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February 21, 2010
Sunday of Orthodoxy

"Let us begin the season of fasting with rejoicing, giving ourselves to spiritual strife, purifying soul and body, fasting from passions, as we fast from foods, faring on the virtues of the Spirit, which if we continue to long for, we shall all be worthy to behold the most solemn Passion of Christ, and the Holy Pascha, rejoicing with spiritual joy."
(Vespers of Cheese-fare Sunday Evening)

Reverend Fathers, Esteemed Members of the Parish Council, and Beloved Faithful:

Grace and peace in the Name of Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ on this first Sunday of the Great Fast.

Each year on Orthodoxy Sunday, we make an appeal for your continued support of the young men of this God-protected Archdiocese who are studying theology in preparation for ordination to the Holy Priesthood. We thank God for having richly blessed us with an abundance of workers in the Lord's Vineyard. However, we must be aware of the rising cost of educating these young men. As college tuition continues to rise, so does the cost of educating seminarians. Therefore, we must continue to increase our budget for theological education. We do not want to have to turn away young men who wish to study because of lack of funds, so we are asking you to give generously to this special collection.

May the Almighty God bless you on your Lenten pilgrimage to the Glorious Resurrection of His Son, our Lord and God and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Your father in Christ,

+ Metropolitan PHILIP, Primate
The Self-Ruled Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America

Sunday Divine Liturgy February 21st, 2010

First Sunday of Lent: Sunday of Orthodoxy

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Epistle Hebrews 11: 24- 26, 32: 40 ~~~ Gospel John 1:43-51



This Sunday, February 21st 6 month memorial service for the servant of God **George Rantisi**. Offered by Rifka Rantisi, Ghassan Rantisi and family, Ayman Rantisi, Maha Esaid and family Nadia Azar and family and his children abroad. May his memory be eternal!



February 28th 6 month memorial service for the handmaiden of God **Dolly Farhat**. May her memory be eternal!

This Sunday the Holy Bread of Oblation will be offered by:

- ❖ Sally Habeeb and family, Rose Habib and family for repose memory of our dear aunt **Linda Nahat** of Phoenix, Arizona, also for our annual remembrance of our dear mother **Julia Habib**. May their blessed memories be eternal!
- ❖ Edmon and Katarena Brozghol for the good health of **Fr. Nicholas Borzghol** on the occasion of his birthday. Many years!
- ❖ St. Nicholas Parish family for the good health of **Salem Mufarreh**. Many years!
- ❖ Saba Family in loving memory of **George Saba**. May his memory be eternal!
- ❖ **Joseph & Nuha Stephan** in Thanksgiving to God for Baking the Bread every Sunday for the good health of **their family**. Many years!
- ❖ St. Nicholas Parish Family for the good health of **Dn. John Tershay, Sally Habeeb, Najla Jarjura, Wajdy Nasser, Janette Tannous, Deeb and Fifi Batshon, Jamil Howell, Nahil Dabit and Layla Eid**. Many years!
- ❖ St. Nicholas parish family for the good health of **Cheryl Messner**. Many years!
- ❖ St. Nicholas Parish family for the good health of **Nasri Sousou**. Many years!
- ❖ St. Nicholas Parish family for the good health of **Nabil Dabai**. Many years!
- ❖ St. Nicholas Parish family for the good health of **Very Rev. Fr. Alexander Atty**. Many years!
- ❖ Maha, Susie, Naida, Ayman, Ghassan & their families for the good health **Rifka Rantisi**. Many years!
- ❖ St. Nicholas Parish family for the good health of **Riham Mousa**. Many years!
- ❖ St. Nicholas Parish family for the good health of **Lamia Dib**. Many years!
- ❖ St. Nicholas Parish family in memory of **Fr. Jack Norman Sparks**. May his memory be eternal!



Altar Candles this Sunday,
February 21st, offered by:

قناديل الهيكل



St. Nicholas Parish family for the good health of **Fr. Nicholas Borzghol** on the occasion of his birthday. Many years!

Sponsors for February 28th are needed. Please make checks payable St. Nicholas Church in the amount of \$25.00 or more.



Coffee Hour for this Sunday,
February 21st, offered by:

St. Nicholas Parish family for the good health of **Lamia Dib**. Many years!

Sponsors for February 28th needed. Please make checks payable St. Nicholas Teen SOYO in the amount of \$25.00 or more.

Head Usher schedule for following
Sunday Divine Liturgy as follows:

Usher's for Sun; Feb. 21st: Ghassan and David

1st Sunday of Every month,

Maurice Kopti and Bishara Wahab

2nd Sunday of Every month

Andy Azar and Nabil Khoury

3rd Sunday of Every month

Ghassan Rantisi and David Habash

4th Sunday of Every month

John Salih and Hanna Khoury

5th Sunday of Every month

Hanna Dayeh and Issam Dabit

Altar Boys for the Following Sunday's

Altar Boys for THIS Sun; Feb, 21st Team III

Captain: Tarek Dabit

Naim Shnoudy Omar Herrera

Eyad Rantisi Michael Rantisi

Altar Boys for NEXT Sun; Feb, 28th Team IV

Captain: Edmon Borzghol

Rami Rantisi Andrew Dabit

Nicolas Messner Zackary Husary

CHURCH PARKING LOT**

Save our small parking lot for our elderly and mothers with little children. The rest of us could park at the police academy parking Lot for free.

Food for HUNGRY PEOPLE PROGRAM! WORLD FOOD DAY



يوم الجياع العالمي

Please drop all canned food in the back of the church and/or pick up a **FOOD FOR HUNGRY PEOPLE COIN BOX**. Please give generously.

The ladies auxiliary kicked off 2010 year by gathering on Wed; February 3rd at Leila Paolino's house with 20 ladies in attendance as they shared a meal and planed there up coming actives for the years! We commend you on an outstanding job.

Schedule of Services Great Lent 2010

برنامج الصلوات خلال فترة الصيام الكبير:

Every Wednesday at 6:30 PM

Pre-sanctified Liturgy/Great Compline

كل يوم أربعاء 6:30 مساءً

قداس السابق تقديسه/صلاة النوم الكبرى

(يا رب القوات)

Every Friday at 7 PM Akathist

(Madayeh) Service الجمعة الساعة

7:00 مساءً خدمة المدائح

Teen SOYO Meeting!

On Tuesday, February 2nd 15 teens and 3 of their advisors along with Fr. Nicholas meet at Red Robin for the bi-monthly meeting. The topic: Miracle. After the meeting 4 young adults meet at Starbuck with Fr. Nicholas for a bible discussion. We will continue to have this young adult gathering on a monthly basses after the Teen SOYO meeting.

Event:	Date:	Time:
Men's Fellowship	Tue. Feb. 23 rd	7:30PM
Teen SOYO	Tue. March 2 nd	6:45 PM
Parish Council	Tue. March 9 th	6:30PM
Teen SOYO	Tue. March 16 th	6:45 PM
Men's Fellowship	Tue. March 23 rd	7:30PM

Envelopes

Empty Envelopes available in Pews on Sunday's

Bring your Lental Dished for a potluck on Friday, February 26th after Madayeh.

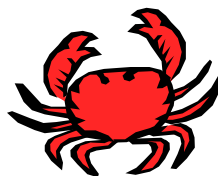
Mark your calendars:

Men's Fellowship

Crab Feed on

March 6th

\$35per ticket



Contact the church office for
RSVP (415) 648-5200

House Blessing



If you have not received a phone call or we missed calling you from the Church Office for scheduling and you would like your home blessed contact the church office at (415) 648-5200. Thank you.

Triumph of Orthodoxy Pan orthodox Vespers

Nativity of Christ Greek Orthodox Church

1110 Highland Drive Novato, CA 94949

Sunday, February, 21st, 10

Metropolitan Nikitas

Director, Patriarch Athenagoras Orthodox, Berkeley, CA

Will preside and offer the homily

Please join us for a reception to benefit IOCC in the fellowship hall following vespers.

MARCH IS LADIES' MONTH

In keeping with the tradition in our Archdiocese, ladies will show their involvement in the life of the church in the most visible way during the month of March. They will usher, collect trays, read the Epistles and deliver sermonettes...

Beginning of Great Lent



O Lord and Master of my life, take from me the spirit of sloth, meddling, lust of power, and idle talk. But give rather the spirit of chastity, humility, patience and love to Thy servant. Yea, O Lord and King, grant me to see my own sins and not to judge my brother; for Thou art blessed unto ages of ages. Amen. (The Prayer of St. Ephraim the Syrian)

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Special offer for church members 20%*Note please inform the waiters that you are a church members*

**Catering and Private parties available by Executive Chef Paul **

An advertisement for Waseem Rabih, an Arabian singer. It features a photograph of a man in a white shirt looking down. The text includes his name, title, and contact information for booking and reservations.

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