



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

Rev. Deacon Stephen Mathewes, Seminarian
Rev. Deacon Luke Toumi
Subdeacon Gheorge Doros
Subdeacon Joseph Kouyoumjian

*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

<u>Wednesday</u> -	Arabic Class, 6:00pm Vespers, 7:00 pm
<u>Saturday</u> -	Great Vespers, 5:00pm
<u>Next Sunday</u> -	Matins & Divine Liturgy, 9:00 / 10:00 am <i>Saint Nicholas Day Celebration: Meet this beloved saint after Liturgy at Norwood Bowl (12:30 pm)</i>
<u>Fasting</u> -	<i>The Advent Fast continues each day through Christmas Eve.</i>

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27th Sunday
after
Pentecost

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Saint Nicholas is Visiting Norwood

EACH YEAR WE LOOK FORWARD
TO THE ARRIVAL OF ONE
OF OUR FAVORITE SAINTS.

THIS YEAR THE FEAST OF
SAINT NICHOLAS IS MONDAY, but
we'll celebrate on SUNDAY the 5th!



YES, our holy friend will bring gifts
for our young friends at Saint George



but he is bringing them
to the **BOWLING
ALLEY!**

That's right, after Liturgy on
the 5th, come along to the Norwood Sports Center on
Cottage Street at 12:30 pm for food, fun and fellowship.

Parents **must RSVP** in advance to Rich Plouffe for important details
about the day: Chat at church or email: ignatius222@verizon.net

WELCOME

It is a pleasure to welcome back to Saint George, the parents of Deacon Stephen: Very Rev. Father Gregory Mathewes-Green and Khouriyee Federica. Father is pastor of Holy Cross Church in Linthicum, Maryland.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Christ is Born! Glorify Him! Join us on Sunday, December 19th at 4:00 pm for a Christmas choir concert. Invite your friends and neighbors. A reception follows. The concert is free of charge.

STEWARDSHIP

Our annual stewardship program began last week and packets were distributed. The deadline for returning your 2011 card is December 15th. If you have any questions, please speak with a member of Council. If you have a special financial situation in your home, you may chat confidentially with Father Joseph.

A TRIBUTE

The book published by our church in memory of Father Nifon is here. There is a complimentary copy for each person who contributed to it. Extra copies will be available on Sunday at coffee hour for \$20 each. Proceeds go to the Abraham Memorial Fund.

Khouriyee Afefee and Mona have written to all:

We would like to express our gratitude to those who remembered Father Nifon in such a sincere and heartfelt way. We are deeply moved by the words that beautifully portray his reverence of God and love for his ministry. This tribute of cherished memories reflects the mutual love and respect of family, brother clergy, and friends and will be a treasured family keepsake for generations to come. Thank you very much to Father Kimmett and the Council for their support and a special note of appreciation for the creative talents of Khouriyee Erin.

LADIES OF SAINT GEORGE

Your 2011 dues of \$10 are payable – give checks or cash to Camille Florio.

NOTE FROM FOOD PANTRY

Dear Friends: On behalf of the Norwood Ecumenical Food Pantry, thank you very much for your recent donation of food. The Pantry currently serves over 300 families, with new clients arriving at the door each week. We are truly grateful for all your help and wish you a very Happy Thanksgiving.

CHRISTMAS OUTREACH

Again this year our parish will connect with the Cambridge Family Children’s Service for our Christmas outreach. Each year our church has shown wonderful generosity, helping insure that disadvantaged children can celebrate.

In the parish hall is a poster listing all the young people and families we will be helping at Christmas. This list has been broken down into easy shopping lists for everyone. Please take a few moments during coffee hour today to pick up a list. Angie Sepulveda and Daniela Doros are coordinating our efforts and can answer your questions.

All gifts must be at the church by December 12th.

NEW DIRECTORY

The 2011 parish directory is available today in the parish hall. There is one free copy for each home. The parish prayer list, including birthdays, anniversaries and Name days, is also available.

90TH ANNIVERSARY

In 2011 our church will celebrate its 90th year. Your Parish Council is already chatting about this wonderful milestone and they want your input. If you have ideas for a celebration, speak to any member of the Council.

HOLY BREAD - The gifts this morning are offered by the family of Deacon Stephen & Jocelyn Mathewes.

COFFEE HOUR - Please stay for refreshments following the Liturgy hosted by the Mathewes family.

FLOWERS - The bouquets before the Icon of Christ and the Icon of the Theotokos are given by Marwan & Ibtisam Samman in memory of Ibtisam's father, Latif Hanna.

VOTIVE - A seven day candle burns before the Icon of Christ, given by Angela Sepulveda and Pedro in memory of Isabella Delvajes.

GIFTS TO SAINT GEORGE -

Lovee Thomas *for the health of Bob Deeb*
 Brian & Marlene Lupaczyk, Kay Moseley *in memory of Latif Hanna*
 Barbara Elias Fisher *in memory of Howard Elias and Victoria Joseph*
 Emaline Eakle *in memory of Philomena Joseph*

The **Building Restoration** account has been opened. Envelopes for gifts to this account are in the narthex and parish hall.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER -

Pray for the servants of God: Archpriest Nicholas and Pamela (Manikas), Archpriest Michael (Lewis), Archpriest Alexander (Atty), Deacon Elias (Hamaty), Robert, Kate (Melchert), Fred (Tomm), Lucia Camille (Baba), John (Howard), Nicole (Tourigney), Darcey, David (Knipe and family), Tripp (Head), Roger (Eysie), Alan (Andrew), Lana (Joseph), Christina (Adams), Emaline (Eakle), Jamil (Samara), David (Elliott, serving in Iraq), Michael (Eysie), Janis, Timothy (Wright), Kathryn (Howard), Edward (Arees), Nicholas, Claudia (Eysie), Najlae (Solomon), Frances (Giandomenico), Frederick (Howard), Lillie (Kelley), Lovee (Thomas), Sandy (Thomas), Loretta (Thomas), George

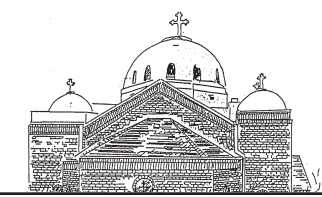
Income Nov. 14 & 21	Pledges	Donations & Memorials	Sunday Tray	Special Tray
\$1856.00	\$1275 .00	\$880.00	\$414.00	N.A.

Council & Parish Leaders

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

Assistant Treasurers:
 Beverly DiFlaminies
 Leeann Plouffe

- Building Committee - Andrew Howard
- 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
- Hospitality - Angie Sepulveda
- IOCC Rep. - Emily Howard
- Ladies President - Katie Birtwell
- Order of St Ignatius Liason - Erin K.
- Sacristan - Subdn. Gheorghe Doros
- Scholarship Committee - Helen Abril
- School Superintendent - Rich Plouffe
- Teen Advisor - Emily Howard
- Teen President - Timothy Markatos
- Teen Treasurer - Nicholas Kimmett
- Usher - Andrew Howard
- Web-Master - Ekaterina Oleinik



27th Sunday after Pentecost

Venerable Martyr Stephen the New; Martyr Irinarchos of Sebast

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 2)

When thou, O immortal Life, didst humble thyself unto death, then didst thou destroy death by the brightness of thy Godhead; and when thou didst raise the bowels of the earth, then all the heavenly powers exclaimed, O Christ, thou art the Giver of life! Glory to thee, O our God!

TROPARION OF SAINT STEPHEN THE NEW (TONE 4)

Trained on the mountain in ascetical labors, with the whole armor of the Cross thou didst vanquish the spiritual arrays of unseen enemies; and when thou hadst stripped thyself with great courage for contest, thou didst slay Copronymus with the sword of the true Faith. For both these things hast thou been crowned by God, O righteous Martyr, blest Stephen of great renown.

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.

PREPARATORY KONTAKION FOR THE NATIVITY (TONE 3)

Today the Virgin cometh to the cave to give birth in an ineffable manner to the Word before the ages. Rejoice, therefore, O universe, when thou hearest, and glorify with the angels and shepherds him who shall appear by his own will as a new babe, being God before the ages.

EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

Prokeimenon and Verse:

The Lord is my strength and my song. The Lord has chastened me sorely.

The Reading is from the Letter of the Apostle Paul to the Ephesians (6:10-17; 27th Sunday)

Finally brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we are not contending against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore take the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the equipment of the gospel of peace; besides all these, taking the shield of faith, with which you can quench all the flaming darts of the evil one. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Alleluia. I waited patiently for the Lord. *Alleluia.* He set my feet upon a rock. *Alleluia.*

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke (118:18-27; 13th Luke)

At that time, a man came testing Jesus and asking, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother.'" And the man said, "All these I have observed from my youth." And when Jesus heard it, he said to him, "One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." But when the man heard this he became sad, for he was very rich. Jesus, seeing him sad, said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" But Jesus said, "What is impossible with men is possible with God."