



SAINT GEORGE

ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHURCH
NORWOOD, MA

مرحبا بكم Καλώς ορίσαστε! Добро пожаловать
*Welcome! It is a pleasure to have visitors and friends
with us at Saint George. If you would like to know
more about our parish or the Orthodox Church, please ask.*

*Communion: Those Orthodox Christians who have confessed their sins,
who have prepared themselves by fasting, and who have been present
from the start of the Liturgy are invited to approach the chalice.
Everyone may partake of the holy bread.*

Most Rev. Archbishop
JOSEPH
*Metropolitan of North
America*

Right Rev. Bishop JOHN
*Diocese of Worcester &
New England*

Very Rev. Father
Joseph Kimmitt, *Pastor*



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Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Upcoming Services and Events

Today - Hierarchical Liturgy with His Grace Bishop JOHN
and 40-Day Memorial for Father Robert Bethoney

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

September 7 - Matins -9:00 am / Divine Liturgy - 10:00 am
First day of Church School, 12:30 pm:
Open to those from pre-school through 8th grade

Fasting - *There is fasting on Wednesday and Friday.*

“... the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch.” - Acts 11:26



*The Action and Existence of both the Great
Commandment and the Great Commission.*

**A FOUR-PART CALL TO ACTION ADDRESSING
JESUS' FINAL COMMANDMENT:**
What does the parable of the Good Samaritan reveal about the Church? About the Sacraments? About God? About us? How does it relate to our daily lives, and to living out the Great Commission? What do these things mean for us, for our families, for our co-workers, and friends? Do we have what it takes to live out our beautiful Faith as a “verb” (i.e. “action” and “existence”), and not merely an agreeable, but abstract concept? Come and discover what God has to say about you and one of the most important roles of your life..



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for more info.

WELCOME

It is a great joy to welcome our Bishop JOHN to Saint George. Saidna will preside at the Hierarchical Liturgy this morning. At the conclusion of the Liturgy, a 40-Day Memorial will be served for Father Bob Bethoney, a “son of Norwood.” The 40-Day is also being served at his home parish in El Paso, TX today. The 6-Month Memorial is set for December 28th and Father Bob’s family plans to be with us in Norwood that day.

. . . and speaking of family, Father Bob’s daughter, Alexis gave birth to Jace Robert on July 8th (7 pounds, 13 ounces and 20 inches long.) Our prayers and love to Alexis and German, big sister Giselle and Kh. Elizabeth.

CALENDARS

Norwood Day is Saturday, September 13th. Our church has signed up for a booth. We need a few more volunteers to take hour long shifts at the table. There is a sign-up sheet in the parish hall; please sign up today.

AABA Annual Golf Tournament is September 15 at the Foxboro Country Club. 1:00 shotgun start. For tickets, reservations or sponsor information, phone Bill Seaver at 617-590-0253.

From the Archdiocese It is with great pleasure that we announce the Enthronement of His Eminence Metropolitan Joseph will take place during December 5th - 7th at Saint Nicholas Cathedral in Brooklyn, New York. The actual enthronement will take place in conjunction with Vespers on December 6th. We will be blessed by the presence of His Beatitude Patriarch John X who will preside during this weekend.

Sonia’s Run 5K for Theophany School: The annual road race is Saturday, September 20th; it includes a kid’s race and more. Starting line is Saint George Church of Boston. Log on to www.SoniasRun.org

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The parish council met on the 13th of this month. First, it was regular business, including discussions of our Nichols Street land and bids from roofers. Then the Building Committee came along for an informational session with our architect, Michael Samra.

Regarding the property, there have been thousands of “hits” on the internet, but no bids yet. This indicates interest but also hesitation from buyers, likely due to the shape of the land and, according to our broker, the asking price. Plus, there are the unknowns, like the extent of the wetlands (none of this is a surprise to us.) The realtor has had several meetings with interested developers, so we remain hopeful of a sale.

As for the roof, the Council accepted a bid of \$107,750 from Corollo Roofing of Winthrop, MA. This is for both the house and church, but does not include the narthex or altar roofs, as they are the areas for potential expansion. The roofing consultant has reinspected these two areas and believes they should be okay for another winter. The bid amount is the same amount we have held in CDs at the bank.

Finally, there was good discussion with the architect about what is possible for our church on Atwood Avenue. Accessibility is still at the top of everyone’s list, followed by upgrading the mechanical systems and expansion. As our church sits on “pre-existing / non-conforming” space, the next step is to check in with Town boards. Following that, the architect could put together more formal drawings.

We are fortunate to have a committed group on the Council and Building Committee and they will certainly keep everyone up to date.



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HOLY BREAD -The gifts are offered today by Katia Oleinik and her family. Gifts are also offered by the entire parish family in memory of Father Robert Bethoney.

COFFEE HOUR -Please join us for refreshments after the Liturgy, hosted today by Katia Oleinik.

GIFTS TO SAINT GEORGE

Kh Afefee Abraham & Family*in memory of Father Nifon*
*and George Abraham*
 Sandy Thomas & family, Lovee Thomas & family, Marcia Deeb, Bill & Helen Abril, Florence Esper, Alice Kelley, Ernest & Sally Peter
*in memory of Fr Robert Bethoney*

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Pray for Metropolitan Paul of Aleppo and Archbishop Yohanna (Syriac bishop), all who are in danger and captivity and the suffering Christians of Syria, Palestine, Iraq, and the Middle East

Pray also for Archpriest Michael & the Abdelahad Family, Kh Elizabeth (Bethoney), Sarah (Pucci), Frances (Giandomenico), Elaine (Bitar), Joyce (Boulis), Kenneth (Hadge), Helen (Kelley), Marcia (Shapiro), Dolores (Elias), Marion (Corcoran), Ernest (Peter), Florence (Esper), Shannon (Prevatt), Patricia (Elliot), Margaret (Domet), Effie (Kalliel), Marion (Redonnet), Nicolae (Daniela’s father), Beverly (DiFlaminies), Deacon Elias (Hamaty), Fred (Tomm), John (Howard), Darcey, David (Knipe & family), Alan (Andrew), Lana (Joseph), Christina (Adams), Emaline (Eakle), Cleo (Eysie), Timothy (Wright), Kathyne (Howard), Lovee (Thomas), Sandy (Thomas), Josephine (Purpura).

Please remember Joe Kouyoumjian’s father, Charles, who passed away suddenly this past Thursday. Memory eternal.

Aug. 10 & 17 Income	Pledges	Donations & Memorials	Tray	Special Collection
\$3305.00	\$1704.00	\$820.00	\$581.00	N.A.

Council & Parish Leaders

- Christine Byron (Vice Chair)
- Barbara Campbell
- Joan Cassidy (Chair)
- Subdn Gheorghe Doros
- Anthony Grasso
- Subdn Joseph Kouyoumjian (Treas.)
- Katia Oleinik
- Richard Plouffe (Secretary)
- Ibtisam Samman

- Arabic Bulletin - Kh. Ramia Issa
- Building Committee - Andrew Howard
- Chanter - Erik Potter
- Choir Director - David Franciosi
- Christmas Card - Cindy Appgar
- Christmas Outreach - Lucine K.
- Church Custodian - Gerry Mullen
- Epistle Readers - Lovee Thomas
- FSJD Dio. Secy - Leeann Plouffe
- Food Pantry Rep. - Kay Moseley
- Holy Bread - Beverly DiFlaminies
- Ladies President - Katie Birtwell
- Lawn Care - Owen & Zach
- Order of St Ignatius Liaison - Erin K.
- Sacristan - Subdn. Gheorghe Doros
- Scholarship Committee - Helen Abril
- School Superintendent - Rich Plouffe
- Teen President - Nick Kimmett
- TLC Coordinator - Sheila Bennett
- Usher - Andrew Howard
- Web-Master - Ekaterina Oleinik



Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
Martyr Eutyches and New Hieromartyr Cosmas Aitolos, evangelizer of Albania

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 2)

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou Deathless and Immortal One, then Thou didst destroy Hell with Thy Godly power, and when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ, thou art the Giver of life! Glory to thee, O our God!

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 NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS (TONE 4)

By thy holy birth-giving, O pure one, Joachim and Anne were delivered from the corruption of death; thy people do celebrate it, having been saved from the stain of iniquity, crying unto thee, The barren doth give birth to the Theotokos, who nourisheth our life.

EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

Prokeimenon and Verse. The Lord is my strength and my song. The Lord has chastened me sorely.

The Reading is from Apostle Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians (9:2-12; 11th Sunday)

Brethren, you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. This is my defense to those who would examine me. Do we not have the right to our food and drink? Do we not have the right to be accompanied by a wife, as the other apostles and the brothers of the Lord and Cephas? Or is it only Barnabas and I who have no right to refrain from working for a living? Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard without eating any of its fruit? Who tends a flock without getting some of the milk? Do I say this on human authority? Does not the law say the same? For it is written in the law of Moses, "You shall not muzzle an ox when it is treading out the grain." Is it for oxen that God is concerned? Does he not speak entirely for our sake? It was written for our sake, because the plowman should plow in hope and the thresher thresh in hope of a share in the crop. If we have sown spiritual good among you, is it too much if we reap your material benefits? If others share this rightful claim upon you, do not we still more? Nevertheless, we have not made use of this right, but we endure anything rather than put an obstacle in the way of the gospel of Christ.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew

(18:23-35; 11th Sunday)

Jesus said, "Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the reckoning, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents; and as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him the lord of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But that same servant, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat he said, 'Pay what you owe.' So his fellow servant fell down and besought him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' He refused and went and put him in prison till he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you besought me; and should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord delivered him to the jailers, till he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."