



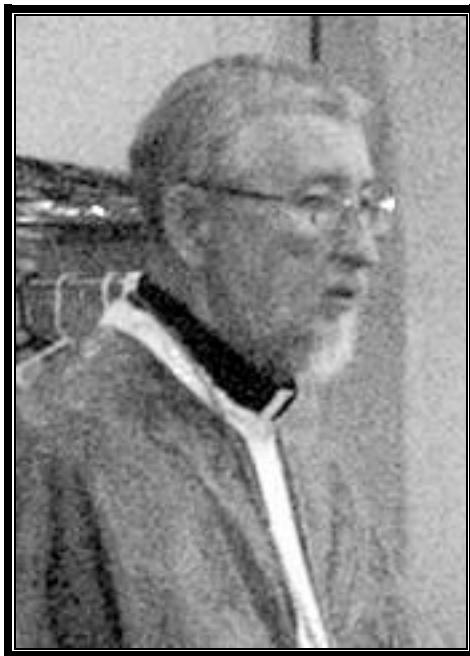
Metropolitan Ilyas

METROPOLITAN ILYAS (Kurban), Archbishop of Tripoli and al-Koura (i.e. "the countryside"), former pastor of St George/Boston, MA and the senior-most member of the Holy Synod of Antioch (having served as a Metropolitan from 1962 until the present), fell asleep in Christ on Thursday - July 30th.

Sayyidna Ilyas was affectionately known as "*The Nightingale of Antioch*" because of the beauty and compunctionate character of his chanting (for a sample, go to <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PLdpopq7f2g&feature=related>).

Please remember Archbishop Ilyas in your prayers. A Requiem Mass will be celebrated for His Eminence in St. Augustine's Church on Monday, August 3, 2009 at 10:00am.

Eternal Rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.



Archpriest James Kenna

On Sunday, July 26, our dear friend, **Father James Kenna** of St. Sophia Antiochian Orthodox Church, Dripping Springs, TX was killed in a car accident. Father James, 74, was a dear and loyal friend of St. Augustine's. He was here, as Dean, when our parish was received into Orthodoxy and was always a supporter and friend of your pastor and this parish. Father James founded countless missions and parishes and was directly responsible for bringing hundreds of people into the Church. We express our deepest sympathy and condolences to Khourieh Anne, his children and grandchildren.

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