



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.*

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It is a pleasure to welcome Deacon Damaskinos Issa, and his wife Ramia.

*Deacon is a biomedical engineer and an instructor in the Faculty of Electrical
Engineering at Al-Baath University, Homs, Syria.*

Ramia, is a student of Civil engineering at the same university.

*They have come to the US where Deacon will study for a Master of Theology
at Holy Cross, with a special interest in the New Testament.*

They belong to the Archdiocese of Homs, and both are from the Hossen Valley.

CALENDAR

Saturday - Great Vespers 5:00 pm
Next Sunday - Matins & Divine Liturgy, 9:00 / 10:00 am
Fasting - *There is fasting on Wednesday and Friday this week.*

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Falling Asleep
of the Most
Holy
Theotokos



Dormition

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IOCC Responds to Historic Russian Heat Wave & Wildfires

August 12, 2010, Baltimore, MD (IOCC) — Experiencing the worst heat wave in Russia since record-keeping began more than 130 years ago, the Russian people have been suffering from uninterrupted high temperatures for the past 50 days and deteriorating air quality as a result of more than 500 active fires burning nationwide. News agencies have reported that more than 50 people have died so far from the fires and an estimated 5,000 others have died as a result of the heat and poor air quality in Western Russia.

International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC), in consultation with the Orthodox Church in America, is working with its partners in the Russian Orthodox Church to formulate an appropriate IOCC response to this latest humanitarian crisis.

Constantine M. Triantafilou, IOCC Executive Director, expressed his concern at the situation, stating, "We pray for those who have died. Our thoughts and prayers go out to those mourning the loss of loved ones. We are also steadfast in our prayers for all who have been affected by the wildfires."

In addition to the immediate concern for the loss of life, it is estimated that approximately one third of Russia's wheat crop has burned. One of the world's largest exporters of wheat, Russia has suspended its wheat exports.

IOCC Mobilizes Food Aid to Flood Victims in Pakistan

August 12, 2010, Baltimore, MD (IOCC) —IOCC has mobilized food assistance to assist flood victims in Pakistan as more and more areas are being inundated by flood waters. Torrential rains and flooding over the course of July and early August have now affected an estimated 14 million people in Pakistan according to reports from the Government of Pakistan. Widespread flooding has devastated large parts of the country destroying homes, leaving people without food, clean water and shelter and exposing millions to the threat of disease.

In response to the emergency, IOCC has mobilized food assistance to vulnerable people in the flood affected communities of Wazirabad, Gujranwala and Faisalabad, Pakistan. The IOCC response is being coordinated with the Orthodox Mission in Pakistan with the blessing of His Eminence, Metropolitan Nektarios of Hong Kong and South East Asia.

You can help the victims of disasters around the world by making a financial gift to the IOCC International Emergency Response Fund, which will provide immediate relief as well as long-term support through the provision of emergency aid, recovery assistance and other support to help those in need. To make a gift, please visit www.iocc.org, call toll free at 1-877-803-IOCC (4622), or mail a check or money order payable to IOCC, P.O. Box 630225, Baltimore, Md. 21263-0225.

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.

SYNOD IN ANTIOCH

Your prayers are requested for Metropolitan PHILIP who departed for the Middle East on August 9th to attend the meetings of the Holy Synod of our Patriarchate of Antioch and all the East which are scheduled to be held at Saint Christopher Monastery in Ma'arat Saydnaya (near Damascus) beginning Tuesday.

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.

2011 CONFERENCE & CONVENTION THEME

The theme for the *PLC* next year (Hyannis, June 17-19) and the *Convention*



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

MAILING

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

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:

- 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 27 - Annual Parish Meeting, 7:00 pm.
- Plus, weekday Vespers and Matins as announced.
- 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 Grady and Davis families in memory of their departed loved ones.

COFFEE HOUR - Please stay for refreshments after Liturgy, hosted by the Grady and Davis families.

FLOWERS - The bouquets before the Icons of Christ and the Theotokos are given in memory of Christine Tomm and Julia Philips.

GIFTS TO SAINT GEORGE -

Sandy Thomas and family *in memory of James Mataway*
 *and Edward Bruce*
 Lovee Thomas and family *in memory of Edward Bruce*
 Florence Esper and Alice Kelley *in memory of James Mataway*
 Estelle Mike *for the good health of her family*

REMEMBER IN PRAYER -

Pray for the servants of God: Archpriest Nicholas and Pamela (Manikas), Archpriest Michael (Lewis), Archpriest Alexander (Atty), Deacon Elias (Hamaty), Michael (Mike), 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), Kathryn (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.

Income August 8	Pledges	Donations & Memorials	Sunday Tray	Special Collection
\$650.00	\$260 .00	\$150.00	\$190.00	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)

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 & Rezanne Toumi
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 IOCC Rep. - Emily Howard
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 Teen President - Timothy Markatos
 Teen Treasurer - Nicholas Kimmitt
 Usher - Andrew Howard
 Web-Master - Ekaterina Oleinik



The Feast of the Falling Asleep of the Most Holy Theotokos: The Dormition

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 3)

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad; for the Lord hath done a mighty act with his own arm. He hath trampled down death and become the First-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of hades, granting the world the 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.

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.

MEGALYNARION

All generations bless thee, O thou only Theotokos. In thee, O spotless Virgin, the laws of nature were suspended; for thy virginity was preserved in thy child-bearing, and Life is joined with death. Thou, O Theotokos, didst remain a Virgin after child-birth, and after death art still alive and dost ever deliver thy heritage.

KOINONIKON

I will take the cup of salvation, and I will call upon the name of the Lord. Alleluia.

EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

Prokeimenon and Verse: My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour. For he has regarded the humility of his servant.

The Reading is from Apostle Paul's Letter to the Philippians (2:5-11 for the Feast)

Therefore, brethren Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Alleluia. Arise, O Lord, into your rest. *Alleluia.* The Lord swore in truth to David, and he will not annul it. *Alleluia.*

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke (10:38-end; 11:27-28 for the Feast)

Jesus entered a village; and a woman named Martha received him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving; and she went to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things; one thing is needful. Mary has chosen the good portion, which shall not be taken away from her." As he said this, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him, "Blessed is the womb that bore you, and the breasts that you sucked!" But he said, "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"