

+ St. Nicholas Antiochian Orthodox Church +

Sunday Bulletin – September 1st 2013 A.D.

September 1st is the Orthodox Ecclesiastical New Year!

Happy Orthodox New Year! (Fr. Mark)



Above: "Have mercy on us O God, according to Thy great mercy, we pray Thee, hearken and have mercy. We pray for the safety of these countries and all cities and towns from famine, drought, earthquake, flood, fire, the sword, foreign invasion and civil war." (Candles from left to right: Egypt, Palestine, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, Iraq)

Below: We continue to pray for Metropolitan Boulos Yazigi (Antiochian Orthodox Metropolitan of Aleppo, Syria) & Metropolitan Youhanna Ibrahim (Syriac Orthodox Metropolitan of Aleppo, Syria) who were **abducted by terrorists** on April 22 in Syria. We still have no news concerning them! Please keep them in your prayers!



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THE HOLY EPISTLE (1 Timothy 2:1-7)

Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time, for which I was appointed a preacher and an apostle—I am speaking the truth in Christ and not lying—a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

فَأَطْلُبُ أَوَّلَ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ أَنْ تُقَامَ طَلِبَاتٌ وَصَلَوَاتٌ وَابْتِهَالَاتٌ وَتَشْكُرَاتٌ لِأَجْلِ جَمِيعِ النَّاسِ، لِأَجْلِ الْمُلُوكِ وَجَمِيعِ الَّذِينَ هُمْ فِي مَنْصِبٍ، لِكَيْ نَقْضِيَ حَيَاةً مُطْمَئِنَّةً هَادِنَةً فِي كُلِّ نَفْوَى وَوَقَارٍ، لِأَنَّ هَذَا حَسَنٌ وَمَقْبُولٌ لَدَى مُخْلِصِنَا اللهُ، الَّذِي يُرِيدُ أَنْ جَمِيعَ النَّاسِ يَخْلُصُونَ وَإِلَى مَعْرِفَةِ الْحَقِّ يَقْبَلُونَ. لِأَنَّهُ يُوجَدُ إِلَهُ وَاحِدٌ وَوَسِيْطٌ وَاحِدٌ بَيْنَ اللهِ وَالنَّاسِ: الْإِنْسَانُ يَسُوعُ الْمَسِيحُ، الَّذِي بَدَلَ نَفْسَهُ فِدْيَةً لِأَجْلِ الْجَمِيعِ، الشَّهَادَةُ فِي أَوْقَاتِهَا الْخَاصَّةِ، الَّتِي جَعَلْتُ أَنَا لَهَا كَارِزًا وَرَسُولًا. الْحَقُّ أَقُولُ فِي الْمَسِيحِ وَلَا أَكْذِبُ، مُعَلِّمًا لِلْأُمَّمِ فِي الْإِيمَانِ وَالْحَقِّ.

THE HOLY GOSPEL (St. Luke 4:16-22)

So He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read. And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written: “The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, To set at liberty those who are oppressed; To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD.” Then He closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all who were in the synagogue were fixed on Him. And He began to say to them, “Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.” So all bore witness to Him, and marveled at the gracious words which proceeded out of His mouth. And they said, “Is this not Joseph’s son?”

وَجَاءَ إِلَى النَّاصِرَةِ حَيْثُ كَانَ قَدْ تَرَبَّى. وَدَخَلَ الْمَجْمَعَ حَسَبَ عَادَتِهِ يَوْمَ السَّبْتِ وَقَامَ لِيَقْرَأَ فَدَفَعَ إِلَيْهِ سِفْرَ إِشْعِيَاءَ النَّبِيِّ. وَلَمَّا فَتَحَ السَّفْرَ وَجَدَ الْمَوْضِعَ الَّذِي كَانَ مَكْتُوبًا فِيهِ: «رُوحَ الرَّبِّ عَلَيَّ لِأَنَّهُ مَسَحَنِي لِأُبَشِّرَ الْمَسَاكِينَ أَرْسَلَنِي لِأَشْفِيَ الْمُنْكَسِرِي الْقُلُوبِ لِأُنَادِيَ لِلْمَآسُورِينَ بِالْإِطْلَاقِ وَلِلْعَمِيِّ بِالْبَصَرِ وَأَرْسَلَ الْمُنْسَحِقِينَ فِي الْحُرِّيَّةِ وَأَكْرَزَ بِسَنَةِ الرَّبِّ الْمَقْبُولَةِ». ثُمَّ طَوَى السَّفْرَ وَسَلَّمَهُ إِلَى الْخَادِمِ وَجَلَسَ. وَجَمِيعُ الَّذِينَ فِي الْمَجْمَعِ كَانَتْ عِيُونُهُمْ شَاخِصَةً إِلَيْهِ. فَابْتَدَأَ يَقُولُ لَهُمْ: «إِنَّهُ الْيَوْمَ قَدْ تَمَّ هَذَا الْمَكْتُوبُ فِي مَسَامِعِكُمْ». وَكَانَ الْجَمِيعُ يَشْهَدُونَ لَهُ وَيَتَعَجَّبُونَ مِنْ كَلِمَاتِ النِّعْمَةِ الْخَارِجَةِ مِنْ فَمِهِ وَيَقُولُونَ: «أَلَيْسَ هَذَا ابْنُ يُوسُفَ؟»

Prayer for the Orthodox New Year: O Thou Creator of the whole universe, who did appoint times by Thine own power, bless the crown of this year with Thy goodness, O Lord. Preserve in safety thy kings and Thy city, by the intercessions of the Theotokos, and save us. O God of all, verily transcendent in essence, Creator of the ages and their Master, bless the cycle of this year, saving by Thy boundless mercy, O compassionate One, all those who worship only Thee, O Master, and who cry unto Thee in fear, saying, grant to all, O Saviour, a fertile year. Amen.

2nd Tray Today towards Orthodox Charities!

YOUTH EVENTS!

Sunday, September 8: Beginning of Sunday School & Monthly Birthday Party

September 22: **Godparents Sunday!** Come to Church with your Godchildren!

Our parties are always lots of fun with lots of food!

Sunday, October 6: **Youth Pizza Party & Annual Pie Bake** following the

Divine Liturgy! Teen SOYO regathering!



Parish Movie Night & Spiritual Discussion: Saturday, September 28 at 6:30pm



"Mother Teresa"

(NOT a documentary)

Hosted by the Teen SOYO

Food will be served.

All are Welcome!

"Not all of us can do great things...

But we can do small things with great love!"

(Mother Teresa)

"3 Churches, 1 Spirit" - 1st Annual Antiochian Family Gathering

Sunday, September 15 2013. Reception: 4-6pm & Dinner: 6-9pm

40 Westt Restaurant (2305 TransCanada Highway, Pointe-Claire, QC, H9R 5Z5)

Superb gathering for all the families with their children and young adults. **First class meal for adults and children alike.** All inclusive! Reception, 3 course meal, wine and desert. DJ and Karaoke for our adolescents and young adults, with private seating area. Singing by our children and youth. Presentation on Camp Transfiguration by our youth. Sit with your friends and family and meet new people! **For St. Nicholas parishioners, please contact Sylvia Mefrige: 514-344-**

0550 All proceeds go towards CAMP TRANSFIGURATION!

\$70.00 (13-Adult) & \$25.00 (children 3-12) (Note: 2 & under are free)

Today's Memorial Prayers are offered for the Eternal Memory of the Servants of God:

* 40th Day for George Koury. Offered by Rosanna Koury & Family.

* For Fouad, Skyee, George & Eric Mefrige, Joseph Sr. & Mary Jane Jabara. Offered by Sylvia Mefrige.

* For Moussa, Afifi, Youssef, Ajia, Frank, Bechara, Fouad, Habib, Georges, Victoria & Julia. Offered by Eric & Hala Zakaib & Family.

* For Louis Elias Kouri (31st year). Remembered also: Corona. Offered by the Family.

Pilgrimage to the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Monastery in Lachute, QC

Saturday, October 19

The trip will include lunch at a restaurant and another sight-seeing stop.

More details to come, but if you are interested, please email Marie Azakie (marieroseazakie@gmail.com) from now to register your name(s). Thank you!



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Antiochian Women

Book the Dates from now!

More Details to follow!

Grand Arabic Hafli - November 15

St. Nicholas Feast Day Brunch - December 8



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St. Nicholas Annual Turkey Lunch

Sunday October 20th

More Details to come!

Just book the date for now!

