Sunday, August 2nd: Ninth Sunday after Pentecost & Ninth Sunday of Matthew
(Fr. Gregory Harrigle presiding)
5 Year Memorial Service for George David
Ladies Meeting at the Parish Center following Liturgy

Tuesday, August 5th: 7:00P.M. – Liturgy for the Transfiguration (Bishop JOHN presiding)

Sunday, August 9th: Tenth Sunday after Pentecost & Tenth Sunday of Matthew
(Bishop JOHN presiding)

Tuesday, August 11th: 7:00P.M. – Parish Council Meeting

Sunday, August 16th: Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost & Eleventh Sunday of Matthew
(Fr. John Bacon presiding)

Sunday, August 23rd: Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost & Twelfth Sunday of Matthew
(Bishop JOHN presiding)
40 Day Memorial Service for Fred Hallal
Feast Day Dinner– (reserve your tickets now)

Sunday, August 30th: Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost & Thirteenth Sunday of Matthew

Sunday, September 6th: 40 Day Memorial Service for Ethel Kilsey

Arabic Liturgy Schedule
- August: No Arabic Liturgy
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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
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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

Apostolic Fathers

The Apostolic Fathers were Church leaders and writers of the 1st and 2nd centuries of the life of the Church. They successfully defended the Church against internal and external foes. Cardinal among serious internal threats was Gnosticism, a heresy that almost disestablished the young Church.

The Apostolic Fathers succeeded in grounding the Church on a truly Apostolic foundation. They contributed greatly to the spiritual, dogmatic, and liturgical stability of the early Church. They include Clement of Rome, Ignatios, Hermas, Polycarp, Papias, and the authors of some well-known Epistle and the treatise Didache.

Do all in your power not to fall, for the strong athlete should not fall. But if you do fall, get up again at once and continue the contest. Even if you fall a thousand times because of the withdrawal of Gods’ grace, rise up again each time, and keep on doing so until the day of your death.

~ John of Karpathos

Fee schedule for the use of the Sanctuary for the following services:

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(Plus offering to clergy & cost of choir)
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 1 – Scott Barnes $50
Week 2 – Steven Kilsey $50
Week 3 – Rebecca Samra $50
Week 4 – Fred Hallal $50
Week 5 – Lisa Ayoub Parent $50
Week 6 – Diana Hashway $50
Week 7 – Adele Shwaery $50
Week 8 – Teresa Haddad $50
Week 9 – Fadi Samaan
Week 10 – Lisa Ayoub Parent $50
Week 11 – Sue Ayoub $50 (donated back to Church – Thank you!)

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, 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.

Sunday, August 2, 2015

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost &
Ninth Sunday of Matthew

Tone: 8 Eothinon: 9

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

Troparion of St. Stephen the Archdeacon: Tone 4
(**Be quick to anticipate**) The crown of the Kingdom hath adorned the brow of thy head * because of the contests that thou hast endured for Christ God, thou first of the martyred Saints; * for when thou hadst censured the Jews’ madness, thou sawest * Christ thy Savior standing  at the right hand of the Father. * O Stephen, ever pray Him for us, that He would save our souls.

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 The Transfiguration of Christ: Tone 7
Thou wast transfigured on the mount, and Thy Disciples, in so far as they were able, beheld Thy glory, O Christ our God; so that, when they should see Thee crucified, they would remember that all Thy suffering was voluntary, and could declare to all the world that Thou art truly the effulgent Splendor of the Father.
EPISTLE
1 Corinthians 3:9-17

Prokeimenon: Make your vows to the Lord our God and perform them.
Verse: God is known in Judah; his name is great in Israel.
The reading is from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians.

Brethren, we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and another man is building upon it. Let each man take care how he builds upon it. For no other foundation can any one lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any one builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw - each man's work will become manifest; for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. If the work which any man has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. If any man's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire. Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If any one destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and that temple you are.

GOSPEL
Matthew 14:22-34

At that time, Jesus made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds he went up to the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat was in the middle of the sea, beaten by the waves; for the wind was against it. And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out of fear. But immediately, Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart, it is I; have no fear." And Peter answered him, saying, "Lord, if it is you, bid me come to you on the water." Jesus said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus; but when he saw the mighty wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "O man of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind became calm. And those in the boat came and worshipped Jesus, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God." And when they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennes'aret.

St. Mary Feast Day Dinner
With Bishop JOHN

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23rd, AT THE PARISH CENTER

MENU:
- CHICKEN KABOB DINNER & CHILDREN'S MENU AVAILABLE

RESERVED TICKET:
- ADULTS: $15
- CHILDREN UNDER 12: NO CHARGE

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED. PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW AND RETURN WITH PAYMENT TO THE CHURCH BY AUGUST 14!!! OR YOU MAY CONTACT MARLENE SAMRA AT 401-334-2465 / momsamra@gmail.com

RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY AUGUST 14!!!

MONETARY DONATIONS WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED TO HELP DEFRAY THE COST OF THE DINNER

ST. MARY FEAST DAY DINNER RESERVATION
PLEASE RETURN BY AUGUST 14 WITH PAYMENT

NAME: ____________________________

NUMBER OF ADULTS: ______________
CHILDREN: _______________________

TOTAL PAYMENT: __________________
**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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*May God grant him peace and may his memory be eternal*

**PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR GOOD HEALTH AND BLESSING OF:**

- April Gentes Robert
  Offered by: George & Sandra Matook
- Mark Hashway
  Offered by: Elaine Wilbur
- The David Family
  Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury
- Bette Ayoub & Family
  Offered by: The David Family
- The Kilsey Family
  Offered by: Ray & Leila Trabulsy
- The David Family
  Offered by: Bette Ayoub & Family
- Craig Barone
  Offered by: Samy & Helen Morcos
- Bette Ayoub
  Offered by: Elaine Agaty
- Nora Abdelahad
- The David Families
  Offered by: Elaine Swistak
- Paul, Maureen & Mary
  Offered by: Nora Abdelahad
- Gurghigian
- Fred, Adele & Robert Shwaery
- Bette Ayoub
- Charles & Angela Abosamra & Family
- Philip & Betty Ayoub & Family
  Offered by: Elaine Swistak
- Barbara Aubin & Family
- Nancy Penta & Family
- George & Donna David & Family
- Susan Warzycha & Al Delpape & Family
- Charles & Angela Abosamra & Family
- Bette Ayoub
  Offered by: The Charles Slemon Family

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Welcome
St. Mary Church thanks and welcomes Fr. Gregory Harrigle today for joining us in the celebration of Liturgy while our beloved priest Fr. Elie is away visiting his family in Lebanon.

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.