



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.*

*It is our wonderful blessing today to have with us
our Father and Chief Shepherd
His Eminence Metropolitan PHILIP. Many years Master!*

*Our prayers and congratulations to Subdeacon Gheorghe Doros
AXIOS to the Milad Selim, who is ordained the holy diaconate.*

CALENDAR

Today - At the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy:
Induction of Members to the Order of Saint Ignatius
Memorial Service for Father Nifon Abraham,
Metropolitan Elyas (Kurban) and Becharah Saliba

Wedding of Chris Delgregorio and Jennifer Florio

Thursday - Matins, 9:00 am

Saturday - Wedding of Jacob Edwards and Nina Georges

Next Sunday - Matins 9:00 am / Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

September 28 - Annual Parish Meeting, 7:00 pm

Fasting - There is fasting on Wednesday and Friday this week.

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Sunday after
the Elevation
of the Cross

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AXIOS

At the Divine Liturgy today, His Eminence Metropolitan PHILIP will ordain *Milad Selim to the holy diaconate*. The deacon is a second year student at Holy Cross Seminary, and assigned to Saint Mary Church in Cambridge. We are pleased to welcome Milad, his wife, Nichole, as well as Father Antony Hughes and members of the Saint Mary parish community. At the end of Matins today, our own *Gheorghe Doros will be made a subdeacon* by His Eminence.

ORDER OF SAINT IGNATIUS

Come, be a part of our vision for the future and find a new and deeper expression of your faith. -- Metropolitan PHILIP
As of our bulletin printing date, The Order of Saint Ignatius is pleased to welcome new members who will be inducted this morning: *Christine Byron, Joseph Eysie and Linda Thomas*. Also, *Andrew Howard* will become a life member of the Order.

MEMORIAL BOOK

Thanks to the contributions of so many of you, the *Father Nifon book of memories* is just about ready for the printer. It contains words from many friends, family and brother clergy. There are also many special photographs. It is anticipated the book will be ready this fall.

COLLEGE STUDENT SUNDAY

Today we recognize and ministry of the Orthodox Christian Fellowship. *“Keeping our College Students Connected to Christ”* is a tagline for OCF’s mission to help our youth discover that it is communion with God, through life in the Church, which gives real meaning and significance to life. A letter encouraging the faithful to remember OCF and our college students has been published by the Standing Conference of Orthodox Bishops (of which our Metropolitan is the Vice Chairman.) The encyclical is on-line at www.ocf.net/css/

ED DAY AT SAINT VLADIMIRS

Orthodox Christian Education Day at Saint Vladimir’s Seminary is Saturday, October 3rd. The theme this year is *God’s Green Earth: Ecology and Theology*. The day begins with Liturgy at 9:30 and includes a keynote address by Dr. Vigen Guorian and numerous workshops. There will be an international food tent with cuisine from around the world. Details are at www.svots.edu (P.S. Saint Vladimir was just named as one of five recipients of the *International Foundation for Unity of Orthodox Christian Nations Award* this year.)

BISHOP ALEXANDER IN CAMBRIDGE

His Grace Bishop ALEXANDER will visit Saint Mary Church the first weekend in October. On Saturday the 3rd, Great Vespers will be served at 6:30, followed by a reception and cocktail party for those with pre-paid reservations. Contact Mary Winstanley O’Connor at moconnor@koilaw.com for information.

BAZAAR AND FOOD FAIR

Saint George Church in West Roxbury will have their annual bazaar October 16th -18th. Admission is free.

FALL GATHERING

The Cathedral is Worcester will host the fall meetings of the Antiochian Women, the Fellowship and Teen SOYO on Saturday, October 31st. There will be a presentation during our luncheon by *Father Michael Nasser, pastor of St. Innocent Orphanage/Project Mexico*.

AABA HUFLI

The annual huflfi of the *American Arabic Benevolent Association* is this Saturday at 8:00 pm at Our Lady of the Annunciation Cathedral.

YARD SALE AND COSTUMES

The parish yard sale is *Saturday, October 3rd*. We need your sale items: please make everything works: No clothes, TVs or computers. Bring items starting tomorrow.

HOLY BREAD - The gifts are offered this morning by Kh. Afefee Abraham and her family, in memory of Father Nifon. A memorial for Father, for Metropolitan ELYAS and Becharah Saliba will be served at the conclusion of Liturgy.

FLOWERS - The bouquets before the Icons of Christ and the Theotokos are given by the Abraham family in memory of Father Nifon. They are also given by the Florios, for Jennifer and Chris, who will be married this afternoon.

COFFEE HOUR - Please join us for a reception following the service.

GIFTS TO SAINT GEORGE -

Kh Afefee Abraham, Regina Jennings, Marie Coffin, Jennie Mike, Florence Esper and Alice Kelley . . . *in memory of Very Rev. Nifon Abraham Delal Smith Espinosa for the Ladies of Saint George on their 90th* Emaline Eakle, Florence Esper, Alice Kelley, Dolores Elias and anonymous donors *in memory of Mary Keches* Dr Toni Choueiri and Susan Saliba *in memory of Beshara Saliba* Kay Moselely, Florence Esper & Alice Kelley . *for the health of Richard Esper*

REMEMBER IN PRAYER -

Pray for the good health of the servants of God: Archpriest Robert, Khouriye Elizabeth, Deacon Elias, Claudia, Chris, Elizaebeth, 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, Felecia, Catherine, Gail, Margaret, Brian, Nicole, Marion, Donna, Linda, Edmond, Emaline, Carrie, Nicholas, Lovee, Sarah, Charles, Jenine, Josephine, George, Sandy, Edward, Michael, Madeline, Rosemary, John, Margaret, Sarah, Nima, Dean, David, Sterling, Mary.

Income Sept. 6-13	Pledges	Donations & Memorials	Tray	Special Collection
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Sunday after the Elevation of the Cross

**Greatmartyr Eustathios and his family; Venerable-martyr Hilarion of Saint Anne Skete;
Venerable John of Crete and Martyrs Michael, prince of Chernigov and Theodore**

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 HOLY CROSS (TONE 1)

O Lord, save thy people and bless thine inheritance, granting to thy people victory over all adversaries, and by thy Cross preserving thine Estate.

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.

THE PHIMI

The Phimi of our Father-in-Christ, Metropolitan PHILIP, is intoned by from the Royal Doors.

PHILIP, the most devout, the most reverend, chosen by God Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of North America, our Father and Chief Shepherd: may God grant him many years!

Choir: God grant him many years! (*thrice*)

EPISTLE AND GOSPEL

Prokeimenon and Verse:

The Lord will give strength to His peoples. Bring to the Lord, O ye children of God.

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. Alleluia. 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."