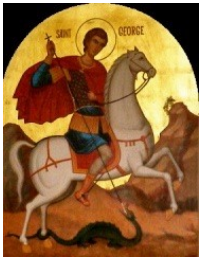

St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church

Lowell, Massachusetts

Sunday of the Pharisee and the Publican

The Holy Great-Martyr Theodore the Soldier ('Tyro');
Emperor Marcian & Empress Pulcheria of Constantinople

February 17, 2019

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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 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.

Entrance Hymn

Ha-lum-mu lu li-nas-judu, lil-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 5 (repeated)

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 the Pharisee and Publican, Tone 4

Let us feel the Pharisee's conceited vaunting; let us learn the Publican's humility and cry with groans unto the Savior: Thou Who alone art swiftly reconciled, be gracious unto us.

THE EPISTLE

(For Sunday of the Pharisee and Publican)

Make vows to the Lord thy God, and perform them.
In Judah God is known; His Name is great in Israel.

The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to St. Timothy.

Timothy my son, you have observed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, my persecutions, and my sufferings; and what befell me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra. What persecutions I endured; yet from them all, the Lord rescued me. Indeed all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, while evil men and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceivers and deceived. But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings which are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

THE GOSPEL

(For Sunday of the Pharisee and Publican)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (18:10-14)

The Lord spoke this parable: "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank Thee that I am not like other men, extortionists, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to Heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted."

Prayers are being offered for the Health and Safety of:

Nora Abdelahad
Connie Abodeely
Kathy Ansara
Lorice Ansara
Phyllis Arsenault
Siham Bahou
Ray & Barbara Beaudry
June Behrakis
Ed & Lillian Betor
David and Cindy Boragine
Ida Boragine
April Bouras
George Ellis
Athanasia Grivas
Veronique, Annabelle & Chloe Groff
Duayne Habib
Rosalind Hajjar & Family
Sam Halperin & Family
Lloyd Jennings
Joe Kadir
Nabil Khoury
Fr. Stephen and Family
Rose Lowe
Marcotte Family
Lynn Marccotte
Thomas Marcotte
Clemence Maria
Robert Maria
Megan MacDonald
Fred Noonan
Helen Poulos
Julia and Brian Sapienza
Amad Tayebi
Jack Trottier
Dr. Vartan & Lisa Yeghiazarians & Family
Michael Wade
Genia Yeghiazarians

Prayers are being offered in Memory of:

Charles Abdelahad
George Abodeely
Miriam Abodeely
Toula Anasoulis
Andrew Ansara
Elias Ansara
John Ansara
Maurice Ansara
Michael Ansara
Gladys Assaly
Linda Assaly
Yaacoub Awad
Juliette Bahou
Laurice Bahou
Widad Batten
James "Jimmy" Beaudry
Dorothy Boragine
Sal Boragine
Cleopatra Bouras
David Burs
Robert Coviello
Linda Deeb
Austin Dufault
Fred Ead
Frances Ellis
Frank Ellis
George & Elsie Faris
Mary T. Faris
Mary V. Faris
Elizabeth & Joseph Ghareeb
Elias Grivas
George P. Habib
Philip Hajjar
Dorothea Husson
Eleanor Husson
N. Mary Husson
Terry Husson Kadir
Lissa Kowalski
George Lowe
Efthymios & Paraskevi Manolis
George Matook
Anthony Matysczak
Nafie Moses
Kay Moulton
Frederick & Matilda Noonan
Paul Panagopoulos, Sr.
Anisse Saad
Hanna Saad
Mary Saati
George W. & Mary Saba
Badawi Sabbouh
Eleanor Shalhoup
Fred Simon
Chakeep Skaff
Judy Skaff
Mildred & Arthur Skaff
Minnie Skaff
Nellie Husson Skaff
Ricky Skaff
Stephen Skaff
T. Michael Skaff
Edmond Solomon
J. B. Taleb
Elaine Vieira
Robert & Julia Wonneberger
Leon Yeghiazarians
Charles Zaharias
Mary Ann Zaharias
Hilda Zananiri
Nahil Zananiri

MAY THEIR MEMORIES BE ETERNAL!!

THE LORD'S PRAYER (ARABIC)

Aba~na llathee fee ssamawat, lee yataqaddas is~mook,
lee ya'tee malakotok, litakon mashee~a~took,
kama fee ssama' ka~tha~leeka ala ll~ard.
khoobza~na lljow~hha~ree aatina llyoum, what~rook la~na ma
aalayna, kama nat~rook nah'noo leeman la~na aalayeh
wa la toodkhilna fee tta~jreeba; lah~kin najji~na meena 'shirreer.
Ameen

أبانا الذي في السموات ، ليتقدس إسمك، ليأتِ ملكوتك ، لتكن مشيئتك
كما في السماء كذلك على الأرض خبزنا الجوهري أعطنا اليوم
واترك لنا ما علينا كما نترك نحن لمن لنا عليه
ولا تدخلنا في التجربة ،لكن نجنا من الشرير

ALTAR BREAD

Today's Altar Bread is being offered by the Noonan, Steele and Kett families. It is for the health and safety of all our parishioners. Everyone has been so kind and helpful. Help is always given without asking and is truly appreciated.

MEMORIAL ~ Today, February 17th

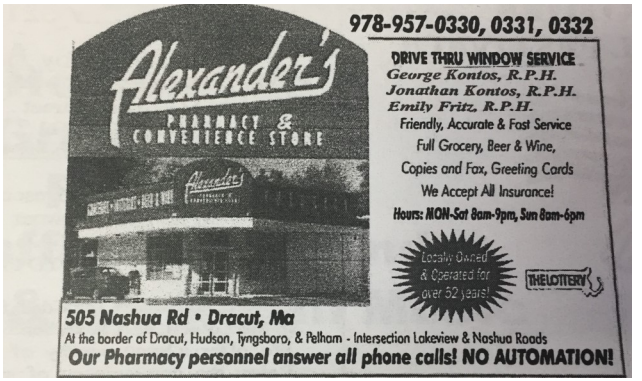
A Memorial Service is being offered for the repose of the souls of the Servants of God, Naif Faris and Kalil Ead, the grandfathers of Fr. Leonard, requested by Fr. Leonard. May their memories be eternal!

Next Sunday, February 24th

A 40 Day Memorial will be offered for the repose of the soul of the Handmaid of God, Ella Jean Elias, requested by her children, grand-children and great-grandchildren. May her memory be eternal!

COMING UP

Wed. 2/20 7:00 pm Adult Education Class in Rectory

Good Health to All !

Robert and Elaine Maria & Family