

The Saint George Chronicle

An occasional newsletter of Saint George Orthodox Church
Kearney, Nebraska



Christ is risen from the dead trampling down death by death and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!

Christ is risen!

Al-Maseeh Qam!

Christos Anesti!

Christos Voskrese!

Hristus A Înviat!

Cristo ha Resucitado!

Indeed He is risen!

Haqqan Qam!

Alithos Anesti!

Voistinu Voskrese!

Adevârat A Înviat!

En verdad ha Resucitado!

Though Thou, O Deathless One, didst descend into the grave, Thou didst destroy the power of hell and, as Victor, didst rise again, O Christ our God. Thou didst greet the ointment-bearing women, saying: Rejoice! Thou didst bestow peace upon Thy disciples, and resurrection upon those that are fallen.

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

MAY...

- 8th—Reader Michael Hadley
- 9th—Margo Maloley
- 11th Elizabeth Morris
- 19th—Henri Kremer
- 22nd—Anna Jorgensen
- 27th—Georgia Bakas

JUNE...

- 6th—Steve Wolf
- 8th—Subdeacon Micheal LiaKos
- 10th—Lessa Guikema
- 13th—Greyah Jaeger
- 15th—Rebekah Jaeger
- 16th—Ketino Beim
- 20th—Josh Hartley
- 25th—Margaret Morris
- 27th—Katie Ramsey

JULY...

- 8th—Alex Beim
- 9th—Delaney Denny
- 11th—Joanie Klein & Cedar Kremer
- 13th—Esther Jorgensen
- 17th—Dr. William Suleiman
- 18th—Drew Fothergill, Cora Theesen & Amanda Williamson
- 22nd—Tasia Theoharis & Dione Steinbrink
- 28th—Gideon Cone
- 30th—Jeannie Hoff & Jenny Bergt
- 31st—Haddie Cone

UPCOMING ANNIVERSARIES

MAY...

- 14th—the Hadleys
- 18th—the LiaKoses
- 27th—the Beims
- 30th—the Guikemas
- 31st—the Jaegers

JUNE...

- 16th—the Jorgensens
- 23rd—the Kremers
- 24th—the Kleins
- 25th—the Dennys

JULY...

- 10th—John & Theo Wolf
- 12th—Phil & Ashley Maloley
- 13th—the Cones

I am so proud of how the children and teens are included in your events including fundraisers. It's a joy to see the posts on Facebook. I'm enclosing a donation for the Building Fund to honor Uncle Nick (Shada) on his birthday. There's only one Uncle Nick, and I thank God every day for him. Love to all, especially Tim and Tracey. I'm so grateful they've remained faithful and active at Saint George.

Love in the Risen Christ,
Judy Yacio

2023 Parish Council:

- Levi Hadley—Chairman
- Steve Wolf—Vice-chairman
- Mike Maloley—Treasurer
- Brandon Cone—Secretary
- Sarah Fothergill—Youth Coordinator
- Mark Klein
- Chris Browne
- Grant Guikema
- Tim Shada

*“Don't be afraid!
God will guide you
without your even
understanding it!”*

—Elder Ephraim of
Vatopedi

Donations gratefully received

...from Judy Yacio to the Building Fund in honor of her Uncle Nick Shada.

...in memory of Nick Shada from: Cathy Blomquist, Frank & Judy Hebron, Denise, Jim & Dustin Hunt, Jesse & Nick Reincke, JKS Farms employees,

...from Tom & Kate Salem to the Building Fund.

...from Jeannie & Kim Leonard and their children and families.

...from Judy Yacio and family to the Building Fund in memory of Nick Shada.

...from Dorothy Bettar to the Building Fund.

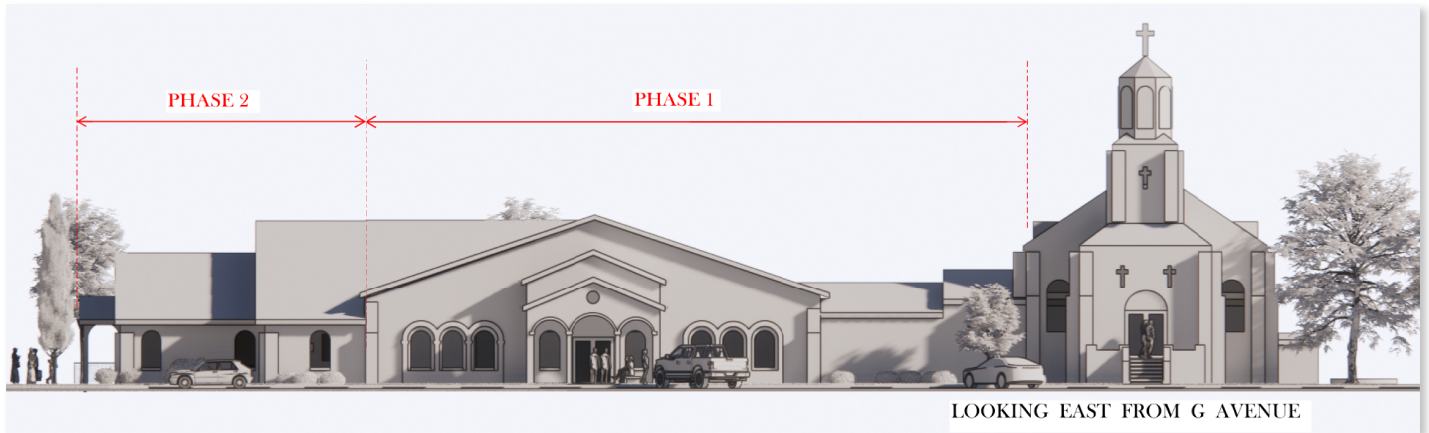
...in memory of Michael Kacere from: Judy & Kevin Stukenholz, Steve & Linda Steinbrink, Norma Deeb, and Carol Deeb Patseas.

...from Virginia Suleiman with wishes for a Happy Easter to her St. George family.

...from Sidonya (Suleiman) Fulton for Saint George's feast day.

...from Margo Maloley with gratitude for attending her beloved Saint George.

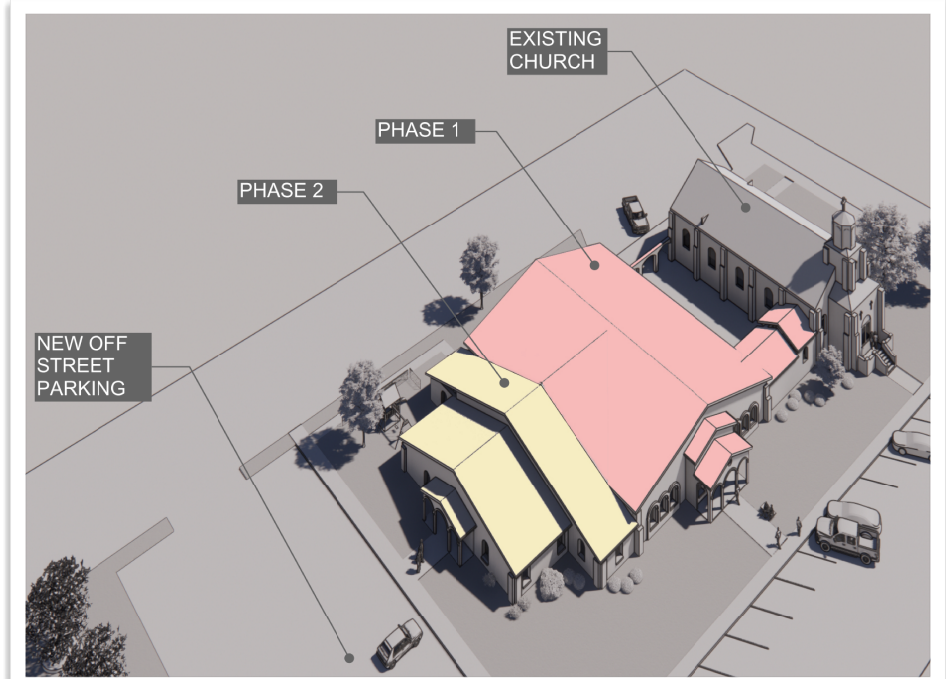
Church Hall Update...



For the past few months, we have been working with local architectural firm Wilkins ADP to come up with a design for our new church hall. This design is based on the information we received from parishioners and different parish ministry groups from the surveys we conducted in 2016 and 2022, as well as numerous discussions and presentations within our parish community. Priorities in the new church hall design include: Handicap accessibility to the hall, and from the hall, into the church; fellowship space and kitchen; classrooms and educational space.

We want to build something that reflects the beauty and aesthetic of our current church building and will last just as long! Most especially, we want to build something that will make all those who have come before us—our fathers and mothers and grandfathers and grandmothers in the faith—proud of what we have built in their honor! A new hall will be expensive. Exactly how expensive is difficult to say at this point due to the fluctuating costs of construction materials. Our current estimates are approximately \$2.5 million for the fellowship hall, kitchen, and bathrooms, and approximately \$1 million for the educational wing with four classrooms, a meeting room, and the priest's office.

Our desire is to build the entire hall at one time due to the many needs we have in our growing parish! However, we have purposefully designed the hall to be able to be built in two phases *if needs be*. How we proceed will depend on whatever God wills and blesses! We know that with God, all things are possible. We also know that time and time again, we have experienced His great blessings through your incredible



"While we knew that someday we'd have to bid Uncle Nick good-bye to this temporal life on earth, there is such a tremendous void that no one else can fill. Always loving and making each of us feel special as children and then as adults, he gave unconditional love.... Never uttering an unkind word and making sure he stayed in touch with each of us, that was our beloved Uncle Nick."

—Judy Yacio

**May his memory
be eternal!**

generosity! Our hope is to dedicate the new hall in 2028 (or before!) to celebrate the 125th anniversary of Saint George church. We would love to share more information with you about how you can help us make this long-standing dream a reality. This dream began with the families who founded our church in 1903, together with their first pastors, Saint Raphael of Brooklyn and Father Nicola Yanney. With God's help, and with your prayers and support, we feel that it is *our time* to continue the labors of those who came before us, and, just as they did, to leave a beautiful and lasting heritage for the future generations of Saint George. We hope that you can join us in making this dream a reality!

Our finance ministry has a good fundraising plan with various levels of giving so that everyone who desires can be involved in this holy work regardless of their income. There will also be sponsorship opportunities available for larger gifts for those wishing to honor a loved one in a special way that will help our new families and future members "get to know" these faithful forebears of their Saint George family. Please communicate with Father Christopher if you are interested in learning more about sponsorship opportunities. And most especially, please pray for us!





