

May 2025

# THE VINE

# الكَرْمَة

"I AM THE VINE AND YOU ARE  
THE BRANCHES" (JOHN 15:5)



1922-2025

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*The Monthly Newsletter of*

**St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Canton, Ohio**

*A parish of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America*

*Christ is Risen! Truly He is Risen!*

المسيح قام! حقاً قام!





THE VINE  
*Journey to PASCHA*







**Our heartfelt thanks to all those who helped prepare wonderful meals throughout the Lenten Season!**

Presanctified - Kh. Mira & Mary Hilaneh

Lazarus Saturday - Aida Shaheen, Nina Shaheen, Michel Genda,

Palm Sunday - Jamie Shaheen & Summer Michael

and all the Teens & kitchen crew.

Paschal Feast - Jazla Hilaneh & Marilyn Kanam.

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**Our heartfelt thanks to the following who made special donations during the Paschal season:**

♥ Dr. Kelly and Rhonia Shaheen - **Flowers for Sunday of the Cross**

♥ Anonymous - **Palms**

♥ Bea McPherson - **Easter Lilies**

♥ Rafik AbouZakhim - **Coloring eggs**

♥ Bill & Muriel Gonser - **Donating the Eggs**

♥ Charlotte Nasseff Shaheen - **Oil for Holy Unction**

♥ Charlotte (Kattouf) Shaheen - **Flowers for the Cross Wreath**

♥ Liz Macris, Tina Zenedes - **Pictures**

♥ **Altar Servers, Chanters and Choir,**  
**Subdeacon John, Subdeacon KJ and Najeeb**

♥ **Faiz Simone and the Teens for cleaning and decorating**  
**the church for Good Friday and Pascha**

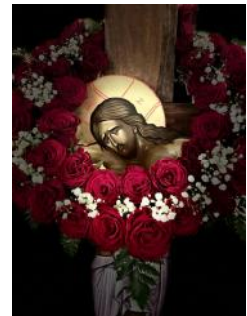
♥ Rafik AbouZakhim and helpers - **Decorating the Epitaphio**

♥ Dr. Kelly and Rhonia Shaheen - **Holy Week Donation & Flowers**

♥ **Holy Week Donations & Good Friday Flowers**

David Abou-Zakhim, Rafik Abou-Zakhim, Dan & Sherry Albaugh,  
George Aramouni, Joseph Assaley, Julie Bender, Sarah Campos,  
Hilarion & Debbie Charles, Steve & Karen Davis, David & Sonia Eisenbrei,  
Chuck & Helen Leonhardt, Arron & Sarah Joseph,  
Roger & Marlene Kyriacou, Deborah Liebig, George & Rawna Shaheen,  
Hanan Shaheen, Kathryn J. Shaheen, Mike & Carol Shaheen,  
Peggy Shaheen, Norma Vega, Alex Zenedes

♥ **All who donated Candy**



**ATTENTION SENIORS**  
**APPLYING FOR**  
**ARCHBISHOP MICHAEL**  
**SCHOLARLARSHIPS.**

**JUNE 30th** is the last day to submit  
completed scholarship forms  
to reviewer Milia Durkin

Incomplete or late applications  
**will not be accepted.**

If you need scholarship forms,  
contact Stevie Abraham

**ATTENTION ALL HIGH SCHOOL  
AND COLLEGE GRADUATES**

In the June issue of the Vine, we  
will be featuring 2025 graduates.

Please send, give or email us  
your picture no **LATER THAN**  
**MAY 27TH** along with answers  
to the following questions:

**Your Name, Parents Name**  
**Graduated from High School,**  
**School attending in the future,**  
**Field of Study, Graduated from**  
**College, Degree in. Thank you!**

**Memory Eternal!**

Our prayers and condolences to  
Ben and Michelle Rinehart and family  
on the recent passing of  
Ben's grandmother, Roberta Cotterman.

**National Orthodox Baby Shower**

Diapers were collected and  
donated to the Crisis Pregnancy  
and Parenting Center in Canton.  
Thank you and God bless you for  
your support.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Food Ministry 9 am  Catechism Class 6 pm - 7:30 pm Library	2	3  Great Vespers 5 pm
4 ST. GEORGE DAY LUNCHEON, VISITORS SUNDAY AND HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR RECOGNITION  Matins 9 am Liturgy 10 am	5	6	7  Bible Study in the Library 11 am	8  Church tour with Fr. Michael 6 pm – 7 pm	9	10  Great Vespers 5 pm
11  Matins 9 am Liturgy 10 am	12  Parish Council Meeting 6 pm	13  Mid-Pentecost Great Vespers 6:30 pm	14  Mid-Pentecost Matins 9 am Divine Liturgy 10 am	15	16	17  Great Vespers 5 pm
18 Last Day of Sunday School  Matins 9 am Liturgy 10 am	19	20  Sts. Constantine and Helen Great Vespers 6:30 pm	21  Sts. Constantine and Helen Matins 9 am Divine Liturgy 10 am	22	23	24  Great Vespers 5 pm
25  Matins 9 am Liturgy 10 am	26	27  Leavetaking of Pascha Vespers 6:30 pm	28  Leavetaking of Pascha Matins 9 am Liturgy 10 am Holy Ascension Vespers 6:30 pm	29  Holy Ascension Matins 9 am Liturgy 10 am  Catechism Class 6 pm - 7:30 pm Library	30	31  Great Vespers 5 pm









PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN OPEN HOUSE  
CELEBRATING

**MICHAEL WIRES**

FRIDAY, MAY 23RD | 5PM-9PM  
THE QUARRY GOLF CLUB  
5650 QUARRY LAKE DRIVE  
CANTON, OH 44730

RSVP BY MAY 16TH

*His Eminence Metropolitan SABA  
shall ordain to the Holy Diaconate*

*The Servant of God*

*Dr. Najeeb Haddad*

*Sunday, June 8, 2025*

*At The Nativity of the Theotokos Church  
909 Shawan Rd, Hunt Valley, Maryland 21030*

*Orthros 8:45 am*

*Hierarchial Divine Liturgy 10 am*

## Pan-Orthodox Vacation Church School

# JULY 14-18

**9 am - 12 pm Ages 4-12**

**PLEASE CONTACT SARAH JOSEPH  
IF YOU CAN VOLUNTEER.**

Donations welcome to help offset the costs of the curriculum, crafts and snacks provided daily.



Please subscribe to our YouTube Channel. We have begun to live stream on YouTube in addition to Facebook.

<https://youtube.com/@stgeorgecantan?si=uOep2v0-AvtiW0mL>



Time, Talent, & Treasure Survey - Lay Ministry and Volunteers.

Let's realize our call to stewardship and help our St. George Church with our time, talents and treasures that God has entrusted to us. May God bless you and we thank you for your support!

Link - <https://www.antiochian.org/dashboard?name=Youth%20Protection%20Policy>  
IF YOU COMPLETE A PAPER COPY, PLEASE SUBMIT IT TO WALID BARDAWIL.

**Midwest Parish Life Conference:** June 18-21, Louisville KY  
<https://www.antiochianevents.com/toledo>

**Bible Bowl - Gospel of St. Luke**

**Oratorical - "Behold the maidservant of the Lord!"**  
Let it be to me according to your word." +Luke 1:38

ST GEORGE ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH BOOKSTORE



Food Ministry Outreach Team (May 1) prepared Pulled pork sandwiches, Syrian style potato salad, veggies, fruits and snacks!

Don't forget to sign up for **HOLY BREAD** or a **COFFEE HOUR**.  
Call the office to select a date that you would like to sponsor one or the other or both.

The St. George Antiochian Orthodox  
Church of Canton, Ohio  
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## Save the date

*Last Day of Sunday School - May 18*

*Retreat & Visit with Fr. Jeremy Davis - June 6-9*

*Midwest Parish Life Conference, June 18-21, Louisville Ky*

*Baseball Outing - July 11*

*Vacation Church School - July 14-18*

*Archdiocese Convention ([www.ac2025chicago.org](http://www.ac2025chicago.org))*

*July 21-26, Chicago IL*

*Annual Church Picnic - August 17*

### Live Streaming of Services on our Facebook page.

(You don't need a Facebook account to access the page and view the videos)

St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church of Canton, Ohio

<https://www.facebook.com/st.georgeantiochiancanton/>

### Online Word magazine:

[www.antiochian.org/theword](http://www.antiochian.org/theword)

Subscription to Word Magazine:

<https://forms.gle/ZcYq1HD1tPp7SXHT9>

### Online Giving Option

#### St. George Church has an online

giving/stewardship option on our website.

God bless you for your support and we sincerely thank you  
for your contribution.



Online Stewardship Option:

<http://www.stgeorgecanton.com/stewardship.html>

You can also set up a bill pay through your bank and  
an automated check will come to the church (a free service).

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