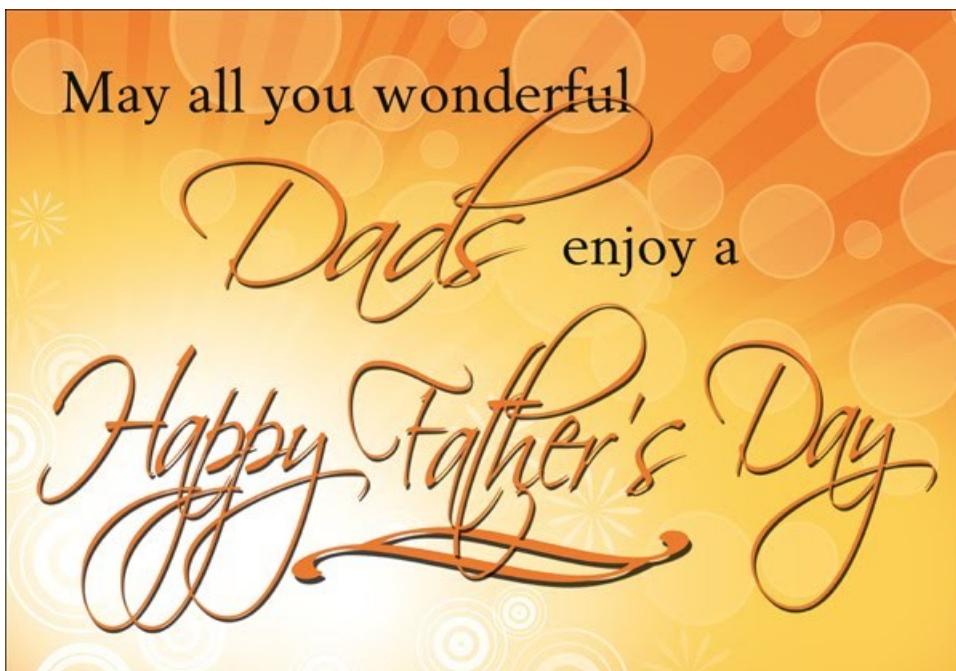


*St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church*  
*Lowell, Massachusetts*



*Holy Pentecost*  
*Happy Father's Day*

*June 19, 2016*

# ST. GEORGE ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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## WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday: Matins (Orthros) Service 9:00 a.m.  
Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School, Every other Sunday, 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Divine Liturgy begins at 10:00 a.m. and we should not arrive late. When we do arrive late and the Epistle or Gospel is being read or the priest is preaching the sermon or the Great Entrance is taking place, please **REMAIN** in the Vestibule until it is finished before entering the Church. At the end of the Divine Liturgy please keep your conversation until the "Coffee Hour". We should leave the Church in silence.

**Important Notice:** The reception of Holy Communion is limited to Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves by prayer, fasting and recent Confession. Confessions are heard on Sunday mornings during the Matins Service or by special appointment. The Eucharistic Fast begins at midnight on Saturday and ends up with the receiving of Holy Communion. If you are on medication or a young child, you can have a light breakfast before coming to church. If you have any questions, please call Fr. Leonard.

Our faithful are reminded that as you leave the sanctuary, to do so **reverently and quietly**. Properly, one should approach the celebrant to receive his blessings, kiss the cross, depart and **then greet neighbors and friends at fellowship hour**. We must never lose reverence for our church sanctuary as the house of God simply because services have ended. Also, please take the Sunday bulletins with you or return them to the Vestry Committee rather than leaving them in the pews or bookracks. Also, out of respect to your fellow parishioners and to God, **please turn off all electronic devices such as cell phones before entering** the church so as to not interrupt the solemnity of our prayers.

*Thank you,  
+ Father Leonard*

**Church Office Hours:** If you would like to meet with the Pastor, please call the office to set up an appointment. Office hours are Tuesday through Friday, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

**Prayer Requests and Bulletin News:** All prayer requests and articles for the weekly bulletin must be submitted each week by **Noon, Tuesday**: emailed to Fr. Leonard at [fatherfaris@comcast.net](mailto:fatherfaris@comcast.net) or call 978-452-4816, otherwise, the requests and articles will be published the following week.

Entrance Hymn

Be Thou exalted, O Lord, in Thy strength; we shall praise and sing of Thy might acts. Save us, O Good Comforter, who sing to Thee. Alleluia

Troparion of Pentecost, Tone 8

Blessed art Thou, O Christ our God, Who hast revealed the fishermen as most wise, having sent upon them the Holy Spirit, and through them Thou hast fished the universe, O Lover of mankind, glory to Thee.

Kontakion of Pentecost, Tone 8

When the High One descended, confusing tongues, He divided the nations. And when He distributed the fiery tongues, He called all to one unity. Wherefore, in unison, we glorify the most Holy Spirit.

ALTAR BREAD



Today's Altar Bread is being offered in memory of Joseph Ghareeb, Frederick Noonan, and Richard Steele and for the health and safety of Fred Noonan., offered by the Noonan, Steele, and Kett Families. May Joseph, Frederick, and Richard's memory be eternal and may God bless the Noonan, Steele, and Kett families with peace, good health and happiness!

Epistle: Acts 2:1-11

**Their voice has gone out into all the earth.  
The heavens declare the glory of God.**

**The Reading is from the Acts of the Apostles**

When the day of Pentecost had come, the Disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. And they were amazed and wondered, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians, we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God."

**Gospel: John 7:37-52; 8:12**

**The Reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. John**

On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and proclaimed, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now this He said about the Spirit, which those who believed in Him were to receive; for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified. When they heard these words, many of the people said, "This is really the prophet." Others said, "This is the Christ." But some said, "Is the Christ to come from Galilee? Has not the Scripture said that the Christ is descended from David, and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David was?" So there was a division among the people over Him. Some of them wanted to arrest Him, but no one laid hands on Him. The officers then went back to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, "Why did you not bring Him?" The officers answered, "No man ever spoke like this man!" The Pharisees answered them, "Are you led astray, you also? Have any of the authorities or the Pharisees believed in Him? But this crowd, who do not know the Law, are accursed." Nicodemus, who had gone to Him before, and who was one of them, said to them, "Does our Law judge a man without first giving him a hearing and learning what he does?" They replied, "Are you from Galilee too? Search and you will see that no prophet is to rise from Galilee." Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."





*Today, 106 years ago, we celebrated the first Father's Day in Spokane Washington. Inspired by Ms. Anna Jarvis' struggle to promote Mother's Day, Ms. Sonora Louise Smart Dodd began a rigorous campaign to celebrate Father's Day in the U.S. Looking at the heightened popularity, President Woodrow Wilson approved of this idea in 1916. President Calvin Coolidge too supported the idea of a national Father's Day in 1924, to "establish better relations between fathers and their children and to impress upon fathers the full measure of their obligation". In 1972, President Nixon established a permanent national observance of Father's Day to be held on the third Sunday in June. Sonora Smart Dodd was honored for her contribution at the World's Fair in Spokane in 1974.*

"Dear God, I give thanks for fathers. I recognize the dedication and patience it takes to be a source of compassion and understanding when helping to shape a young life. Bless all fathers, especially those who are new in this sacred role. I pray they feel Your presence with them. May they know that Your strength and wisdom are within them, providing all they need to guide and support their children with kindness and love".

**"HAPPY FATHER'S DAY TO ALL OUR FATHERS, GRANDFATHERS AND GODFATHERS and may God bless them all with good health, happiness and long life!**

**Fr. Leonard**



Today's Coffee Hour is being sponsored by the Noonan, Steele, and Kett families for the health and safety of Fred Noonan. May God bless the Noonan, Steele, and Kett families with peace, good health, and happiness!

## MEMORIALS- NEXT SUNDAY JUNE 26

A 5 Year Memorial Service will be offered for the repose of the soul of the Servant of God, Stephen Skaff, requested by his parents, Sharkey and Laurence Skaff and family. May Stephen's memory be eternal!

## LADIES MEETING

There will be a Ladies meeting, today, immediately following Liturgy, in the Church hall.

## CHOIR REHEARSAL

The choir will rehearse Sundays, immediately following Liturgy, for 20-30 minutes each week. We ask that all choir members return to the choir, for rehearsal, with Joe and/or Mindy, after receiving a blessing from Fr. Leonard at the end of the services.



## 100th Year Celebration (1917-2017) - October 2017

We are in the very early stages of planning our 100th Year Celebration. The committees listed below have been formed so that we can start to get organized. Although we do not have an exact date, we do know it will take place October 2017. As it stands now, this will be a two day celebration: Saturday night, the Historical Committee will do a presentation, many details on this evening need to be worked out, including which venue it will be held at. On Sunday, following church services, there will be a luncheon held at a venue that will be determined. Please note that this is an entire parish endeavor and we need the assistance of everyone. If you have any thoughts please share your ideas with the appropriate committee members. There are two areas in which we need your help now:

1. **The Historical Committee** will be asking parishioners for pictures, newspaper clippings, documents, letters etc. reflecting our 100 years. Anything that you have that will help to enhance their Saturday evening presentation is needed. In addition, it is possible that the committee may be interviewing parishioners for additional information.
2. **The Publicity Committee** will need your help when it is time to promote our celebration. But starting now, a mass mailing list is needed with names extending further than our regular parishioners. If you have anyone that you would like added to the mass mailing list please forward those names and addresses to Laurie Andersson as soon as possible, ([LaurieAndersson@comcast.net](mailto:LaurieAndersson@comcast.net)) or call 978-441-1322

### 100 Year Anniversary Committee Members

<b>Chairperson:</b>	Laurie Andersson (Joseph Awad, Fr. Lenny)
<b>Historical Committee:</b>	Lisa Ansara, Azar Louh, Chakeep Skaff, Nicole Skaff, Amad Tayebi
<b>Publicity Committee:</b>	Mindy Abodeely, Nicole Awad, Fred Simon, Lynne Wade
<b>Venue Committee:</b>	Joanne Doulames, Voula Manolis, Hilda Zananiri
<b>Ticket Committee:</b>	Gwen Noonan

## **100th Anniversary Help Needed!**

The Historical Committee is gathering pictures, letters, documents, etc. for the historical presentation during our anniversary celebration. Your families are important to us and we are looking for information from all 10 decades. Please submit copies or originals, labeled with your name, address and phone number on the back and any relevant information that would tell us about your submission.

### **Historical Committee Members:**

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### **Chairperson:**

Laurie Andersson

## **100th Year Anniversary Mailing Addresses Needed**

We are in need of home addresses of past and present patrons of our church ~ anyone that has had something to do with our church! Think about children, grandchildren, or even people that may have drifted away for awhile. All our people have a place in the history of our church and we would like to include them in our 100th Year Anniversary Celebration.

Please send addresses to chairperson: Laurie Andersson

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