



SAINT GEORGE

ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHURCH
NORWOOD, MA

مرحبا بكم **Welcome!** Καλώς ορίσατε!
*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 &
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Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

Upcoming Services and Events

- Today - One-year memorial for His Beatitude Patriarch Ignatius
40-Day Memorial for Michael Eysie
Church School bowling outing with Saint Nick
- Thursday - Divine Liturgy for Saint Nicholas, 6:00 pm
- Saturday - Columbo baptism, 2:30 pm
Great Vespers, 5:00 pm
Gathering in Anticipation of the Nativity Feast, Howard Home
- Next Sunday - Matins & Divine Liturgy, 9:00 / 10:00 am
One-year memorial for Lucine's father, Jack Baronian
- December 5 - Evening Liturgy for Saint Nicholas, 6:00 pm
- Fasting - The Advent Fast continues through December 24th

Do you know of someone who would like to be part of our church family . . .
 . . . to be a member of the Orthodox faith and to share in our fellowship?
 Dont hesitate. Just ask them.

CHRISTMAS TIME

The *Parish gathering in anticipation of the Christmas Feast* will be Saturday, December 7th at the home of Andrew and Doris Howard. You may RSVP by mail or at coffee hour. Deadline is today.

The *Diocesan Christmas Concert*: Our diocesan choir will be part of a program entitled “Orthodoxy Around the World Christmas Concert” sponsored by Hellenic College/Holy Cross. The performance will be at the Malliotis Center on December 15th at 4:00 pm.

STEWARDSHIP

The Saint George Stewardship Program for 2014 began last week. Cards and return envelopes were distributed to those who had pledged for 2013. If you are new to our church or to pledging, there are additional cards in the narthex. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated as we want to wrap up our campaign by mid-December. Thanks to our 31 members who already returned cards and to those who have already paid in full for next year.

WHERE DO YOU SHOP FOR GROCERIES

Stop & Shop has a program for non-profit organizations, like us, in which we earn \$5 for every \$100 worth of cards we sell. The way it works is we purchase cards in advance at a 5% discount and sell them at regular price. For anyone who shops there, you would just buy cards from the church and shop as usual. For example, if 20 people each spend \$100 a week at the store and they bought their cards from us first, the church would make \$100 per week or \$5200 per year. For now, we want to know how many shop there and would be interested in this program. Let a member of the Parish Council know.

DO YOU EVER SHOP ON LINE?

It is almost that season . . . are you likely to buy a gift at an online outlet? Make sure your first stop for internet shopping is our home page. Once there, click on the marketplace logo, choose your favorite stores and shop shop shop. By going through our site, we get back a percent of your purchase. Give it a try. It is safe and simple.

HOLY BREAD BAKERS

We are looking to add a few new bakers to our Holy Bread team. If you would like to know more about this ministry, speak up. We currently have nine people who bake on a rotating basis. If you are interested, speak to Father Joseph, Erin or one of the bakers.

CHOIR AND CHANTERS

Next Sunday, December 8th, the Antiochian Archdiocese will be celebrating Choir/Chanter Appreciation Sunday. While we appreciate our choir and chanters many other times throughout the year, for all the liturgical services they beautify and make possible with their singing and chanting, this is one Sunday that we especially acknowledge them particularly throughout the Archdiocese, and thank them for their ministry.

HOLY BREAD AND FLOWERS IN 2014

The notebook in the parish hall has sheets for each week of next year. Now would be a great time to sign up to offer the gifts on a particular Sunday. These sheets allow you to offer coffee hour and to donate flowers. If you have any questions about the system see Father Joseph or a member of the Parish Council.

HOLY BREAD - The gifts are offered today by the family of Michael Eysie in his memory. A 40-day memorial will be served at the Liturgy. Gifts are also offered by Marcia Shapiro and June Wolff.

COFFEE - Please stay for refreshments, hosted today by the family of Michael Eysie.

FLOWERS - The bouquets before the Icons of Christ and the Theotokos are given in memory of Michael Eysie by his family. Flowers are also given by Marcia Shapiro and June Wolff in memory of Esther, Durgham, Frederick and Barbara Deeb.

GIFTS TO SAINT GEORGE

Barbara Eysie, Hellas Assad *in memory of Michael Eysie*
 Florence Esper and Alice Kelley *in memory of Scott Bernard*
 John Howard *in memory of Gwendlen Howard*
 Phyllis David. *to the Jacqueline Solomon Shalhoub Fund*
 *in memory of Najlae Solomon*

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 and Kh Elizabeth (Bethoney), Archpriest Alexander (Atty), Archpriest Elias (Bitar), Priest Michael (Bird), Kh Luanne (Barr), Marcia (Shapiro), Dolores (Elias), Marion (Corcoran), Lina (Karam), Camille (Florio), Ernest (Peter), 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), Kathryne (Howard), Michael (Eysie), Najlae (Solomon), Lovee (Thomas), Sandy (Thomas), Josephine (Purpura).

November 24 Income	Pledges	Donations & Memorials	Tray	Special Tray
\$7300.00	\$6885.00	\$415.00	\$220.00	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 Apgar
- 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



**23rd Sunday Sunday after Pentecost
Prophet Nahum**

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 5)

Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

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 PREPARATION OF THE NATIVITY (TONE 3)

Today the Virgin cometh to the cave where she will give birth in an ineffable manner to the Word Who is before all the ages. Rejoice, therefore, O universe, when thou hearest it heralded: Glorify Him, with the angels and the shepherds, Who chose to be seen as a new-born babe, the God Who is before all the ages.

EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

Prokeimenon and Verse: O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance. To Thee, O Lord, have I cried, O my God.

The Reading is from Apostle Paul's Letter to the Ephesians (2:4-10, 23rd Sunday)

Brethren, God, Who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up with Him, and made us sit with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the coming ages He might show the immeasurable riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith; and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God—not because of works, lest any man should boast. For, we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Alleluia. He that dwelleth in the help of the Most High shall abide in the shelter of the God of Heaven *Alleluia.* He shall say unto the Lord: Thou art my helper and my refuge. He is my God, and I will hope in Him. *Alleluia.*

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke

(18:35-43; 14th Sunday of Luke)

At that time, when Jesus drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging; and hearing a multitude going by, he inquired what this meant. They told him, “Jesus of Nazareth is passing by.” And he cried, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent; but he cried out all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” And Jesus stopped, and commanded him to be brought to him; and when he came near, Jesus asked him, “What do you want me to do for you?” He said, “Lord, let me receive my sight.” And Jesus said to him, “Receive your sight; your faith has made you well.” And immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.