

CHURCH CALENDAR

~Today~

St. Mary Holiday Bazaar

11:00am-4pm - at the Parish Center



- Sunday, November 9th:** Twenty Second Sunday After Pentecost
Monday, November 10th: 7:00 P.M.-Bible Study in Church Hall
Thursday, November 13th: 8:30 P.M.– Fellowship Bible Study (2 Armas Court, Cumberland)
Saturday, November 15th: 8:00 P.M.– Hafli at Parish Center
Sunday, November 16th: Twenty Third Sunday After Pentecost
Memorial Service for Alice Maurice (10 years)
Monday, November 17th: 7:00 P.M.– Parish Council Meeting
Sunday, November 23rd: Twenty Fourth Sunday After Pentecost
Special Parish Meeting at Parish Center following Liturgy
Thursday, November 27th: Thanksgiving
Sunday, November 30th: Twenty Fifth Sunday After Pentecost
Saturday, December 6th: Overnight Trip to New York for the Enthronement of Metropolitan JOSEPH
Sunday, December 7th: Twenty Sixth Sunday After Pentecost
40 Day Memorial for George Matook
Saturday, December 13th: 5:00 P.M.– Arabic Liturgy
Sunday, December 14th: Twenty Ninth Sunday After Pentecost & Sunday of the Forefathers
Sunday, December 21st: The Sunday Before the Nativity of Christ
Sunday School Pageant
Tuesday, December 24th: 5:00 P.M.– Christmas Liturgy
Thursday, December 25th: Christmas (Church office Closed)

SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday, November 9, 2014

Twenty Second Sunday After Pentecost

Saint Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church

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Diocese of Worcester and New England**

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Schedule of Services

*Sunday: Orthros (Matins) 8:45 a.m.
Church School 11:15 a.m.*

*Enter in Quietness, Rest in Prayer,
Worship in Reverence, Depart in Peace to Serve*

A Note Regarding Holy Communion:

Since we understand Communion to mean that we have all things in common, sharing an identical faith, only those who are members of the Orthodox Church and who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting, and recent confession may participate in Holy Communion. We invite all, however, to partake of the blessed bread which is distributed at the dismissal. Confessions are heard by special appointment. The Eucharistic fast begins at midnight on Saturday and ends with the receiving of Holy Communion. Please see Fr. Elie if you have any questions or for inquiries on how to become a full member of the Church.

Prayer Requests and Bulletin News: All prayer requests and articles for the weekly bulletin must be submitted each week by noon Wednesday otherwise the requests and articles will be published the following week. Please use the envelopes provided when requesting prayers. Envelopes are available at the entrance of the Church, downstairs in the Church Hall, or in the Church Office.

View our website — <http://stmarypawtucket.org>

Orthodox Vocabulary

Celebrant

The term refers to the clergyman who presides over a sacred ceremony. Specifically, though, it denotes the priest or bishop who celebrates the Eucharist as the supreme sacrament and the chief liturgical act of the Christian Church.

Patience, Forgiveness, and Joy
are the three greatest characteristics of divine love.
They are characteristics of all real love~
if there is such a thing as real love outside divine love.
Without these three characteristics, love is not love.
If you give the name "love" to anything else,
it is as though you were giving the name "sheep" to a goat or a pig.

Bishop Nikolai Velimirovich

St. Mary Ladies Society News

The Ladies annual Christmas party will be held on Wednesday, December 17th at the Stadium Theatre in Woonsocket, RI. Please join us for dinner & a show. You are sure to love Tony Cerbo's take on the style of Michael Buble & Harry Conick Jr.~ the food will be provided by Riverfalls Restaurant.

Tickets are \$46 and need to be paid by November 15th.
Please contact Nora Matook to purchase a ticket.
(401) 231-6411



Coffee Hour Sponsorships

The Parish Council has decided to implement a new system to organize our coffee hours. There are two ways to handle this: when a couple, family, or an individual decides to sponsor the coffee hour, you may do it on your own which entails purchasing the pastry & juice, making the coffee, setting up the table, and cleaning up. The second option is to donate \$ 75.00 to the church so that a Parish Council member will handle the coffee hour on your behalf.

If you would like to sponsor a coffee hour, please see Fr. Elie. Please make check to St. Mary Church for coffee sponsorship and earmark "Coffee Hour".

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Sponsored by:</u>	<u>Sponsored for:</u>
November 9th	<i>No Coffee Hour</i>	St. Mary Annual Bazaar
November 16th	The Maurice Family	Alice Maurice (10 years)
November 23rd*	Tony & Fadia Kabak	Their Health
November 30th*	Mirna Nakhoul & Charlotte Mitri	Nakhoul & Mitri Families
December 7th	Connie Matook & Family	George Matook (40 Day)
December 14th*	Catherine Wason	Health of Family
December 21st	<i>No Coffee Hour</i>	Church School Pageant
December 28th	Fatat ElKhaouli	Nicholas ElKhaouli (2 years)
 <u>2015</u>		
January 4th	Ron & Janice Hallal Elaine Gauthier	Memory of Linda Bowab (5years) Memory of Chris Gauthier (5years)
January 11th	William Small	Memory of Rev. Deacon Small
January 18th	The Kilsey Children	Fred Kilsey (20 years)
January 25th	Dr. Zeyad Morcos & Family	Memory of Elias Morcos (24 years)
February 1st	Ayoub Family	Naseem Ayoub (1 year)
February 8th	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
February 15th	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
February 22nd	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
February 29th	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
March 1st	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
March 8th	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
March 15th	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
March 22nd	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
March 29th	William Salhany & Family	Ruth Salhany (5 years)
April 5th	<i>No Coffee Hour</i>	Palm Sunday

Sunday, November 9, 2014

Twenty Second Sunday After Pentecost

Tone: 5 Eothinon: 11

Troparion of the Resurrection: Tone 5

Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

Troparion of St. Nektarios of Aegina: Tone 1

The offspring of Selyvria and the guardian of Aegina, the true friend of virtue who didst appear in the last years, O Nektarios, we faithful honor thee as a Godly servant of Christ, for thou pourest forth healings of every kind for those who piously cry out: Glory to Christ Who hath glorified thee. Glory to Him Who hath made thee wondrous. Glory to Him Who worketh healings for all through thee.

Troparion of the Dormition: Tone 1

"In giving birth, Thou didst keep Thy virginity and in Thy repose, Thou didst not forsake the world, O Theotokos, for Thou art the mother of life, and Thou didst pass over into life; and through thy intercessions from death Thou dost redeem our souls."

Kontakion of the Entrance of the Theotokos: Tone 4

*(**Thou Who wast raised up**)*

The all-pure temple of the Savior, the most precious bridal chamber and Virgin, the treasurehouse of the glory of God, today enters the Temple of the Lord, bringing with her the grace which is in the divine Spirit: whom also the angels of God do celebrate in song; for she is the heavenly tabernacle.



THE EPISTLE

The Saints shall boast in glory. Sing unto the Lord a new song.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians. (5:8-19)

Brethren, walk as children of light (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), and try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is a shame even to speak of the things that they do in secret; but when anything is exposed by the light it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it is said, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light." Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore, do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart.

THE GOSPEL

(For the Seventh Sunday of Luke)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (8:41-56)

At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet, he besought Him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As Jesus went, the people pressed round Him. And a woman, who had had a flow of blood for twelve years, and had spent all her living upon physicians, and could not be healed by anyone, came up behind Him, and touched the fringe of His garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched Me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround Thee and press upon Thee! And Thou sayest, 'Who touched Me?'" But Jesus said, "Someone touched Me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from Me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before Him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched Him, and how she had been immediately healed. And Jesus said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." While Jesus was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher anymore." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when Jesus came to the house, He permitted no one to enter with Him, except Peter and James and John, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but Jesus said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand Jesus called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and Jesus directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but He charged them to tell no one what had happened.

St. Mary Teen SOYO News and Events

Attention All Teens

(12 years and older)

***** Come and join The St. Mary Teen SOYO Youth Group *****

YES PROVIDENCE, RI- December 12-14, 2014

WHEN? Friday, December 12 - Sunday December 14, 2014

WHAT? A wonderful opportunity to serve and love our most needy neighbors in Providence, RI.

WHO? Junior High, High School Students, and College Students

WHERE? **St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church** at 5pm on Friday, December 12th: 249 High St., Pawtucket, RI 02865. The service learning weekend will come to a close following Liturgy on December 14th.

COST? A registration gift of \$150 a person will cover all trip expenses, make it possible for the YES Program to prepare and execute the trip, and enable our service team to meet the needs of those we serve. ***Scholarships are available!*** Please email Katrina for information.

The Teens are beginning the food drive to pass out the baskets to families in need this holiday season. The Sunday School children have been asked to bring a bag of can goods and side dishes to help fill the baskets.

We are in need of money to purchase fresh turkeys and vegetables for all the baskets. These donations can be brought to church and given to Emile Sarkis or Stephanie Chowning Please bring donations by November 16th. Thank you for all your support!!!



Church News & Organization Activities

St. Mary Liturgical Choir

The St. Mary Liturgical Choir welcomes new members to join its Ministry of Sacred Music. Anyone interested in joining the choir (whatever their level of musical experience) are asked to contact the choir directress Dawn Boukari @ (401) 465-8909 or email her: daboukari@aol.com

Parish Meeting

There will be a Special Parish Meeting on Sunday, November 23rd following Liturgy during Coffee Hour at the Parish Center to vote on the recommendations of the Finance Committee concerning the Rectory sale proceeds.

Assessment Fee

The St. Mary Parish Council wishes to kindly remind the Faithful to send in their Archdiocese Assessment of \$125 made out to St. Mary Church. Please help us to be able to meet our obligations to the Archdiocese.

Fellowship Bible Study

The Fellowship group, focusing on ages 20-40, at St. Mary is starting up again it's monthly bible study lead by Fr. Elie. The next bible study is scheduled for Thursday Nov 13th at 8:30 PM. Will be held at the Samra Home (2 Armas Court Cumberland, RI). I hope many of you can make it. Please bring an Orthodox Study bible for the evening. Please let Rebecca or Joe know if you can make it.

French & Arabic classes are being offered for all levels and all ages. Please contact Sami Saloum at (401) 837-6203 or samisall@hotmail.com for more information.

PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR GOOD HEALTH AND BLESSING OF:

Sgt. Thomas Schillawski, offered by Jim and Beth Schillawski
Peter Marcotte, offered by Edward and Lillian Betor
Violette Habib, offered by Emad Amirhom
Essam Amirhom, offered by Emad Amirhom
Emad Amirhom, offered by Emad Amirhom
Maria Santos, offered by Emad Amirhom
Nora Abdelahad, offered by Charles and Elaine Agaty
Elaine Wilbur, offered by Nora Abdelahad
Mark Hashway, offered by Elaine Wilbur
April Gentes Robert, offered by George & Sandra Matook
Nabil Khoury, offered by Salwa Khoury
Amelia Marshall, offered by Steve & Pat Kilsey
Glenn Maurice, offered by George & Sandra Matook
Elaine Gauthier & Family, offered by Cindy, George & Michael Antypas



PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Frances Slemmon, offered by Louis Slemmon
Stephen Pimental, offered by Lori Pimental
Atalla Amirhom, offered by Emad Amirhom
Labiba Nicola Hanna, offered by Magdy Guirguis
Charles Abdelahad, offered by Charles and Elaine Agaty
Charles Abdelahad, offered by Nora Abdelahad
Fred Hashway, offered by Elaine Wilbur
Abraham George, offered by The George Family
James Hallal (beloved Father and Grandfather), offered by John & Lorna Hallal
Ron Gauthier, offered by Cindy, George & Michael Antypas
Christopher Gauthier, offered by Cindy, George & Michael Antypas



PRAYER REQUESTS

Starting in December, we will have a new format for any prayer requests submitted for the bulletin. All prayers received within the month will be printed in the last bulletin of the month. Any names sent to the office, will be mentioned during Liturgy on the Sunday after it was received, but will only be in the bulletin on the last Sunday of the month. If you have any questions, please see Fr. Elie.



Enthronement of His Eminence Metropolitan Joseph

It is with great pleasure that we announce that the events related to the Enthronement of His Eminence Metropolitan Joseph will take place during the weekend of December 5th through 7th, 2014 at St. Nicholas Cathedral in Brooklyn, New York.

The actual enthronement will take place in conjunction with Vespers on Saturday December 6th.

We will be greatly blessed by the presence of His Beatitude Patriarch John X who will preside during this weekend.

St. Mary Church will be renting 2 vans to travel to New York to attend the Enthronement of His Eminence Metropolitan Joseph. We will be leaving on *December 6th and returning December 7th*. If you are interested, please contact Ed Ayoub or Fr. Elie.

*The cost will be determined based on amount of parishioners attending event.



St. Mary Church School News

Attention All Parents: Please bring your children to the Liturgy before Church School. Church School starts every Sunday following communion (Approx. 11:15am).

♦ Sunday, November 9th– no class (Bazaar weekend)

****Reminder to families:** Each child is asked to bring in donations for the Thanksgiving baskets. These items can be brought down to Sunday School. Items needed are stuffing, cranberry sauce, instant mashed potatoes, peas, corn, fruit cocktail, jello, and soup...etc.

St. Mary Annual Bazaar

~2014~

~Today~

St. Mary Fresh Holiday Bazaar

11:00am-4pm - at the Parish Center

Coffee Hour

There will be no Coffee Hour held today, due to the Holiday Bazaar. Come to the Parish Center in support of our wonderful Bazaar.

Arabic Liturgy

****Note Date Change for the Month of December.****
Arabic Liturgy will be held on Saturday, December 13th at 5:00 P.M.

Hafli

St. Mary Parish Center
Saturday- November 15th
\$30 pp ~ 8:00pm
Cold Buffet & Cash Bar

