



# 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.*

16 August  
2009



10th Sunday  
after  
Pentecost  
and the  
Sunday after  
the Dormition

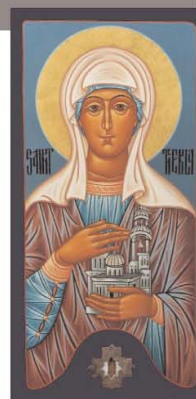
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## CALENDAR

Next Sunday - Matins 9:00 am / Typika and Communion 10:00 am  
Fasting - There is fasting on Wednesday and Friday this week.

ANTIOCHIAN  
VILLAGE

## Saint Thekla Pilgrimage



September  
25-27,  
2009

**"As for me  
and my house,  
we shall serve the Lord"**  
(Joshua 24:15)

**The Domestic Church**

**Preaching  
and  
Teaching**

His Grace, Bishop JOSEPH  
will preach on our theme  
at the services on Saturday.

*Saturday Small Group Talks*

- **Dedicating your "house as something holy to the Lord":**  
*The Lives of Saintly Families*
- **Dragging the Faith Home:**  
*Making God Real in the Orthodox Home*
- **When It All Goes Wrong:**  
*Living the Faith in the Midst of Family Crisis*
- **The Shack:** *Encountering God*  
*(A discussion of the New York Times Best-Seller)*

**Presiding Hierarchy**

**Rt. Rev. Bishop JOSEPH**

**of the  
Diocese of  
Los Angeles  
and the West  
and the  
Diocese of  
Eagle River  
and the  
Pacific NW**



*Why pilgrimage to Antiochian Village Camp and Conference Center in Western Pennsylvania? Because the Village is a spiritual oasis supported with premiere, hotel-style lodging and plentiful meals. The Village is the burial site for St. Raphael of Brooklyn and the Village's museum houses several of his relics. The museum also displays 50 historic icons from throughout the world and many other religious relics. You'll find a shrine to St. Thekla and one to St. Artemius; a 21,000 volume, Eastern Christian research library; Ss. Peter and Paul Chapel; St. Thekla Outdoor Chapel; and St. Ignatius Church where several relics of saints are held. The Meditation Trail in the woods provides a scenic solace for quiet reflection. Come join the journey to spiritual renewal and growth.*

His Eminence Metropolitan PHILIP Announces the Establishment of the Convent of St. Thekla at Antiochian Village: It is with great joy that His Eminence Metropolitan PHILIP announces the establishment of the *Convent of St. Thekla at the Antiochian Village*. The Acting Superior of the convent will be *Mother Alexandra* (Magan), and we welcome her with joy to the Antiochian Archdiocese of North America. Mother Alexandra took up residency at the Antiochian Village during the first week of July, and will live in temporary housing until such time as the residence building is constructed on the proposed site for the convent, which is on the main property at the Antiochian Village. This will allow her to experience a good part of the camping season, and to interact with our children. She has plans to be present at the *Saint Thekla Pilgrimage which will be held at the Village* in September.

**CELEBRATE WITH SAIDNA IN NORWOOD**

His Eminence *Metropolitan PHILIP* will visit here in September. On Saturday the 19th, Great Vespers will be at 6:00 pm, followed by a festive banquet at the Apollo Restaurant to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Ladies of Saint George. Dinner reservation forms are available at church and on-line. On Sunday the 20th, His Eminence will serve the Hierarchical Liturgy, including a one-year memorial for Father Nifon.

**SONIAS RUN - BUILDING ON A DREAM**

The inaugural *SK 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 [www.SoniasRun.org](http://www.SoniasRun.org) (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.) If you don't run, but you would like to help, please contact Danielle Warren at [danielle.a.warren@gmail.com](mailto:danielle.a.warren@gmail.com) and sign up as a volunteer.

**FOCUS NORTH AMERICA**

There are many exciting developments in Christian social action ministries across the country. The dream of an *Orthodox Christian social action agency* entirely dedicated to reaching out to help our neighbors here at home has long been in the making. It is a dream whose time has certainly come. One in fifty children in the US are homeless, evicted families are living in tents, millions are jobless, and even more feel hopeless. It is for this reason that I make this appeal to you, the faithful, to support this new ministry.

Most recently OYO, the Orthodox Youth Outreach program moved from the Department of Youth to FOCUS. To find out more, visit [www.focusnorthamerica.org/](http://www.focusnorthamerica.org/)

**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 St. Ignatius is a movement of individuals who, motivated by faith and love, openly pledge a specific financial commitment to support the Antiochian Archdiocese. This financial commitment goes above and beyond the normal level of parish membership, and is not meant to replace, but to supercede parish level giving. The funds from the Order are channeled directly into archdiocesan educational, charitable, and outreach programs. Since its start in 1976, the Order of St. Ignatius has distributed over \$20 million and now distributes \$1.4 million annually -38% of the archdiocesan annual budget. Our members have had the joy of witnessing many lives touched through programs such as Project Mexico, the Antiochian Village Camp and Theophany School.

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

Membership in the order is open to all people over the age of eighteen who identify themselves with the Orthodox Church and its faith. Our members are men and women, young people and old, working in every type of profession. There are different levels of membership which vary according to the financial commitment.

***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.



**GIFTS TO SAINT GEORGE**

Don & Camille Florio .....  
 ..... *in thanksgiving for the birth of Joshua Michael Paskind*  
 Julia Phillips ..... *in memory of Christine Tomm*

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

**Pray** for the good health of the servants of God: Priest Robert, Khouriye Elizabeth, Khouriye 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 August 9	Pledges	Donations & Memorials	Tray	Special Collection
\$3091.48	\$2605.00	\$ 150.00	\$188.00	N.A.

**Council & Parish Leaders**

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**The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost  
The Sunday after the Dormition of the Theotokos  
Commemoration of the Icon not-made-by-hands**

**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 1)**

The stone being sealed by the Jews, and thy pure body being guarded by the soldiers, thou didst rise on the third day, O Saviour, granting life to the world. Wherefore, the heavenly powers acclaimed thee, O Giver of life, crying, Glory to the Thy Resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Thy kingdom! Glory to Thy gracious providence, O thou only Lover of mankind.

**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. Thou who art the Mother of Life hast passed over into life, and by thy prayers thou dost deliver our souls from death.

**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.

**KONTAKON OF THE DORMITION (TONE 2)**

Neither the tomb nor death had power over the Theotokos, who is ever watchful in her prayers and in whose intercession lies unfailing hope. For as the Mother of Life she has been transported into life by Him who dwelt within her ever-virgin womb.

**EPISTLE AND GOSPEL**

*Prokeimenon and Verse:* Let your mercy, O Lord, be upon us. Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous.

**The Reading is from Apostle Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians (4:9-16, for the 10th Sunday)**

Brethren, For I think that God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill-clad and buffeted and homeless, and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the offscouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

*Alleluia.* O God Who givest avengement unto me and hast subdued peoples under me. *Alleluia.* It is He that magnifieth the salvation of His king and worketh mercy for His anointed, for David, and for his seed unto eternity. *Alleluia.*

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

*(17:14-23 for the 10th Sunday)*

When they came to the crowd, a man came up to Jesus and kneeling before him said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. And I brought him to your disciples, and they could not heal him." And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me." And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" He said to them, "Because of your little faith. For truly, I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you." "However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting." As they were gathering in Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him, and he will be raised on the third day." And they were greatly distressed.