

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, October 4th: Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

25 Year Celebration for Robert (Bobby) Shwaery

20 Week Club-Grand Prize Drawing

Monday, October 5th: 7:00 P.M.– Ladies Society Meeting

Wednesday, October 7th: 9:30am Ladies Cooking– Date Fingers

Saturday, October 10th: 9:30am Ladies Cooking– Sfeeha

Tuesday, October 13th: 7:00 P.M.– Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, October 14th: 9:30am Ladies Cooking– Kaik (Braided)

Friday, October 16th: 8pm-1am-Hafle at Parish Center

Saturday, October 17th: 9:30am Ladies Cooking– Nut Mamoul

5:00 P.M.-Fall Harvest Party

Sunday, October 18th: Vision Building Workshop following Liturgy at the Parish Center

Wednesday, October 21st: 9:30am Ladies Cooking– Birds Nest & Nomoura

Wednesday, October 28th: 9:30am Ladies Cooking– Graybee

Friday, October 30th: 9:30am Ladies Cooking– Trayed Baklava

Saturday, October 31st: 9:30am Ladies Cooking– Rolled & Date Baklava

Friday, November 6th– Sunday, November 8th: St. Mary Annual Holiday Bazaar



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.

SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday, October 4, 2015

*Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost &
Second Sunday of Luke*

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
395 Brown St.-Unit 2, Attleboro, MA 02703
Cell- 1-(240) 205-9079

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.

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****



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).

- ♦ The Fall Harvest Party will be held on Saturday, October 17th at 5pm at the Parish Center

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, Liturgical 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.

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL ORTHODOX CHURCH CONSECRATION

On Sunday, November 1, 2015 the consecration of St. Michael the Archangel Church, Cotuit, MA will be celebrated by Bishop John Abdalah. Orthros is scheduled at 9:00 a.m. followed by the consecration of the church and a Hierarchal Divine Liturgy. A complementary celebratory brunch will be held in Manikas Hall following the Liturgy. Parishioners and friends of St. Michael's Church will also celebrate at a banquet following Vespers on Saturday, October 31, 2015. Vespers is scheduled for 4:00 p.m. Cocktail hour begins at 5:30 p.m. and dinner will follow at The Cape Club (formerly Ballymeade), 125 Falmouth Woods Road, East Falmouth, MA 02536 (off Rte. 151).

Tickets for the banquet may be purchased from Elaine Savas, 508-548-9311 at \$50 per person for adults and \$10 per person for children. Dinner offerings include Lemon Balsamic Statler Chicken or Crab Stuffed Baked Flounder for adults and chicken fingers with French fries and vegetable for children.

We invite all to come and share this special and important event.

Orthodox Vocabulary

Kenosis

The noun is derived from the verb “he emptied himself” or “annihilated himself” (phil. 2:7). The Son remains God when he becomes incarnate but he divests himself of his glory to the point of being “unrecognizable”. Kenosis is the properly divine way of loving: becoming a human being without reservation and without calling for recognition or compelling it. Kenosis refers first to the self-emptying of the Word in the incarnation but this is completed in the self-emptying of the Spirit in the Church, while it also reveals the self-emptying of the living God in creation. The mystery of the covenant stands under the sign of kenosis, for the more far-reaching the covenant, the more complete the union. Our divinization comes through the meeting of the kenosis of God with the kenosis of the human being; the fundamental requirement of the Gospel can therefore be stated as follows: we shall be one with Christ to the extent that we “lose” ourselves for him.

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.

FALL HAFLE



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16TH
60 ST. MARY WAY, PAWTUCKET, RI
DOORS OPEN AT 8PM * DINNER 8:30
ADMISSION: \$60 ~ VIP \$75
CHILDREN BETWEEN 12-17 \$25
NO CHILDREN UNDER 12

FOR TICKETS CONTACT: FR. ELIE (240)205-9079
OR TONY KABAK (401)744-6317



Sunday, October 4, 2015

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Tone: 1 Eothinon: 7

Troparion of the Resurrection: Tone 1

While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.

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 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

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous.

The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (9:6-11)

Brethren, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work. As it is written, “He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever.” He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your resources and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for great generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (6:31-36)

The Lord said: “As you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.”

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.****

THERE ARE MANY COFFEE HOURS OPEN FOR SPONSORSHIP

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Sponsored by:</u>	<u>Sponsored for:</u>
October 4th	St. Mary Church	Celebration for Bobby Shwaery Health of their Family
October 11th	Edward & Mona Bakleh	
October 18th	Open for sponsorship	2015 Holiday Bazaar
October 25th	Open for sponsorship	
November 1st	Open for sponsorship	
November 8th	No Coffee Hour	
November 15th	Open for sponsorship	
November 22nd	Open for sponsorship	Elias Morcos (Memory)
December 6th	Open for sponsorship	
December 13th	Open for sponsorship	
December 20th	Open for sponsorship	Annual Meeting
December 27th	Open for sponsorship	
January 3, 2016	Open for sponsorship	
January 10, 2016	Open for sponsorship	
January 17, 2016	Open for sponsorship	
January 24, 2016	Dr. Zeyad & Norma Morcos	Annual Meeting
January 31, 2016	Open for sponsorship	
February 7, 2016	St. Mary Church	

Ladies Society News

Schedule for Bazaar Cooking:

Wednesday, October 7th: 9:30- Date Fingers

Saturday, October 10th: 9:30- Sfeeha

Wednesday, October 14th: 9:30- Kaik (Braided)

Saturday, October 17th: 9:30- Nut Mamoul

Wednesday, October 21st: 9:30- Birds Nest & Nomoura

Wednesday, October 28th: 9:30- Graybee

Friday, October 30th: 9:30- Trayed Baklava

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Everyone is welcome
and encouraged to help
with the cooking! Come
help us in making these
delicious foods for our
Bazaar.

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.

Vision Building Workshop October 18th

Are you interested in planning for the future of St. Mary's? Do you have concerns on how we will get there? Please be sure to save the date for a Parish Workshop on Sunday, October 18th directly following liturgy (a light lunch will be served). The workshop will be lead by Archdiocese professional Richard Robbat. If you recall, the council already began this future shaping process - we completed our mission and are excited to continue the process with the parish at large.

PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR GOOD HEALTH AND BLESSING OF:

April Gentes Robert
Robert Shwaery & Family
Offered by: George & Sandra Matook

Bobby Shwaery
Fred & Adele Shwaery
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Bobby Shwaery
Offered by: Fr. Timothy & Kh. Louise
Ferguson & Family

Paula Hallal
Offered by: Holly Lazieh and Sons &
Bob Dessaint

Fr. Constantine & Sharon Nasr & Family
Cindy Antypas & Family
Charles Slemon & Family
Offered by: Philip & Bette Ayoub
Barbara Aubin
Nancy Penta
George & Donna David
Susan Warzycha & Al Delpape

Bobby Shwaery
Fred & Adele Shwaery & Family
Offered by: Elaine Swistak

Robert Shwaery
Offered by: Elaine Agaty
Nora Abdelahad



Robert Shwaery
Offered by: Elaine Gauthier

Fred & Adele Shwaery
Offered by: Elaine Gauthier & Family

Robert Shwaery
Offered by: Bryan & Stephanie Chowning &
Family

Special Prayers of Good Health &
Blessing are being offered for Robert
Shwaery

Congratulations Robert
~25 Years Serving the Lord~

Love You, Mom & Dad



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Blessing are being offered for Robert
Shwaery

~In appreciation of your faithful
and devoted service~

Offered by:
Frederick & Catherine Shwaery
Nicholas Shwaery
Michael, Elizabeth, Layla &
Lucas Melcher



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Blessing are being offered for Robert
Shwaery

~Your service to the Lord blesses others
so much more than you know. May
God continue to Bless you.~

Offered by:
Linda Dvelis
Peter Salcone
Robert, Kristen, Alex & Jack Silva
Jason, Stephanie, Lily & Violet Dvelis



PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED
IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Fred Hashway Jr.
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Thomas Matook
Offered by: George & Sandra Matook &
Family

Frederick Hallal
Sophie Hallal
Moses Lazieh
Edward Hallal
Offered by: Holly Lazieh and Sons &
Bob Dessaint

Charles Slemon
Offered by: Philip & Bette Ayoub
Barbara Aubin
Nancy Penta
George & Donna David
Susan Warzycha & Al Delpape

John Martins
Offered by: Elaine Swistak



Christmas Concert

A Diocesan Christmas Concert, sung by the combined choirs and chanters of Worcester and New England, will be held on Saturday, December 5th at 6PM at St. George Orthodox Cathedral in Worcester immediately following Vespers, and on Sunday, December 6th at 3PM at Church of St. John of Damascus in Dedham. Mark Haddad, choir director at St. John's, will be conducting the Diocesan Choir with Charles Marge of St. Mary's conducting the Diocesan Chanters. This will be a beautiful event open to parishioners, families, and friends as well as the public. Please plan on joining us!

For more information or questions, please contact:
Mark Haddad at mhh42@me.com or Charlie Marge at marge@alum.mit.edu

ONLINE BULLETIN

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

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

S t . M a r y T e e n S O Y O N e w s a n d E v e n t s

Attention All Teens
(12 years and older)

****** Come and join The St. Mary Teen SOYO Youth Group ******

Upcoming events:

- October is Youth Month
- Thanksgiving Baskets
- Bazaar Booth

Contact Cory Dupont for more information
(401) 749-9406 or cory_dupont@yahoo.com

Teen SOYO

Canned Food Drive

The Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese of North America is one of the sponsoring organizations for the National Committee for World Food Day. Please bring your canned goods (and non-perishables) to the church between Sunday, October 4th–Sunday, December 5th and place them in the box in the church hall. The food will be distributed by TEEN SOYO to help others in our community (Thanksgiving & Christmas Baskets). The total weight of the food collected will be included in “THE WORD” magazine. Please help our Teens with this project.

ST. MARY'S 35TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR
NOVEMBER 6(5-8PM), 7(10-8PM), 8(11-4PM)

MIDDLE EASTERN CUISINE SO AUTHENTIC,
A PASSPORT SHOULD BE REQUIRED.



Middle Eastern Cuisine & Pastry
Made-to-order meals + Bulk food purchases
Cash raffle & Grand Raffle + Penny Social
FREE Admission + Rain or Shine - we are indoors!
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One St. Mary Way, Pawtucket

THE BEST MIDDLE EASTERN FOOD IN RI!

25 Year Celebration

Please join us today in honoring Robert (Bobby) Shwaery as he celebrates 25 years as an Alter Server for St. Mary Church.

Bobby started in 1990 as an Alter Server under the guidance of Fr. Timothy. Throughout his 25 years of serving the lord, he served on the altar with Fr. Leonard, Fr. Isaac, and most recently with Fr. Elie.

As a special *THANK YOU* to Bobby, we will be having a celebration on Sunday, October 4th at the Parish Center following Liturgy in his honor.

A menu of hotdogs, hamburgers, chips, fruit, ice cream, coffee and deserts will be offered free of charge to all parishioners.

Please come join us in thanking Bobby for his continued dedication to our church!



St. Mary Annual Bazaar ~2015~

The Bazaar Committee has started its preparations for the 2015 Bazaar to be held at the Parish Center November 6th, 7th, 8th. Your generous support and participation are needed to help ensure the success of this annual event for our church and community. Please contact the chair Charlotte Mitri (401) 651-9295.

The first Bazaar Committee meeting was held and we had a great turn-out. Thanks to all who attended! Everyone is busy preparing for our biggest fundraiser of the year....so please consider helping- whether it be behind the scenes or front-line on the days of the bazaar...we need your help! Flyers are available. We need help with distributing flyers and yard signs- please contact Charlotte.

*****The Bazaar Committee is looking for new items for the Penny Social table. Please give items to Charlotte or drop off at the Church Office.*****



ANGEL RAFFLE



"Only 100 Tickets being sold!"

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!!!

First Prize: \$2,500 * Second Prize: \$1,500 * Third Prize: \$1,000

***Drawing will be held at the Bazaar on Friday, November 6th.
Thank you for your support!***



Leg of Lamb Drive

**ST. MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH
ANNUAL BAZAAR**

NOVEMBER 6th, 7th and 8th, 2014

*The Bazaar Committee is establishing a
Leg of Lamb Drive Program
To help defray the kitchen costs of our annual event.*

*Everyone has an opportunity to donate
Legs of lamb at a cost of \$30 each.
You simply make your donation,
And the committee will purchase the lamb.*

*Just fill out the donation form below and return it to the church with
your check. We'll do the rest!*

*Thanks for your generosity and support.
Bazaar Committee*

Lamb Drive Donation Form

Quantity _____ @ \$30 each

Total enclosed: _____

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Payable to: *St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church
Attention: Bazaar Committee
249 High Street, Pawtucket, RI 02860
Phone: (401) 726-1202*