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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*

February 25th, 2018
THE SUNDAY of ORTHODOXY

Tone -5

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THE TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION in tone 4

When the women disciples learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the Angel, they cast away parental sin, and proudly told the message to the disciples, proclaiming that death hath been spoiled and Christ our God hath risen, granting to the world great mercy.

TROPARION of the FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT in Tone 2:

Thy pure image do we venerate, O good One, asking forgiveness for our sins, O Christ our God; for by thine own will thou didst ascend the Cross in thy body, to save thy creatures from the bondage of the enemy. Thou hast verily filled all with joy, since thou didst come, O our Saviour, to save the world.

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 the Annunciation in Tone 8:

To thee, our captain Queen of war, the battle trophies won, Thy people rescued by thine aid from peril, dedicate as our offering of thanksgiving O Theotokos, as thou hast might which none by war can overcome from all forms of danger hast thou delivered me, that I may cry unto thee, Hail, O Virgin unwedded bride.

YOUR PRAYERS are asked today for:

THOSE IN NURSING HOMES and SENIOR CARE FACILITIES, Amaline Bastaty, Wadad Hamuae, Joanne Samra (Florida), Michel Chuairy, Henry Hyder

THOSE ILL, IN PAIN, OR SHUT IN BY INFIRMITY: Lorraine Kalil, Claudette Erban, Geraldine Deschênes, Fouad Hajjar, Vivian Runions, 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, Fran Brown, Anita Brown, Andrew Brown, Christophehr Boshar, Ramy Bassit, and John Ayoub

THOSE IN DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES, FAR AWAY, OR OTHERWISE IN NEED OF PRAYER: Brandon Touma, Tom Girardi, Warren & Elizabeth, Warren & Catherine Ferris, Carl, Lauren, Caitlin, Aalin, & Aidan Bellinger, Ann Balsamo, Alice Ziady, 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, Theresa Girardi, Gianna Gehringer, Libby Morley, George Touma & Family; Naime Touma & Family, Jihad, Lynn, Janelle & Jacob Hajjar

THE GREAT FAST began this Monday, Feb. 19th, and continues through March 30th. We Orthodox Christians abstain from Meat, Milk and all dairy products, eggs, fish, olive oil, and alcohol during this time. Olive oil and alcohol are allowed on the weekends. On Annunciation, March 25, fish is allowed as well as olive oil and alcohol. May God strengthen us and grant us a peaceful and spiritually profitable season of the Fast.

GREAT COMPLINE will be sung on Monday at 7:00 PM in Lowell with deanery clergy presiding.

PRESANCTIFIED LITURGY will be celebrated on Tuesday morning at 9:00 AM for the Feast of St. Raphael of Brooklyn.

PRESANCTIFIED LITURGY will be celebrated on Wednesday evening at 6:00 PM followed by a covered dish supper in the hall.

PRESANCTIFIED LITURGY will be celebrated on Friday morning at 9:00 AM.

THE AKATHIST HYMN to the Virgin will be sung on Friday evening at 7:00 PM

THE REGIONAL ALTAR BOY, DEACON, AND SUB-DEACON RETREAT will be held on Saturday beginning with Liturgy at 9:00 at St. Michael Church in Cotuit. It will finish at 4:00 PM with Vespers. Sub. Dn. Ian needs to know by tomorrow if anyone is going to attend so that food can be prepared.

MEMORIAL PRAYERS are offered today for Janet Aziz and Alan Firth by Barbara Firth and Brenda Sayers. **MAY THEIR MEMORY BE ETERNAL!**

COFFEE HOUR is offered today by Barbara Firth and Brenda Sayers in memory of Janet Aziz and Alan Firth.

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.