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   Special Olympics collection
   Shower at the Parish Center during Coffee Hour to benefit the Bazaar
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Sunday, October 30th: Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost
   Teen SOYO sponsoring a Spaghetti Dinner at the Parish Center

**St. Mary Holiday Bazaar: November 4th-6th**

Sunday, November 6th: Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost
   Daylight Savings Time Ends
Saturday, November 12th: 8:00pm.-1:00am ~ Hafli at the Parish Center
Sunday, November 13th: Eighth Sunday of Luke
Sunday, November 20th: Twenty Second Sunday After Pentecost
Sunday, November 27th: Twenty Third Sunday After Pentecost
Sunday, December 4th: Tenth Sunday of Luke
Sunday, December 11th: Sunday of the Forefathers
Sunday, December 18th: Sunday before the Nativity of Christ (Genealogy)
Sunday, December 25th: The Nativity of Christ (Christmas)
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, Matthew Duncan (Church School), Linda Dvelis, Hadeel Samaan, Geoff Ayoub

**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

Tabernacle

Tabernacle: Tabernacle: from the Latin tabernaculum, "tent." In Exodus 25, we read the detailed instructions God gave to Moses about the building of the tabernacle, and in particular about the making of tapestries to serve as a tent to cover the tabernacle. This is the Tent of Meeting, a mobile sanctuary (Ex 40) containing the Ark of Witness, a model of the future Temple, which accompanied the Jews during their long exodus from Egypt to the Promised Land as a sign of God's presence among men. The Christian Church is the temple of God, whose head is Christ, and in each church we also find a tabernacle. In Orthodox churches, the tabernacle is a small chest placed on the altar table in the sanctuary in which are kept parcels of bread consecrated at the eucharistic liturgy—thus the body of Christ. The "holy reserve" of consecrated gifts is intended for the communion of the sick who are not able to come to church and receive communion with the other faithful. Father Alexander Schmemann writes the following (Great Lent): The Church firmly believes that, just as the Kingdom which is yet to come is "already among us," just as Christ, who has ascended to heaven and is sitting at the right hand of the Father, is yet still with us until the end of the world, so the food of immortality, a means of communication with Christ and his Kingdom, is always present in the Church.

Let us bear all things thankfully, be it poverty, be it disease, be it anything else whatever; for He alone knows the things expedient for us. "For we know not what we should pray for as we ought" (Rom. 8:26). We then who do not know even how to ask for what is fitting, unless we have received of the Spirit, let us take care to offer up thanksgiving for all things, and let us bear all things nobly. Are we in poverty? Let us give thanks. Are we in sickness? Let us give thanks; when we suffer affliction, let us give thanks, for this then brings us nearer to God!

~St. John Chrysostom
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.

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

~Please consider sponsoring a Coffee Hour~

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Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council &
Fourth Sunday of Luke

Sunday, October 16, 2016

Tone: 8   Eothinon: 6

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 the Holy Fathers: Tone 8
Thou, O Christ, art our God of exceeding praise Who didst establish our Holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true Faith, O most merciful One, glory to Thee.

Troparion of the Dormition: 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 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.
Epistle
Titus 3:8-15

Prokeimenon blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers.
Verse For you are just in all you have done.
The reading is from Saint Paul’s Letter to Titus

Titus, my son, The saying is sure. I desire that you insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these things are excellent and profitable to men. But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, dissensions, and quarrels over the law, for they are unprofitable and futile. As for a man who is factious, after admonishing him once or twice, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned. When I send Artemas to you, or Tychicus, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way, and see that they lack nothing. And let people learn to devote themselves to good deeds so as to help cases of urgent need, and not to be unfruitful. All who are with me send greetings to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with all of you. Amen.

The Gospel
Luke 8:5-15

The Lord said this parable: "A sower went out to sow his seeds; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundred fold."

And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, he said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the evil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience. As he said these things, he cried out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."
Attention All Teens
(12 years and older)

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

Members of Teen SOYO will be reading the Epistle and collecting the offering tray during the month of October.

Upcoming Teen SOYO Events:
* The Teens will be hosting a spaghetti dinner on Sunday, October 30th.
* Car Wash– date to follow.

President: Mary Gurghigian
Vice President: Nicole Baalbaki
Treasurer: Anthony Chamoun

Coffee Hour

Coffee hour today is sponsored by Samy & Helen Morcos in Memory of Youssef & Elise Masry Morcos, and also by Ray & Leila Trabulsi for the Health of their Children & Grandchildren. Coffee hour will be held at the Parish Center following Liturgy.
Canned Food Drive

The Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese is one of the sponsoring organizations for the National Committee for World Food Day (October 16th).

Each parish collects and distributes food each year to the needy in their local community. The collections are published in “THE WORD” magazine.

*Please bring canned foods to the church hall starting Sunday, October 9th through December 31st.*

Village at Home

St. George Cathedral, Worcester
Friday, November 18th through Saturday, November 19th

Come join us and experience a modified day at camp! A perfect opportunity to experience the Village firsthand, have your questions answered, meet former staff members, or feel at home again!

More information to come!

Questions? Please contact: Rassem El Massih (781)738-6107

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

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

Prayer Line
St. Mary – Internet Prayer Line
Prayer requests can be sent to us via the internet at office@stmarypawtucket.org
All requests must be received by Wednesday noon to be included in that week’s bulletin. Any requests received after that time will be included in the following week’s bulletin.

We are looking for 2 clean highchairs for the Parish Center. If you have one to donate, please contact Salwa Khoury. Thank you!
St. Mary Church School New Year

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

*The Church School Harvest Party will be held on Saturday, October 22nd at the Parish Center at 5:30pm.

Coat Drive
The Outreach Committee is looking for gently used children & adult coats, hats, gloves/mittens (all sizes). Please bring them to the Parish Center on Sunday, November 13th to be distributed to families from our “Soup Kitchen” outreach project.

Visitations
Please contact Fr. Elie or Salwa Khoury with any names of parishioners that are in need of visitation either at home, in hospital or nursing homes.

Soup Kitchen Donations
Kindly place your donation in the ‘breadbox’ (at the rear of the Church on the candle stand) to help defray the costs of the ‘Soup Kitchen’ Outreach project.

Thank you for your support!

COMING SOON!
St. Mary’s Famous Annual Bazaar

Friday, November 4th, 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Saturday, November 5th, 10:00 am - 8:00 pm
Sunday, November 6th, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Featuring
Arabic Food & Pastry
Homemade Candy
Homemade Cheese
Penny Social
Silent Auction
Santa Claus
Cash Raffle & Grand Raffle

St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church | St. Mary Parish Center
One Saint Mary Way | Pawtucket, RI

For more information please call 726-1202 or view our website at www.stmarypawtucket.org
Leg of Lamb Drive

ST. MARY ANTIQUEHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH
ANNUAL BAZAAR

NOVEMBER 4th, 5th and 6th, 2016

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

Bazaar Committee preparations are well underway for our 2016 Bazaar to be held at the Parish Center November 4th, 5th, & 6th. Your generous support and participation are needed to help ensure the success of this annual event for our church and community. Please contact Charlotte Mitri (401) 651-9295 if you are able to help in anyway.

The Bazaar Committee is looking for new items and gift cards for:
* Penny Social
* Silent Auction
* Gift Baskets

Please give items to Charlotte or drop off at the Church Office.

**Please join us today-Sunday, October 16th during Coffee Hour for a "Bazaar Shower" to benefit our Bazaar. Please bring a new item.**

Bazaar Sponsorships are needed. If you would like to become a sponsor, please see any of the sponsorship committee members: Fr. Elie, Dr. Joseph Samra, Joe Samra III, or Jacob Mitri.