

ST. GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH

His Eminence Metropolitan PHILIP, Primate
Very Rev. Father Joseph Kimmett, Pastor
Very Rev. Father Nifon Abraham, Pastor Emeritus



3 AUGUST
2008

SEVENTH
SUNDAY
AFTER
PENTECOST

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS AND FRIENDS.
IT IS A BLESSING TO HAVE YOU WITH US AT SAINT GEORGE.
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT OUR PARISH,
OR THE ORTHODOX CHURCH, PLEASE SEE THE PRIEST.

ONLY THOSE ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS WHO ARE REPENTANT OF THEIR
SINS AND HAVE PREPARED THEMSELVES THROUGH FASTING ARE INVITED
TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION. EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO VENERATE
THE CROSS AND SHARE HOLY BREAD FOLLOWING THE LITURGY.

THIS WEEK AT SAINT GEORGE

Monday - Paraklesis, 8:00 pm
Wednesday - Transfiguration Liturgy, 9:00 am (Any grape donors?)
Thursday - Paraklesis, 8:00 pm
Saturday - Great Vespers, 5:00 pm
Next Sunday - Matins 9:00 am / Divine Liturgy 10:00 am
40-day for Edward Kelley / Six-month for Freda Franciosi
Monday the 11th - Paraklesis, 8:00 pm
Thursday the 14th - Vigil for the Feast, 4:00 pm at Saint Mary, Cambridge
Friday the 15th - Dormition Liturgy, 9:00 am

*The Dormition Fast began August 1st and continues through the 14th.
There is katalysis for oil and wine on Saturdays and Sunday,
and for fish, wine and oil on August 6th, the Feast of the Transfiguration.*

HOLY BREAD

The gifts are offered today by Adam & Jenine Florio for Olivia on her first birthday.

COFFEE HOUR

Please stop downstairs after Liturgy today for coffee and refreshments; hosted by Adam & Jenine Florio for Olivia on her birthday. Many years.

VOTIVE CANDLE

A seven-day votive burns before the Icon of the Theotokos for Olivia Florio on her birthday.

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CLERGY AND SEMINARIANS

- Please remember in your prayers our dear friend and long-time pastor, **Father Nifon Abraham**. Father is in the hospital for treatment following an operation on his hip.
- **Father Joseph Longofono**, one-time seminarian at Saint George was elevated to archpriest last month in Topeka, Kansas, where he serves.
- **Father Bob Bethoney**, a son of this parish, will be elevated to archpriest at the end of this month in El Paso, Texas.
- **Camille Baba**, our seminarian a few years back, will be married in Ottawa, Canada on August 17th.
- **Michael Razzouk**, our seminarian last year, phoned a few days ago from Montreal; he sends his best wishes to everyone. He is preparing to welcome his family, who is moving to Canada from Lebanon.



FELLOWSHIP UPDATE - HABITAT ON THE CAPE

The Fellowship of Saint John the Divine is sponsoring a day volunteering with Habitat for Humanity on the Cape.

When: Saturday, August 9th: 8:00am - 3:30 pm

Where: One of two sites in Falmouth, MA

Vespers at 5:00pm and dinner to follow at St. Michael the Archangel, Cotuit.

RSVP to: Michael Marge michael_marge@yahoo.com or Heather Feldman indi115@yahoo.com.

09 ARCHDIOCESE CONVENTION

Saint Michael Antiochian Orthodox Church of Van Nuys, California will be hosting the 49th Antiochian Archdiocese Convention at the J.W. Desert Springs Marriott Resort and Spa from July 19 – 26, 2009. There is a guaranteed room rate of \$133.00 per night (plus 9.16% room tax). Already, rooms are going fast! If you have not yet made your hotel reservation we encourage you to do so, as soon as possible. You may reserve your rooms online by going to the convention website at www.archdioceseconvention2009.org or email info@archdioceseconvention2009.org.

IOCC IN IRAQ

International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC), the Baltimore-based humanitarian aid organization, announces a new grant that will provide food and emergency supplies to vulnerable families living in Sadr City, one of the poorest and most densely populated districts of Baghdad. The approximately \$400,000 grant, awarded to IOCC by the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), will assist approximately 2,400 vulnerable families in this predominantly Shiite area, the site of continuous heavy fighting between insurgents and multi-national forces.

The aim of IOCC's latest program to assist Iraqis affected by the war is to provide families with high protein foods to reduce malnutrition rates as well as hygiene supplies for at least three months. One in four children under five years of age in Iraq is chronically malnourished.

"The effects of war and the general economic slowdown exacerbated by 12 years of economic sanctions have adversely affected Iraqîi food security," says George Antoun, IOCC's Regional Director. More than 60% of Iraqi families are entirely dependent on the government's food ration program, however the Iraqi government has announced plans to end the program for some citizens this year.

IOCC has previously worked in Sadr City and will cooperate with local authorities in the distribution. IOCC's most recent aid to Iraq included a distribution of food and hygiene supplies in early 2008 to 3,000 families living in Baghdad and Mosul.

IOCC, founded in 1992 as the official humanitarian aid agency of the Standing Conference of Canonical Orthodox Bishops in the Americas (SCOBA), has implemented over \$275 million in relief and development programs in 33 countries around the world. IOCC is a member of Action by Churches Together (ACT) International.



A Gigantic




Saturday, September 6th

Beginning at 9:00 am
Bring items to the church starting August 17th

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**Plus: Baked Goods, The General Store
and burgers and dogs at lunch**



**AND 1980 TRIUMPH
SPITFIRE RAFFLE**

 and while you are marking your calendars ...
THE STREET FESTIVAL RETURNS SEPTEMBER, 12 2009

TOTAL DEPOSIT <i>JULY 20 & 27</i>	PLEDGES	LONG-RANGE (MEMORIALS & DONATIONS)	TRAY	SPECIAL TRAY	COFFEE HOUR BASKET
\$2815.00	\$1358.00	\$265.00	\$412.00	N.A.	\$0.00



PRAYERS OF OBLATION AND DONATIONS

Alice Kelley, Florence Esper, Sam & Beverly DiFlaminies, Kay Mike and Dolores Elias
.....for the health of Father Nifon Abraham

The Abdallah & Donohue Familiesin memory of Freda Franciosi

Katheryne Howard and Peter Caprillianin memory of Halem Howard

Kay Mike, Cleo Eysie & Familyfor the health of Samera Mike

Sam & Beverly DiFlaminies ...for the health of Brian Boudreau, Jenna Weiskerger and Leah Shalbey (at camp)

Charles & Michelle Marbardy, Cameron & Sandra Kelley, Mr & Mrs James Dunn, Andrew Howard, the Abdallah & Donohue Families, Eleanor Tomm, Lana Joseph, Bonnie Koury, Norman & Joan Thomas, Alice DiRienzo, Sally Hajar, Kenneth Hadge, John & Yvonne Shagoury and Father John Salem
.....in memory of Edward Kelley

Kay Mike, George & Lovee Thomas, Anthony & Sarah Grasso, Bruno & Reggie DiCicco, Margaret Domet, Alice Kelley, Florence Esper, Josephine Purpura, Lillie Kelley, Martha Caliin memory of David Harb

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Pray for the good health of the servants of God: Archpriest Nifon, Archpriest Edward, Priest Robert, Khouriyee Elizabeth, Deacon Elias, Stephanie, Mary, Florence, Alice, Hayes, Katrina, Elsa, John, Jeanne, Gregory, Albert, Dimitri, James, Frederick, Anne, Grace, Renee, Robert, Nicole, Mary, Pauline, Ioana, Nicolae, Kathleen, Lillie, Jennifer, Carrie, Sam, Camille, Michael, Mikayla, Christopher, Nancy, Kenneth, Joy, Claudia, Thomas, Sarah, Nicholas, Charles, Catherine, Joyce, Janice, Barbara, Beverly, John, Katherine, Mary, Beverly, Najlae, Irene, Edmond, Helen, George, Frances, Felecia, Catherine, Lana, Gail, Margaret, Brian, Nicole, Marion, Donna, Linda, Edmond, Emaline, Carrie, Nicholas, George, Lovee, Elizabeth, Sarah, Charles, Jenine, Josephine, George, Sandy, Edward, Michael, Madeline, Rosemary, John, Margaret, Sarah, Nima, Dean, David, Sterling, William, Mary.

THE PARISH COUNCIL

Leeann Plouffe - Chairwoman
Barbara Campbell, Paul Eysie, Camille Florio (Secretary), Andrew Howard (Vice Chairman),
Marlene Lupaczyk, Marwan Samman (Treasurer), Linda Thomas and Sharon Weiskerger

CHURCH LEADERS

Ladies of Saint George - Katie Birtwell, President	Church School - Rich Plouffe, Superintendent
Parish Chanter - Paul Eysie	Choir Director - David Franciosi
Teen Advisor - Michele Markatos	Teen President - Jenna Weiskerger
Ushers - Andrew Howard & Marwan Samman	Epistle Reader Coordinator - Lovee Thomas
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SUNDAY 3 AUGUST 2008 • SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

TONE 6 • EOTHINON 7 • VENERABLE ISAAC OF THE DALMATON MONASTERY

Eisodikon

Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ, O Son of God, who art risen from the dead, save us who sing unto thee, Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 6)

When Mary stood at thy grave looking for thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above thy revered tomb, and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world; O thou that art risen from the dead! O Lord, glory to thee.

Troparion of Saint George, Patron of our Community (Tone 4)

As deliverer of captives, and defender of the poor, healer of the infirm, champion of kings, victorious Great-Martyr George, intercede with Christ our God, for our souls' salvation.

Kontakion of the Transfiguration (Tone 7)

Thou wast transfigured on the mount, and thy Disciples, in so far as they were able, beheld thy glory, O Christ our God; so that, when they should see thee crucified, they would remember that Thy suffering was voluntary, and could declare to all the world that thou art truly the effulgent Splendour of the Father.

EPISTLE & GOSPEL

Prokeimenon and Verse:

Thou, O Lord, shalt keep us and shalt preserve us from this generation and forevermore. Save me, O Lord, for a righteous man there is no more.

The Reading is from Apostle Paul's Letter to the Romans (15:1-7 - for the 7th Sunday after Pentecost)

Brethren, we who are strong ought to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves; let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to edify him. For Christ did not please himself; but, as it is writ-

ten, "The reproaches of those who reproached thee fell on me." For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

Alleluia

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew

(9:27-35 - 7th Sunday of Matthew)

Glory to Thee O Lord, Glory to Thee

As Jesus passed on from there, two blind men followed him, crying aloud, "Have mercy on us, Son of David." When he entered the house, the blind men came to him; and Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" They said to him, "Yes, Lord." Then he touched their eyes, saying, "According to your faith be it done to you." And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly charged them, "See that no one knows it." But they went away and spread his fame through all that district. As they were going away, behold, a dumb demoniac was brought to him. And when the demon had been cast out, the dumb man spoke; and the crowds marveled, saying, "Never was anything like this seen in Israel." But the Pharisees said, "He casts out demons by the prince of demons." And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every infirmity.

Glory to Thee O Lord, Glory to Thee
