



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.*

His Beatitude
Patriarch JOHN X
Patriarch of Antioch

Most Rev. Metropolitan
SILOUAN (of Buenos Aires)
Patriarchal Vicar

Most Rev. Archbishop
JOSEPH (Los Angeles)
Locum Tenens

Right Rev. Bishop JOHN
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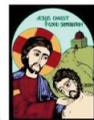
Sunday 25 May 2014



Sunday of the Man Born Blind

Upcoming Services and Events

- Today - Memorial for the departed of the Nicholas G Beram Veterans
- Monday ... - Father Joseph in Chicago for IOCC training
If you need a priest in an emergency, please contact
Father John Teebagy in Dedham, 781-326-3046
- Wednesday - Evening Divine Liturgy for the Ascension, 6:00 pm
- Next Sunday - Matins / Divine Liturgy, 9:00 & 10:00 am
Special Parish Meeting follows Liturgy
regarding the Upcoming Nominating Convention
- June 8 - Feast of Pentecost
- June 19-22 - Parish Life Conference
in Plymouth, MA



YOU shall love the
LORD your God with all your heart,
 with all your soul, with all your strength,
 with all your mind; and your
NEIGHBOR
 as yourself.

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint John (9:1-38, Blindman)

As Jesus passed by, he saw a man blind from his birth. And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be made manifest in him. We must work the works of him who sent me, while it is day; night comes, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." As he said this, he spat on the ground and made clay of the spittle and anointed the man's eyes with the clay, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Silo'am" (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar, said, "Is not this the man who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is he"; others said, "No, but he is like him." He said, "I am the man." They said to him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to Silo'am and wash'; so I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. The Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" There was a division among them. So they again said to the blind man, "What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight, and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age, he will speak for himself." His parents said this because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if any one should confess him to be Christ, he was to be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age, ask him." So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and said to him, "Give God the praise; we know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "Whether he is a sinner, I do not know; one thing I know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you too want to become his disciples?" And they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Why, this is a marvel! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if any one is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him. Never since the world began has it been heard that any one opened the eyes of a man born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and it is he who speaks to you." He said, "Lord, I believe"; and he worshipped him.

MEMORIALS

✦ We are delighted to welcome back to Saint George this morning, members of the Nicholas G Beram Veterans. This esteemed organization holds a memorial each year for their departed members.

✦ Our monthly parish memorials for May and June will be combined next Sunday.

✦ Father Joseph will be out of town on Memorial Day this year so there will be no services at the cemetery (Father is receiving “frontliner” training from IOCC.) If anyone would like prayers for a loved one, or wishes to have a grave blessed, please see Father to arrange a time.

JAZZ BRUNCH

Last week after our Liturgy, we headed up town for an afternoon of great jazz music, food and fun. At the end of the day, our church netted over \$2200, thanks to your generosity. Barbara Campbell and her crew did an outstanding job organizing this event.

NOMINATING CONVENTION / MEETING

Letter from Metropolitan SILOUAN, Patriarchal Vicar:
To: Venerable Hierarchs, All Reverend Clergy, Archdiocesan Trustees, Parish Councils, and Faithful of our Archdiocese

Having successfully completed the meeting of the Board of Trustees which convened in Chicago on May 14th, 2014, and according to the decisions taken by the same, this letter serves as the official notice of our Special Convention of 2014. The call for this convention is consistent with the provisions of the Archdiocesan Constitution in conjunction with a vacancy in the Metropolitan’s throne. This Special Convention will be held at the Hyatt in Chicago, Illinois on June 5th, 2014.

**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?
Don’t hesitate. Just ask them.**

Information regarding the convention, the list of candidates and their biographies have been posted in the parish hall. In advance of this Convention, a special parish meeting will take place here on Sunday, June 1st, after the Liturgy.

LAND UPDATE

After a great deal of preparation and meetings with lots of wonderful people, the Council has engaged the services of Camber Real Estate, Inc., to act on our behalf in the sale of the land. Updates on this process, roof repairs and more will be posted on the bulletin boards in the church hall. There you will also find the latest Parish Council minutes and monthly financial statements.

PARISH LIFE CONFERENCE

Don’t miss the opportunity to join us at the Radisson Hotel in Plymouth, from June 19-22, 2014. The host committee from Saint George Church of Boston is working hard to put together a fantastic PLC with events that include:

- ✦ A New England clambake and lobster dinner at Haddad’s Ocean Café in Marshfield.
- ✦ The Annual Diocesan Hafli on Friday night featuring George Maalouf and Ensemble.
- ✦ The Bible Bowl and Oratorical Festival.s
- ✦ A sunset dinner cruise of Plymouth Harbor.
- ✦ Spiritual enrichment and educational workshops led by our Bishop John and Diocesan lay leaders.

There are a limited amount of rooms left so make your hotel reservation today! You must enter the promo code PLC14 to get a room. All PLC registration information can be found on our website: <http://www.stgeorgeofboston.org/plc2014/>. You can also call the Radisson Hotel directly at 508.747.4900.

HOLY BREAD -

The gifts are offered today by Erik Potter and the Doros Family.

COFFEE HOUR -

Please join us for refreshments after Liturgy today, hosted by Erik Potter and the Doros Family.

FLOWERS -

The bouquets before the icons are given by the Doros family in thanksgiving for John on his birthday. Many years.

GIFTS TO SAINT GEORGE

Bill & Mary Lou Catelli*in memory of Kbouria JoAnne Abdalab*
.....*and for the health and safety of Bishop John, Gregory, Joseph and Maria*
Sam & Beverly DiFlaminies*for Donald & Carol Hamaty*
.....*on their 60th wedding anniversary*
Helen Abril.....*for the health of Helen Kelley*
.....*and for Mari Kouyoumjian on her birthday*

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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

Pray also for Archpriest Michael & the Abdelahad Family, Archpriest Robert & Kh Elizabeth (Bethoney), Priest Michael (Bird), Joyce (Boulis), Kenneth (Hadge), Helen (Kelley), Marcia (Shapiro), Dolores (Elias), Marion (Corcoran), Lina (Karam), Ernest (Peter), Florence (Esper), Shannon (Prevatt), 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 & family), Alan (Andrew), Lana (Joseph), Christina (Adams), Emaline (Eakle), Cleo (Eysie), Timothy (Wright), Kathrynne (Howard), Lovee (Thomas), Sandy (Thomas), Josephine (Purpura).

May 4, 11 & 18 Income	Pledges	Donations & Memorials	Tray	Special Collection
\$6608.00	\$4551.00	\$430.00	\$567.00	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)
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- TLC Coordinator - Sheila Bennett
- Usher - Andrew Howard
- Web-Master - Ekaterina Oleinik



EISODIKON

In the gathering places bless ye God, the Lord, from the well-springs of Israel. O Son of God, who didst rise from the dead, save us who sing unto Thee. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

PASCHAL TROPARION

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!

Hristos a inviat din morti
cu moartea pe moarte calcand
si celor din morminte viata daruindu- le.

Cristo ha resucitado de entre los muertos
con su muerte ha vencido la muerte
y los sepultados ha dado la vida.

TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION (TONE 5)

Let us believers praise and worship the Word, co-eternal 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 THE DISCOVERY OF THE HEAD OF THE FORERUNNER JOHN (TONE 4)

Christ God hath revealed to us thy truly venerable head as a divine treasure that had been concealed in the earth, O Prophet and Forerunner John. Wherefore, as we gather on the feast of its discovery, with our hymns inspired of God, we praise Christ the Savior, who by thy mighty prayers saveth us from every kind of harm.

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 myrrh-bearing women, granting peace to Thine apostles and bestowing resurrection on the fallen!

MEGALYNARION

The angel cried to the Lady full of grace, "Rejoice! Rejoice, O pure Virgin! Again I say, Rejoice! Your Son is risen from His three days in the tomb! With Himself He has raised all the dead!" Rejoice!

Rejoice, O ye people! Shine! Shine! Shine, O New Jerusalem! The glory of the Lord has shone on you! Exult now, exalt and be glad, O Zion! Be radiant, O pure Theotokos, in the resurrection, the resurrection of your Son.

EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

Prokeimenon and Verse: Thou, O Lord shalt preserve us, and keep us from this generation. Save me, O Lord; for the godly man there is no more.

The Reading is from the Acts of the Holy Apostles (16:16-34, Blindman)

As they were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners much gain by sooth-saying. She followed Paul and us, crying, "These men are servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation." And this she did for many days. But Paul was annoyed, and turned and said to the spirit, "I charge you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of gain was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market place before the rulers; and when they had brought them to the magistrates they said, "These men are Jews and they are disturbing our city. They advocate customs which it is not lawful for us Romans to accept or practice." The crowd joined in attacking them; and the magistrates tore the garments off them and gave orders to beat them with rods. And when they had inflicted many blows upon them, they threw them into prison, charging the jailer to keep them safely. Having received this charge, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks. But about midnight Paul and

Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and every one's fetters were unfastened. When the jailer woke and saw that the prison doors were open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul cried with a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." And he called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas, and brought them out and said, "Men, what must I do to be saved?" And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all that were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their wounds, and he was baptized at once, with all his family. Then he brought them up into his house, and set food before them; and he rejoiced with all his household that he had believed in God.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

PASCHAL GREETING

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-qān qam!
Slavonic: Kristos voskresse!
Voesteenu voskresse!
Romanian: Hristus A Inviat! Adeverat a Inviat!
Spanish: Christo ha Resuscitado!
En verdad ha Resuscitado!
Armenian: Christos harjav i merelotz!
Orhniale harutjun Christosi!

Glory to His Holy Third-day Resurrection.
We adore His Holy Third-day Resurrection.