



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

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, who and have
prepared themselves by fasting and who have been present from
the beginning of the Liturgy are invited to receive Communion.*

CALENDAR

- Today - Teen SOYO Meeting, during coffee hour
First day of Church School, 12:45 pm
- Saturday - Great Vespers, 5:00 pm
- Next Sunday - Matins, 9:00 am / Divine Liturgy, 10:00 am
- Monday the 26th - Annual Parish Meeting
& Presentation on 2012 Parish Life Conference, 7:00 pm

There is fasting on Wednesday and Friday this week.

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Sunday after
the Elevation
of the Cross

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PLEASE JOIN US



SEMINARIAN WELCOME RECEPTION

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25
4:00 PM VESPERS / RECEPTION TO FOLLOW
SAINT GEORGE CHURCH
55 EMMONSDALE ROAD, BOSTON**

Sponsored by the Antiochian Women of the Diocese of Worcester and New England
in honor of our Seminarians attending Holy Cross
and serving in our local Antiochian parishes.

The Holy Cross seminarian assigned to our parish for the year is ***Subdeacon Jason Falcone***. Jason is a first year student who comes to us from Saint Mark Church in Denver, Colorado. His father is one of the priests at that parish. Recently Jason has been at Saint Elias in Austin, Texas because of his military service. We are delighted to have him with us this year.

CATCHING UP

If you have been away this summer or missed Liturgy due to hurricanes and long weekends, please keep in mind:

- Go to confession before receiving communion - especially if you have been absent Liturgy for three Sundays.
- Catch up on your donations and pledge - especially in advance of the annual meeting.
- Sign up to offer holy bread and host a coffee hour during the fall - check the notebook in the hall today.

EAGLE SCOUT

At the end of the Liturgy this morning we will hear from our own *Connor Cassidy*. Connor is working on his Eagle Scout award with the Boy Scouts and hopes to work on a sign for our church.

ANNUAL MEETING & CONFERENCE INFO

The Annual Parish Meeting of Saint George Orthodox Church will be Monday, September 26th at 7:00 pm in the church hall. The agenda and reports will be available next Sunday.

Following the annual meeting on the 26th, there will be a presentation on the *2012 Parish Life Conference*, which our church will host in Ogunquit, Maine and for which we will need everyone's help. It's not too early to start thinking about a committee to serve on, including hospitality, registration, events, advertising, etc.

DANCING WITH THE STARS

The Arab American Benevolent Association presents: "Dancing with the AABA Stars" -- *including our own Dianne Shalbey* -- which will be held October 1st. The good news - it is sold out. You can still help though by purchasing a ☆. Buy one today at coffee hour.

WHERE IS THE OCMC?

From *Father Martin Ritsi*, executive director of the *Orthodox Christian Mission Center*:

It is a joy for me to bear witness to you the fact that over this past year that OCMC has participated in nearly 250 of our brothers and sisters in the Turkana region of northern Kenya being baptized into the Body of Christ. While I was visiting with them in late July, a river that is dry for most of the year swelled with recent rains and permitted the baptism of over 100 on just one afternoon. I hear from many that it truly is a rare occurrence for the river to flow the way it always seems to flow during our visits, and many locals see this as a miracle from God for our visits. As I have grown closer to the Turkana people it has been beautiful to see how the Holy Spirit has prepared their hearts for the Orthodox faith. The joy that is felt when throngs of people line up to receive baptism, and begin a new life in Christ, in this swollen river is beyond words. The Holy Spirit is preparing hearts of people like the Turkana throughout the world, but it is up to us, as Christ's Church, to follow Him and the Church to bring the Gospel to these people.

It is with this same faith that we now follow Christ into the City of Ulaan Bataar, Mongolia, where a small, but growing group of Orthodox faithful are just beginning to reach out into the predominantly Buddhist areas around the city. Led by the Holy Spirit, the ministries of OCMC will be ready to respond as the future of the Church in these lands is revealed.

Through Christ's example and teaching, each of us is called to "take up his cross" and follow Christ into the parts of the world where the Gospel has yet to be heard. Through your support of OCMC ministries, you are able to do this as you join the missionaries and mission priests who have answered this call, and have often denied themselves many comforts, in order to bring more of our brothers and sisters into the Body of Christ. Please prayerfully consider a gift for this vital work today as the Church becomes rooted in northern Kenya and around the world.

Visit: www.OCMC.org

HOLY BREAD

The gifts are offered today by Ernie Tselekis.

COFFEE HOUR

Please stay for refreshments after Liturgy today; the coffee hour is sponsored by Ernie Tselekis.

VOTIVE

A seven-day candles burns before the Icon of the Theotokos, given by Jennie Mike for the health of Margaret Domet.

GIFTS TO SAINT GEORGE

Jack & Milda Garison, Carl & Patricia Plasic, Bill & Helen Abril
 *in memory of Lillie Kelley*

REMEMBER IN PRAYER -

Pray for the servants of God: Archpriest Michael and the Abdelahad Family; Archpriest Alexander (Atty), Archpriest Elias and Kh. Joanne (Bitar), Patrick (Marshall), Margaret (Domet), Effie (Kalliel), Anne (Krekis), Marion (Redonnet), Sarah (Kelley), Nicolae (Daniela's father), Jack (Lucine's father), Karen, Charles, Mahasen Yacoub (Ibti's mother), David (Rediker), Beverly (DiFlaminies), Pamela (Manikas), Deacon Elias (Hamaty), Janet, Noah, Kate (Melchert), Fred (Tomm), John (Howard), Nicole (Tourigney), Darcey, David (Knipe and family), Tripp (Head), Alan (Andrew), Lana (Joseph), Christina (Adams), Emaline (Eakle), Cleo (Eysie), Timothy (Wright), Kathryn (Howard), Nicholas, Claudia (Eysie), Najlae (Solomon), Lovee (Thomas), Sandy (Thomas), George (Fares), Charles (Howard), Mary, Ioana, Catherine, Josephine, Sterling.

Pray for Elsa (Nashawaty) and David (Elliott) in the US armed forces.

Sept 11 Income	Pledges	Donations & Memorials	Tray	Special Tray
\$2790.00	\$2300 .00	\$235.00	\$ 245.00	N.A.

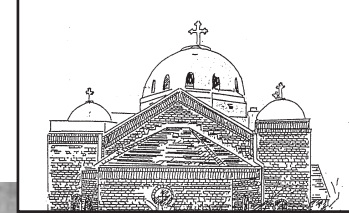
Council & Parish Leaders

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

Assistant Treasurers:

- Beverly DiFlaminies
- Leeann Plouffe

- Building Committee - Andrew Howard
- Chanter - Erik Potter
- 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
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- Sacristan - Subdn. Gheorghe Doros
- Scholarship Committee - Helen Abril
- School Superintendent - Rich Plouffe
- Seminarian - Jason Falcone
- Teen Advisor - Emily Howard
- Teen President - Timothy Markatos
- Teen Treasurer - Nicholas Kimmitt
- Usher - Andrew Howard
- Web-Master - Ekaterina Oleinik



**Sunday after the Elevation of the Holy and Life-Giving Cross
Eumenios the wonder-worker and Martyr Ariade of Phrygia**

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 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 HOLY CROSS (TONE 1)

O Lord, save thy people and bless thine inheritance, granting to thy people victory over all their enemies, and by thy Cross protect thy community.

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 HOLY CROSS (TONE 4)

Do thou, who of thine own good will wast lifted up upon the Cross, O Christ our God, bestow thy bounties upon the new Nation which is called by thy Name; make glad in thy might those who lawfully govern, that with them we may be led to victory over our adversaries, having in thine aid a weapon of peace and a trophy invincible.

AT THE DISMISSAL

Before thy Cross, we bow down and worship sovereign Lord, and thy Holy Resurrection we glorify.

EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

Prokeimenon and Verse: How magnified are Thy works, O Lord! In wisdom hast Thou made them all. Bless the Lord, O my soul; O Lord my God, Thou hast been magnified exceedingly.

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

(2:16-20, Sunday after the Cross)

Brethren, you know that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Alleluia. With patience I waited patiently for the Lord, and He was attentive unto me, and He hearkened unto my supplication. *Alleluia.* And He set my feet upon a rock, and He ordered my steps aright. *Alleluia.*

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark

(8:34--9:1, Sunday after the Cross)

Jesus called to him the multitude with his disciples, and said to them, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see that the kingdom of God has come with power."