



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. Father Stephen Mathewes, Seminarian
Rev. Deacon Luke Toumi
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, who and have prepared themselves by fasting and who have been present from the beginning of the Liturgy are invited to receive Communion.

5 June 2011



Holy Fathers
of the First
Council



Sunday after
the Ascension

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CALENDAR

- Wednesday - Funeral for Larece Kady, 10:00 am
(Visitation: 4:00-8:00 pm on Tuesday at Kraw-Kornack)
- Next Sunday - Pentecost:
Matins & Divine Liturgy, 9:00 / 10:00 am
Kneeling Prayers
Awarding of the Boulis Scholarships
- Monday the 13th - Parish Council Meeting, 7:00 pm
- June 17-19 - Parish Life Conference, Hyannis
No services in Norwood

There is fasting Wednesday and Friday this week.

2011 Parish Life Conference

NOW THAT IT REALLY FEELS LIKE SUMMER ...

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS TODAY!!!



Still need to register?!?!

Visit www.Conference2011.stjohnd.org (click on "event registrations")

*****Beach Blanket BBQ Saturday afternoon*****



***** Hafli featuring Mitchell Kaltsunas and Ensemble*****



*****Friday night Welcome Reception with dessert bar and KAREOKE night*****



***** And much, much more!!!*****



CONFERENCE AND CONVENTION

Saint John of Damascus Church is hosting the *Parish Life Conference* June 17-19th, in Hyannis. His Grace Bp THOMAS will be the hierarch. See: www.stjohnnd.org/conference2011/index.htm for information, and registration.

For our part, we've got *our teen Bible Bowl team: Nick Kimmett, Nadia Oleinik, Owen Plouffe and Leah Shalbey*. We are looking for an adult team **and** for participants in the Oratorical Festival. The conference theme is: "Be mindful, O Lord, of the priesthood, the diaconate and every priestly rank". See www.antiochian.org/festivals for festival and oratorical information and let Father Joseph if you are interested.

All of the Creative Arts Festival projects for the Diocese of Worcester and New England were judged earlier this month in Dedham. *Our church school project received 15/16 points (93.75%)*. This is fantastic. Thanks to the leaders of our Church School and to all the students for their great work.

THERE WILL BE NO SERVICES IN NORWOOD THE 18TH & 19TH DUE TO THE CONFERENCE.

The *Archdiocese Convention* is July 24-31 in Chicago. Details at www.archdioceseconvention2011.org/ *If you plan now, you can buy tickets for the Red Sox, who will be playing the White Sox in Chicago that week.*

In 2012 our parish will host the Parish Life Conference. We'll be at the Cliffhouse in Ogunquit, Maine. The Parish Council and previous conference chairs are the coordinating committee. We'll soon be recruiting helpers for the weekend of June 21-24, 2012.

SENIORS AWARD

The Abraham (Bob) & Anne Boulis Memorial Scholarship will be presented to our graduating high school seniors next Sunday after the Pentecost Liturgy. You are encouraged to contribute to this fund [and all our designated accounts] by using the *Special or Memorial* envelopes found in the narthex and parish hall.

SUMMER VACATION

Are you headed to the beach or some place fun and exotic this summer? Before you go:

1. Check www.antiochian.org and find a church in the area where you will be traveling. The OCA and Greek Archdiocese also list parishes on their website.
2. Remember to make sure your pledge is up to date and that you have left tray offerings before you leave.

YOUR PRAYERS

Please remember Father Stephen Mathewes who is on a mission trip to Albania with the Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC.)

Remember also the IOCC and their work with storm victims in Missouri, in the south. Remember also those in *western Massachusetts*. See www.IOCC.org for up to date information and ways you can help.

HOLY BREAD AND COFFEE HOUR

There are openings in the coming weeks (and through the summer) for those wishing to offer the holy bread and host a coffee hour. Please find a date and sign-up.

AABA TRIPS

The American Arab Benevolent Association is sponsoring three "day trips" this year for anyone who would like to participate. AABA offsets part of the cost of each trip. There are pamphlets on these trips available in the church hall or you can see David Franciosi for more information.

HOLY BREAD - The gifts are offered by Brian and Marlene Lupaczyk. A 40-day memorial for Loretta Thomas will be served after the Liturgy.

COFFEE HOUR - Please join us for refreshments after Liturgy today, hosted by Marlene Lupaczyk.

VOTIVE - A seven-day candles burns before the Icon of the Theotokos given for the health of Maria Piccirilli and her family.

FLOWERS - The bouquets before the Icons are given by Marlene Lupaczyk in memory of her mother Loretta Thomas.

GIFTS TO SAINT GEORGE

Brian & Marlene Lupaczyk
 *for the health of Loretta Flynn and Karen Campenelli*
 Andrew Howard *in memory of Loretta Thomas*

REMEMBER IN PRAYER -

Pray for the servants of God: Archpriest Michael, Christopher and the Abdelahad Family; Kh. Joanne (Bitar), Mahasen Yacoub (Hanna -- Ibtisam's mother), Sean (Hatfield), David (Rediker), Michael (Pepin), Beverly (DiFlaminies), Pamela (Manikas), Deacon Elias (Hamaty), Janet, Noah, William, Kate (Melchert), Fred (Tomm), John (Howard), Nicole (Tourigney), Darcey, David (Knipe and family), Tripp (Head), Alan (Andrew), Lana (Joseph), Christina (Adams), Emaline (Eakle), Cleo (Eysie), Janis, Timothy (Wright), Kathyne (Howard), Nicholas, Claudia (Eysie), Najlae (Solomon), Lillie (Kelley), Lovee (Thomas), Sandy (Thomas), Loretta (Thomas), George (Fares), Charles (Howard), Mary, Ioana, Nicolae, Sam, Catherine, Margaret, Brian, Marion, Sarah, Josephine, Sterling.

Pray for Elsa (Nashawaty Stallings) and David (Elliott) - currently deployed in the US armed forces.

Pray for the newly departed Larece Kady.

| May 29 Income | Pledges | Donations & Memorials | Tray | Special Tray |
|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|
| 936.50 | \$535 .00 | \$355.00 | \$ 200.50 | N.A. |

Council & Parish Leaders

- Christine Byron (Secretary)
- Joseph Eysie (Vice Chairman)
- Barbara Campbell (Chair)
- Gheorghe Doros (Treasurer)
- Anthony Grasso
- Richard Plouffe
- Ibtisam Samman
- John Shalbey jr.
- Linda Thomas

Assistant Treasurers:
 Beverly DiFlaminies
 Leeann Plouffe

- Building Committee - Andrew Howard
- 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
- Hospitality - Angie Sepulveda
- IOCC Rep. - Emily Howard
- Ladies President - Katie Birtwell
- Order of St Ignatius Liason - Erin K.
- Sacristan - Subdn. Gheorghe Doros
- Scholarship Committee - Helen Abril
- School Superintendent - Rich Plouffe
- Teen Advisor - Emily Howard
- Teen President - Timothy Markatos
- Teen Treasurer - Nicholas Kimmett
- Usher - Andrew Howard
- Web-Master - Ekaterina Oleinik



Sunday after the Ascension: Holy Fathers of the First Council

EISODIKON

Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. O Son of God who art risen from the dead. 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 THE ASCENSION (TONE 4)

Thou hast ascended in glory, O Christ our God, and gladdened thy Disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit, having become confident of the blessing. Verily, thou art the Son of God, and Deliverer of the world.

TROPARION OF THE FATHERS (TONE 8)

Thou, O Christ, art our God of exceeding praise who didst establish our holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true Faith, O most merciful One, 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 ASCENSION (TONE 6)

When thou didst fulfill thy dispensation for our sakes, uniting the terrestrials with the celetials, thou didst ascend in glory, O Christ our God, inseparable in space, but constant without separation, and crying unto thy beloved, I am with you, and no one shall be against you.

EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

Prokeimenon and Verse: Blessed art Thou, O Lord, the God of our Fathers; for Thou art just in all that Thou hast done toward us.

The Reading is from the Acts of the Holy Apostles (20:16-18, 28-36, Holy Fathers)

In those days, Paul decided to sail past Ephesus, so that he might not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hastening to be at Jerusalem, if possible, on the day of Pentecost. And from Mile'tus he sent to Ephesus and called to him the elders of the church. And when they came to him, he said to them: "You yourselves know how I lived among you all the time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God which he obtained with the blood of his own Son. I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish every one with tears. And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities, and to those who were with me. In all things I have shown you that by so toiling one must help the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" And when he had spoken thus, he knelt down and prayed with them all.

Alleluia. The God of gods, the Lord, hath spoken, and He hath called the earth from the rising of the sun and unto the setting thereof. *Alleluia.* Gather together unto Him His holy ones who have established His covenant upon sacrifices. *Alleluia.*

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint John (17:1-13, Holy Fathers)

When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify thy Son that the Son may glorify thee, since thou hast given him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom thou hast given him. And this is eternal life, that they know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent. I glorified thee on earth, having accomplished the work which thou gavest me to do; and now, Father, glorify thou me in thy own presence with the glory which I had with thee before the world was made. "I have manifested thy name to the men whom thou gavest me out of the world; thine they were, and thou gavest them to me, and they have kept thy word. Now they know that everything that thou hast given me is from thee; for I have given them the words which thou gavest me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from thee; and they have believed that thou didst send me. I am praying for them; I am not praying for the world but for those whom thou hast given me, for they are thine; all mine are thine, and thine are mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to thee. Holy Father, keep them in thy name, which thou hast given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. While I was with them, I kept them in thy name, which thou hast given me; I have guarded them, and none of them is lost but the son of perdition, that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves.