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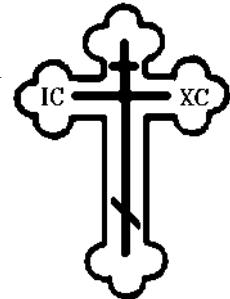


Saint George Orthodox Cathedral

Rev. Fr. Milad Selim, Dean

Rev. Archdn. Seraphim Solof

Rev. Dn. Anthony Payne



We are happy to welcome visitors to the Orthodox Church. We are blessed by your presence. Because the Orthodox Church understands communion to be the union of its membership, only those Orthodox Christians who have prepared properly should approach the chalice for communion. Those who belong to other “communions”, but would like to come into the Orthodox Church, should speak to one of our clergy to begin preparation. Thank you for your respect and understanding.

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The Hall at St. George: 508-752-9150

TONE: 2

EOTHINON: 4

VESPERS: 5 PM

CHURCH SCHOOL: 9 AM

MATINS: 9 AM

CONFESSON: 9:15-9:45 AM

DIVINE LITURGY: 10 AM

Sunday April 30, 2017

ALTAR SERVERS: St. Matthew:

Captain: Justin Wehbe, Matthew Bechara, Justin Whelan, George Ouwejian, Sean-Patrick Houssan, Zachary Aster, Joseph Houssan, Lucas Gammal

Please dress appropriately including dress shoes and tie. Please also note that you may not serve if you did not attend Church School or arrive after the start of Liturgy.

The Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (6:1-7)

In those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the Twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaos, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark (15:43-16:8)

At that time, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the Kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if He were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether Jesus was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that He was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking Him down, wrapped Him in the linen shroud, and laid Him in a tomb, which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where He was laid. And when the Sabbath was passed, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices so that they might go and anoint Him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back—it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, Who was crucified. He has risen, He is not here; see the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His Disciples and Peter that He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see Him, as He told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN) OF PASCHA

In the gathering places bless ye God the Lord, from the springs of Israel. Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, who sing to Thee: Alleluia.

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE TWO

When Thou didst submit Thyself 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.

APOLYTIKION OF JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA IN TONE TWO

The pious Joseph, having brought down Thy pure body from the Tree, wrapped it in fine linen, embalmed it with ointment, provided for it, and laid it in a new tomb. But Thou didst verily rise after three days, O Lord, granting the world Great Mercy.

APOLYTIKION OF MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN IN TONE TWO

Verily, the angel came to the tomb and said to the ointment-bearing women, the ointment is meet for the dead, but Christ is shown to be remote from corruption. But cry ye: The Lord is risen, granting the world the Great Mercy.

KONTAKION OF PASCHA IN TONE EIGHT

O Immortal One, when Thou didst descend into the tomb, Thou didst destroy the power of Hades; and Thou didst rise victorious, O Christ God. Thou hast said to the ointment-bearing women: Rejoice! And Thou gavest peace to Thy Disciples, O Bestower of Resurrection to those Who had fallen.



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Announcements

Book Club:

We are reading "Father Arseny, 1893 - 1973" and there are copies available in the gift shop. Our group is led by Thomas Gosse, Page and Robert Coleman. The goal of this new ministry is to enrich the spiritual life of our parishioners through the reading of various spiritual books. 9 AM on Sundays.

Women's Club:

Our May 2 meeting will be a trip to Southgate in Shrewsbury. We'll visit with 3 of our members who live there, and will dine in a private room, choosing meals off their menu. Reservations (\$10) are needed by April 30. Contact Pam at pms@townisp.com, or 508 769-8338 or sign up at Coffee Hours.

Parish Life Conference:

Be sure to register for this year's Parish Life Conference, hosted by our Cathedral. To learn more and register your family: antiochianevents.com/worcester.html

Friendship dinner:

May 10, 2017 at 6 pm at Ahppa Lodge—next to St. Spyridon Church and it is \$35 per person. If you have any questions, please see Dan Abraham 508 963 4012.

Men's Club:

This is just a reminder of the men's club meeting this Thursday April 27, 2017. Come and join us for a delicious dinner, we will bring up lots of new business and would like to hear from you all your new ideas to improve the club. If you have any questions or for reservations, please call George at(774) 696-4174 or email georgeelhoussan@verizon.net OR Bob Laham at(508) 667-4248 or mail mensclub@laham.us

Mother Day Dinner:

Save the date May 14, 2017. Our annual mothers day dinner. Pamper your family, bring your mothers, grandmother, wives and children and enjoy the delicious food with a new recipe that our chefs will add to the food (love & care). Come and support your church and experience the joy of this event as one big family, instead of being a stranger in a restaurant. More information it will be in the flyer and it can be found in the merida, bulletin, St. george website, Facebook etc...RSVP by May 4th to George El-houssan(1-774-696-4174) or Judy Shaughnessy at (1-508- 963-2141)



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

The Men's Club Presents
MOTHER'S DAY DINNER
• Sunday May 14, 2017 •

St. George Cathedral Auditorium following Divine Liturgy

Sponsored by the

El Nemr Family

for the health of Fouad and Mona El Nemr

\$17 for adults • \$9 for children 12 and under

Menu

Appetizers:

Vegetable with dip, hummus

Dinner:

*Salad, Beef Kabob and Chicken Kabob with Red Bliss Potatoes, Vegetable
Chicken Fingers and French Fries for the children*

Dessert:

Strawberry shortcake & Coffee

Live music performed by Joe MacKoul and Demetri Bayrouty,

Music by DJ DRE,

Flower distribution for mothers,

Clowns and balloons for the children

Additional sponsorships available and welcomed:

Gold Sponsor: \$1000 includes 6 tickets

Silver Sponsor: \$500 includes 4 tickets

RSVP by May 4th to George Elhoussan (1-774-696-4174) or Judy Shaughnessy at (1-508- 963-2141)

Reservations Required • Tickets will not be available at the door

Don't miss out on this beautiful event!

10% of the profit from this event will be donated to our Good Samaritan Fund.

Coffee hour is sponsored in loving memory of George Busada from his family and in loving memory of Amelia Abraham (17 years) from Dan Abraham.

TRISAGION PRAYERS AND HOLY KURBAN IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

- George Busada (40 days) from his wife, Marion, and family
- Amelia Abraham (17 years) from Dan Abraham
- Randolph Samara (40 days) from his wife, Janice, and family
- Hanan Rizkalla (40 days) from her husband, Checri, and family
- Fred (34 years) and Zahae (Peters) Abodeely (20 years) and June (Abodeely) Donnelly (7 years) from Lynne (Abodeely) LaMotte, Nancy Abodeely, Michael Donnelly and family and Patrick Donnelly and family

PRAYERS OF OBLATION IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

- Randy Samara and Hanan Rizkalla from Sheryl Bourisk and Paul Minda
- George Hashway from Lorice Swydan
- Our sister and aunt, Elizabeth (4/28), George and Olga Wood, our parents and grandparents from Patricia, George, Lynn, Matthew and Andrew Wood
- George Hashway - God rest his soul from Patricia Milhem
- George Busada from David and Jackie Shahood
- Uncle and great-uncle George Busada from Dennis & Sharon Cormier and family, Fred & Paula Hamwey and family, and Paul & Felicia Hamwey and family
- Norman Salamy and Hannan Rizkalla from Robert and Yola Beliveau and family
- George Hashway from John and Susan Haffty and family

PRAYERS OF OBLATION FOR THE HEALTH OF:

- Ancuta - Mirela and Christian Stefan
- Teddy Samara Azkoul from Albert and Margaret Gammal
- Beverly from Alexa Benson
- Samir Tokatli, thank you for thinking of me during your trip to Greece, Love Alex
- Vanessa Wehbe from George, Christine, Andre, Julianna & Romanda

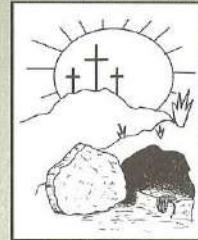
From Fr. Milad: I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your Paschal greetings, beautiful cards and generous gifts. May the Risen Lord continue to bless you, your families and our entire Cathedral community. Also, I would like to remind you that I will continue blessing homes starting this week. If you would like your home or business blessed, please contact me directly and I'll be more than happy to arrange a time that works with your family .

OUR RISEN LORD SPEAKS OUT . . .

Today's icon on our bulletin depicts Christ's appearance to the MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN. How quickly their sadness turned to joy! What an honor it must have been for these women to be the first to be greeted by the risen Saviour!

It is interesting to note the FIRST words spoken by our Risen Lord. He bids the women "*REJOICE!*" And, indeed, joy has been the hallmark of this Feast to this very day. Again, Jesus said "*FEAR NOT!*" Don't be afraid. How greatly the world today needs the comfort of these words. Finally, Jesus proclaimed: "*PEACE BE UNTO YOU.*" The words have been incorporated into the Divine Liturgy and other services of the Church. Peace of mind and heart and soul, the peace that the world cannot give, the peace that comes only from our Lord.

What profound lessons are set before us this day, as we continue our celebration of Christ's victory over the grave. Surely what measure of happiness we may find during the course of our earthly journey is contingent upon our taking to heart these three Resurrection messages. Let us ponder them with prayer and put them into action in our daily lives.



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BY INVITATION ONLY

Saint George Orthodox Cathedral

Meal of Hope

Passing it Forward with Friends

Tuesday, May 9th

6–6:30 pm Cocktail Social
6:30 Welcome and Prayer
6:45–9 Dinner and Presentation
30 Anna Street, Worcester, MA

Be a Host.

Invite 9 friends or family members

As a host you can either prepare or provide your own meal that will feed your table or ask your friends to make something to share.



Keynote Speaker

Nikki Larson

Senior Event Supervisor

Feed My Starving Children MobilePack Event



IN JUST 2 YEARS:



225,720
meals

we all worked hard



79th Annual Parish Life Conference

All events will take place at

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*My house will be called a house
of prayer for all nations.*

—Mark 11:17

Pre-Conference June 17, Conference June 23–25

Diocese of Worcester and New England



8:00 am
Registration
8:30–9:30
Daily Orthros
9:30–11
Light Breakfast/
Creative Arts Festival
Judging
10:30 am–12:15 pm
Oratorical Festival
12:15–1:45
Luncheon
2–4
Women's Meeting
Sunday School
Teacher's Workshop
4–5
Great Vespers



1–2:30 pm
Deanery meeting
and luncheon
5–6
Vespers
7–10
Clergy & Clergy Wives
Dinner & Retreat
6–7
Teen SOYO and Young
Adult Meetings
7–11:30
Teen SOYO Baseball Game
Group Outing
7–12
Young Adults Summer
BBQ Bash



9 am
Registration
10–11:30
Hierarchical Divine Liturgy
11:30–1:30
Awards and General
Assembly Lunch
1:45–2:30 pm
Keynote Speaker
Conference Theme
Father George Eber
2:45–3:45
Breakout Sessions/
Workshops on Conference
Theme

4–5
The Order of St Ignatius
Meeting
4–6
Bible Bowl
6:15–7:15
Vespers /Winners
of Oratorical

7:30 pm–1 am
Hafla Dinner Dance
Music by Mitchell Kaltsunas
American D.J.



9 am
Orthros
10
Hierarchical Divine Liturgy
12 pm
Brunch



Hotels

For reservations
to stay we have
negotiated a group
rate with Holiday
Inn Express
in downtown
Worcester, mention
the Archdiocese
Parish Life
Conference.
844-571-4807



Visit

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REGISTRATION FORM

The Haven Country Club • Boylston, MA
MONDAY • JUNE 5, 2017

Registration opens at 10:00am • Tee time at 12:00 noon



Charles M. Dowd MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

St. George Orthodox Cathedral • Worcester, MA

Cost

\$180 per golfer, includes dinner
\$200 for one golfer and one dinner guest
\$30 for dinner only

Includes

18 Holes of Golf • Golf Cart
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Join us for this exciting Annual Tournament as a Single, Twosome, Threesome, or a Foursome!

Application for Golf

PLAYER #1

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Handicap: _____

Email: _____

Dinner guest name: _____

Apparel: Ladies _____ Mens _____ SM / MED / LGE / XL / 2XL / 3XL

PLAYER #2

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Handicap: _____

Email: _____

Dinner guest name: _____

Apparel: Ladies _____ Mens _____ SM / MED / LGE / XL / 2XL / 3XL

PLAYER #3

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Handicap: _____

Email: _____

Dinner guest name: _____

Apparel: Ladies _____ Mens _____ SM / MED / LGE / XL / 2XL / 3XL

PLAYER #4

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Handicap: _____

Email: _____

Dinner guest name: _____

Apparel: Ladies _____ Mens _____ SM / MED / LGE / XL / 2XL / 3XL

REGISTRATION DEADLINE TO RECEIVE APPAREL IS MAY 15, 2017

For more details contact: **Michael Dowd: 508-752-9150**. You must return this form completely filled out, along with your **FULL PAYMENT** payable to: St. George Orthodox Cathedral and mail to: St. George Orthodox Cathedral, 30 Anna St., Worcester, MA 01604

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You Must Fill in the Advertisement as You Want it to Appear

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: _____

email: _____

Names of people attending (dinner reservations must be made)

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