

**ST. GEORGE EASTERN ORTHODOX CHURCH**

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HOLY EUCHARIST (COMMUNION) is ADMINISTERED ONLY to MEMBERS of the ORTHODOX CHURCH who have prepared themselves by prayer, fasting, and recent confession of sins.

“The means to confirm and strengthen Christian Hope are prayers, especially frequent and sincere prayer, confession of our sins, frequent reading of the Word of God, and above all, frequent communion of the holy life-giving sacraments of the Body and Blood of Christ.” *St. John of Kronstadt*

**THE SUNDAY OF THE BLINDMAN**

Tone -5

Eothina -8

**THE TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION in Tone 5**

Christ is risen from the dead trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.

Christós anésti ek nekrón thanáto thánaton pateésas, ke tees en tees mneémasee zoeén kharisámenos.

Almasíh qáma min bainíl amwát wawáti almówta bil mowt, wawáhabal hayát lilatheéna fil qubour.

Christós voskrése ees mertveékh smértiou smert popráv, ee soush-chim vo grobyékh zhivot darováv.

**THE TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION in Tone 5**

Let all us believers give praise and worship to the Word, of one essence with the Father and with the Spirit, and who is eternal. Who was born of the Virgin for our salvation. For He did willingly ascend in the flesh to be hung from the Cross and to suffer pain and death, and to lift up the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

**THE TROPARION OF ST. GEORGE in Tone 4**

As Deliverer of captives, defender of the poor, healer of the infirm, champion of kings; victorious Great Martyr George, intercede with Christ our God for our souls' salvation.

**THE KONTAKION of PASCHA in Tone 8:**

Thou didst descend into the tomb, O Immortal; Thou didst destroy the power of death. In victory didst Thou arise, O Christ God; proclaiming, Rejoice! to the myrrh-bearing women; granting peace to Thine apostles, and bestowing Resurrection on the fallen.

**THOSE IN NURSING HOMES and SENIOR CARE FACILITIES,** Alice Samia, Walter Phillips, Eva Elias, Fred Kiamie, Marjorie Clarridge, Hanna Nakkoul.

**THOSE ILL, IN PAIN, OR SHUT IN BY INFIRMITY:** Fouad Hajjar, Michael Kargatis, Geraldine Deschênes, Vivian Runions, Michel Chuairy, Violette Chuairy, Pauline Barcellona, Lorraine Kalil, Albert Kamal, David Hadad, Nassif Hamaoui, Jeanette Hamaoui, Wadad Hamuae, Geraldine Allaire, Christine Hassan, Bernard Hassan, Gabriel Josiah Hassan, Caleb Hassan, Albert Hayek, Toni Orefice, F. Charles Cartier, Kim Goodspeed, Angela Scherer, Carole Farrell, Donna Najem Avakoff, Stephen Kamal, Mary Golightly, Jacob Malinchak, William Haddad, Lila Haddad, John Erban, Rose AbouHaidar, Elvyn Hajjar, Stacia Mullens, Sandra Widdall, Joanne Gray, Cheryl Brown, Joseph Palin, and John Ayoub.

**THOSE IN DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES, FAR AWAY, OR OTHERWISE IN NEED OF PRAYER:** Tom Girardi, Warren & Elizabeth Ferris, Carl, Lauren, Caitlin, Aalin, Aidan Bellinger, Alice Samia, Carole Moured, Ann Balsamo, Alice Ziady and Carol Aberizk, Maria Morales, Miguel Angel Morales, Santo Thomas Morales, Santa Maria Morales, Anderson Miguel Morales.

**FOR CONTINUED GOOD HEALTH & GOD'S BLESSINGS:** George Touma & family; Gebran Touma & family; Jihad, Lynn, Janelle & Jacob Hajjar; George Haddad & Clara Coutermarsh. For all those members of Elaine's family and friends who are helping to prepare the forty day memorial.

**THE MOTHERS' DAY FLOWERS** are in memory of Marie Keamy. **MAY HER MEMORY BE ETERNAL!**

**MEMORIAL TRISAGION** is offered today for Salma Bassett as a 40 year memorial by her daughter Geraldine Deschenes & family. **MAY HER MEMORY BE ETERNAL!**

**MEMORIAL PRAYERS** are offered today for Fadil & Yvonne Antipas by their daughter Bahia Mekhael & family. **MAY THEIR MEMORY BE ETERNAL!**

**COFFEE HOUR** today is offered by Bahia Mekhael & Ramza Touma.

**DIVINE LITURGY** will be celebrated on Wednesday evening at 6:00 PM for the Feast of the Ascension. A covered dish supper will follow in the hall.

**HOME BLESSINGS** began in September, and usually continue throughout the year. Anyone who would like their home blessed at this time, please contact Fr. Edward.

**SPONSORS** are needed for Coffee Hour. Several families can join together. Very little is actually necessary – you don't have to serve a full luncheon.

**THE PARISH WEBSITE** is a good source for information on current parish news. The website is listed at the top of the bulletin each week.

**HOLY BREAD** is available for those who would like to offer it in memory, or for the good health of someone, on anniversaries, birthdays, graduations, &cet. Anytime you would like to offer Holy Bread, consider buying from the Church rather than from one of the bakeries. Please contact Mrs. Ramza Touma for details.

**THE LADIES' GUILD** has those very wonderful \$5.00 gift certificates available again for Panera Bread. These have been very popular in past years. Don't wait until they run out.

**APPLICATIONS** for the Larry Erban Scholarship, Yvonne Keamy Scholarship and the Francis Maria Scholarship are on the parish website, under *Sunday School*. The American Lebanese Awareness Association Scholarship is available at the mareeda. The Erban Scholarship is for students in our parish graduating from high school this year. The Keamy Scholarship is for students in our parish finishing their first year of college. The Maria Scholarship is for any graduating high school student in the Archdiocese. The ALAA Scholarship is for graduating high school students and college students who are of Lebanese descent. Graduating high school seniors will receive information from the Diocese on the Fellowship of St. John Scholarships by mail.

**Save the Date!** The 72nd Annual Parish Life Conference is being hosted by St. George Cathedral Worcester the weekend of June 18-20. Rooms start at only \$98. Call the Sturbridge Host Hotel to book your room today. (508) 347-7393 [sturbridgehosthotel.com](http://sturbridgehosthotel.com)

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER IN ARABIC

Abána ládhi fees samawát liyáta qáddas ismuk. Liyáti malakoótook. Lítakoon mashe'atook, kamá fis samáy kadhálik 'álal 'ard. Khúbzanal jówhary á'teenal yowm; wátrook lána ma aláina, kamá nátrooku náhnu leéman lána 'aláihy. Walá tudkhílna fy tájriba, lákin nájjeena meénash shareér.

#### ***AXIOS! AXIOS! AXIOS!***

*The weekend of May 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, we welcome His Grace, Bishop ANTOUN as our guest for a return visit to St. George, Boston, in honor of his Ordination to the Holy Priesthood by Metropolitan ANTONY Bashir 50 years ago on May 29, 1960. Bishop ANTOUN will celebrate Great Vespers with us on Saturday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00p.m. and the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy on Sunday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. followed by a Special Parish Family Coffee Hour. We look forward to his visit and are honored that Sayidna will be with us to celebrate where it all began.*

*May God grant him Many Years.*

The Parish Phone, 978-685-4052: provides several options:

- 1- leave a message for the church in general
  - 2- Leave a message specifically for Fr. Edward
  - 3- Hear directions to the Church
  - 4- Hear the regular service schedule
  - 5- Leave an emergency message for Fr. Edward
- \* These emergency messages are relayed directly to Fr. Edward.