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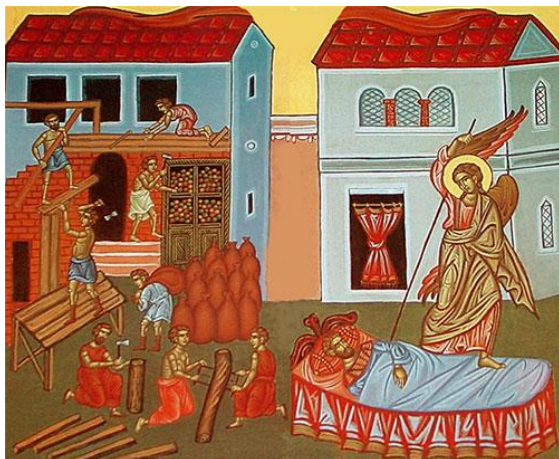
## **St. Michael the Archangel Antiochian Orthodox Church**

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**Sunday, November 17, 2024**

**Tone 3 / Eothinon 9;**

**Tone 4 / Eothinon 10; Twenty-first Sunday after  
Pentecost & Ninth Sunday of Luke**

**Gregory the wonderworker, bishop of Neo-Caesarea  
Gennadios and Maximos, patriarchs of Constantinople;  
Nikon the wonderworker, disciple of Sergios of Radonezh;  
Hilda, abbess of Whitby**

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**Hierarchs and Parish Clergy:**

**His Eminence Metropolitan SABA (Isper)**

*Antiochian Archdiocese of North America*

**His Grace Bishop JOHN (Abdalah)**

*Bishop of the Diocese of Worcester & New England*

**Father James Irving, Pastor**

**Subdeacon Joseph Boruch**

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## LITTLE ENTRANCE WEEKLY VARIABLES

THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN): Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, who sing to Thee: Alleluia.

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE FOUR: Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.

APOLYTIKION FOR ST. GREGORY OF NEO-CAESAREA IN TONE EIGHT: By vigilance in prayer, and continuance in the working of wonders, thou didst acquire thine achievements as a surname; wherefore, intercede with Christ our God, O Father Gregory, to enlighten our souls, lest we sleep in sin unto death.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL: O ye foremost of the heavenly host, we beseech thee, though we are unworthy. Pray that we may be encompassed with the shadow of thy unearthly glory. Preserving us who kneel and cry endlessly. Deliver us from oppression since Ye are the princes of the highest power.

KONTAKION OF ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS IN TONE FOUR: The sacred treasury of God's holy glory, the greatly precious bridal chamber and Virgin, the Savior's most pure temple, free of stain and undefiled, into the House of the Lord on this day is brought forward and bringeth with herself the grace of the Most Divine Spirit; her do God's Angels hymn with songs of praise, for she is truly the heavenly tabernacle.

### TRISAGION PRAYER

*English:* Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have Mercy on us

*Arabic:* Qudoos El Laah, Qudoos El Qawi, Qudoos El Lathi La Yamoot, Urhamnah

*Greek:* Agios O Theos, Agios Ischiros, Agios Athanatos, Eyleison Imas

*Slavonic:* Svyatij Bozhe, Svyatij Krepkij, Svatij Bessmertnij pomiluj nas

**The Mission of St Michael the Archangel Orthodox Church is to love and worship God, to grow closer to Him, and to proclaim and to spread the Good News of the salvation of Jesus Christ to our parishioners, our neighbors and people everywhere. We worship and pray in English. We experience the beauty and joy of living the Holy Orthodox Christian faith – sharing love and fellowship, teaching and leading by example, growing together through service, education, stewardship and forgiveness.**

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**A NOTE REGARDING HOLY COMMUNION:** *Since we understand Communion to mean we have all things in common, sharing an identical Faith, only those who are members of the Orthodox Church and who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting and confession may participate in Holy Communion. We invite all present to partake of the blessed bread distributed at the end of the service. **UNLESS YOU ARE INJURED OR UNABLE, PLEASE REMAIN STANDING DURING COMMUNION***

**SCHEDULE:**

- **Sunday, November 17**
  - 9:00 AM Orthros / Church School (kids 4-9 years) & Bible Study (kids 10+)
  - 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
  - St. Martha & St. Mary Sisterhood Meeting
- **Wednesday, November 20**
  - 5:00 PM Divine Liturgy for the Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple
- **Saturday, November 23**
  - 2:00 PM Parish Clean Up Day
  - 5:00 PM Vespers
- **Sunday, November 24**
  - 9:00 AM Orthros / Church School (kids 4-9 years) & Bible Study (kids 10+)
  - 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
  - Choir Rehearsal

**\*\*\*In case of emergency, there are emergency numbers posted next to the telephones in the coat room and in the kitchen\*\*\***

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR**

It is a great joy to have so many people join us for coffee hour! Please remember that coffee hour is potluck and is successful when we all pitch in by bringing food, serving, helping with set up and clean up or offering donations in the offering box on the counter. Please ask someone in the kitchen how you can help. May God continue to bless our community!

***Our People are our Choir! We love to hear you sing with us! WELCOME! We are glad to have you worship with us today!***

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## THE EPISTLE

(For the Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost)

*O Lord, how magnified are Thy works.*

*In wisdom hast Thou made them all. Bless the Lord, O my soul.*

### **The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (2:16-20)**

Brethren, you know that a man is not justified by works of the Law but through faith in Jesus Christ. Even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the Law, because by works of the Law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the Law died to the Law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ Who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, Who loved me and gave Himself for me.

## GOSPEL

(For the Ninth Sunday of Luke)

### **The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (12:16-21)**

The Lord spoke this parable: "The land of a rich man brought forth plentifully; and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' And he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns, and build larger ones; and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you; and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God." As He said this, Jesus called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

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**HIS EMINENCE METROPOLITAN SABA FEAST DAY AND ORDINATION  
IN WEST ROXBURY:** By the grace of God and through the Apostolic tradition of the laying of hands, His Eminence Metropolitan SABA will ordain to the Holy Diaconate Walid Awad on Wednesday, December 4, 2024 at the Vigil of St. Sabbas the Sanctified at 6:00 pm at St. George Orthodox Church of Boston (55 Emmonsedale Rd, West Roxbury, MA).



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METROPOLITAN OF ALL NORTH AMERICA

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**WALID AWAD**

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2024**

VIGIL OF ST. SABBAS THE SANCTIFIED  
AT 6:00 PM

**ST. GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH OF BOSTON**

55 EMMONSDALE ROAD, WEST ROXBURY, MA 02132



YOUR PRAYERS AND PRESENCE ARE HUMBLY REQUESTED



## **ST. MICHAEL HAPPENINGS**

**WEEKLY BULLETIN CAN BE VIEWED ON OUR WEBSITE  
ALL FOR THE GLORY OF GOD AND HIS CHURCH**

### **ST. MICHAEL NATIVITY CARD 2024**

This year, St. Michael Women will be sending out a Nativity Greeting to all our parish members. This isn't just a greeting card - a portion of the proceeds of this year's Nativity card will be going to the CLERGY WIDOWS FUND. These women who have dedicated their lives and their families to the church will always be our "Khourie" / "Presvitera" / "Matushka" – even after they suffer the loss of their priest-husbands. This fund will cover some of their needs for utilities, food, shelter. The order form for the Nativity Greeting has been mailed out. If you would like your name on the St. Michael Nativity Card, please fill out the form and return it no later December 15, 2024. Please make your donations out to St. Michael Women and write 'Nativity Card' in the memo. You also have the option to donate via VENMO. We thank you for your continued generosity.

### **10 THANKSGIVING MEALS FOR INDEPENDENCE HOUSE**

A Sign-Up request has been sent out via email to parish members and friends to help provide Thanksgiving Meals to Independence House in Hyannis, which provides services to battered women and their children.

- Please register to pick up a few items the next time you are at the grocery store.
- Please consider donating your time to help package the items on Sun, Nov 24 and to help with delivery on Mon, Nov 25.
- If can't shop for any of the items, please consider donating funds to help us with the purchase of food to supplement what is being generously donated.

The sign-up request covers all these requests. If you don't have access to a computer, please reach out to the Outreach committee to let us know how you can help: Michelle, Olga and Emma.

If you didn't receive the Sign-up request in your email, please see Soraya so your name can be added to our distribution list.

Thank you for your support of St. Michael outreach and its programs.

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## **JOIN US FOR ST. MICHAEL CLEAN UP DAY!**

On Saturday, November 23 at 2 PM we will all come together to clean and decorate the church for the Nativity. Vespers to follow.

## **RAFFLE FOR TWO FOOTBALL TICKETS PATRIOTS vs. COLTS, DEC 1st 2024**

Buy a raffle ticket for \$10 (3 for \$25) for a chance to win two tickets to see the N.E.Patriots vs.the Colts at Gillette Stadium on 12/1/24.

## **Save the Date!**

- **November 23, from 2 PM: St. Michael Clean Up Day**
  - December 4: Vigil for St. Saba at St. George West Roxbury with His Eminence presiding and the ordination of Walid Awad
  - December 6-8: Metropolitan SABA visit to St. John of Damascus, Dedham
  - **December 15: Annual Parish Meeting**
  - January 25: Diocese Antiochian Women Meeting @ St Mary, Pawtucket
  - March 3: Great Lent begins
  - March 22: Diocese Family Day
  - April 13: Palm Sunday
  - April 20: PASCHA
  - June 20 - 21: PLC
  - August 10-16: Diocese Summer Camp
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## THE SYNAXARION

On November 17 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate our father among the saints Gregory the wonderworker, bishop of Neo-Caesarea.

### **Verses**

*Gregory, who wrought many wonders aforesaid,*

*Standing in God's presence, worketh yet more wonders.*

*On the seventeenth the great Thaumaturge (wonderworker) died.*

The miracle-working Gregory was called a second Moses. Although born a pagan, he became aware of the meagerness and insufficiency of pagan philosophy. Gregory then turned to Christian teachers with whom he studied and from whom he received baptism. To dedicate himself solely to Christ God, Gregory withdrew to the wilderness and lived in rigorous asceticism. Bishop Phaedimus of Amasea wanted to consecrate him Bishop of Neo-Caesarea. The clairvoyant Gregory perceived this intention and hid from the bishop's emissaries. Finally, Phaedimus consecrated him in absentia, and Gregory had to accept the office of bishop. The Most-holy Theotokos and St. John the Theologian appeared to him in a vision and gave him the Symbol of Faith—"The Creed"—which the First Ecumenical Council ratified. He died around the year 270 in great old age. When he arrived in Neo-Caesarea as bishop, he found only seventeen Christians in that pagan city. At the end, Gregory left the city Christian, with only seventeen pagans.

On this day, we also commemorate Gennadios and Maximos, patriarchs of Constantinople; Nikon the wonderworker, disciple of Sergios of Radonezh; and righteous mother Hilda, abbess of Whitby. By the intercessions of Thy saints, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.

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If you or your loved ones need to contact a member of the clergy in the event of a pastoral emergency, please contact Fr. James Irving, who can be reached by phone or text at (781) 468-8709 or by email at

[dnjamesirving@gmail.com](mailto:dnjamesirving@gmail.com).

Fr. James is available for confession by appointment.

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