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*Lowell, Massachusetts*



*Third Sunday after Pentecost &*  
*Third Sunday of Matthew*

*July 11, 2021*

# ST. GEORGE ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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## WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday: Matins (Orthros) Service 9:00 a.m. Sunday School: Every other Sunday, 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.  
Divine Liturgy 10:00 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 you have left the Church.

**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.

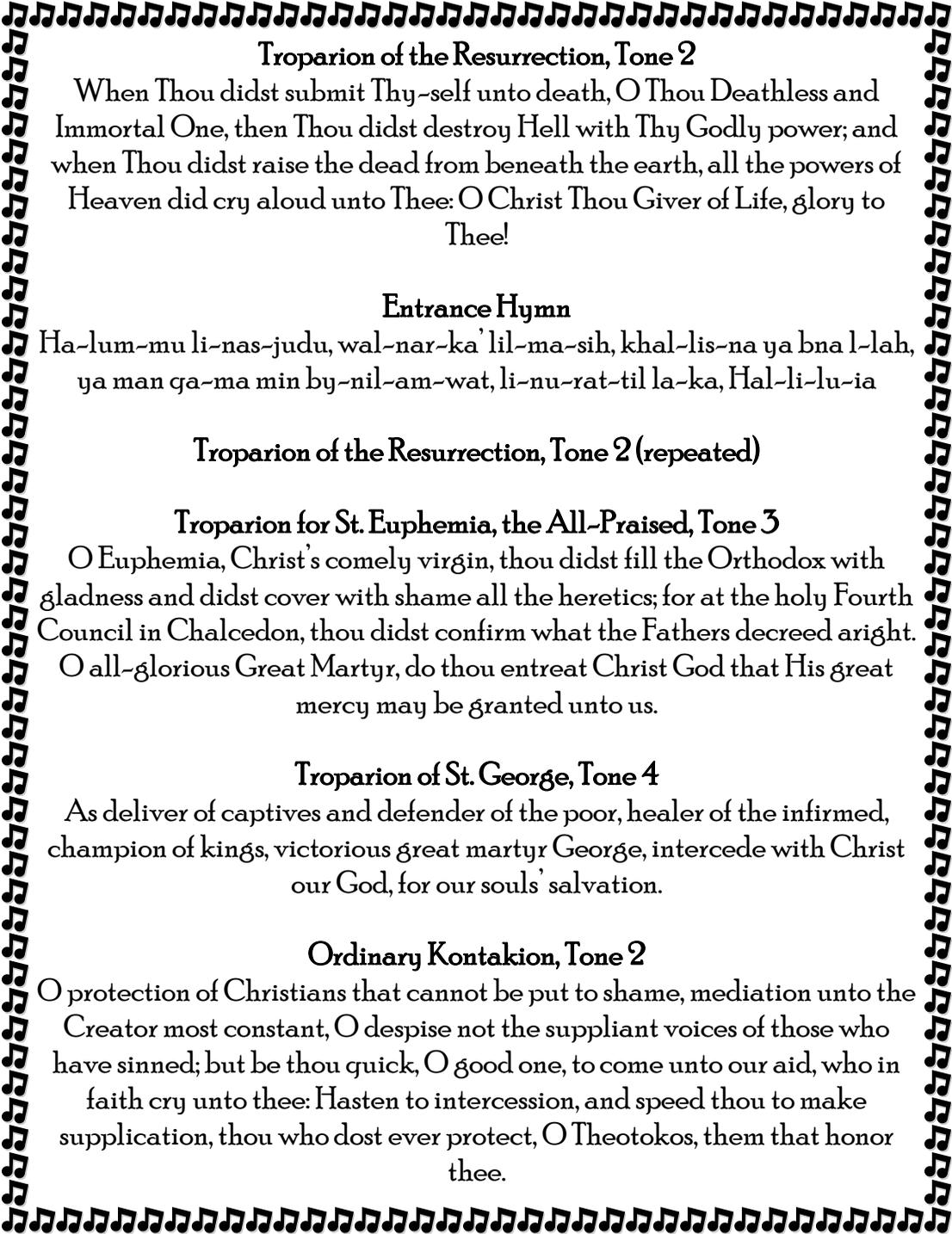
*Thank you,*

*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](mailto:fatherfaris@comcast.net) or call

## 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 2

When Thou didst submit Thy-self unto death, O Thou Deathless and Immortal One, then Thou didst destroy Hell with Thy Godly power; and when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ Thou Giver of Life, glory to Thee!

### Entrance Hymn

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

### Troparion of the Resurrection, Tone 2 (repeated)

### Troparion for St. Euphemia, the All-Praised, Tone 3

O Euphemia, Christ's comely virgin, thou didst fill the Orthodox with gladness and didst cover with shame all the heretics; for at the holy Fourth Council in Chalcedon, thou didst confirm what the Fathers decreed aright.  
O all-glorious Great Martyr, do thou entreat Christ God that His great mercy may be granted unto us.

### 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.

### Ordinary Kontakion, 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.

## THE EPISTLE

**God is wondrous in His saints. In the churches, bless ye God.**

**The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (6:1-10)**

Brethren, since we are fellow workers, we entreat you also not to receive the grace of God in vain—for He says, “At an acceptable season I hearkened unto thee, and in a day of salvation I helped thee”; behold, now is “the acceptable season”; behold, now is “the day of salvation”—giving no occasion of stumbling in anything, that the ministry is not blamed, but in everything commending ourselves, as ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses, in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labors, in vigils, in fasts, in purity, in knowledge, in longsuffering, in kindness, in the Holy Spirit, in love unfeigned, in the word of truth, in the power of God; by the weapons of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, by glory and dishonor, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and yet true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and, behold, we live; as chastened, and not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.

## THE GOSPEL

**The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (6:22-33)**

The Lord said, “The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is sound, your whole body will be full of light; but if your eye is evil, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness! No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon. Therefore, I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you shall eat or what you shall drink; nor about your body, what you shall put on. Is not the soul more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of heaven: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add one cubit to his stature? And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon himself in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O men of little faith? Therefore, do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For the Gentiles seek all these things; and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things shall be yours as well.”

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

Nora Abdelahad  
Connie Abodeely  
Virginia Andersson  
Lorice Ansara  
Yvette Ansara  
Nel Arsenault  
Siham Bahou  
Charles Behrakis  
Ed Betor  
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George Ellis  
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Michael Forsley  
Athanasia Grivas  
Duayne Habib  
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Joe Kadir  
Fr. Stephen and Family  
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Joseph Mansour  
Lynn, Thomas Marcotte & Family  
Clemence Maria  
Karine Nabbout & Family  
Gwen Noonan  
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Robert, Denise & Megan Wagstaff  
Dr. Vartan & Lisa Yeghiazarians &  
Family  
Genia Yeghiazarians  
Fr. Andrew and Khouryee Jane Zbeeb

*Prayers are being offered in Memory of:*

Charles Abdelahad  
George Abodeely  
Miriam Abodeely  
Andrew Ansara  
Elias Ansara  
John Ansara  
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J. B. Taleb  
Elaine Vieira  
Leon Yeghiazarians  
Mary Ann & Charles Zaharias  
Hilda Zananiri  
Nahil Zananiri



## ALTAR BREAD

Today's Altar Bread is offered in memory of the handmaid of God, Terry Kadir, requested by her Godchild, Roseanne Galvin. May Terry's memory be eternal and may God bless Roseanne Galvin and her family with peace, good health and happiness!

Today's Altar Bread is being offered for the health and safety of Peter and Gaby Sabbouh requested by their parents Marwan and Carla Sabbouh. May God bless Peter and Gaby with peace, good health and happiness!



## MEMORIALS - Today, July 11th

A Ten Year Memorial Service is being offered for the repose of the soul of the Handmaid of God, Terry Kadir, requested by her husband, Joe Kadir and her Goddaughter, Roseanne Galvin. May Terry's memory be eternal!

## BELOVED IN CHRIST

We are still collecting toward the painting of the church. If you haven't give yet there is still time to help us reach our goal of \$33,000 before the end of October. Any donation, large or small, will be greatly appreciated!

God Bless,  
+Fr. Leonard

**"AUGUST IS THE MONTH OF THE THEOTOKOS AS WE  
PREPARE TO CELEBRATE HER GREATEST FEAST, HER  
FALLING-ASLEEP AND ASSUMPTION INTO HEAVEN"**

Anyone interested in donating toward the flowers to decorate the Tomb for the Feast Day please see Fr. Leonard after church or send your donation to the rectory. Thank you and God bless!

We will celebrate the Service of Paraclesis on August 2, 4, 9, 11, and 13. and 7:00 p.m. On Saturday, August 14 at 7:00 p.m. we will celebrate The Great Vespers of the Dormition followed by the Lamentations to The Virgin Mary and Procession.

On Sunday, August 15 at 9:00 a.m. Festal Matins of the Feast and 10:00 a.m. The Festal Divine Liturgy for the Feast of Our Lady's Assumption into Heaven. Please make an effort to attend these beautiful Services Honoring Our Most Blessed Mother.

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