



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.*

CALENDAR

Tonight, Monday & Tuesday - Bridegroom Matins, 7:00 pm
Confessions will be heard before and after the Bridegroom services only.

Wednesday - Holy Unction, 6:00 pm
Thursday - Vespers Liturgy, 8:30 am
Service of the Passion Gospels, 7:00 pm
Friday - Royal Hours, 8:30 am (and decorating of the bier)
Vespers, 1:00 pm (and start of Church School retreat)
Lamentations, 7:00 pm (and start of All Night Vigil)

Saturday - Vespers Liturgy, 8:30 am (followed by cleaning / decorating)
Procession, Matins & Paschal Liturgy, 10:30 pm (& breakfast)

Next Sunday - Agape Vespers, 12:00 noon
Next Monday - Bright Monday / Saint George Feast Liturgy, 9:00am

PALM SUNDAY: MATINS GOSPEL

When they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Beth'phage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find an ass tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If any one says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord has need of them,' and he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfil what was spoken by the prophet, saying, "Tell the daughter of Zion, Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of an ass." The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the ass and the colt, and put their garments on them, and he sat thereon. Most of the crowd spread their garments on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before him and that followed him shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" And when he entered Jerusalem, all the city was stirred, saying, "Who is this?" And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth of Galilee." But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying out in the temple, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" they were indignant; and they said to him, "Do you hear what these are saying?" And Jesus said to them, "Yes; have you never read, 'Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings thou hast brought perfect praise'?" And leaving them, he went out of the city to Bethany and lodged there.



* HOLY WEEK PROCESSIONS *

At the end of the Liturgy today, during the Lamentations on Holy Friday, on Saturday night and again during Agape Vespers, processions are held. These processions are a part of liturgical life of the Church, practised for centuries. Different customs have arisen over time, based on the setting and needs of particular communities. The Holy Week traditions in Norwood are deep rooted and have evolved over the years as the congregation has changed.

If the weather cooperates and it isn't pouring rain, these processions will take place outdoors. The plans have been made with consideration for those who love to walk and sing, as well as those for whom the steps provide a bit of an obstacle. Please listen carefully to the announcements so that you can participate.

FASTING ON PALM SUNDAY AND DURING HOLY WEEK

There is katalysis for olive oil, wine and fish today as we celebrate Palm Sunday. There is strict fasting each day of Holy Week. Following the Pascha Liturgy early Sunday, there is no fasting during Bright (Renewal) Week.

17 April
2011



The Glorious
Entrance of
Our Lord
into
Jerusalem:
PALM
SUNDAY

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SECOND TRAY TODAY

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Palm Sunday – April 17th, 2011

TO BE READ FROM THE PULPIT AND PUBLISHED IN THE CHURCH BULLETIN

Beloved in Christ:

Grace and peace to you from our Lord, God and Saviour Jesus Christ who comes triumphantly to us today as the Messiah!

As we gather with palms and candles in hand to bid welcome to the Eternal King with shouts of "Hosanna in the Highest," we make this appeal to you in behalf of our Patriarchate of Antioch. As the spiritual children of this ancient Christian See, where the disciples of Christ were first called Christians and which has given the Church such great saints as John of Damascus, John Chrysostom, Ignatius of Antioch, Thekla, Joseph of Damascus, Raphael of Brooklyn and countless others, we make our annual gifts of love to our Mother Church.

Through these gifts of love, we help support the various departments and charities of our Patriarchate in that ancient part of the world where there is great need. Please be generous in your financial offerings and prayers for those who will be the recipients of these gifts of love. This year is especially important since there are many refugees from Iraq residing in Syria and, especially in Damascus, where our Patriarch resides. Our Patriarchate has many programs to help these poor refugees from the war in addition to many other programs.

Wishing you a blessed and spiritually uplifting Holy Week and a most joyous Pascha, I remain

Yours in Christ,

Metropolitan Philip

Metropolitan PHILIP
 Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of All North America

Note: Please make your check payable to the "Antiochian Archdiocese" and earmark it "Palm Sunday Tray". St. George Church Norwood, MA - Minimum Contribution is \$400

BAKE SALE

During our coffee hour today, the Ladies of Saint George are having a bake sale. Goodies are available to be eaten right away, as well as those you will want to freeze until Pascha. Proceeds support the Antiochian Women's project, which is the monastery at Antiochian Village.

ALL NIGHT VIGIL

You are invited to spend the night in church following the Lamentation service on Holy Friday. This opportunity for reflection, Scripture reading and silence is sponsored each year by the Teen SOYO. If you will commit to an hour, please sign the sheet in the narthex.

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 your skins. We need them by Friday.

PASCHA BASKETS

Bring a basket full of your favorite non-fasting goodies to be blessed at Liturgy on Saturday night. Baskets should be placed beneath the icons in the front of the church.

AGAPE VESPERS

Do you read a foreign language? Will you read a Gospel next Sunday? See Father Joseph for a text.

PASCHA OFFERING

Return the offering envelope inside this bulletin by tomorrow. The list of donors will be printed next week.

IOCC

International Orthodox Christian Charities helps those around the world afflicted by war, poverty and disaster. You can help IOCC is by sponsoring our own Emily Howard. She is running the Boston Marathon tomorrow 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.

THEOPHANY SCHOOL AUCTION

The 11th annual benefit evening for Theophany School is Saturday, April 30th, 6:30 pm at the Apollo Function Hall in Norwood. Cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, dinner buffet and live music are included in your \$50 ticket.

AXIOS

Our Deacon Stephen will be ordained to the priesthood by the hand of Metropolitan PHILIP on Sunday, May 8th, when His Eminence visits Saint George of Boston.

COFFEE HOUR - Please stay for coffee following the Liturgy today.

PALMS - The palms and pussy willows have been donated by Roger Eysie.

VOTIVES - Seven-day candles burn before the Icons, given by Josephine Purpura for the health of David Rediker; given by Jackie Saber for the health of John, Peter, Jimmy & Nick.

GIFTS TO SAINT GEORGE -

Helen Sakakeeny, Bob Skakeeny & Gale Nigrosh, George Janson, George & Patti Sowpel, Nabeel Khudairi, Robert & Marilyn Kelley, Karimi Saad, Caroline Pannes, Richard & Susan Heckmann, Joan Parker, the Shriber family, the Dacey family, David & Karen Mcanern
*in memory of Frederick Howard*
 Adam & Jenine Florio*in memory of Mary Kaleel*
 Dolores Elias*in memory of Rose Salem*

REMEMBER IN PRAYER -

Pray for the servants of God: Archpriest Michael and the Abdelahad Family; Kh. Joanne (Bitar), 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), Kathryne (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 also for Elsa (Nashawaty Stallings) and David (Elliott) - currently deployed in the US armed forces.

Income April 10	Pledges	Donations & Memorials	Sunday Tray	Special Collection
\$3996.00	\$1795.00	\$1040.00	\$351.00	N.A.

Council & Parish Leaders

Christine Byron (Secretary)
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The Glorious and Brilliant Feast of the Entrance of Our Lord into Jerusalem

PALM SUNDAY

شَعْنِيَّة مَبَارَكَة

EISODIKON

Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. The Lord is God and hath appeared unto us. O Son of God who didst sit upon the foal of an ass, save us who sing unto Thee, Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

TROPARION OF RIGHTEOUS LAZARUS (TONE 1)

O Christ our God, when Thou did raise Lazarus from the dead before Thy passion, Thou did confirm the universal resurrection; Wherefore, we like babes carry the insignia of triumph and victory, and cry to Thee, O vanquisher of death: Hosannah in the highest; Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

TROPARION OF PALM SUNDAY (TONE 4)

O Christ our God, when we were buried with Thee in baptism, we became deserving of Thy resurrection to immortal life; wherefore, we praise thee, crying Hosannah in the highest; Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

KONTAKION OF PALM SUNDAY (TONE 6)

Upborne upon the heavenly throne, and seated upon the earthly foal, O Christ our God, receive the praises of angels and the hymns of men, exclaiming before Thee, Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

MEGALYNARION FOR PALM SUNDAY (TONE 4)

God the Lord hath appeared unto us; let us celebrate the Feast, and let us rejoice and magnify Christ; and with palms and branches let us raise our voices unto Him with praise, saying, "Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord our Saviour."

KOINONIKON FOR PALM SUNDAY

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Alleluia.

EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

Prokeimenon and Verse:

Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord.
O give thanks unto the Lord for He is good.

The Reading is from the Apostle Paul's Letter to the Philippians (4:4-9 - Palm Sunday)

Brethren, rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let all men know your forbearance. The Lord is at hand. Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, do; and the God of peace will be with you.

Alleluia. O sing unto the Lord a new song, for the Lord hath wrought wondrous things. *Alleluia.* All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. *Alleluia.*

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint John (12:1-18)

Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Laz'arus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made him a supper; Martha served, and Laz'arus was one of those at table with him. Mary took a pound of costly ointment of pure nard and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped

his feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the ointment. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (he who was to betray him), said, "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" This he said, not that he cared for the poor but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box he used to take what was put into it. Jesus said, "Let her alone, let her keep it for the day of my burial. The poor you always have with you, but you do not always have me." When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came, not only on account of Jesus but also to see Laz'arus, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Laz'arus also to death, because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus. The next day a great crowd who had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young ass and sat upon it; as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on an ass's colt!" His disciples did not understand this at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that this had been written of him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Laz'arus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead bore witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign.

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