



SAINT GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH

A parish of the Self-Ruled Antiochian
Orthodox Christian Church of North America

Most Rev. Metropolitan Philip, Primate
Very Rev. Father Joseph Kimmett, Pastor

Rev. Deacon Stephen Mathewes
Subdeacon Gheorge Doros
Subdeacon Joseph Kouyoumjian

*It is our pleasure to welcome visitors and friends to our church.
If you would like to know more about our parish,
or the Orthodox Church, please feel free to ask.*

*Orthodox Christians who have confessed their sins
and have prepared themselves by fasting
are invited to receive Communion.*

*Everyone is welcome to venerate the cross and share Holy Bread.
Following Liturgy, please join us in the parish hall
for coffee and refreshments.*

CALENDAR

<u>Today</u> -	Baptism of Nathan Florio, 1:00 pm Baptism of Nicholas Diaz (Fotopoulos), 2:30 pm
<u>Services for Michael Mike</u> -	Monday - Wake at Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, 4:00-8:00 pm Tuesday - Funeral in the church, 10:00 am
<u>Saturday</u> -	Great Vespers 5:00 pm
<u>Next Sunday</u> -	Commemoration of the Beheading of the Forerunner John Matins & Divine Liturgy, 9:00 / 10:00 am
<u>Fasting</u> -	<i>Wednesday and Friday this week and next Sunday.</i>

**22 August
2010**



**13th Sunday
after
Pentecost**



**Sunday after
the Dormition**

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MESSAGE ABOUT ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN UNITY

Hi Everyone, My name is Bill Souvall and I'm the president of Orthodox Christian Laity (OCL). OCL has a 23 year history of actively promoting and supporting Orthodox unity on this continent. We are encouraged by the recent Episcopal Assembly, and supported that effort by donating \$20,000 toward the conference cost. For the first time there is a chance that the Old World will finally allow the American Church to begin to construct a plan for unity. This can only be done by the bishops – here in this country – which is why we have sought to promote unity for 23 years, defined as “locally elected bishops, sitting in synod.” This is the ancient tradition of the Church.

OCL also believes that the tradition of the church is for the hierarchs, clergy and laity to work in symphony for the glory of Christ. This is another ancient tradition of the Church, not some Protestant invention. You may or may not know that laity participated in the Ecumenical Councils.

As we begin a new Ecclesiastical Year (September 1, 2010), it is time for you to become part of the unity process! OCL is encouraging clergy and laity across the country to learn all you can about what is going on. The bishops need our help to organize this unified church in the U.S. Much of the talent which will be needed, legal, accounting, strategic planning, organizational – can ONLY come from us, the laity.

To this end, I would encourage you to do three things:

1. Become familiar with the primary sources of information establishing the Episcopal Assemblies which begins with the Statement signed by all the Autocephalous Old World leaders in Oct 2008 - through the MESSAGE signed by all the Bishops of North and Central America attending the assembly held in NYC in May 2010. All documents are posted on OCL website www.ocl.org. Keep up with the latest developments through the web.
2. Encourage our clergy to host pan-Orthodox gatherings and liturgical celebrations throughout the Ecclesiastical Year. We should be celebrating our multi-cultural Orthodox Christian heritage as only we can because of our American experience. The major feast days such as the Nativity of the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary and the Exaltation of the Holy Cross which open the Ecclesiastical Year along with all the other feasts should include local pan-Orthodox Vespers. We should be encouraging local clergy associations to meet with the Orthodox Bishops in their local areas and discuss the future of the Church. Encourage your local Clergy Association to host meetings with the laity to discuss building a unified Church in America.
3. We invite laity in local areas to host informal gatherings in their homes, through their club affiliations such as seniors, brotherhoods and sisterhoods to discuss what it means to be a local Church. What does bringing our resources together (i.e. bishops, publishing, schools, camps) mean for us? Will a unified Church be autonomous (head is selected abroad) or autocephalous (head is selected here). We are all encouraged by our Church leaders to think “out of the box” on these issues.

For more information, email us at ocladmin@ocl.org or visit our website at www.ocl.org.

TEEN SOYO AND THE PAW SOX

The teens of the diocese will be attending a Pawtucket Red Sox game on Monday the 30th. Tickets are \$10 each. See Tim Markatos or Father Joseph for details.

BIRTHDAYS, NAME DAYS ETC.

Stop by the parish hall this morning and help us compile a list of birthdays, anniversaries and Name Days. There are large calendar pages for you to neatly write those special days on which we can offer extra prayers.

MAILING

Save us a stamp. Pick up your annual meeting notice in the parish hall before you leave today.

2011 CONFERENCE & CONVENTION THEME



The theme for the **PLC** next year (Hyannis, June 17-19) and the **Convention** (Chicago, July 24-31) as well as the creative festivals is “*Be mindful, O Lord, of the priesthood, the diaconate and every priestly rank*”

(from the Liturgy of Saint Basil).

The topic for the **Bible Bowl** will be the Gospel of Saint Matthew. For more information, check out www.antiochian.org/festivals.

P.S. If you are thinking about a trip to Chicago for the Convention, see www.ArchdiocesConvention2011.org

WHILE SURFING THE WEB . . .

Shop on-line at the Antiochian Village Bookstore and Gift Shop <http://store.antiochianvillage.org/>

Saint Vladimir’s Seminary has launched a new site at www.svots.edu.

A new site with a great majority of the archived works of *Metropolitan Anthony Bloom*, is at www.masarchive.org.

The newsletter of “Antioch: A Center for Antiochian Orthodox Christian Studies and Research” at Oxford is at www.antiochcentre.net/pdf/theantiochian3.pdf

And you know about www.StGeorgeNorwood.org, your first stop for parish news and updates. It is also your shopping gateway -- that’s right, from our site, click on the **Marketplace** log and shop as usual. Merchants will send a portion of what you spend to us.

PLANNING FOR FALL

Summer isn’t over yet, but we are already gearing up for September. **Mark the following in your calendars:**

- Ladies Meeting next week, exact time to be announced.
- August 31 - for the Liturgical New Year: Indiction Service & Blessing of Waters, 7:00 pm.
- September 7 - Evening Liturgy for the Nativity of the Theotokos, 6:00 pm.
- September 9 - Akathist for Children (a beautiful way for parents to offer prayers as their children begin a new school year.) Service at 7:00 pm
- September 12 - Meeting after coffee hour to discuss the proposed changes to our constitution.
- September 13 - Evening Liturgy for the Exaltation of the Cross, 7:00pm.
- September 18 - Sonia’s Run (5K) for Theophany School, West Roxbury, 9:00 am: Runners and Volunteers, go to <http://soniasrun.org/>
- September 19, First day of Church School, 12:30 pm.
- September 27 - Annual Parish Meeting, 7:00 pm.
- Plus, weekday Vespers and Matins as announced.
- October 2 - Education Day at Saint Vladimir’s Seminary: *Many Cultures, One Faith*
- And coming soon, an evening discussion of *The Walk*, by Richard Paul Evans (a New York Times bestseller.)

HOLY BREAD - The gifts are offered today by the Kh. Afefee Abraham and her family, in memory of Father Nifon on the second anniversary of his passing. Gifts are also offered by Don & Camille Florio in thanksgiving for Nathan Florio who will be baptized today.

COFFEE HOUR - Please stay for refreshments after Liturgy, hosted by Kh. Afefee Abraham and her family.

GIFTS TO SAINT GEORGE -

Jennie Mike, Florence Esper and Alice Kelley
in memory of Father Nifon Abraham
 Emailine Eaklein memory of Edward Bruce

REMEMBER IN PRAYER -

Pray for the servants of God: Archpriest Nicholas and Pamela (Manikas), Archpriest Michael (Lewis), Archpriest Alexander (Atty), Deacon Elias (Hamaty), Lucia Camille (Baba) John (Howard), Nicole (Tourigney), Darcey, David (Knipe and family), Tripp (Head), Roger (Eysie), Alan (Andrew), Lana (Joseph), Christina (Adams), Emaline (Eakle), Jamil (Samara), David (Elliott, serving in Iraq), Michael (Eysie), Janis, Timothy (Wright), Kathyne (Howard), Edward (Arees), Nicholas, Claudia (Eysie), Najlae (Solomon), Frances (Giandomenico), Frederick (Howard), Lillie (Kelley), Lovee (Thomas), Sandy (Thomas), Loretta (Thomas), George (Fares), Charles (Howard), Eliana, Mary, Ioana, Nicolae, Carrie, Sam, Nicholas, Barbara, Catherine, Margaret, Brian, Marion, Linda, Carrie, Sarah, Josephine, David, Sterling.

Pray for the newly departed: Michael Mike and Elsie (Ead) Faris Mansor, mother of Archmandrite Leonard Faris, pastor of Saint George, Lowell.

Income August 15	Pledges	Donations & Memorials	Sunday Tray	Special Collection
\$691.55	\$457.00	\$35.00	\$219.55	N.A.

Council & Parish Leaders

- Christine Byron
- Joseph Eysie
- Barbara Campbell (Secretary)
- Subdeacon Gheorghe Doros
- Andrew Howard (Chairman)
- Richard Plouffe
- Marwan Samman
- John Shalbey jr.
- Linda Thomas (Vice Chair)

Assistant Treasurers:

- Beverly DiFlaminies
- Leeann Plouffe

Chanters - Erik Potter
 & Rezanne Toumi

- Choir Director - David Franciosi
- Christmas Card - Doris Copoulos
- Church Custodian - Gerry Mullen
- Epistle Readers - Lovee Thomas
- Food Pantry Rep. - Kay Moseley
- Holy Bread - Catherine Keches
- IOCC Rep. - Emily Howard
- Ladies President - Katie Birtwell
- Sacristan - Subdn. Gheorghe Doros
- Seminarians - Rabee Toumi & Deacon Stephen Mathewes
- Scholarship Committee - Helen Abril
- School Superintendent - Rich Plouffe
- Teen Advisor - Emily Howard
- Teen President - Timothy Markatos
- Teen Treasurer - Nicholas Kimmitt
- Usher - Andrew Howard
- Web-Master - Ekaterina Oleinik



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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 4)

Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel, the women Disciples cast from them their parental condemnation, and proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying, Death hath been spoiled. Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.

TROPARION OF THE DORMITION (TONE 1)

In giving birth, O Theotokos, thou hast retained thy virginity, and in falling asleep thou hast not forsaken the world. for thou wast translated into life, being the Mother of Life. Wherefore by thine intercessions, deliver our souls from death.

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.

KONTAKON OF THE DORMITION (TONE 2)

Verily, the Theotokos, who is ever watchful in intercessions, who is never rejected, neither tomb nor death could control. But being the Mother of Life, he who dwelth in her ever-virgin womb did translate her to life.

EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

Prokeimenon and Verse: O Lord, how magnificent are your works. Thou hast made all things in wisdom. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

The Reading is from Apostle Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians (16:13-24, for the 13th Sunday)

Brethren, be watchful, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love. Now, brethren, you know that the household of Steph'anas were the first converts in Acha'ia, and they have devoted themselves to the service of the saints; I urge you to be subject to such men and to every fellow worker and laborer. I rejoice at the coming of Steph'anas and Fortuna'tus and Acha'icus, because they have made up for your absence; for they refreshed my spirit as well as yours. Give recognition to such men. The churches of Asia send greetings. Aq'uila and Prisca, together with the church in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord. All the brethren send greetings. Greet one another with a holy kiss. I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. If any one has no love for the Lord, let him be accursed. Our Lord, come! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Alleluia. Bend Thy bow, and proceed prosperously and be king, because of truth and meekness and righteousness. *Alleluia.* Thou hast loved righteousness and hated iniquity. Wherefore God, Thy God, hath anointed Thee with the oil of gladness more than Thy fellows. *Alleluia.*

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew

(21:33-42 for the 13th Sunday)

Jesus said, "Hear another parable. There was a householder who planted a vineyard, and set a hedge around it, and dug a wine press in it, and built a tower, and let it out to tenants, and went into another country. When the season of fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants, to get his fruit; and the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first; and they did the same to them. Afterward he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' And they took him and cast him out of the vineyard, and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes'?"