

ST. GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH

His Eminence Metropolitan PHILIP, Primate
Very Rev. Father Joseph Kimmett, Pastor
Very Rev. Father Nifon Abraham, Pastor Emeritus



21
SEPTEMBER
2008

SUNDAY
AFTER THE
ELEVATION
OF THE
CROSS

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS AND FRIENDS.
IT IS A BLESSING TO HAVE YOU WITH US AT SAINT GEORGE.
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT OUR PARISH,
OR THE ORTHODOX CHURCH, PLEASE SEE THE PRIEST.

ONLY THOSE ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS WHO ARE REPENTANT OF THEIR
SINS AND HAVE PREPARED THEMSELVES THROUGH FASTING ARE INVITED
TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION. EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO VENERATE
THE CROSS AND SHARE HOLY BREAD FOLLOWING THE LITURGY.

THIS WEEK AT SAINT GEORGE

Thursday - *Matins, 9:00 am*
Saturday - *Great Vespers, 5:00 pm*
Next Sunday - *Matins 9:00 am / Divine Liturgy 10:00 am*
Removal of Crowns: Fred & Victoria Bucklin
Church School Bake Sale at Coffee Hour
Ladies of Saint George: Meeting after Coffee Hour
Next Monday - *Annual Parish Meeting, 7:00 pm*

There is fasting Wednesday and Friday this week.

HOLY BREAD - The gifts are offered today by the family of Father Nifon Abraham, in his memory. The Forty Day Memorial will be offered at the conclusion of the Liturgy.

COFFEE HOUR - Kh. Effie and Mona would like to thank everyone very much for the love, support and generosity shown to them during Father Nifon's illness and passing. They very much appreciate the calls, visits, donations and expressions of sympathy. They cordially invite everyone to join them in the parish hall for a light lunch after the Liturgy.

FLOWERS - The bouquets before the Icon of Christ and the Theotokos are given by the family of Father Nifon, in his memory.

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CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS

We will meet on Saturday, September 27, from 1-3pm to bake/make pies, crisps, and caramel apples for our Bake Sale on Sunday, the 28th.

On October 12th, the Church School invites everyone to join in putting together the emergency packets used by IOCC during disasters, such as the recent hurricane. This will take place at the end of coffee hour.

For those wishing to *help victims of Ike*, right away, cash donations can be made by calling IOCC's donation hot-line toll-free at 1-877-803-4622; on-line at www.iocc.org; or by mailing a check or money order payable to "IOCC" and writing "US Emergency Response" in the memo line to IOCC, P.O. Box 630225, Baltimore, Md. 21263-0225.

FALL HUFLIS

* *Saint George of Lawrence* is having their annual hafli on the 27th of September at the "Crystal Room" in Haverill. Music by Fouad Hajjar and Ensemble.

* The *Saint John of Damascus* SOYO is having a Benefit Hufli on Saturday, October 4th, featuring music by Mitchell Kaltsunas.

ORTHODOX EDUCATION DAY AT ST. VLADIMIR'S
"Holy Icons, Sacred Arts" as this year's theme for Orthodox Education Day at Saint Vladimir's Seminary. The annual campus celebration of liturgy, fellowship, ethnic food, and instruction in the faith is Saturday, October 4th. *An icon demonstration will be given by our Kh. Erin.*

"BIG DREAMS START SMALL"

Saturday, September 27th is *Jude Children's Research Hospital* annual Dinner - Auction - Dance & Fashion Show. It will take place at the Copley Marriott from 6pm-midnight. Info at www.bigdreamsstartsmall.com.

BBQ AFTER LITURGY

On October 5th, in place of coffee hour, there will be a **BBQ lunch** sponsored by *the group of guys who eat lunch together every other Wednesday at the Brookside Cafe!*

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Our Constitution states the meeting will take place the last Monday in September. This year that is the 29th.

SACRED MUSIC

Sacred Music Workshops will take place Friday evening October 31 and Saturday November 1, 2008 at St. John of Damascus Church. *Chris Holwey*, Chairman of the Dept of Sacred Music will be the presenter.

TODAY IS COLLEGE STUDENT SUNDAY

Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF), the official campus ministry agency of SCOBA, manifests the loving and guiding presence of the Orthodox Church to our young people, who have ventured away from the security and stability of their parents' homes to advance their education. Many young students are forced to face this new chapter of their lives without a substantive connection to the local Church community of their youth. OCF fills this gap by building a strong Orthodox fellowship on campus, and by providing a bridge to the local parishes. To find our more about this ministry, visit <http://www.ocf.net/>

ANNUAL BAZAAR & FOOD FAIR PLANNED

Saint George Church of Boston is proud to announce their 32nd *Annual Bazaar & Food Fair* to be held at their community center on Friday and Saturday, October 17th, 18th and 19th. There will be authentic Middle Eastern cuisine and pastry, American foods and pastry, Country Store, *White Elephants* and much more. For information, phone 617-323-9861 or check the flyer in our hall.

80th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Saint Mary Church of Cambridge invites you to celebrate with them on Saturday, October 25, 2008. Vespers is at 5:30 p.m, followed by Cocktails & Hors d'oeuvres and then dinner and dancing. Tickets are \$50.00 and includes hors d'oeuvres, wine and beer. Only 200 prepaid tickets will be sold. For tickets and to reserve tables of eight, call: Mary Winstanley O'Connor 617-523-1010, Marilyn Robbat 617-547-1234 or Arlene Marge 781-863-5015.



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*For the establishment of
a new scholarship fund in the name of
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*Please save the date
Saturday, November 1, 2008
Westin Copley Hotel Ballroom
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MARK THESE DATES

EVENING CELEBRATION FOR BALAMAND, NOVEMBER 1ST: PLEASE SEE LEEANN PLOUFFE OR MARWAN SAMMAN FOR RESERVATION INFORMATION OR PICK UP A FORM IN THE NARTHEX.

PATRIARCHAL LITURGY, SUNDAY NOVEMBER 2ND - OUR CHURCH WILL BE CLOSED SO THAT WE MAY ATTEND AS A COMMUNITY. (PLANS ARE BEING MADE FOR CAR-POOLING OR A BUS.)

TOTAL DEPOSIT <i>SEPT. 7</i>	PLEDGES	LONG-RANGE (MEMORIALS & DONATIONS)	TRAY	SPECIAL TRAY	COFFEE HOUR BASKET
\$2291.70	\$225.00	\$1511.70	\$205.00	N.A.	N.A.



PRAYERS OF OBLATION AND DONATIONS

Kh. Effie Abraham - Mona DiSciullo and their families, The Clergy of the New England Deanery, Samira Elias, Michael Medwar, Eli & Joan Medwar, William & Helen Morgan, Michael & Marilyn Robbat and Salwa Hajar *in memory of Father Nifon Abraham*

Diana Giampa *in memory of Edward Kelley*
Malcolm & Bernie Hill *in memory of Helen Abdallah*

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Pray for the good health of the servants of God: Archpriest Edward, Priest Robert, Khouriye Elizabeth, Deacon Elias, Stephanie, Mary, Florence, Alice, Hayes, Katrina, Elsa, John, Jeanne, Gregory, Albert, Dimitri, James, Frederick, Anne, Grace, Renee, Robert, Nicole, Mary, Pauline, Ioana, Nicolae, Kathleen, Lillie, Jennifer, Carrie, Sam, Camille, Michael, Mikayla, Christopher, Nancy, Kenneth, Joy, Claudia, Thomas, Sarah, Nicholas, Charles, Catherine, Joyce, Janice, Barbara, Beverly, John, Katherine, Mary, Beverly, Najlae, Irene, Edmond, Helen, George, Frances, Felecia, Catherine, Lana, Gail, Margaret, Brian, Nicole, Marion, Donna, Linda, Edmond, Emaline, Carrie, Nicholas, George, Lovee, Elizabeth, Sarah, Charles, Jenine, Josephine, George, Sandy, Edward, Michael, Madeline, Rosemary, John, Margaret, Sarah, Nima, Dean, David, Sterling, William, Mary.

Pray for the newly departed handmaiden of God, Pauline (sister of Nick Copoulos.)

THE PARISH COUNCIL

Leeann Plouffe - Chairwoman
Barbara Campbell, Paul Eysie, Camille Florio (Secretary), Andrew Howard (Vice Chairman),
Marlene Lupaczky, Marwan Samman (Treasurer), Linda Thomas and Sharon Weiskerger

CHURCH LEADERS

Ladies of Saint George - Katie Birtwell, President	Church School - Rich Plouffe, Superintendent
Choir Director - David Franciosi	Chanters - Paul Eysie & Erik Potter
Teen Advisor - Michele Markatos	Teen President / Diocesan Treasurer - Jenna Weiskerger
Ushers - Andrew Howard & Marwan Samman	Epistle Reader Coordinator - Lovee Thomas
Bible Bowl Team Leader - Emily Shay	Church Custodian - Gerry Mullen
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Seminarian - Michael Razook	

SUNDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2008 • SUNDAY AFTER THE ELEVATION OF THE CROSS
TONE 5 • EOTHINON 4 • APOSTLE QUADRATOS OF THE 70 & PROPHET JONAH

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 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.*

EPISTLE & 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 the Apostle Paul to the Galatians

(2:16-20, for the Sunday after the Elevation)

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

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The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark

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

Glory to Thee O Lord, Glory to Thee.

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."

Glory to Thee O Lord, Glory to Thee.
