

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, July 13th: Fifth Sunday After Pentecost
Sunday, July 20th: Sixth Sunday After Pentecost & The Prophet Elias
Wednesday, July 23rd: 7:00 P.M.– Bazaar Committee Meeting
Sunday, July 27th: Seventh Sunday After Pentecost
Saturday, August 2nd: 5:00 P.M.– Arabic Liturgy
6:00 P.M.– Pawsox Night Out
Sunday, August 3rd: Eighth Sunday After Pentecost
40 Day Memorial Service for Richard Salhany
Sunday, August 17th: Tenth Sunday after Pentecost and The Sunday after the Dormition
St. Mary Feast Day Dinner



REMINDER

Please return all Food For Hungry People to the Church Office if you have not done so already.



CHURCH EMAIL ADDRESS CHANGE

Please use our new email address office@stmarypawtucket.org for all church correspondence.

SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday, July 13, 2014

Fifth Sunday After Pentecost and Sunday of The Holy Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council

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

Transcendence

Transcendence: from the Latin verb *transcendere*, meaning “to rise,” “go beyond.” God, who created all things out of nothing, is by nature totally beyond and different from his creatures, and he cannot be understood or described through human intelligence. He cannot be reduced to concepts, but he reveals himself to humanity through love.

It is good to hold fast to the most central commandment, and not worry about particular things or pray for them in particular, but only “seek the kingdom,” as the Lord says (Mt. 6.33). If we are still concerned about each of our needs, however, we should pray about each of them. The person who plans or does anything without prayer will not accomplish anything in the end; this is what the Lord meant when he said, “*you can do nothing without me.*” (Jn. 15.5)

~St. Mark the Ascetic



Bible Study

Come join us for Bible study, held every Second Monday at 7pm in the Church Hall. Remember to bring your copy of The Orthodox Study Bible for referencing during the Bible Study session.

Arabic Liturgy

Arabic Liturgy is being offered the first Saturday of each month at 5:00 P.M. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

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 call Beth Schillawski at: (508)-339-0946. **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>
July 13th	Fr. Elie & Ruba Estephan	St. Mary Church
July 20th *	Zeyad & Norma Morcos	Elias Morcos' Name Day
July 27th *	Dorothy Nahas	Memory of William Nahas
August 3	The Salhany Family	Richard Salhany (40 days)
August 10th	Samra Family	Mary Samra (10 year)
August 17th	St. Mary Feast Day Dinner	
August 24th	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
August 31st	Jim & Beth Schillawski	Michael & Tanya Schillawski
September 7th	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
September 14th	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
September 21st	The Ganim Family	George Ganim (15 years)
September 28th	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
October 5th	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
October 12th	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
October 19th	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
October 26th	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
November 2nd	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
November 9th	<i>No Coffee Hour</i>	St. Mary Annual Bazaar
November 16th	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
November 23rd	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
November 30th	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
December 7th	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
December 14th	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	

Sunday, July 13, 2014

Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

Tone: 4 Eothinon: 5

Troparion of the Resurrection: Tone 4

Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.

Troparion of the Holy Fathers: Tone 8

Thou, O Christ, art our God of exceeding praise Who didst establish our Holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true Faith, O most merciful One, glory to 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 for Ordinary Sundays: Tone 2

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.



THE EPISTLE
(For the Holy Fathers)

*Blessed art Thou, O Lord, the God of our Fathers.
For Thou art just in all that Thou hast done for us.
The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to St. Titus. (3:8-15)*

Titus, my son, the saying is sure. I desire you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these are excellent and profitable to men. But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, dissensions, and quarrels over the law, for they are unprofitable and futile. As for a man who is factious, after admonishing him once or twice, have nothing more to do with him, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned. When I send Artemas or Tychicus to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing. And let our people learn to apply themselves to good deeds, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not to be unfruitful. All who are with me send greetings to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

THE GOSPEL
(For the Holy Fathers)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (5:14-19)

The Lord said to His Disciples: "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father Who is in heaven. Think not that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets; I have come not to abolish them, but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Whoever then relaxes one of the least of these commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but he who does them and teaches them shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven



*Take me out to
the ball game...*

Paw Sox Night Out
Sponsored by St. John the Divine
Saturday August 2nd 6 PM
Tickets are \$10.00



Please contact Phil G. Ayoub
(401) 641-1116 | phil_ayoub@yahoo.com
Ticket Deadline - July 21st

Coffee Hour

The Coffee Hour today is offered by Fr. Elie & Ruba Estephan for the good health and blessing of all the parishioners at St. Mary Church. There will be a coffee hour/luncheon held at the Parish Center following Liturgy.



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.

Arabic Classes

Arabic classes will resume
in September.

Thank you

On behalf of the Catelli Family, Bill and I thank our family and friends at St. Mary for their prayers, thoughts, and expressions of sympathy on the death of Bills brother, Alfred. You are in our prayers.

May his memory be eternal.

~Mary Lou and Bill Catelli



A VOTIVE CANDLE IS LIT FOR GOOD HEALTH AND BLESSING OF:

Paula Hallal offered by her father, Fred Hallal



Alicia Maurice, offered by her parents Glenn & Donna Maurice

Our Sisters in Christ– wishing that our prayers bring you comfort and health, offered by the Ladies Society Parishioners and their Families who are ill– praying for your comfort and health, offered by St. Mary Parish

Francine and Julie, offered by Louis Slemon

Amy Saulen, offered by Samy and Helen Morcos

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

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Maria Santos, offered by Emad Amirhom

Nora Abdelahad, offered by Charles and Elaine Agaty

Mark Hashway, offered by Elaine Wilbur

Kevin Hashway, offered by Elaine Wilbur

April Gentes Robert, offered by George & Sandra Matook

Nabil Khoury, offered by Salwa Khoury

Jim and Susan Harvey, offered by Ray and Leila Trabulsi

Donald, Daniel & Sarah Hayes, offered by Cindy Hayes

Mary Massiwer, offered by Cindy Hayes & Children

Maureen, Paul & Mary Gurchigian, offered by Cindy Hayes & Children

Mary & Bill, Billy & Jon Franklin, offered by Cindy Hayes & Children

Diane Andrew, Paul Bernier & Rosie, offered by Cindy Hayes & Children

Laura, Jim and Noelle Arrighi, offered by Cindy Hayes & Children

Bill and Mary Lou Catelli, offered by Cindy Hayes & Children

Dorothy Catelli, offered by Cindy Hayes & Children

Charlie Slemon, offered by Cindy Hayes & Children

Cindy, George & Michael Antypas, offered by Cindy Hayes & Children

Fr. Elie & Ruba & Family, offered by Cindy Hayes & Children

Cheryl Zuba & Family, offered by Cindy Hayes & Children



PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Frances Slemon, offered by Louis Slemon

Stephen Pimental, offered by Lori Pimental

Atalla Amirhom, offered by Emad Amirhom

Labiba Nicola Hanna, offered by Magdy Guirguis

Alfred Catelli, offered by Elaine Swistak

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

Murad Laffey, offered by Elaine Gauthier

PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Fred Salhany, offered by Virginia Salhany
Richard Salhany, offered by Virginia Salhany
Mr. & Mrs. Neshan Avedisian, offered by Virginia Salhany
Mr. & Mrs. Kamel Salhany, offered by Virginia Salhany
Fred Salhany, offered by John Salhany
Richard Salhany, offered by John Salhany
Richard Salhany, offered by George and Barbara Moussali
Richard Salhany, offered by William Salhany
Don Hayes, offered by Cindy Hayes & Children
John Massiwer, offered by Cindy Hayes & Children
Tom Andrew, offered by Cindy Hayes & Children
Mike Zuba, offered by Cindy Hayes & Children
Richard Salhany, offered by Cindy Hayes & Children
Alfred Catelli, offered by Cindy Hayes & Children



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

St. Mary Annual Bazaar 2014

Preliminary work has begun in preparation for this year's annual St. Mary Bazaar to be held on November 7th, 8th & 9th, 2014 at the Parish Center. The Bazaar will be chaired this year by Salwa Khoury. Volunteers are needed for all the event booths, food preparation and kitchen crew.

The Bazaar Committee will hold its first meeting on Wednesday, July 23rd at 7:00 P.M.



From the Synaxarion (The Lives of The Saints)

July 17th

GREAT MARTYR MARINA OF ANTIOCH. Marina's father was a pagan priest in the third century, and her mother died giving birth. Her foster mother taught her about Jesus Christ. The faith took root in Marina and she vowed to remain a virgin and to one day become a martyr. For this, her father despised her. The pagan eparch of the land admired her purity and wanted her for his wife. She refused, and when he demanded that she sacrifice to idols, she responded that his gods were dead, did not breathe, and were unaware of honor or dishonor. She was beaten, imprisoned, and then suspended and her sides raked with iron nails. She prayed, and it was as if another person were being tortured. Again imprisoned, the devil tried to frighten her three times. Once as a dragon, he attempted to devour her, holding half of her body in his mouth. Praying, she made the sign of the cross and the dragon was torn apart and vanished. Again, he appeared as a man, black as night. She seized his hair and beat him with a hammer until he left her sight. Again, he grabbed her and threatened to kill her if she would not stop praying. She whipped him, and finally a light appeared from Heaven. A white dove told her to rejoice for she had vanquished the enemy, and she was completely healed. The next day, when she would not admit that the pagan gods had healed her, she was burned with torches, and an attempt was made to drown her in a cauldron. When she prayed, an earthquake struck the land and a dove landed on her head with a crown in its beak. A voice said that she would receive from the right hand of the most high this heavenly crown. Everyone present heard this, and many believed. Before she was beheaded, she taught those close by and prayed.

