



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.*

CALENDAR

Haiti Earthquake Relief

A second tray will be passed at Liturgy today for emergency relief.
After coffee hour we will assemble disaster *Health Kits* for IOCC.

- Today - 40-Day memorial for Sarah Grasso.
Church School, 12:30-2:30 pm.
- Thursday - Matins, 9:00 am
- Saturday - Youth Day at Saint George Cathedral, 9:30 am
Great Vespers, 5:00 pm
- Next Sunday - Matins 9:00 / Divine Liturgy 10:00
One-year memorial for Lallo Elias.
- Fasting - There is fasting Wednesday and Friday this week.

January is Teen SOYO Education Month

17 January
2010

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TIMELESS FAITH. TIMELY MESSAGE.

Join us as we "Share the Light" of our Orthodox Christian faith on the radio and the Internet 24 hours a day. Together, we are building a ***national media presence*** and reaching out to everyone with a message that is engaging, accessible and Christ-centered.



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Share the Light Sunday: 17 January 2010

To the Most Reverend Clergy, Monastics, and the Devout Faithful of the Holy Orthodox Churches in the Americas

Dearly Beloved in the Lord,

We, the Hierarchs of SCOBA, greet you in the Name of our Lord and Savior. Daily we offer prayers to God for you and your family. Our dedicated priests offer untiring care for the flock of Christ which has seen many changes and challenges this past year.

During His earthly ministry, our Lord traveled during His time on earth from city to city and village to village bringing the Good News of His Kingdom. As we travel throughout our pastoral folds, we experience much of the same as we share your love and as we share the love of Christ with you. It is our great privilege to reach out and share the message of the Gospel with everyone in our communities. It is also our responsibility to reach out to those who have left the embrace of the Church, as well as those who have never heard the saving message of Christ.

It is precisely this commitment to mission and outreach that compels us, your spiritual shepherds, to support and endorse the outreach work in our communities of ministries like the Orthodox Christian Network (OCN). Using the communication tools of the day, the OCN is producing weekly radio programs syndicated all over the country, as well as study guides to help those who listen to the programs. OCN operates three full time Internet radio stations: The Ark, The Rudder, and now The Anchor, an all-talk radio station with an Orthodox Christian perspective. Our faithful and interested seekers can hear not only contemporary Orthodox music, but also the timeless beauty of the hymns of the Church from around the world. OCN also produces regular programming to edify, educate and evangelize with the life-giving Good News of Orthodox Christianity.

On this special and national Share The Light Sunday, your Hierarchs ask you to stop at this first part of the year and consider how you can join together with your fellow Orthodox Christians from around the nation in providing the vital support that allows OCN to do so much to serve you and your children with the timeless beauty of our faith.

With paternal blessings and love in Christ,

+Archbishop DEMETRIOS, Chairman
Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America

+Metropolitan PHILIP, Vice Chairman
Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese

and the hierarchs of SCOBA

YOUTH DAY: CALL OF DUTY - PLAN FROM GOD

The first ever *Diocesan Youth Day* is this Saturday in Worcester. There will be workshops, speakers (Archdeacon Seraphim and Deacon Nick), food, fun, basketball and more. It is for guys and gals from fourth grade through high school. Please see Father Joseph or Emily Howard to be included (and if you need a ride.)

TEEN SOYO EDUCATION MONTH

Each January, our teens raise money to educate parish youth workers through the *Youth Worker Fund*, as well as hold discussions on the *Sacred Gift of Life* on the Sunday closest to the tragic Roe vs. Wade decision of the U.S. Supreme Court. This year our teens will expand their January Education Month to include discussions on *"Purity, Virginity, and Chastity"* as a way of preparation for marriage or monasticism.

PRE-LENTEN RETREAT

"Back to the Future With Saint Ignatius: Then is Now!" Saturday, January 30th, right here at Saint George in Norwood. Sponsored by the Antiochian Women of the Diocese and featuring Mother Alexandra, Abbess of Saint Thekla Convent at Antiochian Village. Divine Liturgy at 9:00 am / Registration at 10:00 am.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

As of 14 January 2010: 93 of 168 possible members have made pledges. 80 members have included their fair share for our commitment to the archdiocese.

The total pledged to date = \$64,054.00 The average gift is \$688.75. What these figures say in a nutshell is the level of giving has increased for 2010 and almost nine out of ten donors have included their fair share for the archdiocese. *This is good news. It will be even better once all our donors have returned their 2010 pledge form.*

ORDER OF SAINT IGNATIUS

The annual gathering for members of the Order is Sunday, January 31st, from 2:00-6:00 pm at the Four Points here in Norwood. *Mother Alexandra* is the special guest. The RSVP deadline is tomorrow. Please contact Elizabeth Votruba at 781-821-5858 or by email Votruba_Family@msn.com.

JOIN A MINISTRY TEAM

Thanks to everyone who contributes to the life of our God-protected parish: our ushers, singers, bread bakers, advisors and various representatives. If you would like to join your brothers and sisters at Saint George in a particular ministry, check out the roster of leaders in this bulletin and chat with the person in charge.

WINTERFEST HUFLI

Saint George of Boston is having a hufli on Saturday, February 6th, beginning at 8:00 pm in their hall, featuring *George Maalouf* and his Ensemble and. Phone co-chairs Rouh Elias (781-326-5547) or Doug Howdy (617-323-0323) for reservations.

10TH ANNUAL HUFLI

Saint George Cathedral in Worcester is having a hufli on Saturday, February 13th, featuring *Salah Kurdi*. Doors open at 7:30 with mazza. Music begins at 8:30 pm. RSVP by February 4th to hafli2009@gmail.com, Andre (508-667-7099) or Judy (508-752-7358).

CAMBRIDGE

The Fellowship at Saint Mary in Cambridge presents the *2010 Chinese New Year Missions Breakfast* to benefit the Chinese Translation Project via the Orthodox Fellowship of All Saints of China (OFASC) on February 14th.

POINSETTIA SALE

Make a donation and take home a plant. Simple as that!

HOLY BREAD - Gifts are offered today by Tony Grasso and his family in memory of Sarah. A 40-Day memorial will follow the Liturgy. Gifts are also offered by the Shalbey family in memory of John Shalbey.

COFFEE HOUR - Please join us for coffee and refreshments in the parish hall, hosted today by the Grasso and Shalbey families.

VOTIVES - The seven day candles before the Icons are given by the Shalbey family in memory of John.

FLOWERS - The bouquets before the Icon of Christ and the Icon of the Theotokos are given by the Abril family in thanksgiving for Nicholas on his 10th birthday. Many years.

GIFTS TO SAINT GEORGE -

Alan & Joanne Maloof and Family*in memory of John Shalbey*
 Florence Esper and Alice Kelley*in memory of Freda Franciosi*
 Cleo Eysie & Family*in memory of Jenny Tanos*
 Nick & Helen Abril . . .*in memory of Freda Franciosi, John Shalbey and Sarah Grasso for the health of Michael Eysie & Frances Giandomenico*
 Nick & Doris Copoulos*for the health of Michael Eysie Rich, Leeann, Owen & Sophia Plouffe . .for Owen on his 10th birthday*
*for the health of Jamil Samara and in memory of Sarah Grasso*
 Phyllis Georgeu*in memory of Sarah Grasso*

REMEMBER IN PRAYER -

Pray for the good health of the servants of God: Archpriest Nicholas (Manikas), Archpriest Robert (Bethoney), Archpriest Michael (Lewis), Khouriyee Elizabeth (Bethoney), Deacon Elias (Hamaty), David (Elliott, serving in Iraq), Michael (Eysie), Janis, Timothy, Kathryne, Edward, Nicholas, Richard, Claudia, Chris, Elizabeth, Loretta, Eliana, James, Richard, Michael, Frances, Samera, Stephanie, Mary, John, Jeanne, Gregory, Albert, Dimitri, James, Frederick, Anne, Grace, Robert, Nicole, Mary, Pauline, Ioana, Nicolae, Lillie, Carrie, Sam,

Income January 10	Pledges	Donations & Memorials	Sunday Tray	Special Collection
\$3487.00	\$2420 .00	\$190.00	\$982.00	N.A.

Council & Parish Leaders

- Christine Byron
- Joseph Eysie
- Barbara Campbell (Secretary)
- Subdeacon Gheorghe Doros
- Andrew Howard (Chairman)
- Richard Plouffe
- Marwan Samman (Treasurer)
- John Shalbey jr.
- Linda Thomas (Vice Chair)

Assistant Treasurers:
 Beverly DiFlaminies
 Leeann Plouffe

- Chanters - Erik Potter & Rezanne Toumi
- Choir Director - David Franciosi
- Christmas Card - Doris Copoulos
- Church Custodian - Gerry Mullen
- Epistle Readers - Lovee Thomas
- Food Pantry Rep. - Kay Moseley
- Holy Bread - Catherine Keches
- IOCC Rep. - Emily Howard
- Ladies President - Katie Birtwell
- Sacristan - Subdn. Gheorghe Doros
- Seminarians - Rabee Toumi & Subdeacon Stephen Mathewes
- Scholarship Committee - Helen Abril
- School Superintendent - Rich Plouffe
- Teen Advisor - Emily Howard
- Teen President - Timothy Markatos
- Teen Treasurer - Nicholas Kimmitt
- Ushers - Andrew Howard & Marwan Samman
- Web-Master - Ekaterina Oleinik



Zaccheaus Sunday
Venerable Anthony the Great

Many Years

A blessed Name Day (and a Happy Birthday) to His Grace Bishop ANTOUN

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 7)

Thou didst shatter death by thy Cross; thou didst open paradise to the thief; thou didst turn the mourning of the ointment-bearing women into joy, and didst bid thine Apostles proclaim warning that thou hast risen, O Christ, granting the world Great Mercy.

TROPARION OF SAINT ANTONY THE GREAT (TONE 4)

Thou didst become like the zealous Elijah in his condition, and followed John the Baptist in his upright ways, becoming a dweller in the wilderness and an establisher of the universe by thy prayer, O Father Antony. Wherefore, intercede thou with Christ God to save our souls.

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 FOR THE PRESENTATION (TONE 1)

Thou, O Christ God, who by thy Birth, didst sanctify the Virgin's womb, and, as is meet, didst bless Simeon's arms, and didst also come to save us; preserve thy fold in wars, and confirm them whom thou didst love; for thou alone art the Lover of mankind.

EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

Prokeimenon and Verse:

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saint. What shall we render unto the Lord for all that He hath rendered unto us?

The Reading is from the Apostle Paul's Letter to the Hebrews

(13:17-21; for Saint Antony)

Brethren, obey your leaders and submit to them; for they are keeping watch over your souls, as men who will have to give account. Let them do this joyfully, and not sadly, for that would be of no advantage to you. Pray for us, for we are sure that we have a clear conscience, desiring to act honorably in all things. I urge you the more earnestly to do this in order that I may be restored to you the sooner. Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in you that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

ALLELUIA

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke

(19:1-10, 15th Luke)

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchae'us; he was a chief tax collector, and rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchae'us, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he made haste and came down, and received him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchae'us stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded any one of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost."

(15th Luke: Since the number of weeks between celebrations of Pascha is different from year to year, the order of Sunday Gospels may vary in the weeks leading to the Triodion. In Antiochian usage, the story of Zaccheus precedes by one week the Sunday of the Canaanite Woman. With an early date for Pascha in 2010, the Canaanite Woman is omitted this year and the Triodion begins next week.)