luck

May

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

*Thursday 06/05
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