

*Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Cathedral*

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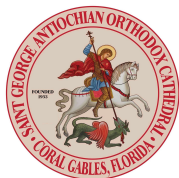
Very Reverend Father Fouad Saba  
*Cathedral Dean*

Reverend Father Gustavo Alfonso  
Reverend Archdeacon David Nimer

Subdeacon Elie Bardawil  
*Cathedral Council Chairman*

*Faithfully served by:*

- +Archpriest Spyridon Dora (1949-1953)
- +Archpriest Louis Secabe (1953-1954)
- +Archimandrite Basilios Sedaoui (1954-1958)
- +Archpriest Michael Husson (1958-1986)
- Archpriest George Corey (1986-1987)
- Archimandrite Demetri Khoury (1987-1995)
- Archpriest Elia Shalhoub (1995-2004)
- Archpriest Alexis Kouri (2004-2007)
- Archpriest Peter Shportun (2007-2011)



*Conventions and Conferences Hosted:*

- 1969 – Archdiocese Convention
- 1979 – Archdiocese Convention
- 1993 – Parish Life Conference
- 2003 – Archdiocese Convention
- 2017 – Archdiocese Convention

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**History Highlights of Saint George Cathedral**

- Missionary groundwork began on December 20, 1949 with 11 individuals in Miami
- Founded on February 23, 1953 as Saint Anthony’s Church
- First building purchased in 1957 in Miami downtown
- Name changed from ‘Saint Anthony’ to ‘Saint George’ in 1957
- Church Consecrated on February 2, 1958 by Metropolitan ANTONY Bashir and Archbishop SAMUEL David
- Archpriest Michael Husson assigned in 1958 as first full pastor
- Church relocated to nearby Coral Gables in 1966
- Church Consecrated on February 26, 1967 by Metropolitan PHILIP Saliba
- Church named “Cathedral of the South” in 1967 by Metropolitan PHILIP Saliba
- Many members of Saint George Cathedral join the Board of Trustees of the Archdiocese
- Several Conferences and Conventions hosted over the years
- Cathedral grows to 300 families in Miami area
- Several Churches began as missions from the Cathedral including Saint Philip’s Church in Fort Lauderdale, Our Lady of Regla Church in Miami, the Melkite and Maronite Churches in Miami
- Cathedral Renovated in 2002
- Cathedral celebrates the Diamond Jubilee – 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2012-2013
- Cathedral hosts only Middle Eastern Festival in Coral Gables for 25 years
- Cathedral hosts Metropolitan JOSEPH and the Board of Trustees in 2014 for the Fall Meeting
- Humanitarian efforts increase tremendously for many causes
- Spiritual growth, formation, and educational programs established for children and families
- Cathedral celebrates “50 years in Coral Gables” in 2016
- Cathedral looks ahead preparing to establish the Orthodox Community Center of Miami