



SAINT GEORGE

ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHURCH
NORWOOD, MA

مرحبا بكم **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. Metropolitan PHILIP
Primate, Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese of North America

Right Rev. Bishop JOHN
Diocese of Worcester & New England

Very Rev. Father Joseph Kimmett, Pastor



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Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Upcoming Services and Events

- Today - We welcome His Grace Bishop John who will serve the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy. Following the Liturgy is the 5-year Memorial for Father Nifon and 35-years for George Abraham
- Next Sunday - Matins & Divine Liturgy, 9:00 / 10:00 am
- Sunday, Sept. 8 - Feast of the Nativity of the Theotokos
- Friday, Sept. 13 - Evening Liturgy for the Exaltation of the Cross, 6:00 pm
- Sunday, Sept. 15 - 40-Day Memorial for Alec Deeb
- Fasting - There is fasting on Wednesday and Friday this week and also on Thursday, the Commemoration of the Beheading of the Forerunner and Baptist John.

SAINT GEORGE NIGHT

AT THE
NORWOOD
THEATRE



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH
8:00 PM

♪ **TICKETS ARE HERE:**

Purchase tickets after the Liturgy or on-line at www.NorwoodStage.com

♪ **HELP US ADVERTISE THIS AMAZING EVENT:**

We have color and b & w flyers. We have electronic ads and a Facebook message.

♪ **EVENT SPONSORS:**

Show your support for Saint George Night at the Theatre: As of last Friday, we have received almost \$10,000 from sponsors, including:

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FATHER NIFON BOOK

Copies of the book, which our parish produced in memory of Father Nifon are available. This special hard-bound edition includes stories and photographs from the many years of his service in the Church. Books are \$20 each and the proceeds go the George Abraham Memorial Fund.

NORWOOD DAY

The Town's big day is September 7th. Our church will have a booth. We are looking for volunteers to sit at our table. We are planning on a number of short shifts and we need folks to take turns. Just sign up on the sheet available today.

SAINT GEORGE NIGHT AT THE THEATRE

Mark down Friday, September 20th: A *Celine Dion Tribute Show*, featuring Gina Dimia, is coming to the *Norwood Theatre*. It is a benefit for our church.

- To make the night a success, we need your help, especially selling sponsorships and tickets.
- Can you pass out some flyers at the concerts on the Common or the Farmers Market? See Chris Byron today, she knows the spots where we need to work.

Also, go to our website, www.StGeorgeNorwood.org and share the link with your friends. Or be a *Facebook* friend and share the info with everyone you know.

DANCING WITH THE AABA STARS

The annual fund raiser for the Arab American Benevolent Association is Friday, October 11, at the Norwood Theatre. Tickets are \$45. The Saint George dancer this year is John Shalhoub. There will be a *Spaghetti Dinner* here on Thursday, September 26th from 5:00 - 7:30 pm -- the proceeds will go toward our "votes" for John. And for golfers, the AABA tournament is September 9th at the Foxboro Country Club. Tee time is 1:00 pm.

THEOPHANY SCHOOL

Theophany School has limited openings in our pre-school and full day kindergarten classes for the 2013 school year! Our low student : teacher ratio, loving Christian environment, and engaging thematic curriculum enable our students to flourish academically, socially, and spiritually. The school is located off Route 128 at 754 Greendale Avenue in Needham, MA. Call 781-444-3058 or visit www.TheophanySchool.org today to schedule a tour and see how Theophany School can make a difference in your child's life!

And runners: *Sonia's Run* is set for September 21st. The annual 5K to benefit Theophany School begins and ends at Saint George, West Roxbury.

ASSEMBLY OF BISHOPS

The Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of North and Central America will hold its annual meeting September 17-19, 2013 in Schaumburg, Illinois. This is the fourth Annual Meeting of the Assembly, which is comprised of all 65 active Orthodox hierarchs serving the United States, Canada, and Mexico (this includes Metropolitan Philip, Bishop John and the other hierarchs of our archdiocese)

The agenda can be viewed online at www.antiochian.org and includes discussion of the Assembly's vision, proposals for canonical restructuring, and an Assembly-sponsored national youth conference. The Assembly requests the prayers of all clergy, monastics, and laity.

مرحبا بكم

An Arabic bulletin: With the help of Fr. Damaskinos & Kh Ramia Issa, we are printing the hymns of the day, the Epistle and Gospel in Arabic. If you are aware of a friend or visitor who would like this sheet, pick one up in the narthex and pass it along. They are in the same spot where this bulletin was left.

HOLY BREAD - The gifts today are offered by Kh Afefee Abraham and her family in memory of Father Nifon and George. Holy bread is also offered by Lina Karam in memory of Jamilia Dayaa.

COFFEE -Please join us downstairs in the hall for refreshments after the Liturgy. The Abraham family is our host.

FLOWERS - The bouquets before the Icon of Christ and the Theotokos are given by Kh Afefee Abraham and her family.

GIFTS TO SAINT GEORGE

Hellas Assadto the *George Abraham Memorial Fund*
 Helen Abril and Gail Kurkerin memory of *Father Nifon Abraham*
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in memory of *Father Nifon and George Abraham*
 Hellas Assadin memory of *Alec Deeb and Margaret Saba*
 Sally Peterin memory of *Alec Deeb*
for the health of *Kaylee Crimmins*

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Pray for Metropolitan Paul of Aleppo and Metropolitan Yohanna (Syriac bishop in Aleppo) and all who are in danger and captivity.

Pray also for Presbyter Nicholas (Manikas), Archpriest Michael and the Abdelahad Family, Archpriest Robert (Bethoney), Archpriest Alexander (Atty), Archpriest Elias (Bitar), Priest Michael (Bird), Marion (Corcoran), Lina (Karam), Camille (Florio), Ernest (Peter), Bobby (Joseph), Gwendlen, (Allan Howard's sister), Florence (Esper), Shannon (Prevatt), Bob (Lake), Patricia (Elliot), Margaret (Domet), Effie (Kalliel), Anne (Krekis), Marion (Redonnet), Nicolae (Daniela's father), Beverly (DiFlaminies), Deacon Elias (Hamaty), Fred (Tomm), John (Howard), Darcey, David (Knipe and family), Alan (Andrew), Lana (Joseph), Christina (Adams), Emaline (Eakle), Cleo (Eysie), Timothy (Wright), Kathrynne (Howard), Michael (Eysie), Najlae (Solomon), Lovee (Thomas), Sandy (Thomas), Josephine (Purpura).

Pray for the newly departed: Paul (brother of Helen Kelley)

August 18 Income	Pledges	Donations & Memorials	Tray	Special Collection
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**Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
Apostles Bartholomew and Titus of the Seventy**

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 8)

From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

TROPARION OF THE APOSTLES (TONE 3)

O holy Apostles, intercede with the merciful God that He grant unto our souls forgiveness of offences.

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 NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS (TONE 4)

By thy holy nativity, O pure one, Joachim and Anna were delivered from the reproach of barrenness; and Adam and Eve 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. Make vows to the Lord thy God and perform them. In Judah God is known; His Name is great in Israel.

The Reading is from the First Epistle of Apostle Paul to the Corinthians (3:9-17; 9th Sunday)

Brethren, we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and another man is building upon it. Let each man take care how he builds upon it. For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any one builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay or straw, each man's work will become manifest; for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. If the work which any man has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. If any man's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire. Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him; for God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.

Alleluia. Come, let us rejoice in the Lord, let us shout with jubilation unto God our Savior.

Alleluia. Let us come before His countenance with thanksgiving, and with psalms let us shout in jubilation unto Him. *Alleluia.*

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew

(14:22-34; 9th Sunday)

At that time, Jesus made the Disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He dismissed the crowds. And after He had dismissed the crowds, He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray. When evening came, He was there alone, but the Disciples' boat by this time was many furlongs distant from the land, beaten by the waves; for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night He came to them, walking on the sea. But when the Disciples saw Jesus walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. But immediately He spoke to them, saying, "Take heart, it is I; have no fear." And Peter answered Him, "Lord, if it is Thee, bid me come to Thee on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus; but when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out His hand and caught him, saying to him, "O man of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped Him, saying, "Truly, Thou art the Son of God." And when they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret.