



# 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

Today -	Ladies of Saint George Meeting after coffee hour IOCC Wine Tasting & Afternoon of Jazz
Monday -	Parish Council Meeting, 7:00 pm
Thursday -	Matins, 9:00 am
Friday -	Evening Divine Liturgy, 6:00 pm for the Feast of the Entrance in the Temple
Saturday -	Great Vespers, 6:00 pm
Next Sunday -	Matins 9:00 / Divine Liturgy 10:00 <i>This will be an instructional liturgy</i>
Fasting -	The Advent Fast (also known as the "Christmas Lent" or "Philip Fast") begins today.

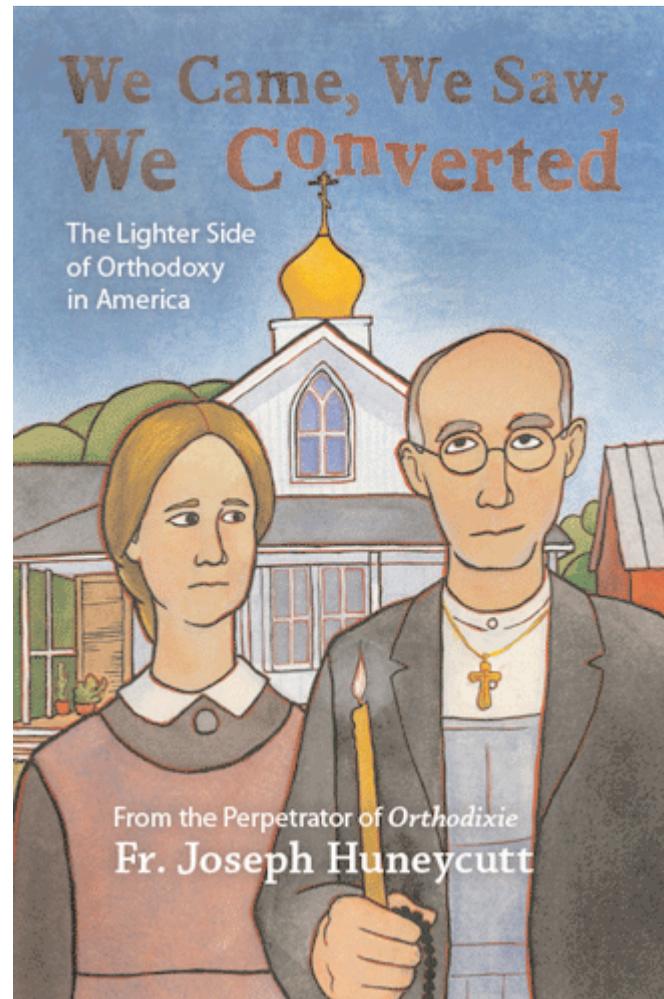
*Calendars for November through February are in the narthex.*

**15 November  
2009**



**23rd  
Sunday  
after  
Pentecost**

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## ***The Lighter Side of Orthodoxy in America*** by Fr. Joseph Huneycutt

Based on his popular blog and Ancient Faith Radio podcast, Orthodixie, Fr. Joseph Huneycutt presents a humorous look at the pluses, minuses, joys, pitfalls, and struggles of perpetual conversion within an Orthodox Christian world-view. Within these pages you'll find all those familiar characters you've encountered in exploring American Orthodoxy—but with a hilarious twist: the Orthodox Christian anarchist, the Orthodox white boy, and that incomparable superhero, Ortho-Man. You'll be introduced to the lighter side of fasting, theosis, living a holy life in a secular world, and the struggle to understand those on the other side of the cradle/convert divide.

For those days when acquiring the mind of Christ seems impossibly serious and, well, just plain impossible, a quick dip into *We Came, We Saw, We Converted* will restore your sense of humor and help you get up and try again.

**COMING IN EARLY DECEMBER!** Place your pre-order now, and we will ship it to you for arrival before Christmas (for customers in the Continental U.S.).  
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**TOO EARLY FOR CHRISTMAS?**

Maybe too early for carol singing, but not too early to be part of the *Parish Christmas Card*. Once again this year, it is coordinated by the Ladies of Saint George. Download a form at [www.StGeorgeNorwood.org](http://www.StGeorgeNorwood.org) or see Doris Copoulos. Forms are due TODAY.

As long as we are speaking about Christmas: Remember our *online marketplace* when you shop online. It is your doorway to 1,000 online stores. Shop with any of these merchants and they will donate a portion of every sale to us in your name or anonymously. All you have to do is click on the little shopping bag at [www.StGeorgeNorwood.org](http://www.StGeorgeNorwood.org) and start shopping! You can also put a shopping bag directly on your desktop below. There is no additional cost to you.

**FASTING**

The Nativity Fast begins today, November 15th, and is divided into two periods: The 1st period is November 15th through December 19th when the traditional fasting discipline (no meat, poultry, eggs, dairy, fish, wine and oil) is observed on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, but with katalysis for wine and oil on Tuesday and Thursday (some also permit fish on Tuesday and Thursday during this 1st period) and for fish, wine and oil on Saturday and Sunday. The 2nd period is December 20th through the 24th (the period of the Forefast) when the traditional fasting discipline (no meat, poultry, eggs, dairy, fish, wine and oil) is observed Monday through Friday, but with katalysis for wine and oil on Saturday and Sunday.

**IS YOUR YARD FULL OF LEAVES ?**

The Teen SOYO will be glad to rake for you and accept a donation, which will help them sponsor a family this Thanksgiving. Ask Timothy Markatos for details.

**LEARN ABOUT THE LITURGY**

Beginning last Sunday and continuing through next Sunday, there will be instructional liturgies here at Saint George. Father Joseph will be teaching during the service on the meaning of the Divine Liturgy.

November 15th - *What Happens Behind the Icons?* A live video feed will show you everything that takes place.

November 22nd - *The Liturgy of the Eucharist - Communion and Post Communion.*

**REGISTER FOR WINTER CAMP**

Two great sessions to choose from: *January 15 - 18, 2010 & February 12 - 15, 2010* Register online at: [antiochianvillage.org/camp.html](http://antiochianvillage.org/camp.html) We hope to see you at Winter Camp! It will be a fun-filled weekend combined with an opportunity for spiritual growth and renewal.

**YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD**

Are you looking for ways to serve God, participate in works of mercy, and extend your hand to those in need? If you're thinking, "Yes, yes, yes!" then we have an opportunity for you! At Project Mexico we believe that we as Orthodox Christians are the light of the world. We are committed to shining our light into the communities and hearts of the Mexican people and into the lives of orphaned teenaged boys. Since 1988, Project Mexico has been involving young people in the alleviation of suffering by building homes for Mexico's poor. In 1996 our outreach expanded with the opening of Saint Innocent Orphanage providing a home for teenaged boys. Three years ago, we expanded our program by introducing *Orthodox Basic Training* (OBT) where several hundred Orthodox Christians from all over the country gather together with the common goal of answering Christ's call to serve the poor. Questions? Contact Madi at [mfranck@projectmexico.org](mailto:mfranck@projectmexico.org).

**HOLY BREAD** - The gifts are offered today by Hellas Assad, Margaret Domet and Reggie DiCicco.

**COFFEE HOUR** - Please stay for refreshments after Liturgy today, hosted by Hellas Assad, Margaret Domet and Reggie DiCicco.

**GIFTS TO SAINT GEORGE -**

Eugenia Georges . . . . . *in memory of Michael Georges on his Name Day*  
 James & Arlene Kimmett . . . . .  
 Lovee Thomas . . . . . *for Hanna Kallas on her birthday*

Katherine & Edward Moseley, Maryann & Franny Vazza, Koreen Santos, Dianne Shalbey & Family, Phyllis Georgeu, Carol and Karen Elias, Michael - Samera & Ronald Mike, Hellas Assad, Marion Redonnet and Jacqueline Saber . . . . . *in memory of Nima Hadge*

Lana Joseph, Kay & Ed Moseley, Marcia Deeb Shapiro, Katheryne Howard, John Howard, Josephine Purpura, Sam & Beverly DiFlaminies, Ernest & Sally Peter, Albert & Linda Bensen, Dolores Elias, Lovee Thomas & Family, Sandy Thomas & Family, Emaline Eakle, Florence Esper, Alice Kelley, Hellas Assad, Marion Redonnet, Jacqueline Saber and anonymous donors . . . . . *in memory of Julia Philips*

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER -**

**Pray** for the newly departed handmaiden of God Jennie (Montgomery).

**Pray** for the good health of the servants of God: Archpriest Robert, Archpriest Michael, Khouriyee Elizabeth, Deacon Elias, 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, Renee, Robert, Nicole, Mary, Pauline, Ioana, Nicolae, Kathleen, Lillie, Jennifer, Carrie, Sam, Michael, Nancy, Kenneth, Joy, Thomas, Sarah, Nicholas, Charles, Catherine, Joyce, Janice, Barbara, Beverly, John, Katherine, Mary, Beverly, Najlae, Irene, Edmond, Helen, Frances,

Income Nov. 8	Pledges	Donations & Memorials	Tray	Special Collection
\$1463.00	\$170 .00	\$940.00	\$211.00	N.A.

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**23rd Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Martyrs Gourias, Samonas and Habib of Edessa**

**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 6)**

When Mary stood at thy grave looking for thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above thy revered tomb, and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world; O thou that art risen from the dead! O Lord, glory to thee.

**TROPARION OF THE MARTYRS (TONE 5)**

Since Thou hast given us the miracles of Thy holy Martyrs Guria, Shamuna and Habib as an invincible battlement, by their entreaties scatter the counsels of the heathen, O Christ our God, and strengthen the faith of Orthodox Christians, since Thou art good and the Friend of man.

**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 THE ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS (TONE 4)**

The most pure temple of the Savior, the very precious chamber and Virgin, the sacred treasure of the glory of God, is presented today in the house of the Lord. She bringeth with her the grace of the Spirit, which the angels of God do praise. She is the heavenly tabernacle.

**EPISTLE AND GOSPEL**

*Prokeimenon and Verse:*

Save, O Lord, Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance. Unto Thee, O Lord, will I cry; O my God, be not silent unto me.

**The Reading is from the 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.*

**The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke (10:25-37 / 8th Sunday of Luke)**

Behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read?" And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have answered right; do this, and you will live." But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion, and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed mercy on him." And Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."