CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, August, 14th: Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

St. Mary Church Feast Day Celebration at the Parish Center

Sunday, August, 21st: Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

Outreach Committee Meeting during Coffee Hour

Sunday, August, 28th: Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

Thursday, August 25th: 5:00 P.M.- DOWNE Teen SOYO Pawtucket PawSox Outing

Sunday, September 4th: Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

Wednesday, September 7th: 7:00 P.M.– Liturgy for the Nativity of the Theotokos

Saturday, September 10th: 6:00 P.M.- Arabic Liturgy (**please note date change**)

St. Mary's Got Talent at the Parish Center following Liturgy

9:30 A.M.– Ladies Cooking at the Parish Center (Grapeleaves)

Sunday, September 11th: Sunday Before the Elevation of the Cross

First Day of Church School & Appreciation Luncheon

Wednesday, September 14th: 10:00 A.M.- Ladies Cooking at the Parish Center (Kibbee)

Saturday, September 17th: 9:30 A.M.- Ladies Cooking at the Parish Center (Sfeeha)

Sunday, September 18th: Sunday After the Elevation of the Cross

Saturday, September 24th: 9:30 A.M.- Ladies Cooking at the Parish Center (Sfeeha)

Sunday, September 25th: 14th Sunday After Pentecost & 1st Sunday of Luke

Saturday, October 1st: 9:30 A.M.- Ladies Baking at the Parish Center (Date Fingers)

6:00 P.M- Arabic Liturgy

Thursday, October 6th: 12-3:30 P.M.— Candy Making Workshop at the Parish Center **Saturday, October 8th:** 9:30 A.M.- Ladies Baking at the Parish Center (Mamoul Nuts) **Wednesday, October 12th:** 9:30 A.M.- Ladies Baking at the Parish Center (Braided &

Round Kaik

Thursday, October 13th: 12-3:30 P.M.— Candy Making Workshop at the Parish Center

Saturday, October 15th: 9:30 A.M.- Ladies Baking at the Parish Center (Graybee)

Thursday, October 20th: 12-3:30 P.M.— Candy Making Workshop at the Parish Center

Friday, October 21st: 11:30 A.M.- Cutting Cheese at the Parish Center

Saturday, October 22nd: 9:30 A.M.– Braiding Cheese at the Parish Center

Thursday, October 27th: 12-3:30 P.M.— Candy Making Workshop at the

Parish Center

Looking Ahead: St. Mary Holiday Bazaar November 4th-6th





Sunday, August 14, 2016

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost & Eighth Sunday of Matthew

Saint Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church

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

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Schedule of Services

Sunday: Orthros (Matins) 8:45 a.m. Church School 11:15 a.m. Sunday: Divine Liturgy 10:00 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 2016:

President: Salwa Khoury **Vice-President**: Cindy Hayes

Secretary: Jamie Mitri **Treasurer**: Fadia Kabak



Council Members: Joseph Samra III, Emad Amirhom, Scott Barnes, Lorice Hallal, Steven Kilsey Jr., Holly Lazieh, Walid Nakhoul, Elmer Stanley (Church School), Linda Dvelis, Hadeel Samaan

Please feel free to contact Salwa Khoury at (401)434-8877 / stkhoury@cox.net or any member of the Parish Council with any questions or concerns

Orthodox Vocabulary

Economy

See Eph 3:9. The economy is more than simply the "history of salvation"; it is the dispensation, or wise arrangement by stages, whereby the mystery that is Christ is brought to fulfillment. From Pentecost on, the economy has become Liturgy because we are in the stage of response and of the synergy of Spirit and Church.

Revere every work, every thought of the Word of God, of the writings of the Holy Fathers, and amongst them, the various prayers and hymns which we hear in church or which we read at home, because they are all the breathing and words of the Holy Spirit. It is, so to say, the "Holy Spirit Himself," who "maketh intercession," for us and through us, "with groanings which cannot be uttered" (Romans 8:26).

~St. John of Kronstadt



There will be a meeting of the Outreach Ministry Committee after Church during the Coffee Hour on August 21st. Please plan on attending, for we will be finalizing our plans for the Soup Kitchen that will begin in September. We need everyone's input on this. Thank you, Outreach Ministry Committee.

St. Marv Teen SOYO News and Events

Teen SOYO News

Save the Date for the Diocese Pawsox Outing

The DOWNE (Diocese of Worcester and New England) Teen SOYO is going to the Pawtucket Red Sox Game on Thursday, August 25th. The Teens will meet for dinner at our Parish Center at 5:00 PM and then head to the game. Tickets are expected to be about \$10. Please let Mary Gurghigian know if you are interested.

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 \$100 to the church so that a Parish Council member will handle the coffee hour on your behalf.

** <u>ALL</u> Coffee hour's will now be held at the Parish Center following Liturgy.**

~Please consider sponsoring a Coffee Hour~

Date:	Sponsored by:	Sponsored for:
August 14, 2016	no coffee hour	St. Mary Church Feast Day
August 21, 2016	Anwar & Rafaa Saliba	Health of Family
August 28th, 2016	Makram & Louise Megalli	Health of Madison,
,	5	Tayor, Edgar & Logan
September 4, 2016	Open for sponsorship	, ,
September 11, 2016	1 0 1	gluncheon/1st day of Church School
September 18, 2016	Elie & Julia Karam	Health of Naji upon his graduation
September 25, 2016		Health of His Family
October 2, 2016	Open for sponsorship	·
October 9, 2016	Open for sponsorship	
October 16, 2016	Open for sponsorship	
October 23, 2016	Open for sponsorship	
October 30, 2016	Open for sponsorship	
November 6, 2016	no coffee hour	2016 Annual Holiday Bazaar
November 13, 2016	Open for sponsorship	•
November 20, 2016	Open for sponsorship	
November 27, 2016	Open for sponsorship	
December 4, 2016	Open for sponsorship	
December 11, 2016	Open for sponsorship	

There are still many open dates to sponsor a coffee hour. Either call the church office, or see Mirna Nakhoul on Sunday after Liturgy. Please consider sponsoring a coffee hour.

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost & Eighth Sunday of Matthew

Sunday, August 14, 2016

Tone: 7 Eothinon: 8

Troparion of the Resurrection: Tone 7

Thou didst shatter death by Thy Cross, Thou didst open paradise to the thief; Thou didst turn the sadness of the ointment-bearing women into joy. And didst bid Thine Apostles proclaim a warning, that Thou hast risen O Christ, granting to the world the Great Mercy.

Troparion of the Transfiguration of Christ: Tone 1

In thy birth-giving, O Theotokos, thou didst keep and preserve virginity; and in thy falling-asleep thou hast not forsaken the world; for living thou wast translated, being the Mother of Life. Wherefore, by thine intercessions, deliver our souls from death.

Kontakion of the Transfiguration: Tone 2

Verily, the Theotokos, who is ever watchful in intercessions, who is never rejected, neither tomb nor death could control. But being the Mother of Life, He Who dwelt in her ever-Virgin womb did translate her to life.



Epistle I Corinthians 1:10-17

Prokeimenon: The Lord will give strength to his people.

Verse: Bring to the Lord, O Sons of God, bring to the Lord

Honour and glory.

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

Brethren, I appeal to you by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no dissensions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brethren. What I mean is that each one of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispos and Gaius; lest any one should say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized any one else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

The Gospel Matthew 14:14-22

At that time, when Jesus went ashore he saw a great throng; and he had compassion on them, and healed their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a lonely place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass; and taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children. Then Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.

Ladies Society News

Schedule for Bazaar Cooking:

Saturday, September 10th: 9:30am—Grapeleaves Wednesday, September 14th: 10:00am-Kibbee Saturday, September 17th: 9:30am—Sfeeha Saturday, September 24th: 9:30am—Sfeeha



Schedule for Bazaar Baking:

Saturday, October 1st: 9:30am – Date Fingers / Apricot Crescent

Saturday, October 8th: 9:30am – Mamoul Nuts

Wednesday, October 12th: 9:30am—Braided & Round Kaik

Saturday, October 15th: 9:30am— Graybee

Cheese:

Cutting cheese– Friday, October 21st: 11:30am
Braiding cheese– Saturday, October 22nd: 9:30am

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

To all Parishioners:

Some ladies have approached us and asked to help with making candy for the Bazaar. We will be having a Candy Workshop for those interested in learning how to make candy. Dates will be ALL Thursdays in October starting at 12:00 and ending at 3:30pm at the Parish Center. Hope to see you there!



~Candy Committee

St. Mary Annual Bazaar

We need your help to make this the most successful Bazaar ever! Please consider helping even if it is only for a couple of hours during our Bazaar weekend on November 4th-6th. We need volunteers for cooking, cleaning, set-up, booths, raffles, penny social, etc. We are also in need of new items or gift certificates for the penny social table.



AEF-50th Year Anniversary

The Arabic Educational Foundation is seeking sponsors for their 50th Anniversary Program Book. If you would like to support AEF, please find the program book ad forms on the candle stand in the back of the church. AEF offers financial assistance to high school and/or college students of Arabic American descent and has helped many students throughout the past 50 years.

St. Mary Church School New Year

On Sunday, September 11th, the 2016-2017 St. Mary Church School year will begin with the blessing of the children at Divine Liturgy and the first class of the new year. All parents of Church School aged children are encouraged to sign up their children immediately. Registration forms are available at the church office or by contacting Rebecca Samra.

<u>Attention All Parents</u>: Please bring your children to the Liturgy before Church School. Church School starts every Sunday following communion (Approx. 11:15am).

Sunday, September 11th: Church School classes begin and Appreciation Luncheon following Liturgy.

PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR GOOD HEALTH AND BLESSING OF:

Kevin Hashway Mark Hashway

Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Edward & Lillian Betor
Paul & Kerrie Betor
Thomas & Lynn Marcotte
Matthew & Adrienne Dykstra
Peter Marcotte
Laurice Zambie
William & LaVerne Ameen
Great-Granddaughters Joelle & Rose Dykstra
Great-Grandson, Daniel Thomas Dykstra
Offered by: Edward & Lillian Betor

Nabil Khoury Julia Vale Offered by: Salwa Khoury

Julia Vale Sam & Kay Matook Offered by: Elaine Swistak

Helga (my uncles wife)
Offered by: Zeyad & Norma Morcos

PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Fred Hashway Jr.
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Ameen and Nayfey Sabath
Petros and Afife Betor
Helen Betor
Fred Sabath
Fred "Fritzie and Jimmy Sabath
Offered by: Edward & Lillian Betor



PLEASE NOTE:

Beginning next Sunday, the candle stand will temporarily be on the opposite side of the Church.

Special Prayers of Good Health & Blessing are being offered for the continued good health of Julia Vale on the occasion of her 90th Birthday.

Offered by: George & Sandra Matook & Family

Food for Hungry People

If you have not turned in your Lenten Alms box or made your contribution to the Food for Hungry People program please do so as soon as possible. Checks may be made out to St. Mary and earmarked Food for Hungry People. St. Mary will be submitting our donation to the Archdiocese very soon. Thank you!

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

Dear St. Mary's Choir,

On August7, the 40 day memorial service was held for my Mother, Lila Bargoot. The choir was magnificent in creating the atmosphere of reverence and prayer and truly complemented and enhanced the beauty of our Divine Liturgy.

We would like to thank each and every choir member for this beautiful Liturgy. Mom would be honored as are we.

God Bless, Fred and Beverly Bargoot



Diocese of N.E. upcoming events

Sonia's Run

The 8th Annual Sonia's Run 5K & Fall Fair will take place on Saturday, September 17, 2016 at <u>St. George Orthodox Church in West Roxbury.</u> This family friendly event is in memory of our dear friend Sonia Daly Belcher who in her young life of only 32 years dreamed of an Orthodox pre-school for the young children of the Boston area. In 1997, when Sonia was only 21 years old, Theophany opened its doors, and has been ministering to preschool, Pre-K, and Kindergarten students ever since.

We invite you and your parishioners to attend Sonia's Run to help support Theophany School. The day begins with a kid's fun run 100 yard dash at 8:30 am, followed by the 5K Run/Walk at 9 am. After the 5K finishes, there is family fun for all on the church grounds including a bouncy house, dunk tank, face-painting, clown show & balloon animals, vendor tables, food, and more! We invite everyone to participate.

SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OF PAWTUCKET, RI

INVITES YOU TO ITS FEAST DAY CELEBRATION: "THE DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS"



Schedule of Services and Events:

Sunday, August 14th, 2016

9:00am: Matins

10:00am: Hierarchal Divine Liturgy with His Grace Bishop JOHN

12:00pm: Luncheon at the Parish Center

2:00pm: Entertainment- Singer: Andre Keede, raffles

Menu

Kibbee, meat pie, grilled chicken kabab, grilled vegetables, rice, sal-ad, coffee, ice cream bars, watermelon.

\$35– Adults \$10– Children 5-12 years Children under 5– Free

> For Tickets see: Charlotte Mitri (401) 651-9295 Mirna Nakhoul (401) 949-4350 Sahira (SouSou) Maalouf (508) 916-1523

Donations are welcome to help defray the cost.