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

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**Sunday, November 24, 2024**

**Tone 5 / Eothinon 11;**

**Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost &**

**Thirteenth Sunday of Luke**

**After-Feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos**

**Clement, bishop of Rome;**

**Hieromartyr Peter, bishop of Alexandria**

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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 FIVE: Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

APOLYTIKION OF ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS IN TONE FOUR: Today the Virgin is the foreshadowing of the pleasure of God, and the beginning of the preaching of the salvation of mankind. Thou hast appeared in the Temple of God openly and hast gone before, preaching Christ to all. Let us shout with one thrilling voice, saying, Rejoice, O thou who art the fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation.

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:**

- **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
- **Saturday, November 30**
  - 5:00 PM Vespers
- **Sunday, December 1**
  - 9:00 AM Orthros / Church School (kids 4-9 years) & Bible Study (kids 10+)
  - 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
  - Teen SOYO Meeting
  - Outreach Meeting

**\*\*\*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-Second Sunday after Pentecost)

*Thou, O Lord, shalt preserve us and keep us from this generation.*

*Save me, O Lord, for the godly man hath disappeared.*

### **The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (6:11-18)**

Brethren, see with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the Law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all, who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

## GOSPEL

(For the Thirteenth Sunday of Luke)

### **The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (18:18-27)**

At that time, a man came testing Jesus and asking, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery. Do not kill. Do not steal. Do not bear false witness. Honor your father and mother.'" And the man said, "All these I have observed from my youth." And when Jesus heard it, he said to him, "One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." But when the man heard this he became sad, for he was very rich. Jesus, seeing him sad, said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus said, "What is impossible with men is possible with God."

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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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HIS EMINENCE  
**SABA**

ARCHBISHOP OF NEW YORK AND  
METROPOLITAN OF ALL NORTH AMERICA

WILL ORDAIN TO THE HOLY DIACONATE

**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

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## **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**

Thanks to everyone who signed up to support the outreach meals project for Independence House. Please make sure to have your donations at church by Nov 24 so we can deliver on Nov 25. Your outreach team: Emma, Michelle & Olga

### **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. **The drowning will be this Sunday, November 24.**

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## **Save the Date!**

- 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
  - July 20-27, 2025: Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese Convention, Chicago
  - August 10-16: Diocese Summer Camp
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## THE SYNAXARION

On November 24 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we continue to celebrate the Entrance of the Theotokos into the Holy of Holies, and we commemorate our father among the saints Clement, bishop of Rome.

### **Verses**

*Cast into the depth of the sea with an anchor,  
Clement cometh to Christ, the uttermost Anchor.*

*On the twenty-fourth Clement drowned in the depths of Christ.*

Clement was born in Rome of royal lineage. His family had become lost at sea, so Clement, at age 24, went east to find them. In Alexandria, he met the Apostle Barnabas and, afterward, joined the Apostle Peter whom Clement's two brothers, Faustinus and Faustinian, were already following. By God's providence, the Apostle Peter came upon Clement's mother as an aged beggar woman, and then found his father as well. Thus, the whole family was reunited, and all returned to Rome as Christians. Clement served as third bishop of Rome, bringing a great number of unbelievers to Christ. He ordered seven scribes to write the lives of the Christian martyrs who were suffering at that time for their Lord. The Emperor Trajan banished him to Cherson, where Clement found about 2,000 exiled Christians who received him with great joy. In one year, 75 churches were built there. The authorities drowned Clement in the sea in the year 101. His miracle-working relics emerged from the sea in the ninth century.

On this day, we also commemorate the Hieromartyr Peter, bishop of Alexandria. 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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