THURSDAY 2/9 7PM: PRAYERS FOR SYRIA & TURKEY
ST. MATTHEW SYRIAC ORTHODOX CHURCH, BOSTON

Do not forget nor cast away, O Lord,
our departed who await Your resurrection.
Raise up their bodies, O Christ, O full of mercy.
May they also have rest at all times, halleluiah,
that they may offer You praise for You are their Reviver.

~ From the Syrian Orthodox Church’s Hymn of All the Faithful Departed

His Eminence + Mor Dionysius John Kawak, Archbishop and Patriarchal Vicar of the Archdiocese of the Syriac Orthodox Church for the Eastern USA, and the Massachusetts Council of Churches invite all people to a service of prayer for all those affected by the earthquakes in Syria and Turkey. We will gather on Thursday February 9 at 7pm at St. Matthew Syriac Orthodox Church, 149 Park Street in West Roxbury, MA. Clergy are invited to vest as is their tradition. The vespers liturgy will be led by Archbishop John in the Syrian Orthodox tradition, with the invitation to follow for others to offer prayers from their own traditions.

An offering will be taken in support of the humanitarian relief efforts of International Orthodox Christian Charities.

Those in attendance will also be invited to sign a letter asking the Massachusetts Congressional delegation for their support in lifting US sanctions against Syria that constrain the ability of American citizens from contributing financial support to humanitarian relief efforts.
For more information, please contact Rev. Laura Everett, Executive Director, at laura@masscouncilofchurches.org