



## REV. CHARLES L. MIHOS 1952-1996

Rev. Charles L. Mihos served the St. George community faithfully for 44 years.

Born and raised in Brockton, Massachusetts, Fr. Mihos was the youngest boy among 10 children. He attended Church every Sunday becoming close with his parish priest who inspired him to follow in his footsteps. In 1939 Fr. Mihos entered the Holy Cross School of Theology then located in Pomfret, Connecticut. In 1944 Fr. Mihos graduated from Holy Cross, married Penelope(DeCoulos) and was ordained in Troy, New York. He began his ministry at the Holy Trinity Church in Sioux City, Iowa and traveled

to other parishes in the area. While there he received his bachelor of arts degree from Morningside College.

Fr. Mihos returned to the Boston area in 1946 where he served as pastor at the Assumption Church in Ipswich. He received his master's degree from Boston University in 1947 and started the Greek Orthodox Children's Camp at Camp Leslie in Georgetown, MA. He was regarded as the pioneer in developing summer camp programs for Greek Orthodox youth. He then became assistant pastor at the Annunciation Cathedral in Boston until 1952. There he coached basketball and started the Boston Invitational Basketball Tournament that spanned many decades. Throughout his career Fr. Mihos was actively involved in all aspects of youth ministry.

In 1952 Fr. Mihos became assistant pastor at St. George and pastor in 1956. Fr. Mihos was welcomed to Lynn as the first clergyman of the new generation to serve St. George. From the moment he arrived a number of desirable features were added to the pastoral duties of the St. George clergy. The teaching of the religious education classes during the day, the Sunday School, work with the young people and Bible classes for adults. Fr. Mihos delivered the eulogy for Harry Agganis, a first baseman for the Boston Red Sox who died at 26 of a pulmonary embolism in 1955. He also

started the Harry Agganis Basketball Tournament that is still currently held and oversaw the Consecration of St. George Church by His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos in 1978. Fr. Mihos was a trustee at the Lynn Library and a former chaplain of the Lynn Fire Department. Fr. Mihos enjoyed playing golf and tennis.

After his retirement, Fr. Mihos assisted at St. Vasilios in Peabody, MA.

Fr. Mihos passed away on September 8, 2010 at the age of 89. He will be remembered for his devotion to the young people and young families of his parish. At the time of his passing Fr. Mihos had 2 children, 5 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife Penelope.