Sunday, October 23rd: James the Brother of God and the Sixth Sunday of Luke
Thursday, October 27th: 12:00-3:30 P.M. – Candy Making Workshop at the Parish Center
Sunday, October 30th: Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost
   Teen SOYO sponsoring a Spaghetti Dinner at the Parish Center

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

Saturday, November 5th: 6:00 P.M.—Arabic Liturgy
Sunday, November 6th: Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost
   Daylight Savings Time Ends
Saturday, November 12th: 8:00pm.-1:00am ~ Haflı at the Parish Center
Sunday, November 13th: Eighth Sunday of Luke
Sunday, November 20th: Twenty Second Sunday After Pentecost
   Outreach Committee Meeting during Coffee Hour
Sunday, November 27th: Twenty Third Sunday After Pentecost
Saturday, December 3rd: 6:00 P.M.—Arabic Liturgy
Sunday, December 4th: Tenth Sunday of Luke
Monday, December 5th: 7:00 P.M.—Ladies Society Meeting
Sunday, December 11th: Sunday of the Forefathers
Tuesday, December 14th: 7:00 P.M.—Parish Council Meeting
Sunday, December 18th: Sunday before the Nativity of Christ (Genealogy)
   Christmas Pageant
Sunday, December 25th: The Nativity of Christ (Christmas)
Saturday, December 31st: New Year’s Eve
   8:00pm.-1:00am ~ Haflı at the Parish Center

Looking Ahead:
Sunday, January 1st, 2017: New Year’s Day

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, Emaid Amirhom, Scott Barnes, Lorice Hallal, Steven Kilsy 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

Chrism, Holy

Chrism, Holy: From the Greek chrisma, “oil.” Holy Chrism, or Myron, is an oil composed of olive oil and a number of precious spices. It is consecrated by bishops, and a supply is kept in every church. Chrismation, which is the anointing with this Holy Chrism, immediately follows baptism. The person who has been incorporated into Christ through baptism then receives the gift of the Holy Spirit and becomes a member of the people of God. Thus he becomes “anointed”, or, in other words, “christened.” Christ (this term means “anointed” and “Messiah”) gives us the unction with which he himself is anointed through the Holy Spirit, which God bestows on him.

Fertile Ground

Humility comes from the Latin word humus, fertile ground. The fertile ground is there, unnoticed, taken for granted, always there to be trodden upon. It is silent, inconspicuous, dark and yet it is always ready to receive any seed, ready to give it substance and life. The more lowly, the more fruitful, because it becomes really fertile when it accepts all the refuse of the earth. It is so low that nothing can soil it, abase it, humiliate it; it has accepted the last place and cannot go any lower. In that position, nothing can shatter the soul’s serenity, its peace and joy.

~Metropolitan Anthony Bloom, Living Prayer

Change of Address

All the faithful who have a recent or future change of address, phone number or email address please remember to inform the church office at (401) 726-1202.
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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THE EPISTLE

His voice has gone out into all the earth. The heavens declare the glory of God.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (1:11-19)

Brethren, I would have you know that the Gospel which was preached by me is not man’s gospel. For I did not receive it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the Church of God violently and tried to destroy it; and I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people; so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. But when He Who had set me apart before I was born, and had called me through His grace, was pleased to reveal His Son to me, in order that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were Apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia; and again I returned to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other Apostles except James the Lord’s brother.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (8:26-39)

At that time, Jesus arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, which is opposite Galilee. And as He stepped out on land, there met Him a man from the city who had demons; for a long time he had worn no clothes, and he lived not in a house but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him, and said with a loud voice, “What hast Thou to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beseech Thee, do not torment me.” For Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. [For many a time it had seized him; he was kept under guard, and bound with chains and fetters, but he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the desert.] Jesus then asked him, “What is your name?” And he said, “Legion”; for many demons had entered him. And they begged Jesus not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a large herd of swine was feeding there on the hillside; and they begged Jesus to let them enter these. So He gave them leave. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled, and told it in the city and in the country. Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. And those who had seen it told them how he who had been possessed with demons was healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gadarenes asked Jesus to depart from them; for they were seized with great fear; so He got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone had begged that he might be with Jesus; but Jesus sent him away, saying, “Return to your home, and declare all that God has done for you.” And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city all that Jesus had done for him.

From the Synaxarion ~ The Calendar of the Saints

October 21st ~ Hilarion, Metropolitan of Kiev

Hilarion, Metropolitan of Kiev— Hilarion was a priest in the village of Great Prince Yaroslav in eleventh century Kiev, and he was the spiritual father and companion of the prince. Hilarion also dug out a shallow cave for himself at the Kiev Caves where he would pray and chant. He was known for his theological knowledge, his fasting, his virtues, and his spiritual gifts. When the prior metropolitan died while Russia was at war with Byzantium, Hilarion was the first Russian metropolitan chosen by Russian bishops. Prior to this, Constantinople had chosen and sent Greek metropolitan. Hilarion wrote a famous discourse. It states that when Jesus entered the world, the Old Covenant of man with God ceased to be, that the Law was only the forerunner of grace and truth. As the Apostle Paul said, “As the moon fades at the shining of the sun, the Law fades the shining forth of grace.” Hilarion wrote, “No longer do we sacrifice others to the demons, but instead, Christ has been slain for us in sacrifice to God the Father.” Hilarion was known as a wonderworker during his life and is buried in the Kiev Caves.
Attention All Teens
(12 years and older)

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

October is Youth Month

Come Join

TEEN SOYO

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

Upcoming Teen SOYO Events:
* Hayride at Four Town Farm (Seekonk) on Saturday, October 29th at 9:30am
* 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

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
Joyce Trabulsi
Offered by: Joe & Marlene Samra
Ed & Sue Ayoub
Offered by: Philip, Bette & Phil G. Ayoub
Ed & Sue Ayoub (50th Anniversary)
Offered by: Elaine Swistak
Ed & Sue Ayoub (50th Anniversary)
Caroline Lawrence
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

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
Jacqueline Gorab
Herbert Trabulsi
Offered by: Joe & Marlene Samra
Herbert Trabulsi
Offered by: Nancy Penta & Family

Coffee Hour

Coffee hour today is sponsored by Rola & Rick Jreij for the Health of their Family. Coffee hour will be held at the Parish Center following Liturgy.

St. Mary Parish Bookstore

Many beautiful Orthodox religious items are available from the St. Mary Parish bookstore and display case. These include 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. 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

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For more information please call 726-1202
or view our website at www.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) is asked to contact the choir director Dawn Boukari @ (401) 465-8909 or email her: daboukari@gmail.com

2016 Assessment Fee
The Parish Council wishes to kindly remind the Faithful to send in their Archdiocese Assessment of $125 made out to St. Mary Church to help meet our obligations to the Archdiocese for 2016. Thank you to those parishioners who have already sent in their payment.

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.

ONLINE BULLETIN
The Bulletin is available online on our website at:
http://stmarypawtucket.org

Parking Lot
The parking lot across the street is to be used for elderly and handicapped parking only. Please use our other parking lot to park during church services.
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)

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!

The Outreach Committee is hosting the Soup Kitchen today at the Parish Center from 12:30-1:15pm. The Soup Kitchen provides boxed lunches to people from the community every 3rd Sunday of the month.

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.

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.

Arabic Liturgy
Arabic Liturgy is being offered the first Saturday of each month at 6:00 P.M. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Canned Food Drive
The Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese is one of the sponsoring organizations for the National Committee for World Food Day. 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
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
\[
\text{Legs of lamb at a cost of $30 each. You simply make your donation,}
\]
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**

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**Lamb Drive Donation Form**

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

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**St. Mary Annual Bazaar ~2016~**

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.**

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**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.