Sunday, May 31st: Sunday of PENTECOST
Saturday, June 6th: 9:30am – Baking at the Parish Center
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

**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 Lazioch, 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

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.

Why does the Lord command us to love our enemies and to pray for them? Not for their sake, but for ours! For as long as we bear grudges, as long as we dwell on how someone offended us, we will have no peace.

~Elder Thaddeus of Vitovnica

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.

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His Grace Bishop JOHN, Auxiliary and Bishop of the
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V. Rev. Father Elie Estephan
395 Brown St.-Unit 2, Attleboro, MA 02703
Cell: 1-(240) 205-9079

Enter in Quietness, Rest in Prayer,
Worship in Reverence, Depart in Peace to Serve

Schedule of Services
Sunday: Orthros (Matins) 8:45 a.m.
Church School 11:15 a.m.
Sunday: Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
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

Troparion of Pentecost, Tone 8
Blessed art Thou, O Christ our God, Who hast revealed the fishermen as most wise, having sent upon them the Holy Spirit, and through them Thou hast fished the universe, O Lover of mankind, glory to Thee.

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 Arabs, 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 Pharisies, 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 accused." 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.

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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Coffee Hour Sponsorships

Sponsored for:

2015 Parish Life Conference
Joseph Samra Sr. (50 years)
Elias Morcos (son)
Salim Audi (3 years)
George “Sippi” David (5 years)
**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

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**Attention Ladies**

*We will be baking for the Conference and need your help! We are making Dates Fingers and Mamoul Nuts on Saturday, June 6th at 9:30am at the Parish Center. The more parishioners – the faster we will be done. Come and have fun too.*

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**40-Day Memorial Service**

A Forty-Day Memorial Service for the servant of God John Hallal is lovingly offered by The Hallal Family.

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

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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

- Al & Vickie Hallal
  Lorna Hallal & Family
  Offered by: Ron & Janice Hallal

- Fred Hallal
  Offered by: George & Sandra Matook
  Elaine Agaty
  Nora Abdelahad

- Jacob, Maria, Sofia & Emelia Khoury
  Hallal Family
  Offered by: Nabiel & Salwa Khoury

- Lorna Hallal & Family
  Al & Vicki Hallal & Family
  Ron & Janice Hallal & Family
  James Hallal
  Ed & Suzanne Ayoub
  Offered by: Elaine Swistak

- Mr. & Mrs. Albert Hallal & Family
  Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Hallal & Family
  James Hallal
  Offered by: Julia Vale

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**Diocese of N.E. upcoming events**

- 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

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Fred Hallal
Lorna Hallal & Family
Lauren Hallal (on her graduation from Boston College)
Offered by: Lorice Hallal

Lorna Hallal & Family
Albert & Vicki Hallal
Ronald & Janice Hallal & Family
James Hallal
Offered by: Elaine Gauthier

Barbara & George Moussalli
Offered by: Kristen & Daniel Seddiqui

Lorna Hallal & Family
Ronald & Janice Hallal & Family
James Hallal
Offered by: Karen & Linus Vachon & Family
James & Paula Hallal & Family
David & Terrie Hallal & Family
Coffee Hour

Today, a Memorial Coffee Hour is offered for John Hallal (40 Day) by The Hallal Family. Coffee hour will be held at the Parish Center after Liturgy.

PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Fred Hashway Jr.
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

John Hallal (beloved brother)
James & Mary Hallal
Linda Bowab
Offered by: Ron & Janice Hallal

John Hallal
Offered by: George & Sandra Matook
Elaine Agaty
Nora Abdelahad
Nabil & Salwa Khoury
Elaine Swistak
Bill & Susan Salhany & Family
William Salhany
Julia Vale
Lorice Hallal
Elaine Gauthier
John Salhany
Philip & Bette Ayoub
George & Barbara Moussalli & Family

Khalil Al-Amir
Offered by: Julia & Iman Al-Amir

John Hallal
Isabella Salib
Offered by: Joe & Marlene Samra

John Hallal (dear uncle)
Offered by: Karen & Linus Vachon & Family
James & Paula Hallal & Family
David & Terrie Hallal & Family

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.
Sponsorship Form

Diocese of Worcester Parish Life Conference
June 18-21, 2015

Please enter the text here if you need to fill in any form information.

Email
City State Zip Code
Company
Tax ID

Established in 2014, the Diocese of Worcester Parish Life Conference is for registered Catholic Churches to participate in a weekend filled with activities that benefit families.

SAVE THE DATE!

Go to www.stmarypawnuticket.org for registration & more information!

Join us for family fun, heart-warming fellowship and wonderful opportunities for spiritual growth in the "Creative Capital"!

Check the appropriate boxes below. Make check payable to "St. Mary Parish Life Conference" and mail to above address. Fax credit card payment information on the bottom of this form. Mail name and address on the credit card billing statement.

All Sponsorship Contributions are tax deductible.

Online registration is available at www.stmarypawnuticket.org

Receive your Logo on Event Materials

Date
Signature

Unsubsidized forms will not be processed.

$500.00 $1,000.00 $2,000.00

$1,500.00 $3,000.00 $5,000.00

$7,500.00 $10,000.00 $15,000.00

Personal Checks Only! Checks should be payable to St. Mary Parish Life Conference

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For more information call 413-786-7721

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77th Annual
Diocese of Worcester & New England
Parish Life Conference
June 18-21, 2015 | Marriott Hotel, Providence, RI
Hosted by St. Mary Pembroke

Conference Schedule

Thursday, June 18, 2015
Registration
BISHOP JOHN and Clergy Meeting
Federal Hill Experience
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Friday, June 19, 2015
Registration
Orthros
Astonian 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
9:00 am - 8:00 pm
9:00 am - 10:00 am
10:00 am - 12:00 pm
12:00 pm - 2:30 pm
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
7:30 pm - 9:00 pm
9:30 pm - 10:00 pm
10 pm

Saturday, June 20, 2015
Registration
Orthros
Hierarchical Divine Liturgy
Oratorical Festival
Awards Banquet
Youth and Teen SOYO Field Trip
Praying with icons with Kti Erin Simmerman
Servant Leadership in the Life of the Orthodox Christian - Anthony S. Bachur
& Richard Robb, 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 Janii Sarara
Open Choir Rehearsal /Spectators Welcome
Vespers
St. Ignatius Parish Council Dinner
10:00 am - 11:00 am
11:30 am - 1:00 pm
1:30 pm - 3:30 pm
1:30 - 2:30 pm & 2:30 - 3:30 pm
3:30 - 5:00 pm
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
6:00 pm - 8:30 pm
8:30 pm - 1:00 am

Sunday, June 21, 2015
Orthros
Hierarchical Divine Liturgy
Farewell Complimentary Coffee Reception
9:00 am
10:00 am
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm