



St. George Antiochian
Orthodox Church
Lowell, Massachusetts



**THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
& THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW
MARTYRS ADRIAN AND NATALIE OF NICOMEDIA**

August 26, 2018

ST. GEORGE ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH
The Most Reverend Metropolitan JOSEPH
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The Right Reverend Bishop JOHN, Diocese of Worcester and New England

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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.

Church Office Hours: Tuesday through Friday, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

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.

*Thank you,
Father Leonard*

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 or call 978-452-4816, otherwise, the requests and articles will be published the following week.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

If anyone is in the hospital it is the duty of the family to inform the priest so that he can visit the patient. Also, if anyone is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, he/she or a family member should contact Fr. Leonard to make arrangements to bring the Sacrament to the shut-in. Fr. Leonard is always happy to bring the Sacraments to those in Hospitals, Nursing Homes or at home. Thank you and God bless!

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 lu 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 SS. Adrian and Natalie, Tone 3

Thou didst deem that Faith which hath salvation to be riches never lost or plundered. Thou forsookest thy fathers' impiety, and thou didst follow thy Master, becoming rich in His divine gifts, O glorious Adrian. With the godly-minded Natalie, who emboldened thee, entreat Christ God, O Martyr, that our souls be saved.

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 of the Nativity of the Theotokos, Tone 4

By thy holy nativity, O pure one, Joachim and Anna were delivered from the reproach of barrenness; and Adam and Eve were delivered from the corruption of death; thy people do celebrate it, having been saved from the stain of iniquity, crying unto thee: The barren doth give birth to the Theotokos, who nourisheth our life.

THE EPISTLE

*O Lord, how marvelous are Thy works. In wisdom hast Thou made them all.
Bless the Lord, O my soul!*

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (16:13-24)

Brethren, be watchful, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, and be strong. Let all that you do be done in love. Now, brethren, you know that the household of Stephanas were the first converts in Achaia, and they have devoted themselves to the service of the saints; I urge you to be subject to such men and to every fellow worker and laborer. I rejoice at the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicus, because they have made up for your absence; for they refreshed my spirit as well as yours. Give recognition to such men. The churches of Asia send greetings. Aquila and Prisca, together with the church in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord. All the brethren send greetings. Greet one another with a holy kiss. I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. If anyone has no love for the Lord, let him be accursed. Our Lord, come! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (21:33-42)

The Lord spoke this parable: "There was a householder who planted a vineyard, and set a hedge around it, and dug a wine press in it, and built a tower, and let it out to tenants, and went into another country. When the season of fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants, to get his fruit; and the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first; and they did the same to them. Afterward he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' And they took him and cast him out of the vineyard, and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: 'The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes?'"

Prayers are being offered for the
Health and Safety of:

Nora Abdelahad
Connie Abodeely
Lorice Ansara
William Ansara
Phyllis Arsenault
Siham Bahou
Ray Beaudry
June Behrakis
Ed & Lillian Betor
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Fred Noonan
Chakeep Skaff
Amad Tayebi
Jack Trottier
Dr. Vartan & Lisa Yeghiazarians &
Family
Genia Yeghiazarians

Prayers are being offered in Memory of:

Charles Abdelahad	Terry Husson Kadir
George Abodeely	George Lowe
Miriam Abodeely	Efthymios & Paraskevi Manolis
Toula Anasoulis	George Matook
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MAY THEIR MEMORIES BE ETERNAL!



ALTAR BREAD

Today's Altar Bread is being offered in memory of the repose of the soul of the Servants of God, George and Elsie Faris, parents of Fr. Leonard, requested by their children and grand-children. May their memories be eternal!



MEMORIAL SERVICE - TODAY - AUGUST 26TH

A Memorial Service will be offered for the repose of the souls of the Servants of God, George and Elsie Faris, parents of Fr. Leonard, requested by their children and grand-children. May their memories be eternal!



COFFEE HOUR

Today's Coffee Hour is being sponsored by the Faris Family in loving memory of their parents, grandparents and great-grandparents, George and Elsie Faris. May their memories be eternal and may God bless the Faris Family with good health, happiness and long life!

Let's Party
MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!
FUN EVENING, MUSIC, RAFFLE

IN HONOR OF HILDA ZANANIRI

This year we will be celebrating our 35th annual Cocktail Raffle fundraiser on September 21st at the Andover Country Club. Please help us make this joyous and successful in honor of Hilda Zananiri.

If you need tickets, please feel free to contact Martha at 978-397-4376. Please mail all ticket returns and checks no later than September 14th to Martha Stewart at 330 Tyngsboro Road #2, Dracut, MA 01826, or you can see her in church.

Martha Stewart, Chairwoman

St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church
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Annual Raffle / Cocktail Party

Friday, September 21, 2018 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

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