



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, 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
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.*

3 April

2011



Fourth Sunday
in Great Lent:

Righteous
John of the
Ladder

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CALENDAR

<u>Today</u> -	Church School, 12:30 pm
<u>Monday</u> -	[Diocesan] Great Compline, 7:00 pm, here
<u>Wednesday</u> -	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy followed by Lenten potluck, 6:00 pm
<u>Friday</u> -	Akathist / Madayer, 7:00 pm
<u>Saturday</u> -	Diocesan Choral Music Workshop, Saint John of Damascus Confessions / Great Vespers, 5:00 pm
<u>Next Sunday</u> -	Matins & Divine Liturgy, 9:00 / 10:00 am 1-year memorial for Mary Kaleel (Camille's mother)
<u>Fasting</u> -	<i>The Lenten Fast continues this week and includes abstention from meat, poultry, fish, cheese, dairy, olive oil and wine. There is katalysis for wine and oil each weekend.</i>



THEOPHANY SCHOOL

Invites you to the 11th Annual

Benefit Evening & Auction "Dinner Party"

Dine on great food and mingle with friends!
Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres...Dinner Buffet...Live music...
Raffles and prizes...
A night to remember...

And a great way to support the Theophany children!

Saturday, April 30 at 6:30 pm

Apollo Functions

615 Washington Street, Norwood, Massachusetts

Tickets \$50/person

IOCC

International Orthodox Christian Charities continue to work with the Orthodox Church in Japan to assess the needs of those afflicted by the recent earthquake, tsunami and nuclear disaster. "It is definitely true that the suffering and hardship of the victims in these ruined areas is indescribably serious and severe now," wrote Fr. Demitrios Tanaka of the Orthodox Church in Japan. "But the aftershocks of this complex disaster will remain upon us for a long time. We anticipate that the really critical situation will turn up two or three months from now."

One way to support IOCC is by sponsoring our own *Emily Howard*. She is running the *Boston Marathon* again this year and IOCC is her charity. Log on to www.iocc.org/giving/race_bostonmarathon_emily-howard2011.aspx You can also make a check to IOCC.

FFHP

The giving of alms is one of the hallmarks of the Lenten season. In the archdiocese the act of caring for the poor and hungry is facilitated through the *Food For Hungry People* program. Make sure you are filling your box.

"It is not how much we give but how much love we put into giving"
-- *Mother Teresa*

CONFERENCE AND CONVENTION

Saint John of Damascus Church is hosting the diocesan *Parish Life Conference* June 17-19th, in Hyannis. See: www.stjohnd.org/conference2011/index.htm The *Archdiocese Convention* is July 24-31 in Chicago. Details at www.archdioceseconvention2011.org/

EGG DYE

Save your onion skins. The Church School will use them to dye eggs for Pascha. There is a marked bag in the kitchen for you to drop off skins.

PALM SUNDAY BAKE SALE

April 17th is the Ladies of Saint George Annual Bake Sale. As always, bakers are needed.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

Barbara & Ken Nashawaty, George & Agnes Zahka, Edward & Gloria Zahka, Dolores Elias, Nick & Doris Copoulos, Kay Mike, Dianne, Garrett, John jr & Leah Shalbey, Patricia Grungnale, Phil & Judy Zahka, Marion Redonnet, Anthony Bashir, Jeanette Sakakeeny, Pat & Nancy Lennox, Ed & Sue Ayoub, Ed & Kathy Czyryca, Vito & Carol Wasilunas, Nick & Jackie Saber, Helen Rossetsky, Jennie Mike, Kathryn Howard, David & Laura Veo, Tony & Loretta Borghi, Dr & Mrs James Bezreh, Robert Maria, George & Madeline Shaheen, Lillie Kelley, Sheila Bennett, Josephine Purpura, Joe & Mary Shagoury, Kay & Edward Moseley, Christine Grady, Carolyn Ferris, Honey Tolia, John Howard, Donna Nashawaty, Sam & Beverly DiFlaminies, Alex & Mary Deeb, Emaline Eakle, Plouffe Family, Mr & Mrs Richard Robbat, Sandy, Linda & Bob Thomas, Lovee Thomas & Family, Hellas Assad, Michael & Marilyn Robbat, Joseph & Ann Sasino, Charles & Debbie Greenstein, Jean Teebagy, Valerie Chobanian, Jim & Donna Boyle, Marie Shaker, Don & Camille Florio, Charles & Marie (Boulis) Coffin, Thomas D'angelo, Gus Janior, Sophie Boulis, Ernest & Sally Peter, Sharon & Jenna Weiskerger, Justin & Elizabeth MacNeil, Jeffrey & Marcia Shapiro, Ibtisam Samman, Bill & Helen Abril, Paul & Helen Donohue, Olga Abdallah, Nicholas Abdallah, Don & Christine Byron Family, Andy & Demetra Papas, Chris & Laura Bradley Family, Sam & Kay Matook, Jim & Beth Schillawski, Wayne Zahka Family, Caroline Pannes Day, Cleo Eysie & Family, Florence Esper, Alice Kelley, Donna Spicer, Marlene Howard, Marianne Kelly, David & Phyllis Spicer, Najlae Solomon, Paul & Lily Lang and anonymous donors

.....*in memory of Fred Howard*

HOLY BREAD -

The gifts are offered today by the Kouyoumjian Family.

COFFEE HOUR -

Please stay for coffee following the Liturgy today, hosted by the Kouyoumjian Family.

GIFTS TO SAINT GEORGE -

Helen Abril ... *for the health of Bob Deeb & in memory of Richard Esper*
Helen Kelley *in memory of George Thomas*
Dolores Elias *in memory of Daisy Fadel*
Cleo Eysie & Family
..... *for the health of Timothy Wright and in memory of John White*
Emaline Eakle *for the health of Karen Knoblock*
Rochelle Dolan
..... *for the health of Larece Kady and in memory of Thomas Kady*

REMEMBER IN PRAYER -

Pray for the servants of God: Archpriest Michael and the Abdelahad Family; Kh. Joanne (Bitar), David (Rediker), David (Elliott - serving in Iraq), 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), Kathryn 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.

Income March27	Pledges	Donations & Memorials	Sunday Tray	Special Collection
\$1257.00	\$703.00	\$170.00	\$329.00	N.A.

Council & Parish Leaders

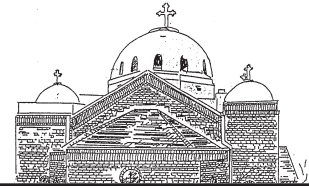
- Christine Byron (Secretary)
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Fourth Sunday in Lent

Righteous John, Author of The Ladder of Virtues

Venerable Nikita the Confessor and Joseph the Hymnographer

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 SAINT JOHN (TONE 8)

The barren wilderness thou didst make fertile with the streams of thy tears; and by thy deep sighing thou hast given fruit through thy struggles hundred-fold. Accordingly, thou hast become a star for the universe, sparkling with miracles. Therefore, O righteous Father John, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

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 ANNUNCIATION (TONE 8)

To thee, the Champion Leader, I thy city ascribe thank-offerings of victory; for thou hast delivered me from terrors, O Theotokos; but as thou hast that power which is invincible, from all dangers set me free, that I may cry out unto thee: "Hail, O Bride without bridegroom!"

MEGALYNARION IN THE LITURGY OF SAINT BASIL THE GREAT (TONE 8)

In thee rejoiceth all creation, O thou who art full of grace, the hierarchy of the angels, and all mankind, O consecrated temple and paradise endowed with speech, glory of virginity, of whom god, who is our god before the ages, was incarnate and became a little child.

EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

Prokeimenon and Verse:

The Lord is my strength and my praise. The Lord chastising hath chastised me: But He has not delivered me over to death.

The Reading is from the Apostle Paul's Letter to the Hebrews (6:13-20 - 4th Lent)

Brethren when God made a promise to Abraham, since he had no one greater by whom to swear, he swore by himself, saying, "Surely I will bless you and multiply you." And thus Abraham, having patiently endured, obtained the promise. Men indeed swear by a greater than themselves, and in all their disputes an oath is final for confirmation. So when God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose, he interposed with an oath, so that through two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible that God should prove false, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to seize the hope set before us. We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner shrine behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest for ever after the order of Melchiz'edek.

Alleluia. It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord. *Alleluia.* To proclaim your mercy in the morning and your truth by night. *Alleluia.*

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark (9:17-31, 4th Sunday in Lent)

At that time, a man came to Jesus, kneeling and said "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a dumb spirit; and wherever it seizes him, it dashes him down; and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid; and I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." And he answered

them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me." And they brought the boy to him; and when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. And Jesus asked his father, "How long has he had this?" And he said, "From childhood. And it has often cast him into the fire and into the water, to destroy him; but if you can do anything, have pity on us and help us." And Jesus said to him, "If you can! All things are possible to him who believes." Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You dumb and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him, and never enter him again." And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse; so that most of them said, "He is dead." But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer." They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he would not have any one know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him; and when he is killed after three days he will rise."

THE LORD'S PRAYER will be read in several languages each Sunday in Lent, beginning with English, then Arabic, Greek, Russian, Romanian, Spanish ...