

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, June 8th: Sunday of PENTECOST

Tuesday, June 10th: 7:00 Parish Council Meeting

Saturday, June 14th: Haffla at Parish Center

Sunday, June 15th: All Saints Sunday: First Sunday After Pentecost
Father's Day

Sunday, June 22nd: 2014 Parish Life Conference in Plymouth, MA
(No Church Services at St. Mary)

Sunday, June 29th: Third Sunday After Pentecost

Saturday, July 5th: 5:00 P.M. – Arabic Liturgy

Sunday, July 6th: Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday, July 13th: Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday, July 20th: Sixth Sunday After Pentecost & The Prophet Elias

Sunday, July 27th: Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday, August 3rd: Eighth Sunday After Pentecost



SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday, June 8, 2014

Sunday of 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

Pentecost

This is the fiftieth day after the Resurrection of Christ when the Holy Spirit descended on the Apostles (Acts of the Apostles, chapter 2). The Church applied the name Pentekoste = the fiftieth day, to the feast celebrating this event which may be considered the birthday of Christianity as an organized religion. In early times, the whole period between Easter and the Sunday marking the Fiftieth day after it was called Pentecost. During that time no fast was allowed, prayer was offered while standing, and the alleluia was sung more frequently. Now it is only the Easter week, from Easter Sunday to the Sunday of St. Thomas, that both Wednesday and Friday are not considered to be fasting days.



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 EMAIL ADDRESS CHANGE

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

Father's Day Hafle

St. Mary's Antiochian Orthodox Church

cordially invites you to an unforgettable evening of music, Dabke, and the enchanting voice of singer **George Maalouf** & his band, accompanied by **Mirza Dance Ensemble**.



- ♦ Saturday, June 14th 2014
- ♦ St. Mary's Parish Center at:
60 St. Mary's Way, Pawtucket, RI 02860.
- ♦ Doors open @ 7:00 pm.
- ♦ Dinner @ 8:00 pm.

Maza, Dinner, and Desserts

Tickets:

- Adults: \$50
- Teens (13-18): \$30
- Babysitting for children (ages 2-12)
@ \$20 / child.

All proceeds go to St. Mary's Church

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For Tickets and Reservations, please contact:

Fr. Elie Estephan: (240) 205-9079, elieruba@gmail.com

Tony Kabak: (401) 744-6317, (401) 769-4915, fadiakabak@verizon.net

Buy your tickets now!!!

Sunday, June 8, 2014 Sunday of PENTECOST

Troparion of the Pentecost: Tone 8

Blessed art thou, O Christ our God, who hast revealed the fishermen as all-wise by sending down upon them the Holy Spirit, and through them thou didst draw the world into thy net, O Lover of mankind, glory to thee.

Entrance Hymn

Be thou exalted, O Lord, in thine own strength. We will sing and praise thy powers. Save us, O good comforter, who sing unto thee, alleluia.

Kontakion of Pentecost: Tone 8

When the High One descended, confusing tongues, he divided the nations. And when he distributed the fiery tongues, he called all to one unity. Wherefore in unison we glorify the most Holy Spirit.



The Epistle
Acts 2:1-11

Prokeimenon: Their voice has gone out into all the earth
Verse: The heavens declare the glory of God
The reading is from the Acts of the Apostles

When the day of Pentecost has come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them. And they were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. And they were amazed and wondered, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontos and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the part of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians, we hear them telling in their own tongues the mighty works of God."

The Gospel
John 7:37-52, 8:12

And on the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and proclaimed, "If any one thirst, let him come to me and drink. He who believes in me, as the scripture has said, 'Out of his heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now this he said about the Spirit, which those who believed in him were to receive; for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified. When they heard these words, some of the people said, "This is really the prophet." Others said, "This is the Christ." But some said, "Is the Christ to come from Galilee? Has not the scripture said that the Christ is descended from David, and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David was?" So there was a division among the people over him. Some of them wanted to arrest him, but no one laid hands on him. The officers then went back to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, "Why did you not bring him?" The officers answered, "No man ever spoke like this man!" The Pharisees answered them, "Are you led astray, you also? Have any of the authorities or of the Pharisees believed in him? But this crowd, who do not know the law, are accursed." Nicodemus, who had gone to him before, and who was one of them, said to them, "Does our law judge a man without first giving him a hearing and learning what he does?" They replied, "Are you from Galilee too? Search and you will see that no prophet is to rise from Galilee." Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

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>
June 8th*	George & Sandra Matook	Their Grandchildren Father’s Day 2014 Life Conference Rita Sayegh’s 100th Birthday
June 15th*	Michael & Nancy Muller	
June 22nd	No Coffee Hour	
June 29th	Parish Council	
July 6th	Open for sponsorship	Elias Morcos’ Name Day Memory of William Nahas
July 13th	Open for sponsorship	
July 20th	Zeyad & Norma Morcos	
July 27th *	Dorothy Nahas	
August 3	Open for sponsorship	Mary Samra (10 year)
August 10th	Open for sponsorship	
August 17th	Samra Family	
August 24th	Open for sponsorship	
August 31st	Open for sponsorship	George Ganim (15 years)
September 7th	Open for sponsorship	
September 14th	Open for sponsorship	
September 21st	The Ganim Family	
September 28th	Open for sponsorship	
October 5th	Open for sponsorship	
October 12th	Open for sponsorship	
October 19th	Open for sponsorship	
October 26th	Open for sponsorship	
November 2nd	Open for sponsorship	

CHARITABLE GIFT PROGRAM

It is with appreciation and gratitude that we announce the reception of a gift from the family of Naseem Ayoub fulfilling his wishes to participate in the Charitable Gift Program.

MAY HIS MEMORY BE ETERNAL!

With the spirits of the righteous made perfect, give rest to the soul of Thy servant Naseem, O Saviour; and preserve it in that life of blessedness which is with thee, O thou who lovest mankind."



Diocese of N.E. upcoming events

Diocese of New England Calendar

- ♦ Annual Parish Life Conference hosted by St. George Church of Boston June 19th – 22nd, 2014 at the Radisson Hotel in Plymouth, MA

Choir Members: Please sing with our Diocese of New England Choir at this year's Parish Life Conference at the Radisson in Plymouth! The schedule of rehearsals is as follows:

- Second Rehearsal: Mon Jun 16, 7:30pm, St. George's, W. Roxbury
 - Rehearsal @ PLC: Sat Jun 21, 4 -5 pm in Chapel
- Hierarchical Divine Liturgy: Sun Jun 22, 10am in Chapel

Questions? Contact Charlie Marge: marge@alum.mit.edu.

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
Emad Amirhom, offered by Emad Amirhom
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
Edward & Lillian Betor, offered by Edward & Lillian Betor
Peter Marcotte, offered by Edward & Lillian Betor
Thomas & Lynn Marcotte, offered by Edward & Lillian Betor
Paul & Kerrie Betor, offered by Edward & Lillian Betor
Matthew & Adrienne Dykstra, offered by Edward & Lillian Betor
Laurice Zambie, offered by Edward & Lillian Betor
William & LaVerne Ameen, offered by Edward & Lillian Betor
Granddaughters Joelle & Rose Dykstra, offered by Edward & Lillian Betor
Nora Abdelahad, offered by Edward & Lillian Betor
Holly Lazieh (Happy Birthday), offered by Aunt Lorice
Jordan Lazieh (Congratulations), offered by Aunt Lorice
Emma Nassaney (Congratulations), offered by Aunt Lorice
Holly Lazieh (Happy Birthday), offered by Anthony and Cheryl Nassaney & Family
Jordan Lazieh (Graduation Congratulations), offered by Anthony and Cheryl Nassaney & Family
Emma Nassaney (Graduation Congratulations), offered by Anthony, Cheryl & Evan Nassaney
Holly Lazieh (Happy Birthday), offered by Dimitrios & Nancy Sterpis & Family
Jordan Lazieh (Graduation Congratulations), offered by Dimitrios & Nancy Sterpis & Family
Emma Nassaney (Graduation Congratulations), offered by Dimitrios & Nancy Sterpis & Family
Isabel, Elizabeth and George, offered by their grandparents George & Sandra Matook
Keith, Marlene & Madelyn Marshall, offered by Joe & Marlene Samra
Joe, Rebecca, Joseph & Ellianna Samra, offered by Joe & Marlene Samra



Special Prayers of Good Heath and Blessing are being offered for Rita Sayegh in observance of her 100th Birthday with continued good health.

Offered by:
Ethel, Audrey & Wayne
Kilsey



Bulletin Submissions

Please help us provide a quality weekly bulletin by submitting all prayer requests and announcements to the church office by Noon on Wednesdays. Any requests received after this time will be in the following week's bulletin. Thank you for your cooperation.

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
John Swistak, offered by His Loving Family
Colleen Carden, offered by Elaine Swistak
Sylvia Tupaj, offered by Elaine Swistak
Ron Gauthier, offered by His Loving Wife
Christopher Gauthier, offered by His Mom
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
His Eminence Metropolitan Philip Saliba, offered by Edward & Lillian Betor
Charles Abdelahad, offered by Edward & Lillian Betor
Ameen and Nayfey Sabath, offered by Edward & Lillian Betor
Petras & Afife Betor, offered by Edward & Lillian Betor
Fred Sabath, offered by Edward & Lillian Betor
Helen Betor, offered by Edward & Lillian Betor
Fred “Fritzie” and Jimmy Sabath, offered by Edward & Lillian Betor
Nora David, offered by Barbara Aubin & Family
Mary Kilsey, offered by Ethel, Audrey & Wayne Kilsey
Mary Kilsey, offered by George, Lois, Mary & Christopher Kilsey
Mary Kilsey, offered by Deborah Kilsey & Victoria Azar
John & Esma Gorab, offered by Joe & Marlene Samra
Joseph & Mary Samra, offered by Joe & Marlene Samra
Jacqueline Gorab, offered by Joe & Marlene Samra



Coffee Hour

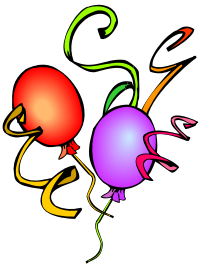
Coffee hour today is being offered by George & Sandra Matook for the health and blessing of their grandchildren: Isabel, Elizabeth & George. Coffee hour will be held in the Church Hall following Liturgy.



All are welcome to share pictures of events at St. Mary for use on our website. Please email the pictures to pictures@stmarypawtcuket.org

Many Years Rita!

The Outreach Committee of the St. Mary Parish Council invites all the Parish to join us for a Special Coffee Hour celebrating one of our beloved parishioners *Rita Sayegh* on the occasion of her 100th Birthday on **June 29, 2014** at the Parish Center after Liturgy. Please come and join us to honor Rita.



Arabic Classes

Arabic classes will resume
in September.

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.

Please help support our fundraising efforts

*******2014 GRAND RAFFLE*******

Raffle tickets are still available for purchase. There will only be 100 tickets sold! The cost is \$100.

1st prize: \$1500, 2nd Prize: \$500, 3rd Prize: \$500.

Drawing to be held on Father’s Day, June 15th. If you haven’t already bought a ticket, please see Ed Ayoub or a Parish Council member.