

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



*Fifth Sunday after Pentecost &  
Fifth Sunday of Matthew  
Great-Martyr Christina of Tyre*

*July 24, 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.

**Troparion of the Resurrection, Tone 4**

Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel, the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation, and proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled. Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy.

**Entrance Hymn**

Ha-lum-mu li-nas-jud, wa-nar-ka' lil-ma-sih, khal-lis-na ya bna l-lah, ya man qa-ma min bal-nil-am-wat, li-nu-rat-til la-ka, Hal-li-lu-ia

**Troparion of the Resurrection, Tone 4 (repeated)**

**Troparion of St. Christina, Tone 4**

O Lord Jesus, unto Thee Thy lamb doth cry with a great voice: \* O my Bridegroom, Thee I love; and seeking Thee, I now contest, \* and with Thy baptism am crucified and buried. \* I suffer for Thy sake, that I may reign with Thee; \* for Thy sake I die, that I may live in Thee: \* accept me offered out of longing \* to Thee as a spotless sacrifice. \* Lord, save our souls through her intercessions, since Thou art great in mercy.

**Troparion of St. George, Tone 4**

As deliver of captives and defender of the poor, healer of the infirmed, champion of kings, victorious great martyr George, intercede with Christ our God, for our souls' salvation.

**Kontakion for Ordinary Sundays, Tone 2**

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

Epistle: Paul 10:1-10

How great are Thy works, O Lord! In wisdom hast Thou made them all. Bless the Lord O my Soul.

The Reading is from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans

Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that it may be saved. I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but it is not enlightened. For, being ignorant of the righteousness that comes from God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. For Christ is the end of the law, that everyone who has faith may be justified. Moses writes that the man who practices the righteousness which is based on the law shall live by it. But the righteousness based on faith says: Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into Heaven?" (that is, to bring Christ down) or "Who will descend into the abyss?" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart (that is, the word of faith which we preach); because, if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For man believes with his heart and so is justified, and he confesses with his lips and so is saved.

Gospel: Matthew 8:28-9:1

The Reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew

At that time, when Jesus came to the country of the Gergesenes, two demoniacs met Him, coming out of the tombs, so fierce that no one could pass that way. And behold, they cried out, "What have we to do to Thee, O Son of God? Art Thou come here to torment us before the time?" Now a herd of many swine was feeding at some distance from them. And the demons begged Him, "If Thou castest us out, send us away into the herd of swine." And He said to them, "Go." So they came out and went into the swine; and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and perished in the waters. The herdsmen fled, and going into the city they told everything, and what had happened to the demoniacs. And behold, all the city came out to meet Jesus; and when they saw Him, they begged Him to leave their neighborhood. And getting into a boat He crossed over and came to His own city.



*Prayers are being offered for the  
Health and Safety of:*

Nora Abdelahad  
Connie Abodeely  
Ed & Lillian Betor  
David and Cindy Boragine  
Ida Boragine  
Jacque and Camilla Cloutier and  
Family  
George Ellis  
Jack Foley  
Mr. & Mrs. Elias Grivas  
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& Chloe Groff  
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*Prayers are being offered in Memory of:*

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**MAY THEIR MEMORIES BE ETERNAL!!**



## ALTAR BREAD

Today's Altar Bread is being offered in memory of the Servants of God, George Abodeely, requested his wife Connie and his children, grandchildren, and great-grand children. May George's memory be eternal!

## MEMORIAL SERVICES TODAY—July 24th

A 1 Year Memorial Service is being offered for the repose of the soul of the Servant of God, George Abodeely, requested by his wife Connie and his children, grandchildren, and great-grand children. May George's memory be eternal!

## NEXT SUNDAY—July 31st

A 1 Year Memorial Service is being offered for the repose of the soul of the Handmaid of God, Siham Kadij, requested by her children and grandchildren and their families. May Siham's memory be eternal!

## COFFEE HOUR

Today's Coffee Hour is being sponsored in memory of the Servant of God, George Abodeely, requested by the Abodeely Family. May George's memory be eternal and may God bless the Abodeely family with peace, good health and happiness!

## August is The "Month of The Theotokos"

To Orthodox Christians, August is a sacred month, a month that brings an intense feeling of reverence and devotion to The Blessed Virgin Mary, The Mother-of-God. For on the Fifteenth of August, the Orthodox Church celebrates with great Solemnity the Greatest Feast of the Mother-of-God, Her Dormition (Falling-Asleep) and Assumption into Heaven.

Special Prayer Services are celebrated in Her Honor prior to the Feast. We also prepare ourselves for this Great Feast by fasting from August 2 to August 15. These Special Services are called Paraclesis Services (Prayers of Supplication) in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Who is our greatest Intercessor before God. It is a special period similar to Great Lent. Orthodox Families are encouraged to attend these beautiful Services and to participate in the Sacraments of Confession and Holy Communion in honor of this Great Feast.

### THE SCHEDULE OF SERVICES HERE AT ST. GEORGE IS AS FOLLOWS:

Monday,	August 1	6:00 p.m.	Paraclesis Service
Wednesday,	August 3	6:00 p.m.	Paraclesis Service
Friday,	August 5	7:00 p.m.	Great Vespers at Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church
Saturday,	August 6	9:30 a.m.	Divine Liturgy for the Transfiguration at the Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church
Monday,	August 8	6:00 p.m.	Paraclesis Service
Wednesday,	August 10	6:00 p.m.	Paraclesis Service
Friday,	August 12	6:00 p.m.	Paraclesis Services
Sunday,	August 14	7:00 p.m.	Great Vespers and Lamentations and 'Procession with the Epitaphio of the Virgin Mary

LET US ALL MAKE AN EFFORT TO ATTEND THESE BEAUTIFUL SERVICES HONORING OUR MOST BLESSED MOTHER ON HER GREATEST FEAST DAY!!!

"Most Holy Theotokos Save Us!!!"

### ANNOUNCEMENT

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