

St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church

Very Rev. Dr. Fr. Kamal Alrahil, Pastor

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Weekly Bulletin

Sunday, November 15, 2026

The Weekly Bulletin is an official publication of Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church in Jacksonville, Florida.

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



WORSHIP & OFFICE SCHEDULE

Sunday Services

9:00 AM: Matins (Orthros)

10:00 AM: Divine Liturgy

Note: *Confession is available by appointment only.*

Parish Office Hours

Monday – Friday: 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Saturday: Closed

Sunday: Closed (Office Only)

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Sunday, November 15, 2026



Ushers: Diana Farhat and Lamis Anki

HOLY BREAD OF OBLATION FOR SUNDAY, November 15, 2026



Upcoming memorial Service:

November 29th: 40 Day Memorial Service **+Naimeh Butrus**

December 6th: 40 Day Memorial Service **+Karimeh Bateh**

1-year Memorial Service **+Samira Farah**

December 20th: 6 mos. Memorial Service **+Thomas Hishmeh**

Upcoming Meetings Schedule | November 2026

- **Ladies Auxiliary Meeting & Fellowship**
  - **Date:** Thursday, November 12, 2026
  - **Time:** 6:00 PM
  - **Activity:** Meeting followed by fellowship
- **Parish Council Meeting**
  - **Date:** Monday, November 16, 2026
  - **Time:** 7:00 PM

Thursday, December 3rd at 5:30 PM | Evening Divine Liturgy (Arabic)

Come celebrate the **Feast of St. Barbara and St. John of Damascus**, the patron saint of Fr. Kamal Alrahil.

- **100% Arabic Service:** The Divine Liturgy will be chanted entirely in Arabic.
- **Traditional Fellowship:** Following the service, join us in the church hall for a festive social coffee hour.
- **Special Hospitality:** Enjoy traditional **Burbarrah** and **Katayef** (delicious, boiled wheat), **lovingly prepared and hosted by Sophie Salameh and Esper Bakery** in honor of our Orthodox traditions. **Come and celebrate this beautiful feast day with our community!**

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Sunday, November 15, 2026
Vicky Akel
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Ramzi and Rula Awad

Sunday, November 22, 2026
Fr. Kamal and Kh. Ranwa Alrahil
Michel and Poliana Azar
Bader and Jeanette Bajalia
Joe and Sandy Bajalia
Nadia Jack Farha Jr.

Sunday, November 29,2026
Abla Bateh
Wardeh Bateh
Suad Bateh
Salwa Bateh

Sunday, December 6th, 2026
Teen Soyo Christmas Bake Sale

Ghada Batteh and Suha Bateh (Burbarrah)
in observance of the feast of St. Barbara

Teen Soyo Corner / Sunday School





Amid the twinkling lights, wrapped gifts, and holiday hustle, let's pause to remember the greatest gift of all: Jesus Christ. He is the true heart of Christmas, the source of our deepest joy, and our ultimate blessing. We can't wait to gather, worship, and celebrate together as one church family this season!

#ReasonForTheSeason #ChurchFamily #ChristmasAtTheCenter



Sunday School Holiday Schedule Updates

Please note the following upcoming changes and breaks for our Sunday School classes as we head into the holiday season:

- **No Classes (Thanksgiving Weekend): Sunday, November 29, 2026**
- **Last Class Before Christmas Break: Sunday, December 13, 2026**
- **Classes Resume: Sunday, January 10, 2027**

We wish all our students, teachers, and families a wonderful, safe, and blessed holiday season!

Celebrate the Season at St. George:
What's Happening in December! ✨

Join your St. George parish family as we journey through this beautiful month of fellowship, tradition, and joy. **Mark your calendars for these wonderful upcoming events:**

Sunday, December 6th | Feast of St. Nicholas & Teen SOYO Bake Sale

Come celebrate the inspiring Feast of St. Nicholas with your parish family! Afterward, make sure to stop by the Church Hall to support our incredible youth at the **Teen SOYO Christmas Bake Sale**. It's the perfect opportunity to pick up delicious, homemade holiday treats for your family.

Thursday, December 10th at 5:30 PM | Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Dinner and Party

Gather with us for a wonderful evening of warm fellowship and holiday cheer. Tickets are **$35.00 per person**. To reserve your seat, please see **Naila Hanna** in the Church Hall. ***Please note: The absolute deadline for payment is Sunday, November 29th.***

- **Saturday, December 19th at 5:00 PM | The Order of St. Ignatius Christmas Dinner**

  Members and friends of the Order of St. Ignatius are warmly invited to the Church Hall for our highly anticipated annual Christmas dinner! Enjoy a spectacular meal catered by **Sophie Salemh** alongside wonderful company. Please see **Hikmat Saoud** or **Khourieh Ranwa** to RSVP and submit payment. *Kindly RSVP on or before Sunday, December 13th.*

- **Sunday, December 20th | Feast of St. Ignatius of Antioch**

  We honor the holy hierarchy and martyrdom of St. Ignatius of Antioch during our Sunday Divine Liturgy. As the patron saint of the Order of St. Ignatius, we ask that all members of the Order make a special effort to plan to attend this beautiful service for your patronal feast.

- **Thursday, December 24th at 4:30 PM | Christmas Eve Service**

  Welcome the birth of our Savior, Christ the Lord! Join the St. George community as we gather in anticipation, candlelight, and pure joy for our breathtaking Christmas Eve service. Bring your family, open your hearts, and let us worship together.

The Parish Council Financial Team Is Asking:

Dear St. George Family,

As we approach the end of another blessed year, we look back with deep gratitude for the love, fellowship, and spiritual growth we have shared as a community. The vibrant ministries and beautiful services at St. George are only possible because of your faithful dedication and open hearts.

Your stewardship is a meaningful expression of your love for God and our church home. To help us finish the year strong and ensure our parish continues to thrive, we kindly ask that you take a moment to review and complete your 2026 pledge commitments and remaining membership balances.

Important End-of-Year Dates

To have your contributions credited to the 2026 tax year, please note our upcoming year-end banking deadline:

- **Final Collection: Sunday, December 27, 2026,** is the absolute final day to submit your 2026 dues.
- **Bank Deposit:** Our final bank deposit for the year will be processed on Monday, December 28,2026
- **New Year Transition:** Any gifts received on or after Tuesday, December 29 will be joyfully credited toward your 2027 stewardship, as banks are closed for the New Year.

Ways to Give

Supporting your church family is simple, safe, and convenient:

- **In-Person:** You can bring cash or check payments directly to the parish office. Alternatively, you may place your offering in the collection tray during Sunday Liturgy (please use an envelope marked with your name and "Pledge 2026").
- **By Mail:** Checks made out to "St. George" can be mailed straight to the church office. Please remember to write your full name and "Pledge 2026" in the memo line.
- **Online (Fastest & Securest):** You can safely fulfill your pledge using a credit or debit card directly on our website. Simply click the link below to access our secure page:
  - **Please click on this link : https://jaxorthodox.org/donate**

Thank you for your continuous generosity, your prayers, and your vital role in the life of St. George. May God continue to bless you and your loved ones!

With love in Christ,
The Parish Council & Clergy
St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church

Newly Married

“O Lord, our God, crown them with glory and honor.”
"أَيُّـها الرَبُّ إِلَـهُنا بِالـمَجْدِ والكَرامةِ كَلِّلْـهُمَـا"



Congratulations to ***Anthony Akel and Alexa Antar!***

who were united in holy matrimony on Saturday, November 7, 2026.

We share in the joy of their parents:
Mr. & Mrs. Suhail (*Tony*) Akel
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Antar

May you always walk together in the happy ways of love, trusting in the grace of God to lead you from above. May He bless you abundantly with a lifetime of joy and happiness.



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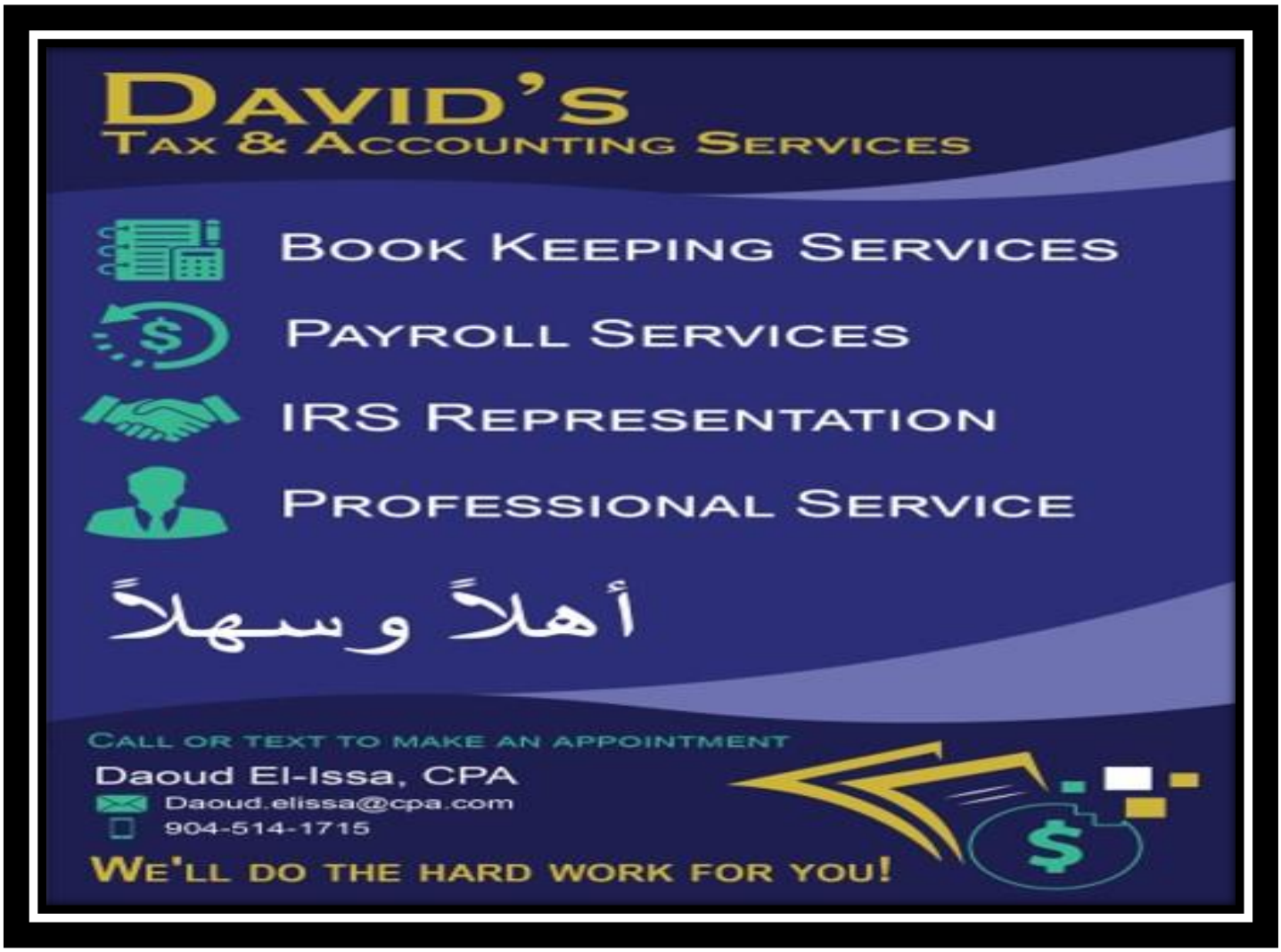

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