

# St. John Of the Desert

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I would like to thank Rima and Jumana for taking care of purchasing the flowers to decorate the Epitaphios, as well as the Easter Lilies. I am sure you will agree with me that they did a terrific job! Thank you for your love and dedication for your church.

### The Flowers were offered for the Intentions of:

Mary Ishak by Ghassan & Rima Ishak; Fadia Loegering, Munther Hattar, Dr. Farouk Habra, Marianne Krouchian, John Davis, Rt. Rev. Charles Aboody, Jennifer Rimmer, Paul Davis, Jacques Rainis, Elizabeth Nahhas, Mk. Brendan, Mk. Basil and Samira Abou-Eid, Claude AbdelMalek by Kh. Simone; (+) Joseph Davis by Ursula Smith; (+) Anton Khalil Hattar, (+) Khalil Hattar, (+) Grace Samir Hattar, (+) Kamal K Hattar, (+) Eddie Venttrally by Iraz & Adeel Hattar; (+) George and Tina Saada, (+) Fawzi, Lisa, Gamil, Mary and Magda Boutros, (+) Sami AbdelMalek by Kh. Simone; (+) Ray Weirick, (+) Ellen Weirick by Maryann Weirick; (+) Michelle Habra, (+) Al and Evelyn Thomas, (+) James and Amy Saunders, (+) Antoine and Paule Habra by Dr. Farouk & Mary Habra; (+) Gabriel Eid, (+) Hilda Eid, (+) Irma Walther, (+) Erwin Walther, (+) Billy Estes by Dcn. Ziad & Jocelyn Abyad; (+) Saba Khouzam, (+) Gabriel Khordoc, (+) Ketty Khordoc, (+) Rosa Khordoc, (+) George Abramides by Arlette Khouzam; (+) Renee Abyad, (+) Lucy Abyad, (+) Abdullah Abyad, (+) Emile Eid, (+) Oussama Eid by Joe & Amal Abyad; (+) Anton Hattar, (+) Nasri Ishak, (+) Fadi Ishak, (+) Said and Wardeh Ishak by Ghassan & Rima Ishak; (+) Barbara Fitzmaurice by Nicholas & Mary Ganem; (+) Nicholas, Victoria, Louis, Mary and Kenneth Baiad, (+) Peter, Nabih Davis and Joseph Davis, (+) Robert and Nora Kirkish by John & Evelyn Davis & Paul & Shirley; (+) Louis El Khoury, (+) Gergess and Hilani El Khoury, (+) Salloum and Wadia Diab, (+) Ghassan and Chukri Diab, (+) Linda Hanna by Maurice & Media El Khoury.

Today, the Ladies Guild members will meet during the Social Hour

On June 3, Saturday of the Dead, we will have a Memorial Service offered by all the Eastern Catholic Churches of Phoenix, in English, Arabic, Chaldean and Slavic languages. This Service is to pray for all our Dead Parishioners, Relatives and Friends and will take place at our Eastern Catholic Cemetery at Holy Redeemer.

*"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, ..."* Mark 10:14

*"To convert somebody go and take them by the hand and guide them."* St. Thomas Aquinas

**Do not forget the hungry!**

(Collection Basket in the Narthex)  
Please bring Peanut butter, Soups, Jelly, breakfast cereals (not the ones with lots of sugar, please), Canned meats and vegetables, disposable diapers & detergent, etc. Put your donations in the Narthex.

APRIL 23, 2017

SUNDAY OF ST. THOMAS AND THE GREAT-MARTYR GEORGE THE TRIUMPHANT

GALATIANS 3:23-29; 4:1-5

JOHN 20:19-31

FESTAL TONE

CHRIST IS RISEN! HE IS TRULY RISEN!

Thursday, April 27	7:30 pm	Children Internet Education
Friday, April 28	6:30 pm	Teen's Retreat
Saturday, April 29	10:00 am	Children's Retreat
Sunday, April 30	9:00 am	Children Religious Education
	10:20 am	Doxology
	10:30 am	Divine Liturgy followed by the Social Hour
Flowers' donations Intentions, (+) Ebrahim Al-Masri, (+) Nasri Ishak, (+) Anton Hattar, (+) Angie Vanderwey, (+) Deacon Tom Hook, (+) Adeb Khoury, (+) George Haddad		

### Today's Intentions

- Health and Salvation of Samira Abou-Eid by Kh. Simone
- Repose of the Soul of Adeb Khoury by Nijoud Khoury
- Repose of the Soul of Angie Vanderwey by Paul & Shirley Davis
- Repose of the Soul of Ebrahim Al-Masri by Wael & Fadia Ishak
- Repose of the Soul of George Haddad by Sami Haddad
- Repose of the Soul of Nasri Ishak by Wael & Fadia Ishak
- Repose of the Soul of Anton Hattar by Wael & Fadia Ishak
- Repose of the Soul of Deacon Tom Hook by Kh. Simone

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: MAY OUR PRAYERS BRING HEALTH, HEALING AND HOPE TO THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY WHO ARE SICK, ESPECIALLY:**

Fadia Loegering, Munther Hattar, Dr. Farouk Habra, Marianne Krouchian, John Davis, Rt. Rev. Charles Aboody, Jennifer Rimmer, Paul Davis, Jacques Rainis, Elizabeth Nahhas, Mk. Brendan, Mk. Basil and Samira Abou-Eid.

(NAMES REMAIN ON THE PRAYER LIST FOR 6 WEEKS, PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE OR EMAIL TO EXTEND.)

**The National Association of Melkite Women (NAMW) will have their annual Fundraiser for our Seminarians. The ladies have decided to hold a raffle for this purpose. The sale will start today and will go on until May 7, the day we will have the drawing. The tickets are \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5.00. Please be generous as the amount we will raise will help our seminarians with the purchase of their books, tuition etc. Thank you and God bless you!**

Arrangement for Alan Herro, may our Lord grant him rest! Visitation and prayers at 10am, and Funeral Service at 11am on Wednesday April 26th, at St. John of the Desert Melkite Church, Interment will follow at St. Francis Catholic Cemetery. His Family is requesting that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to St. John of the Desert Church.

### Necessary Weekly offering \$ 2,174.00

Attendance: 114 Souls (Combined) - Number of envelopes Mailed: 75 - Number of Envelopes Returned: 53  
Tithing: 979.00 - Bulletin Ads: 0.00 - Building Fund: 0.00 - Feasts: 1,720.00 - Candles: 0.00  
Coffee Collection: 34.00 - Stole Offerings: 0.00 - Flowers/Memorial/Donations: 105.00 - Marked Fund: 153.00

Thanks for your gift of thanksgiving to the Lord!

### WHILE SHOPPING, PLEASE REMEMBER THE POOR

Canned Fruits, Canned Roast Beef, Granola Bars, Jelly, Protein Bars, Tomato Paste, Tomato Sauce, Water Bottles, Spaghetti, Rice, Dry Foods, Canned Vegetables, etc.

For all your Gifts, please call St. John of the Desert Gifts at (602) 363-GIFT

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