

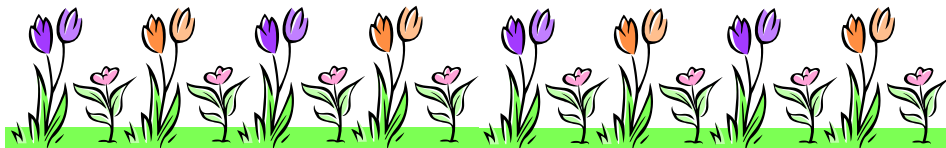
CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, July 6th: Fourth Sunday After Pentecost
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
Sunday, August 17th: 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 6, 2014

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

Saint Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church

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**His Grace Bishop JOHN, Auxiliary and Bishop of the
Diocese of Worcester and New England**

V. Rev. Father Elie Estephan
70 Davis St., Seekonk, MA 02771
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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

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).

A large part of the responsibility for a person's spiritual state lies with the family. For children to be released from their various inner problems it is not enough for them to receive good advice or to be compelled by force; nor do logical arguments or threats do any good. These things rather make matters worse. The solution is to be found through the sanctification of the parents. Become saints and you will have no problems with your children. The sanctity of their parents releases the children from their problems. Children want to have saintly people at their side, people with lots of love who will neither intimidate them nor lecture them, but who will provide a saintly example and pray for them. You parents should pray silently to Christ with upraised arms and embrace your children mystically. When they misbehave you will take some disciplinary measures, but you will not coerce them. Above all you need to pray.

+Elder Porphyrios of Kafsokalyvia



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.

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 6th	Joyce Kilsey	Her Aunt, Ethel Kilsey
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	Open for sponsorship	
August 10th	Samra Family	Mary Samra (10 year)
August 17th	St. Mary Feast Day Dinner	
August 24th	Open for sponsorship	
August 31st	Jim & Beth Schillawski	Michael & Tanya Schillawski
September 7th	Open for sponsorship	
September 14th	Open for sponsorship	
September 21st	The Ganim Family	George Ganim (15 years)
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	
November 9th	No Coffee Hour	St. Mary Annual Bazaar
November 16th	Open for sponsorship	
November 23rd	Open for sponsorship	
November 30th	Open for sponsorship	
December 7th	Open for sponsorship	
December 14th	Open for sponsorship	

Sunday, July 6, 2014
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Tone: 3 Eothinon: 4

Troparion of the Resurrection: Tone 2

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death, and became the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.

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.



Epistle
Roman 6:18-23

Prokeimenon: Sing praises to our God, sing praises.

Verse: Clap your hands all you nations.

The reading is from Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans.

Brethren, having been set free from sin, you have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once yielded your members to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now yield your members to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. But then what return did you get from the things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the return you get is sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Gospel
Matthew 8:5-13

At that time; Jesus entered Capernaum, a centurion came forward to him, beseeching him and saying, "Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, in terrible distress." And Jesus said to him, "I will come and heal him." But the centurion answered him, "Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. For I am a man under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, "Come," and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and he does it." When Jesus heard him, he marveled, and said to those who followed him, "Truly, I say to you, with no one in Israel have I found such faith. I tell you, many will come from east and west and sit at table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, while the sons of the kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth." And to the centurion Jesus said, "Go; be it done for you as you have believed." And the servant was healed at that very moment.

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

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

ONLINE BULLETIN

The Bulletin is available online on our website at:
<http://stmarypawtcuket.org>

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.





*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

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
Judy Drazek, offered by Elaine Gauthier
Fr. Elie, offered by Ray & Leila Trabulsi
Fr. Elie Estephan & Family, offered by Samy & Helen Morcos
Charlie Slemon, offered by Samy & Helen Morcos
Dorothy Catelli, offered by Elaine Gauthier
Charles Slemon, offered by Elaine Gauthier
Jacob, Maria, Emilia and Sofia Khoury, offered by Nabil & Salwa Khoury



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
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

Congratulations to our Metropolitan Joseph!

*St. Mary Church rejoices in the election by the Holy Synod
of Antioch of His Eminence Joseph to be the
Metropolitan of the Archdiocese of North America.*



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His Eminence Archbishop Joseph was consecrated to the Holy Episcopacy on June 30, 1991 at the St. Mary Cathedral in Damascus, after many years of serving as a deacon and a priest.

His Eminence was born in Damascus, Syria, in 1950. He completed his basic schooling at the St. John of Damascus and Al-ASiyeh schools in Damascus and then at Our Lady of Balamand Monastery in Koura, Lebanon. He completed his undergraduate studies at Lebanese University in Beirut and then earned his Master of Theology (M.Th.) with special studies in music and languages from Aristotle University in Thessaloniki, Greece. He was awarded an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from St. Tikhon Seminary in South Canaan, Pennsylvania, in May, 2010.

Patriarch Ignatius IV of Blessed Memory ordained him as a deacon in November, 1976, and priest in 1980. As priest, Fr. Joseph served as dean of St. Mary Cathedral in Damascus and as overseer of Holy Cross Church and other parishes in the suburbs of Damascus. He served as superintendent of the secondary school in Damascus from 1980 until 1983. Father Joseph then went abroad to pastor the Antiochian Orthodox Church in London, England from 1983 to 1986, and then the Antiochian Orthodox Church in Cyprus from 1986 until 1991, when he was elected as bishop.

Coffee Hour

The Coffee Hour today is offered by Joyce Kilsey for the good health and blessing of her aunt, Ethel Kilsey.



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.

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.

Cemetery Plots

St. Mary Parish Council has voted to increase the cost to purchase a cemetery plot at Walnut Hill Cemetery. The cost is \$1,000 effective immediately. See Ed Ayoub for more information or to purchase a plot.

Arabic Classes

Arabic classes will resume
in September.