Sunday, November 16th: Twenty Third Sunday After Pentecost
   40 Day Memorial Service for Charles Slemon
   10 Year Memorial Service for Alice Maurice & Memorial Luncheon at Parish Center
Monday, November 17th: 7:00 P.M. – Parish Council Meeting
Saturday, November 22nd: 10 A.M. – Teen SOYO making Thanksgiving Baskets
Sunday, November 23rd: Twenty Fourth Sunday After Pentecost
   Special Parish Meeting at Parish Center following Liturgy
Thursday, November 27th: Thanksgiving (Church office Closed)

Sunday, November 30th: Twenty Fifth Sunday After Pentecost
Monday, December 3rd: 7:00 P.M. – Conference Committee Meeting
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 Nineth 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)
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
Redemption
Redemption: from a Latin word meaning "ransom." Through the fall, humanity became enslaved to sin and death. In order to restore human liberty, God himself became incarnate and saved all men by his passion and resurrection. St Paul expresses this: "You were bought with a price [the blood of Christ]" (1 Cor 6:20).

When you hear the songs of birds in the trees in springtime, or other sweet singing, raise your mind to the sweetest songs of paradise and think how the heavens echo forever with Alleluia and other angelic praises, and pray God to let you sing His praises forever, in company with those heavenly spirits, of whom Revelation says: “And after these things I heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God”.
~St. Theophan the Recluse

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
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”.

Date: Sponsored by:  Sponsored for:
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*  No Coffee Hour  Church School Pageant
December 28th  Fatat ElKhaouli  Nicholas ElKhaouli (2 years)

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January 4th  Ron & Janice Hallal  Memory of Linda Bowab (5years)
January 11th  Elaine Gauthier  Memory of Chris Gauthier (5years)
January 18th  William Small  Memory of Rev. Deacon Small
January 25th  The Kilsey Children  Fred Kilsey (20 years)
February 1st  Dr. Zeyad Morcos & Family  Memory of Elias Morcos (24 years)
February 8th  Ayoub Family  Naseem Ayoub (1 year)
February 15th  Open for sponsorship
February 22nd  Open for sponsorship
February 29th  Open for sponsorship
March 1st  Open for sponsorship
March 8th  Open for sponsorship
March 15th  Open for sponsorship
March 22nd  Open for sponsorship
March 29th  William Salhany & Family  Ruth Salhany (5 years)
April 5th  No Coffee Hour  Palm Sunday
April 12th  No Coffee Hour  Pascha

Sunday, November 16, 2014
Twenty Third Sunday After Pentecost

Troparion of the Resurrection: Tone 6
When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb; and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

Troparion of St. Matthew the Evangelist: Tone 3
O holy Apostle and Evangelist Matthew, intercede with the merciful God, to grant our souls forgiveness of sins.

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**

*His voice has gone out into all the earth. The heavens declare the glory of God.*

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (4:9-16)

Brethren, God has exhibited us Apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ’s sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill-clad and buffetted and homeless, and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off-scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the Gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

**THE GOSPEL**

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (9:9-13)

At that time, as Jesus passed on from there, He saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax office; and He said to him, “Follow Me.” And he rose and followed Him. And as He sat at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and sat down with Jesus and His disciples. And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to His disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” But when Jesus heard it, He said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.’ For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.”
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.

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 director 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.

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Visitation
Please contact Fr. Elie or Salwa Khoury with any names of parishioners that are in need of visitation either at home, in hospital or nursing homes.

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.

Memorial Services

◊ A Forty-Day Memorial Service is being offered today for the repose of the soul of Charles Slemon by The Slemon Children, Grandchildren & Great-grandchildren.

May God grant him peace and may his memory be eternal.

◊ A Ten Year Memorial Service is being offered today for the repose of the soul of Alice K. Kilsey by The Maurice Family. A Memorial Luncheon will be offered at the Parish Center following Liturgy.

May God grant her peace and may her memory be eternal.

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 Essam Amirhom
Essam Amirhom, offered by Essam Amirhom
Emad Amirhom, offered by Emad Amirhom
Maria Santos, offered by Emad Amirhom
Mark Hashway, offered by Elaine Wilbur
April Genté Robert, offered by George & Sandra Matook
Nabil Khoury, offered by Salwa Khoury
Cindy Antypas & Family, offered by Nabil & Salwa Khoury
Sharon Nasr & Family, offered by Nabil & Salwa Khoury
Glenn Maurice & Family, offered by Nabil & Salwa Khoury
Marlene Samra, offered by Nabil & Salwa Khoury
The Maurice Family, offered by George & Sandra Matook
The Slemon Family, offered by George & Sandra Matook
The Slemon Family, Children & Grandchildren, offered by Elaine Gauthier & Family
The Slemon & Abgrab Families, offered by The Slemon Children, Grandchildren & Great-grandchildren
Donna Slemon, offered by Wayne & Ellen Wagner
Fred Slemon, offered by Wayne & Ellen Wagner
Dennis Loomis & Tatum Fontana, offered by Wayne & Ellen Wagner
Allyson Loomis, offered by Wayne & Ellen Wagner
Alexander Silva, offered by Fred, Adele & Robert Shwaery
Lily Dvelis, offered by Fred, Adele & Robert Shwaery
Violet Dvelis, offered by Fred, Adele & Robert Shwaery
Lucas Melcher, offered by Fred, Adele & Robert Shwaery
Layla Melcher, offered by Fred, Adele & Robert Shwaery
The Slemon Family, offered by Charles & Elaine Agaty
The Maurice Family, offered by Charles & Elaine Agaty
The Slemon Family, offered by Nora Abdelahad
The Maurice Family, offered by Nora Abdelahad
Glenn, Donna & Alicia Maurice, offered by Albert & Victoria Hallal
**PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR GOOD HEALTH AND BLESSING OF:**

Paul Haddad, offered by Holly Lazieh & Sons and Bob Dessaint
Marlene Samra, offered by Ray & Leila Trabulsi
Karen & Tom Trabulsi, offered by Ray & Leila Trabulsi
Roxana & David Trabulsi & Family, offered by Ray & Leila Trabulsi
Cindy Antypas & Family, offered by Elaine Swistak
Fr. Constantine & Sharon Nasr, offered by Elaine Swistak
Charles & Gail Slemmon & Family, offered by Elaine Swistak
Glenn, Donna & Alicia Maurice, offered by Elaine Swistak
Cindy Antypas & Family, offered by Philip & Bette Ayoub
Cindy Antypas & Family, offered by Barbara Aubin & Family
Cindy Antypas & Family, offered by Nancy Penta & Family
Cindy Antypas & Family, offered by George & Donna David
Cindy Antypas & Family, offered by Susan Warzych & Al Delpape
Dennis Loomis & Tatum Fontana, offered by Donna Slemmon & Allyson Loomis
Ellen Wagner, offered by Donna Slemmon & Allyson Loomis
Allyson Loomis, offered by Dennis Loomis & Tatum Fontana
Ellen Wagner, offered by Dennis Loomis & Tatum Fontana

**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
Fred Hashway, offered by Elaine Wilbur
Abraham George, offered by The George Family
Alice K. Maurice, offered by Glenn, Donna & Alicia Maurice
Alice K. Maurice, offered by Scott & Pamela Maurice
Alice K. Maurice, offered by Ronald Jr. and Gloria Maurice & Family
Alice K. Maurice, offered by David and Sue Maurice & Family
Alice K. Maurice, offered by Dr. Alice Maurice & Mark Rigby
Alice K. Maurice, offered by Oscar Maurice
Our Mother, Anna M. Slemmon, offered by The Slemmon Children, Grandchildren & Great-grandchildren
Our Godfather, Fred A. Slemmon Sr., offered by The Slemmon Children, Grandchildren & Great-grandchildren
Our Grandparents, Fred & Ada Slemmon, offered by The Slemmon Children, Grandchildren & Great-grandchildren
Our Grandparents, Michael & Ida Abgrab, offered by The Slemmon Children, Grandchildren & Great-grandchildren
Our Grandparents, Shaﬁe & Annie Slemmon, offered by The Slemmon Children, Grandchildren & Great-grandchildren
Our Family Members, offered by The Slemmon Children, Grandchildren & Great-grandchildren
Alice K. Maurice, offered by Ethel, Audrey & Wayne Kilsey
Alice K. Maurice, offered by George, Lois, Mary & Christopher Kilsey
Alice K. Maurice, offered by Deborah Kilsey & Victoria Azar
Alice Kilsey, offered by Nabil & Salwa Khoury
Charles Slemmon, offered by Nabil & Salwa Khoury
Alice Maurice, offered by George & Sandra Matook
Charlie Slemmon, offered by George & Sandra Matook
Charles Slemmon, offered by Nancy Penta & Family
Charles Slemmon, offered by Elaine Gauthier
Alice Maurice, offered by Elaine Gauthier

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**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.*

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**Arabic Liturgy**

**Note Date Change for the Month of December.**

Arabic Liturgy will be held on Saturday, December 13th at 5:00 P.M.

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**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, December 21st: Sunday School Pageant*
Diocesan Christmas Choir – If you are a singer, please join us for our Diocesan Christmas Concert which will be a Western Rite Lessons & Carols service with the Hallelujah Chorus on Sunday, December 14, 5pm @ St. Mary’s in Cambridge. Here is the rehearsal schedule:

- Sunday, Nov 16, 4pm – 6pm @ St. John’s in Dedham
- Sunday, Nov 30, 7pm – 9pm @ St. John’s in Dedham
- Sunday, Dec 7, 4pm – 6pm @ St. Mary’s in Cambridge DRESS REHEARSAL with brass quintet @ St. Mary’s

If you would like to sing or have questions, please e-mail Charlie Marge: marge@alum.mit.edu

PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

James Hallal, offered by Ronald & Janice Hallal
Charles Slemon, offered by Ronald & Janice Hallal
Alice Maurice, offered by Ronald & Janice Hallal
Charles Slemon, offered by Marwan, Rosemary, Jihad & Shadia Al-Dajani
Charles Slemon, offered by Richard & Violet Robbat
Charles Slemon, offered by Donna Slemon & Allyson Loomis
Fred & Antoinette Slemon, offered by Donna Slemon & Allyson Loomis
Charles Slemon, offered by Dennis Loomis & Tatum Fontana
Fred & Antoinette Slemon, offered by Dennis Loomis & Tatum Fontana
Charles Slemon, offered by Fred, Liesse, Adam, Liesse & Marie Monney
Fred Slemon Sr., offered by Fred, Liesse, Adam, Liesse & Marie Slemon
Charles Slemon, offered by Fr. James & Christina Dokos
Fred Slemon, offered by Fr. James & Christina Dokos
Antoinette Slemon, offered by Fr. James & Christina Dokos
Charles Slemon, offered by Glen & Marissa Arsenault & Family
Fred Slemon, offered by Glen, Marissa, Arsenault & Family
Antoinette Slemon, offered by Glen & Marissa Arsenault & Family
Charles Slemon, offered by Wayne & Ellen Wagner
Fred Slemon, offered by Wayne & Ellen Wagner
Antoinette Slemon, offered by Wayne & Ellen Wagner
Sophie Hallal, offered by Holly Lazieh & Sons and Bob Dessaint
Nellie Hallal, offered by Holly Lazieh & Sons and Bob Dessaint
Alice Maurice, offered by Holly Lazieh & Sons and Bob Dessaint
Ronald Gauthier, offered by Holly Lazieh & Sons and Bob Dessaint
Charles Slemon, offered by Elaine Swistak
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Charles Slemon, offered by Fred, Adele & Robert Shwaery
George Matook, offered by Fred, Adele & Robert Shwaery
James Karneeb, offered by Fred, Adele & Robert Shwaery
Mary Kandalaft, offered by Fred, Adele & Robert Shwaery
Alice Maurice, offered by Fred, Adele & Robert Shwaery
Charles Slemon, offered by Charles & Elaine Agaty
Alice Maurice, offered by Charles & Elaine Agaty
Charles Slemon, offered by Nora Abdelahad
Alice Maurice, offered by Nora Abdelahad
Alice Maurice, offered by Albert & Victoria Hallal
James and Mary Hallal, offered by Albert & Victoria Hallal

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.
Parish Christmas Poinsettia Fund

In anticipation of Christmas, we present our very important “Poinsettia Fund” Project

Please accept my donation of $_______
to be used in decorating the Church for Christmas. This donation is made with the following intentions.

For the Good Health and Blessing of:                                      In Loving Memory of:

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From:_____________________________________________________________________

Please remember to return the form to the Parish Office by Sunday, Dec. 14th