Sunday, January 26th: 32nd Sunday after Pentecost
   Annual Meeting
   Outreach Committee ‘Food Bag Donations’ 11:30-12pm
Sunday, February 2nd: Presentation (Meeting) of Christ
Sunday, February 9th: Pharisee & Publican
   “Souper Bowl” Luncheon
Tuesday, February 11th: 7:00 P.M.– Parish Council Meeting
Sunday, February 16th: The Prodigal Son
   Outreach Committee ‘Soup Kitchen’ 11:30-12pm
Saturday, February 22nd: 8pm-1am Valentine Hafli
Sunday, February 23rd: Teen SOYO hosting Luncheon
   Outreach Committee ‘Food Bag Donations’ 11:30-12pm
Sunday, March 1st: Sunday of Forgiveness (Cheesefare)
Monday, March 2nd: Great Lent Begins
Sunday, March 8th: Orthodoxy Sunday
   Daylight Savings Time
Tuesday, March 10th: 7:00 P.M. - Parish Council Meeting
Sunday, March 15th: Second Sunday of Lent (Gregory Palamas)
   Outreach Committee ‘Soup Kitchen’ 11:30-12pm
Sunday, March 22nd: Sunday of the Holy Cross
   Outreach Committee ‘Food Bag Donations’ 11:30-12pm
Tuesday, March 24th: 7:00 P.M.- Liturgy for the Annunciation
Sunday, March 29th: Fourth Sunday of Lent (John Climacus)
Sunday, April 5th: 5th Sunday of Lent (Mary of Egypt)
Sunday, April 12th: Palm Sunday
Tuesday, April 14th: 7:00 P.M. - Parish Council Meeting
Sunday, April 19th: Great & Holy PASCHA
   Outreach Committee ‘Soup Kitchen’ 11:30-12pm
Sunday, April 26th: Sunday of St. Thomas
   Outreach Committee ‘Food Bag Donations’ 11:30-12pm

Sunday, January 26, 2020
Thirty Second Sunday After Pentecost
We welcome our Visitors & Guests: Please take a moment to fill out a Visitor Card.

We invite you to join us for coffee hour at the Parish Center following Liturgy.

Receiving Communion: Only those Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves may approach the chalice for Holy Communion. Everyone is welcome to partake of the Holy Bread after the Liturgy.

THE SYNAXARION (Plain Reading)

On January 26 in the Holy Orthodox Church we commemorate our righteous Father Xenophon of Constantinople, along with his wife, Mary, and their two sons, Arkadios and John.

Verses

I offer up a dainty banquet of discourse to Xenophon and his family, though from earth departed.

On the twenty-sixth died Xenophon with children and wife. Prominent and wealthy citizens of the fifth century, Xenophon and Mary lived a God-pleasing life and dedicated all their attention to the Christian upbringing of their sons. When their sons reached adulthood, they were sent to study in Beirut; but it so happened that a storm capsized their boat. John and Arkadios were tossed ashore by the waves but in two different places so that each thought the other was drowned. Out of grief for each other, they both became monks in two different monasteries. After two years, their grieving parents came to Jerusalem on a pilgrimage to pay homage before the holy shrines. There, with the help of a spiritual father, first the brothers met and, after that, the parents with their sons. Out of gratitude to God, Xenophon and Mary distributed their entire estate to the poor and both of them were tonsured. Thus the Lord wonderfully guides the destiny of those who believe in Him. He permits pain and sorrow upon them that they may, later on, be strengthened in faith, in order to lead them into still greater joy.

On this day, we also commemorate the translation of the relics of Venerable Theodore the Studite.

By their intercessions of Thy Saints, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.

Arabic Liturgy

Arabic Liturgy is being offered the first Saturday of each month at 6:00 P.M. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.
All are invited to attend the annual Diocese Lenten Retreat & Youth Day sponsored by the Diocese of Worcester & New England Antiochian Women. We are very excited to welcome Gregory Abdalah, D.Min, Pastoral Assistant at St. George Orthodox Church in Phoenix, AZ, as the Keynote Speaker for 2020! The topic for the retreat is “Don’t Stop Believin’: A Journey to the Kingdom of Heaven.”

The schedule is as follows:

1. **9:00 am** - Divine Liturgy
2. **10:15 am** - Registration & Continental Breakfast
3. **10:45 am** - Session 1 with Greg
4. **12:15 pm** - Lunch
5. **1:15 pm** - Session 2 and Q&A with Greg
6. Concludes with Great Vespers

Adults are $20, teens and children are free.

Activities will be offered for children ages 2-12 during the times that Greg is speaking to the adults and teens.

Please register in advance no later than March 21, 2020.

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**Tone: 7 / Eothinon: 10**

**RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION: Tone 7**

Thou didst shatter death by Thy Cross, Thou didst open paradise to the thief; Thou didst turn the sadness of the ointment-bearing women into joy. And didst bid Thine Apostles proclaim a warning, that Thou hast risen O Christ, granting to the world the Great Mercy.

**APOLYTIKION OF THE DORMITION: Tone 1**

In thy birth-giving, O Theotokos, thou didst keep and preserve virginity; and in thy falling-asleep thou hast not forsaken the world; for thou wast translated into life, being the Mother of Life. Wherefore, by thine intercessions, deliver our souls from death.

**KONTAKION OF THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST: Tone 1**

Thou, O Christ God, Who by Thy Birth, didst sanctify the Virgin’s womb, and, as is meet, didst bless Simeon’s arms, and didst also come to save us; preserve Thy fold in wars, and confirm them whom Thou didst love, for Thou alone art the Lover of mankind.

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Pray like a child, in simplicity of heart, concerning all your needs and sorrows. And entrust yourself to God’s will. For the Lord arranges our salvation.

~Saint Nikon
Epistle
1 Timothy 4:9-15

Prokeimenon: The Lord will give strength to his people.
Verse: Bring to the Lord, O sons of God, bring to the Lord honour and glory.
The reading is from Saint Paul’s First Letter to Timothy.

Timothy, my son, the saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance. For to this end we toil and strive, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. Command and teach these things. Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Till I come, attend to the public reading of scripture, to preaching, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophetic utterance when the council of elders laid their hands upon you. Practice these duties, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress.

The Gospel
Luke 19:1-10

At that time, Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector, and rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Jesus, for he was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he made haste and came down and received him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded any one of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the son of man came to seek and to save the lost."

PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR
GOOD HEALTH AND BLESSING OF:

Kevin Hashway
Mark Hashway
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Elizabeth Votruha
Offered by: Sandra Matook

Fr. Isaac & Kh. Dolly Crow
Simon Karam
Edward Betor
Josephine Karam
Offered by: Elie, Julia & Naji Karam

Sue Ayoub
Offered by: Ed & Lisa

Lisa Ayoub Parent
Offered by: Ed & Sue Ayoub

Matt Kelley
Walid & Mima Nakhoud
Cindy Hayes & Family
Sue Ayoub
Newborn baby Andrew El Khouri
Caesar & Therese El Khouri
Joe & Antoinette Accoui
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Paula Hallal
Albert & Vicki Hallal
Offered by: Holly Lazieh & Sons & Boss Dessaint

Barbara Aubin & Family
Geoff Ayoub
Offered by: Elaine Swistak

Ron & Janice Hallal & Family
Janet Bowab & Family
Michael Bowab & Family
Elaine Wilbur
Robert & Janet Laffey & Family
Judy Kiemun
Fr. Isaac & Kh. Dolly Crow
Al & Vicki Hallal
Offered by: Elaine Gauthier

Al & Vicki Hallal
Gloria & Nabil Baalbaki
Elaine Wilbur
Offered by: Ron & Janice Hallal

Sue Ayoub
Offered by: Ray & Leila Trabulsi

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Fred Hashway Jr.
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Lillian Betor
Georges Karam
Offered by: Elie, Julia & Naji Karam

Ann Sabby
Offered by: Rosemary Sabby
Jihad & Shadia Al-Dajani

Ann Ayoub
Offered by: Ed & Sue Ayoub
Lisa Ayoub Parent

Mark Haddad
Anthony Provenzo
Offered by: Holly Lazieh & Sons & Bob Dessaint

Don Aubin
Nora David
George David
Vincent Penta
Offered by: Barbara Aubin & Family

Don Aubin
Nase & Ann Ayoub
Offered by: Elaine Swistak

Sada, Munir, Metri, Iyad, Zabhou, Elias, Firas
Offered by: Hadeel Samaan

Linda Bowab
Christopher Gauthier
Offered by: Elaine Gauthier

Elias Morcos (29 years)
Offered by: Zeyad Morcos & Family

George & Nora David
Offered by: Their Children & Grandchildren

Naseem Ayoub
Offered by: Ray & Leila Trabulsi