



ST. GEORGE GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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ST. GEORGE THE
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Holy Advent 2018

Dear Friends,

Let me start out by wishing you a blessed Advent and Nativity. Our Holy Church provides us these special periods to focus on our Savior and His love for us, and to encourage us to draw closer to Him. For this reason, your parish of St. George is already preparing the Christmas “banquet” for you and your family to dine with Christ, His Mother, the Holy Angels and all the Saints, and all your fellow Orthodox Christians. This year’s Christmas Divine Liturgy will on Monday Evening, Christmas Eve, December 24th at 11 pm.

Our Holy Church also exhorts all of us to be “dressed in the proper attire” for this banquet by bringing in our “baptismal wedding garment” in for a cleaning and freshening up. For this purpose, Holy Confession will be available at the Church throughout the day and most evenings of the week throughout Advent. Please call Fr. Joseph or Presbytera to set up a time. Orthodox Priests hearing confessions in our surrounding areas are also listed on the back side.

Remember, the only gift Christ wants for Christmas is our heart prepared for Him. My primary goal and desire for you and your family is that you obtain Eternal Life and be forever united to Christ, both in this life and the next. The only thing I would ask from you is to remember me in your prayers and help me fulfill my calling as your shepherd: I am anxious for your salvation and I must soon give a good account for you before our Lord Jesus Christ.

Your shepherd in Christ,

Rev. Fr. Joseph Chaffee

Orthodox Churches & Priests in our surrounding areas (within 100 miles-closest first)

St. George Greek Orthodox Church
Greek Orthodox Archdiocese
401 Truxtun Ave.
Bakersfield, CA. 93301
www.stgeorgebakersfield.org
Fr. Joseph Chaffee (661) 496-5768

Life Giving Spring Mission-17.32 mi
Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese
6655 Ming Ave
Bakersfield, CA 93309
www.saintmarybakersfield.org
Fr. Hanna Haddad (951) 265-6580

Camp St. Nicholas - 48.29 mi
Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese
11770 Frontier Rd.
Frazier Park, CA 93225-9644
Phone: (661) 245-3571

Sts. Constantine & Helen - 71.58 mi
Greek Orthodox Archdiocese
43404 30th St. West
Lancaster, CA 93536-5319
www.stsch.org
Fr. John Beal (323) 916-3293

St. Barbara Monastery - 76.34 mi
Orthodox Church in America
15799 Ojai Rd
Santa Paula, CA 93060
www.stbarbaramonastery.org
Mother Victoria* (805) 921-1563

Holy Cross Church - 79.15 mi
Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese
38201 6th St E
Palmdale, CA 93550-4634
www.holycrossorthodox.org
Fr. Nathan Thompson (661) 947-3020

Life Giving Spring Monastery - 85.27 mi
Greek Orthodox Archdiocese
38526 Dunlap Road
Dunlap, CA 93621
Mother Markela*: (559) 338-2103
Fr. Gregory Koo: (408) 386-0328

St. Barbara Church - 88.41 mi
Greek Orthodox Archdiocese
1205 San Antonio Creek Road
Santa Barbara, CA 93111
www.saintbarbara.net/
Fr. Haralambos Fox (805) 683-4492

Holy Resurrection Church - 88.7 mi
Russian Orthodox Church ROCOR
411 W. Victoria Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101-3619
Phone: (805) 965-4660
www.holyresurrectionchurchsb.com
Archimandrite Gideon (Marzev)

St. Demetrios Church - 89.77 mi
Greek Orthodox Archdiocese
5575 Santa Rosa Road
Camarillo, CA 93012-6829
Phone: (805) 482-1273
www.saintdem.org
Rev. Fr. Kyriakos (Gary) Kyriacou

Holy Trinity Church - 90.33 mi
Russian Orthodox Church ROCOR
2784 Alvarado St
Oxnard, CA 93036
www.holytrinityoxnard.org
Father John Hinton (805) 278-2085

St. Athanasius Church - 90.77 mi
Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese
5580 Calle Real
Goleta, CA 93111-1646
Phone: (805) 685-5400
www.stathanasius.org
V. Rev. Fathers Nicholas Speier
Jon Braun, & John Finley

St. Nicholas Church - 91.2 mi
Greek Orthodox Archdiocese
9501 Balboa Boulevard
Northridge, CA 91325
www.st-nicholas.info
Fr. Michael Prevas (818) 886-4040

St. Herman Church - 93.32 mi
Orthodox Church in America
142 W Wooley Rd
Oxnard, CA 93030
Phone: (805) 901-5437
www.saintherman.us
V. Rev. Paul (Alan) Waisanen

St. Michael Church - 94.61 mi
Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese
16643 Vanowen St.
Van Nuys, CA 91406-4622
www.stmichaelvannuys.org
Fr. Timothy Baclig (818) 994-2313

St. Innocent Church - 95.55 mi
Orthodox Church in America
5657 Lindley Ave
Tarzana, CA 91356
Phone: (818) 881-1123
www.stioctca.orthodoxws.com/
Rev. Joseph (Yousuf) Rassam

St. Andrew the Apostle Mission - 95.26 mi
Orthodox Church in America
11921 Saticoy St
North Hollywood, CA 91605
Phone: (818) 636-5116
www.standrewmission.org
V. Rev. Viorel-Vasile Vişovan

Annunciation Church - 96.04 mi
Orthodox Church in America
877 Francine Ln
Santa Maria, CA 93455-3019
www.odox.org
Fr. Lawrence Russell (805) 938-7877

Descent of the Holy Spirit Mission-96.19 mi
Greek Orthodox Archdiocese
3749 Hillview Rd
Santa Maria, CA 93455
www.descentoftheholyspirit.org/
Rev. Fr. James Matta (805) 361-0433

St. George Church - 99 mi
Greek Orthodox Archdiocese
2219 N. Orchard Street
Fresno, CA 93703
www.stgeorgefresno.org
Fr. James C. Pappas (559) 233-0397

St Peter the Apostle Serbian-99.58 mi
Serbian Orthodox Church
3502 North First Street
Fresno, CA 93720
Fr. George Gligich (559) 227-5565

St. Timothy Church - 106 mi
Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese
403 N J St.
Lompoc, CA 93436-5926
www.sttimothy.net
V. Rev. John Sommer (805) 736-6220

**As spiritual mothers, abbesses are valuable resources for spiritual guidance and counsel. Though they do not hear confessions, they can encourage and help prepare us for Confession.*