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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*

**June 12, 2016**

**SUNDAY OF THE HOLY FATHERS OF THE FIRST ECUMENICAL COUNCIL**  
**SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION**

Tone 6

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**THE TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION in tone 6**

Angelic powers did stand above Thy tomb, and they that guarded were as dead, And Mary stood at Thy grave searching for Thy precious body. Thou didst conquer Hades, and was not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst bestow life. O Thou that art Risen from the dead, O Lord glory to Thee.

**THE TROPARION OF THE ASCENSION in tone 4**

Thou hast ascended in glory, O Christ our God, and gladdened thy Disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit, having become confident of the blessing. Verily, thou art the Son of God, and Deliverer of the world.

**THE TROPARION FOR THE HOLY FATHERS in Tone 8:**

Thou, O Christ, art our God of exceeding praise who didst establish our holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true Faith, O most merciful One, glory to thee.

**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 FOR THE ASCENSION in Tone 6:**

When thou didst fulfill thy dispensation for our sakes, uniting the terrestrials with the celestials, thou didst ascend in glory, O Christ our God, inseparable in space, but constant without separation, and crying unto thy beloved, I am with you, and no one shall be against you.

**THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL:** Amaline Bastaty, John Boshar

**THOSE IN NURSING HOMES and SENIOR CARE FACILITIES:** Edmund Nahas, Walter Phillips, Wadad Hamuae, , Hanna Nakkoul, Joanne Samra (Florida) Michel Chuairy, Henry Hyder, Edward Haddad

**THOSE ILL, IN PAIN, OR SHUT IN BY INFIRMITY:** Clara Coutermarsh, Claudette Erban, Geraldine Deschênes, Gebran Touma, Fouad Hajjar, Vivian Runions, Lorraine Kalil, Nassif Hamaoui, Jeanette Hamaoui, Christine Hassan, Gabriel Josiah Hassan, Caleb Hassan, Jessica Savory, Albert Hayek, Toni Orefice, Kim Goodspeed, Angela Scherer, Carole Farrell, Donna Najem Avakoff, Stephen Kamal, Jacob Malinchak, Charles Timko, Jr., William Haddad, Lila Haddad, Stacia Mullens, Sandra Widdall, Joanne Gray, Cheryl Brown, Joseph Palin, Christopher Boshar, Shaker Hajjar (Ohio), Ramy Bassit, John Ayoub

**THOSE IN DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES, FAR AWAY, OR OTHERWISE IN NEED OF PRAYER:** Eleanore Ann & Eve Marie Edgerly, Tom Girardi, Warren & Elizabeth, Warren & Catherine Ferris, Carl, Lauren, Caitlin, Aalin, Aidan Bellinger, 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:** Charles Girardi, Gianna Gehringer, Libby Morley, George Touma & family; Gebran Touma & family; Jihad, Lynn, Janelle & Jacob Hajjar; Clara Coutermarsh

**MEMORIAL TRISAGION, Holy Bread & Coffee Hour** are offered today for Ra'fat El-Hamaoui by her sons Jimmy and George El-Hamaoui. **MAY HER MEMORY BE ETERNAL!**

**MANY, MANY THANKS!** To Michelle Touma, Kristin Kraunelis, Michael DesChênes, Ramza Touma, and everyone who helped, planned, and supported the Parish Life Conference. **MAY GOD GRANT YOU ALL MANY, MANY YEARS!**

**DIVINE LITURGY** will be celebrated on Saturday morning at 9:00 AM for the Soul Saturday before Pentecost. All of our departed will be remembered.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 25<sup>TH</sup>** is the second day of our New England Region Parish Life Conference. We are hosting the events of the day here at St. Constantine & Helen Church on Chandler Rd in Andover. If you like to participate or help please let us know or register on line.

**THE PARISH COUNCIL** would like to remind our members that it is important to pay the special Archdiocese Assessment of \$100. Per pledging unit in addition to your pledge.

**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. If no one has sponsored coffee hour, **please remember** to leave a donation to be used for the next week's coffee hour.

**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 LORD'S PRAYER IN ARABIC**

Abána ládhi fees samawát liyáta qáddas ismuk. Liyáti malakoótook. Lítakoon masheé'atook, kamá fis samá'y 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.

## **Diocese of Worcester Parish Life Conference Hosted by St. George Orthodox Church, Lawrence Saturday, June 25, 2016**

### **Schedule of Events**

**Sts. Constantine and Helen Church, 71 Chandler Road, Andover, MA**

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| 9:00 AM     | Registration   |
| 10:00-11:30 | Divine Liturgy   |
| 11:30-1:00  | Awards Lunch   |
| 1:15-2:00   | Keynote Address (“As for me and my house, we will follow the Lord”) - <i>Dr. James C. Skedros, Dean, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology</i>  |
| 2:00- 3:00  | Workshops on Conference Theme <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Marriage Under Stress</i></li><li>▪ <i>Orthodox Family in a Post Christian World</i></li><li>▪ <i>Responsibility to Parish, Diocese, Town and World</i></li><li>▪ <i>Teen Group</i></li><li>▪ <i>Youth Activity</i></li></ul> |
| 3:00- 5:00  | Bible Bowl   |
| 5:15- 6:00  | Vespers  |
| 6:00- 9:00  | Family Dinner and Dance  |