

ST. GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH

His Eminence Metropolitan PHILIP, Primate

Very Rev. Father Joseph Kimmett, Pastor

Very Rev. Father Nifon Abraham, Pastor Emeritus



18 MAY
2008

SUNDAY
OF THE
PARALYTIC

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS AND FRIENDS.

IT IS A BLESSING TO HAVE YOU WITH US AT SAINT GEORGE.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT OUR PARISH,
OR THE ORTHODOX CHURCH, PLEASE SEE THE PRIEST.

ONLY THOSE ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS WHO ARE REPENTANT OF THEIR
SINS AND HAVE PREPARED THEMSELVES THROUGH FASTING ARE INVITED
TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION. EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO VENERATE
THE CROSS AND SHARE HOLY BREAD FOLLOWING THE LITURGY.

THIS WEEK AT SAINT GEORGE

- Monday - Parish Council, 7:00 pm
- Wednesday - Liturgy, 9:00 am
Feast of Mid-Pentecost & Ss. Constantine & Helen
- Saturday - Great Vespers, 5:00 pm
- Next Sunday - Matins - 9:00 am / Liturgy - 10:00
40-day Memorial for Helen Abdallah
Bible Bowl Study Session follows Liturgy
- Next Monday - Prayers for the Departed, Cemetery Chapel, 9:00am

Parish calendars for May & June are available in the narthex and parish hall.

HOLY BREAD

The gifts are offered today by Daniel and Elaine Bitar for the health of Diana Bitar Giampa.

COFFEE HOUR

Please stop downstairs, for coffee and sign up to host a coffee hour in the coming weeks.

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TODAY:

During coffee hour, our **Bible Bowl** team will meet on the porch of the parish house. After coffee hour, the **Ladies of Saint George** will have a short meeting in the parish hall. At

1:00 this afternoon, the **Church School** will meet and work on Creative Arts projects. At 4:00 this afternoon, the **Theophany School** event takes place at the X & O Restaurant in Stoughton.

MEMORIAL DAY

Prayers for the departed will be offered on Monday the 26th in the chapel at Highland Cemetery at 9:00 am. A list of the faithful who have passed away is available in the narthex.

BBQ - NEW DATE



The Church School BBQ scheduled for this month is now a **Family Night on June 15th**, the Feast of Pentecost. We've got

burgers, dogs and more. See y'all at 5:00!

SOYO WATER BOTTLES SUPPORT OUR YOUTH ... AND THEY'RE SAFE



For just ten bucks you can have a handsome, almost **indestructible** water bottle to be used over and over again -- in other words, they are **environmentally friendly**. And

no worries, they are **safe** to use; the manufacturer writes: *Nalgene is a brand name that uses the material "bisphenol A" or BPA in their water bottles. The polycarbonate water bottle Teen SOYO purchased is not a Nalgene product*

SPIRITUAL STIMULUS

Has your government stimulus check arrived? Six months ago you never expected it, but now you're entitled? Okay, the economy may need a boost and you could sure use a little help filling up your tank. But when free money arrives at the door, what do you do? **As responsible Orthodox stewards, one gives thanks by giving back to God** (and blessings will be multiplied.)



Here are your options: 1. turn the check over and endorse it to Saint George Church, 2. give the church \$100 or \$200 and use the rest responsibly, or 3. give your spiritual home 10% off the top, which is the Biblical **tithe** (Gen 14:20)



IOCC EMERGENCY APPEAL

MYANMAR CYCLONE



The 120 mph cyclone that tore through Myanmar's heavily populated Irrawaddy Delta has left up to 128,000 people dead or missing.

IOCC has launched an Emergency Appeal, with the aim of channeling donations to our ecumenical partners who are on the ground distributing water, food, and life-saving medical supplies.

CHINA EARTHQUAKE



The massive earthquake that devastated China's southwestern Sichuan province on May 12 has taken almost 20,000 lives with tens of thousands still buried beneath rubble.

IOCC has launched an Emergency Appeal and contributed funds to our ecumenical partners who are on the ground and distributing emergency supplies to survivors.

Contributions can be made online (www.iocc.org), by calling IOCC's donation hotline toll-free at 1-877-803-4622, or by mailing a check or money order payable to "IOCC" (include "Myanmar Cyclone" or "China Earthquake" in memo line) to: IOCC, P.O. Box 630225, Baltimore, Md. 21263-0225.

International Orthodox Christian Charities

PLC GEARED FOR FAMILIES: Many of the events and meals have been underwritten to make this year's Parish Life Conference easy on the pocket book. Make your hotel and conference reservations today. Registration form and schedules are in the parish hall. For more info, see: <http://worcesterdiocese.net/>

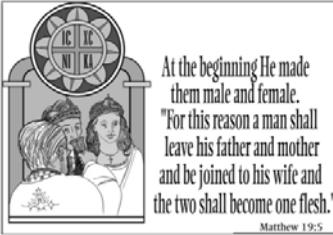
Come to our kind of town... come to Providence!
Come to the 70th Annual Parish Life Conference!
June 26-29, 2008

Join us for family fun, heart-warming fellowship and wonderful opportunities for spiritual growth.
 Hosted by St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church Pawtucket, RI

Highlights include:
 Keynote on the Sacrament of Marriage by Rev. Dr. Emanuel S. Chris
 Bible bowl • Game Night • Grand Huffli • First Ever Waterfire Reception
 Picnic in the Park • Low Ticket Rates & so much more!

Registration Giveaway! Register for the conference before June 1st to be entered in a drawing to win a Ticket Book for the 2009 National Convention in Palm Desert, CA!

Book your room:
 There are a limited number of rooms, so book early!
 The Providence Marriott
 1 Orms Street, Providence, RI
 Special Conference Rate of \$119
 For reservations call:
 866-807-2171
 Reference "Parish Life Conference"



At the beginning He made them male and female.
 "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife and the two shall become one flesh."
Matthew 19:5

*Go to www.worcesterdiocese.net
 to register and for more information!*



TOTAL DEPOSIT <i>4 MAY 2008</i>	PLEDGES	LONG-RANGE (MEMORIALS & DONATIONS)	TRAY	DONATIONS FOR PASCHA	FFHP (TO DATE)
\$436.00	\$120.00	\$10.00	\$192.00	\$2480.00	\$310.00



PRAYERS OF OBLATION AND DONATIONS

Marwan & Ibtisam Samman *for Sophia Plouffe*
 Doris Pilavios and family *in memory of Nicholas Pilavios*

FOOD FOR HUNGRY PEOPLE

Please return the FFHP box which you have filled during the Lenten season to the church as soon as possible, so that we may forward the funds.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Pray for the good health of the servants of God: Archpriest Edward, Priest Robert, Khouriyee Elizabeth, Deacon Elias, Khouriyee Joanne, Stephanie, Mary, Florence, Alice, Hayes, Katrina, Elsa, John, Jeanne, Gregory, Albert, Dimitri, James, Frederick, Anne, Grace, Renee, Robert, Nicole, Mary, Pauline, Ioana, Nicolae, Kathleen, Lillie, Jennifer, Edward, Carrie, Sam, Camille, Michael, Mikayla, Christopher, Nancy, Kenneth, Joy, Claudia, Thomas, Sarah, Nicholas, Charles, Catherine, Joyce, Janice, Barbara, Beverly, John, Katherine, Mary, Beverly, Najlae, Irene, Edmond, Helen, George, Frances, Marlene, Felecia, Catherine, Lana, Gail, Margaret, Brian, Nicole, Marion, Donna, Linda, Edmond, Emaline, Carrie, Nicholas, George, Lovee, Elizabeth, Sarah, Charles, Jenine, Josephine, George, Sandy, Edward, Michael, Madeline, Rosemary, John, Margaret, Sarah, Nima, Dean, David, Sterling, William, Mary.

THE PARISH COUNCIL

Leeann Plouffe - Chairwoman
 Barbara Campbell, Paul Eysie, Camille Florio (Secretary), Andrew Howard (Vice Chairman), Marlene Lupacyk, Marwan Samman (Treasurer), Linda Thomas and Sharon Weiskerger

CHURCH LEADERS

Ladies of Saint George - Katie Birtwell, President	Church School - Rich Plouffe, Superintendent
Parish Chanter - Paul Eysie	Choir Director - David Franciosi
Teen Advisor - Michele Markatos	Teen President - Jenna Weiskerger
Ushers - Andrew Howard & Marwan Samman	Epistle Reader Coordinator - Lovee Thomas
Bible Bowl Team Leader - Emily Shay	Seminarian - Michael Razook
Web-Master - Ekaterina Oleinik	Scholarship Committee Chair - Helen Abril
Church Custodian - Gerry Mullen	

HYMNS OF PASCHA

Christ is risen from the dead trampling down death by death,
and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.

المسيح قام من بين الأموات و وطئ الموت بالموت و وهب الحياة للذين في القبور	Χριστός ανέστη εκ νεκρών, θανάτω θάνατον πατήσας, και τοις εν τοις μνήμασι, ζωήν χαρισάμενος!	Христос воскрес из мертвых, смертию смерть поправ, и сущим во гробех живот даровав!
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Hristos a înviat din morți, Cu moartea pre moarte
călcând, Și celor din morminte Viață dăruindu-le!

Eisodikon

*In the gathering places, bless ye the Lord God from the springs of Israel,
O Son of God, who art risen from the dead, save us who sing unto thee, Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.*

Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 3)

*Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad; for the Lord hath done a mighty act
with his own arm. He hath trampled down death and become the First-born from the dead.
He hath delivered us from the depths of hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.*

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.*

Paschal Kontakion (Tone 8)

*Thou didst descend into the tomb, O Immortal! Thou didst destroy the power of Death!
In victory didst Thou arise, O Christ God, proclaiming, Rejoice! to the myrrhbearing women,
granting peace to Thine apostles and bestowing resurrection on the fallen!*

Prokeimenon and Verse:

Sing praises to our God, sing praises. Clap your hands, all you nations.

The Reading is from the Acts of the Apostles (9:32-42)

Now as Peter went here and there among them all, he came down also to the saints that lived at Lydda. There he found a man named Aene'as, who had been bedridden for eight years and was paralyzed. And Peter said to him, "Aene'as, Jesus Christ heals you; rise and make your bed." And immediately he rose. And all the residents of Lydda and Sharon saw him, and they turned to the Lord. Now there was at Joppa a disciple named Tabitha, which means Dorcas. She was full of good works and acts of charity. In those days she fell sick and died; and when they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room. Since

Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, hearing that Peter was there, sent two men to him entreating him, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter rose and went with them. And when he had come, they took him to the upper room. All the widows stood beside him weeping, and showing tunics and other garments which Dorcas made while she was with them. But Peter put them all outside and knelt down and prayed; then turning to the body he said, "Tabitha, rise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up. And he gave her his hand and lifted her up. Then calling the saints and widows he presented her alive. And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

Alleluia

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint John (5:1-15)

Glory to Thee O Lord, Glory to Thee

There was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Hebrew called Beth-za'tha, which has five porticoes. In these lay a multitude of invalids, blind, lame, paralyzed. One man was there, who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him and knew that he had been lying there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be healed?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is troubled, and while I am going another steps down before me." Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your pallet, and walk." And at once the man was healed, and he took up his pallet and walked. Now that day was the sabbath. So the Jews said to the man who was cured, "It is the sabbath, it is not lawful for you to carry your pallet." But he answered them, "The man who healed me said to me, 'Take up your pallet, and walk.'" They asked him, "Who is the man who said to you, 'Take up your pallet, and walk?'" Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, as there was a crowd in the place. Afterward, Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "See, you are well! Sin no more, that nothing worse befall you." The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had healed him.

Glory to Thee O Lord, Glory to Thee

English: Christ is risen! Truly, He is Risen!

Greek: Kris-tos a-nes-tee! A-lee-thos a-nes-tee!

Arabic: Al ma-seeh qām! Ha-qām qam!

Slavonic: Kris-tos vos-kres-se! Vo-ee-stee-nu vos-kres-se!

Romanian: Hristus A Inviat! Adevrat a Inviat!

Spanish: Christo ha Resuscitado! En verdad ha Resuscitado!

Priest: Glory to His Holy Third-day Resurrection. People: We adore His Holy Third-day Resurrection.
