

# 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

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.

2 August 2009

8th Sunday after Pentecost

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#### CALENDAR

Monday - Parish Council Meeting, 7:00pm

Tuesday - Paraklesis, 7:00pm

<u>Thursday</u> - Feast of the Transfiguration

Divine Liturgy and the Blessing of the First Fruits, 9:00 am

Saturday - Great Vespers, 5:00 pm

Next Sunday - Matins 9:00 am / Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

<u>Fasting</u> - The Dormition Fast has begun and continues through the 14th.



# Celebrate with us ...

and our Metropolitan Philip Saturday 19 Septemeber 2009

6:00 pm - Great Vespers at Saint George, Norwood 7:00 - Reception / 8:00 Dinner at the Apollo Restaurant

Dinner Tickets - \$55.00: Includes Hor d'oeuvres, Salad, choice of Roast Prime Rib of Beef or Broiled Haddock, Vegetables, Roasted Potatoes, Green Beans Almondine, Ice Cream Pie with Strawberries and Coffee or Tea Vegetarian Meals & Under-12 Chicken Finger Dinner also available.

RSVP with payment and choice of entree by September 9. Please send checks to the Ladies of Saint George, c/o Beverly DiFlaminies 35 Elm Street, Norwood, MA 02062

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#### MEMORY ETERNAL

Metropolitan ILYAS (Kurban), Archbishop of Tripoli and al-Koura (i.e. "the countryside"), former proistamenos at Saint George, Boston, MA and the senior-most member of the Holy Synod of Antioch (having served as a Metropolitan from 1962 until the present), fell asleep in Christ on Thursday, July 30th. Sayyidna Ilyas was affectionately known as "The Nightingale of Antioch" because of the beauty and compunctionate character of his chanting (for a sample see youtube.com/watch?v=PLdpopq7f2g&feature=related).

Pray also for the repose of the soul of the highly esteemed and well loved *Archpriest James Kenna*, 74, of Saint Sophia in Dripping Springs, TX who was fatally injured in an automobile accident on July 26th.

#### **AUGUST LITURGICAL NOTES**

The first two weeks of this month are a time of fasting in preparation for the *Feast of the Dormition* of the Theotokos. The beautiful Paraklesis service will be sung on the 4th & 11th at 7:00 pm and on the 13th at 9:00 am. *On the eve of the Feast, the 14th, the Vigil, including Vespers, Matins, Lamentations and Liturgy will be served at Saint Mary Church in Cambridge, beginning at 4:00 pm. A dinner follows (for which reservations are required.)* In Norwood on Saturday the 15th, the feast day Liturgy will be at 9:00 am.

The *Feast of the Transfiguration* on August 6th, falls during this fast and there is katalysis for fish, wine and oil. Liturgy on the 6th will be at 9:00am.

#### **BRICKS AND A SIGN**

We are nearly to the point where enough folks have ordered bricks for the patio that *we will be going back to the engraver*. Delay no longer! Complete a form (in the parish hall) today. The next phase of our outdoor workincludes a sign for the church; several folks gave us their ideas and these can be seen in the parish hall.

#### **SONIAS RUN - BUILDING ON A DREAM**

The inaugural *5K road race to benefit Theophany School*, in memory of Sonia Daly Belcher, is Saturday September 19. The race is USATF sanctioned, it starts and finishes at Saint George Church in West Roxbury at 9:00 am. (Kids 50 yard dash at 8:30) Registration forms are in the parish hall and on-line at <a href="www.SoniasRun.org">www.SoniasRun.org</a> (Yes, the race is the same weekend that the Metropolitan is visiting Norwood, but you'll have plenty of time to freshen up after the race before the festivities here.)

#### CONFERENCE ON MISSIONS AND EVANGELISM

The Archdiocese Department of Missions & Evangelism welcomes as our keynote speaker for the 2009 Conference *His Beatitude the Most Blesssed JONAH*, Primate of the OCA. It takes place September 4-7 at the Antiochian Village. The conference theme is "One Faith, One Church, One Message: the Necessity of Orthodox Unity in America to Bring America to Orthodoxy" If anyone is interested in attending, please see Father.

#### ORDER OF SAINT IGNATIUS

"Come, be a part of our vision for the future and find a new and deeper expression of your faith."

- Metropolitan PHILIP
The Order of Saint Ignatius is people of purpose, like the saint himself who wrote ...toil together, suffer together, rejoice together as servants of God... The Order is people who put feet to their faith, whether by funding missionary efforts, disaster relief, campus ministries, local outreaches to unwed mothers and kids on the street or by subsidizing our Clergy Benefits Fund, Theophany School or the Holy Trinity Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Worcester

His Eminence will induct members into the Order of Saint Ignatius during his visit to Norwood in September. Please consider becoming a member. See Father Joseph or any other member to learn more.

# **Prayers of Oblation and Donations**

**HOLY BREAD -** The gifts are offered today by Roger Eysie and all the members of his family in memory of Josephine Eysie and for Alex on his first birthday.

**FLOWERS** - The bouquets before the Icon of Christ and the Icon of the Theotokos are given by the Eysie family in memory of Josephine.

**VOTIVE** - A seven day candle burns before the Icon of Christ in thanksgiving for Alex on his first birthday. Many years.

**COFFEE HOUR -** Please stay for refreshments after Liturgy today, sponsored by the Eysie family.

#### **GIFTS TO SAINT GEORGE**

Roger Eysie and family in memory of Josephine Eysie
Bethoney & Gerena Familyin thanksgiving for
the chrismation of German and for the health of their families
Despina Sirbu and Purnickescu Family in memory of Nicolae

#### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Pray for the good health of the servants of God: Priest Robert, Khouriyee Elizabeth, Khouriyee Joanne, Deacon Elias, Hugh, Claudia, Chris, Elizaebth, Loretta, Eliana, James, Richard, Michael, Frances, Samera, Stephanie, Mary, John, Jeanne, Gregory, Albert, Dimitri, James, Frederick, Anne, Grace, Renee, Robert, Nicole, Mary, Pauline, Ioana, Nicolae, Kathleen, Lillie, Jennifer, Carrie, Sam, Michael, Nancy, Kenneth, Joy, Thomas, Sarah, Nicholas, Charles, Catherine, Joyce, Janice, Barbara, Beverly, John, Katherine, Mary, Beverly, Najlae, Irene, Edmond, Helen, Frances, Felecia, Catherine, Gail, Margaret, Brian, Nicole, Marion, Donna, Linda, Edmond, Emaline, Carrie, Nicholas, Lovee, Sarah, Charles, Jenine, Josephine, George, Sandy, Edward, Michael, Madeline, Rosemary, John, Margaret, Sarah, Nima, Dean, David, Sterling, Mary.

Income July 19-30	Pledges	Donations & Memorials	Tray	Special Collection
\$5160.00	\$4470.00	\$ 75.00	\$288.00	N.A.

#### Council & Parish Leaders

Andrew Howard (Chairman) Linda Thomas (Vice Chair) Sharon Weiskerger (Secretary) Leeann Plouffe (Treasurer)

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# The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost Translation of the Relics of the Proto-martyr Stephen and Venerable Photeini

#### **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.

### TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION (TONE 7)

Thou didst shatter death by thy Cross; thou didst open paradise to the thief; thou didst turn the mourning of the ointment-bearing women into joy, and didst bid thine Apostles proclaim warning that thou hast risen, O Christ, granting the world Great Mercy.

### TROPARION OF PROTO-MARTYR STEPHEN (TONE 4)

O first of strivers among the Martyrs, thy head was crowned with a kingly crown, through the struggles that thou didst endure for the sake of Christ God; for thou didst reproach the folly of the Jews, and therefore, didst see thy Saviour on the right hand of the Father. Wherefore, to him continuously plead for 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 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 AND GOSPEL**

Prokeimenon and Verse: The Lord will give strength to his people. Bring to the Lord, O sons of God, bring to the Lord honor and glory.

# The Reading is from the First Epistle of Apostle Paul to the Corinthians

(1:10-17; 8th Sunday)

I appeal to you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no dissensions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brethren. What I mean is that each one of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apol'los," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I am thankful that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Ga'ius; lest any one should say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized any one else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

# The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew

(14:14-22; 8th Sunday)

As Jesus went ashore he saw a great throng; and he had compassion on them, and healed their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a lonely place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass; and taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children. Jesus then made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.