Sunday, June 7th: All Saints Sunday: First Sunday after Pentecost
Tuesday, June 9th: 7:00 P.M. – Parish Council Meeting
Sunday, June 14th: Second Sunday after Pentecost
Monday, June 15th: 6:30 P.M. – Ladies Society Dinner Meeting at the Grist Mill
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June 18th-21st Parish Life Conference
Sunday, June 21st: Third Sunday after Pentecost – Liturgy held at the Marriott Hotel (PLC)
(No Church Services at St. Mary)
Father’s Day

Sunday, June 28th: Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, July 5th: St. Athanasios of Athos & Fifth Sunday of Matthew
Sunday, July 12th: Sixth Sunday after Pentecost & Sixth Sunday of Matthew
July 20th-July 26th: 52nd Antiochian Archdiocese Convention, Boston, MA
Sunday, July 26th: Eighth Sunday of Matthew
Sunday, August 2nd: Ninth Sunday after Pentecost & Ninth Sunday of Matthew
Sunday, August 9th: Tenth Sunday after Pentecost & Tenth Sunday of Matthew
Sunday, August 16th: Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost & Eleventh Sunday of Matthew
Sunday, August 23rd: Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost & Twelfth Sunday of Matthew
Sunday, August 30th: Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost & Thirteenth Sunday of Matthew
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.

Parish Council 2015:

President: Joe Samra III (Fellowship)
Vice-President: Salwa Khoury (Ladies Society)
Secretary: Cindy Hayes
Treasurer: Fadia Kabak

Council Members: Charles Abosamra, Emad Amirhom, Edward Ayoub, Scott Barnes, Cory Dupont, Janice Hallal (Choir), Lorice Hallal, Steven Kilsey Jr., Holly Lazieh, Jamie Mitri, Walid Nakhoul, Elmer Stanley (Church School)

**Please feel free to contact Joe Samra III (401) 334-0310 / joesamra@gmail.com or any member of the Parish Council with any questions or concerns**
Orthodox Vocabulary

Godparent
The godparent is the person who receives in his/her arms the newly baptized infant. But before that, he/she has stood as the sponsor of the infant by giving the prescribed denunciations of Satan and affirmations of accepting Christ and it is he/she who finally recites the Creed signifying the personal belief of the candidate to Baptism. However, since the introduction of infant Baptism, the godparent has assumed the important obligation of seeing together with the parents that the infant is brought up within the Church and in the life of Christ. It is on account of this obligation that the baptismal sponsor is called ‘parent-in-God’. Since baptizing a child creates for the godparent a spiritual relationship not only between him and his godchild but also with the child’s family, the Orthodox Church places great significance on the responsibility of the godparents to help nurture and educate the child in the Holy Orthodox Faith. This special responsibility is a life-long one. There is a dogmatically and canonically entered spiritual relationship between godparent and godchild and, as a result, the Church has by Synodical decision prohibited marriage between the godparent and his/her godchild; also, marriage between the godparent and the biological parent (father or mother) of the godchild is prohibited (Justinian Novella 530 and Canon 53 of the Trullan Synod). The godparent must have been baptized in the Orthodox Church, be in full sacramental communion, and a member in good standing of a local Greek Orthodox parish.

The human family constitutes the primary and essential element of human society...peace in society will be a direct result of peace in the family; order and harmony in the secular, political realm will be the direct result of the order and harmony which arises out of creative guidance and the giving of real responsibility to children (by assigning specific tasks to the child).

~St. John Chrysostom

Sunday, June 7, 2015

All Saints Sunday: First Sunday after Pentecost
&A First Sunday of Matthew

Tone: 8  Eothinon: 1

Troparion of the Resurrection: Tone 8
From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the threeday burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

Troparion of All Saints: Tone 4
Thy Church, O Christ God, hath regaled herself in the blood of Thy Martyrs throughout the entire world, as in porphyry and purple. Through them she lifteth her voice crying: Turn with Thy compassion toward Thy people, and grant peace to Thy city, and to our souls 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 intercession from death Thou dost redeem our souls.

Kontakion of All Saints, Tone 8
(**As first-fruits of our nature**) As first-fruits of our nature to the Planter of created things, * the world presenting the Godbearing martyred Saints in offering unto Thee, O Lord. * Through their earnest entreaties, * keep Thy Church in deep peace and divine tranquility, * through the pure Theotokos, O Thou Who art greatly merciful.
The Epistle
Hebrews 11:33-12:2

Prokeimenon: God is wonderful among his saints.
Verse: Bless God in the congregations.
The reading is from Saint Paul’s Letter to the Hebrews.
Brethren all the saints through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced jus-
tice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging
fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became
mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by
resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they
might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging,
and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sewn in
two, they were tempted, they were killed with the sword; they went about
in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated - of whom
the world is not worthy - wandering over deserts and mountains, and in
dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their
faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen some-
thing better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.
Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let
us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let
us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus
the pioneer and perfection of our faith.

The Gospel
Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38; 19:27-30

The Lord said to his disciples, "Every one who acknowledges me before
men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven; but who-
ever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in
heaven." He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me;
and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me and he
who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. "Then Pe-
ter said in reply, "Lo, we have left everything and followed you. What
then shall we have?" Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, in the new
world, when the Son of man shall sit on his glorious throne, you who have
followed me will also sit on his twelve thrones, judging the twelve
tribes of Israel. And every one who has left houses or brothers or sis-
ters or father or mother or children or lands; for my name's sake, will
receive manifold, and inherit eternal life. But many that are first will
be last, and the last first.

Please help support our fundraising efforts

*****2015 RAFFLE/ 20 WEEK CLUB*****

Raffle tickets are still available for purchase- $25.00 each.
(1) $50.00 Prize each week
(1) Grand Prize of $1,000 to be drawn on September 13th during Coffee Hour.

If you haven’t already bought a ticket, please see Ed Ayoub or a Parish Council
member.

WINNERS:
Week - Scott Barnes $50
Week 2- Steven Kilsey $50
Week 3– Rebecca Samra $50
Week 4– Fred Hallal $50
Week 5– Lisa Ayoub Parent $50

ONLINE BULLETIN
The Bulletin is available online on our website at:
http://stmarypawtucket.org

St. Mary Parish Bookstore
Many beautiful Orthodox religious items are available from the St. Mary Parish bookstore
and display case. These include a new collection of Icons, Christmas and greeting cards, Li-
turgical music CD’s, prayer books, coloring books, Crosses and Orthodox Bibles. These
make wonderful gifts and reflect the Tradition of our Orthodox Faith. All proceeds benefit
the general fund of the Church. Please see Fr. Elie if you wish to purchase these gifts.
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.

Please make check to St. Mary Church for coffee sponsorship and earmark “Coffee Hour”.

If you would like to sponsor a coffee hour, please call the church office and speak with Sheryl.

**ALL Coffee hour’s will now be held at the Parish Center following Liturgy.**

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PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR GOOD HEALTH AND BLESSING OF:

- April Gentes Robert
  Offered by: George & Sandra Matook
- Mark Hashway
  Offered by: Elaine Wilbur
- Jacob, Maria, Sofia & Emelia Khoury
  Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury
- Lorna Hallal & Family
  Offered by: Albert & Victoria Hallal & Family

PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

- Fred Hashway Jr.
  Offered by: Elaine Wilbur
- John Hallal
  Offered by: Albert & Victoria Hallal & Family
- John Hallal
  Offered by: Joe & Marlene Samra
- Mary Kilsey
  Offered by: Ethel, Audrey & Wayne Kilsey, Lois & George Kilsey, Deborah Kilsey & Victoria Azar

Coffee Hour

Today, the Coffee Hour is offered by Nabil & Salwa Khoury for the Health of their Children & Grandchildren. Coffee hour will be held at the Parish Center after Liturgy.
June 18th-21st – St. Mary Church, Pawtucket: Hosting 2015 Parish Life Conference
July 20th-26th – St. Mary Church, Cambridge, MA: Hosting 52nd Archdiocesan Convention, Boston, MA

LADIES SOCIETY NEWS
St. Mary Antiochian Church- Ladies Meeting
Monday, June 15, 2015 ~ 6:30pm
The Old Grist Mill Tavern, Seekonk, MA

Choice of dinner menu:
Baked Boston Scrod, Baked Stuffed Chicken, 10oz Sirloin Steak

All entrees include: Salad bar, choice of potato, vegetable of the day, fresh home baked breads, soft drinks, coffee and tea, homemade desserts.

$40 per person- includes tax/tip
Call Nora Matook for reservations asap (401) 231-6411
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@gmail.com

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.

Cemetery Plots

If you wish to purchase a cemetery plot at Walnut Hill Cemetery, the cost is $1,000. Please contact Ed Ayoub for more information or to purchase a plot.

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.

77th Annual
Diocese of Worcester & New England Parish Life Conference

June 18-21, 2015 | Marriott Hotel, Providence, RI
Hosted by St. Mary Pawtucket

Conference Schedule

Thursday, June 18, 2015
- Registration
- BISHOP JOHN and Clergy Meeting
- Federal Hill Experience

Friday, June 19, 2015
- Registration
- Orthros
- Antiochian Women Meeting
- Organizations Luncheon
- Fellowship of St. John the Divine Meeting
- Choir rehearsal
- Vespers
- Teen SOYO Meeting
- Dinner at your Leisure
- Bible Bowl
- Bishop JOHN - Supplication Service
- Game Night

Saturday, June 20, 2015
- Registration
- Orthros
- Hierarchical Divine Liturgy
- Oratorical Festival
- Awards Banquet
- Youth and Teen SOYO Field Trip
- Praying with Icons with Kris Erin Kimmett
- Servant Leadership in the Life of the Orthodox Christian - Anthony S. Bashir
- Caring & Richard Bobbitt, Department of Lay Ministry
- Christian Education Workshop with Carole Buleza
- Theosis: Your Life with God
- The Intersection of Technology and Faith: Implications for the Modern Family with Jamil Sanara
- Open Choir Rehearsal /Spectators Welcome
- Vespers
- St. Ignatius Parish Council Dinner
- Grand Banquet

Sunday, June 21, 2015
- Orthros
- Hierarchical Divine Liturgy
- Farewell Complimentary Coffee Reception
## Registration Form

Registration Fee:
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**Please note:**
- Registration includes lunch and conference materials.
- Registration does not include travel or accommodation.

**Please fill in the form below:**

**Name:**

**Address:**

**City:**

**State:**

**Phone:**

**Email:**

**Fax:**

**Company:**

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**Sponsorship Form**

**Sponsorship Level:**

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- [ ] $5000

**Sponsorship Description:**

**Contact Information:**

**Name:**

**Company:**

**Address:**

**Phone:**

**Email:**

**Fax:**

**Date:**

**Signature:**

Please note: All sponsorship levels include recognition in the program. Please fill out the form below to indicate your desired level of sponsorship.

**Please note:**
- Your support will be acknowledged in the program.
- All donations are tax-deductible.
- All donations are non-refundable.
- All donations are due by November 1, 2015.