

CHURCH CALENDAR

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

Tuesday, November 15th: 7:00 P.M.– Parish Council Meeting

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 13th: 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 ~ Hafli at the Parish Center

Looking Ahead:

Sunday, January 1st, 2017: New Year's Day



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 **



SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday, November 6, 2016

Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

Saint Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church

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

V. Rev. Father Elie Estephan
395 Brown St.-Unit 2, Attleboro, MA 02703
Cell- 1-(240) 205-9079

Schedule of Services

<i>Sunday: Orthros (Matins)</i>	<i>8:45 a.m.</i>
<i>Church School</i>	<i>11:15 a.m.</i>
<i>Sunday: Divine Liturgy</i>	<i>10:00 a.m.</i>

*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, 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

Forerunner

The one who “proceeds” who comes before to “announce.” John The Baptist is called the forerunner of the Lord, because he was the prophet who announced to humanity the appearance of the Messiah, our Lord Jesus Christ.

“In the Orthodox Faith, everything is an “*Experience*” before it is an “*Explanation*.”

~*Bishop Anthony (Michaels)*



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.



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.

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.

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~

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Sponsored by:</u>	<u>Sponsored for:</u>
November 6, 2016	no coffee hour	2016 Annual Holiday Bazaar
November 13, 2016	Edward & Mona Bakleh	Health of Family
November 20, 2016	<i>not available</i>	
November 27, 2016	Fadi & Hadeel Samaan	Health of Family
December 4, 2016	Outreach Committee	Honoring seniors over 90
December 11, 2016	Parish Council	Choir Appreciation Day
December 18, 2016	The Order of St. Ignatius	Christmas Pageant
December 25th, 2016	no coffee hour	
January 1, 2017	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
January 8, 2017	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
January 15, 2017	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
January 22, 2017	Dr. Zeyad & Norma Morcos	Memory of Elias Morcos
January 29, 2017	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
February 5, 2017	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
February 12, 2017	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
February 19, 2017	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
February 26, 2017	Ladies Society	Dinner to Benefit NAB Project
March 5, 2017	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
March 12, 2017	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
March 19, 2017	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
March 26, 2017	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
April 2, 2017	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
April 9, 2017	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	
April 16, 2017	<i>Open for sponsorship</i>	

Sunday, November 6, 2016

Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

Tone: 3 Eothinon: 9

Troparion of the Resurrection: Tone 3

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death, and become the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.

Troparion of St. Paul the Confessor: Tone 3

*(**The original melody**)*

Thy confession of the one divine Faith * showed thee to the Church to be a new Paul * and a zealot among priests, O holy one. * The righteous blood both of Abel and Zachary * with thee doth cry out together unto the Lord. * Righteous Father, intercede with Christ God in our behalf * that His Great Mercy may be granted unto us.

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.

THE EPISTLE

Sing praises to our God, sing praises. Clap your hands, all ye peoples.

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. (8:41-56)

At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought Him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As Jesus went, the people pressed round Him. And a woman, who had had a flow of blood for twelve years, and had spent all her living upon physicians, and could not be healed by anyone, came up behind Him, and touched the fringe of His garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched Me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround Thee and press upon Thee! And Thou sayest, 'Who touched Me?'" But Jesus said, "Someone touched Me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from Me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before Him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched Him, and how she had been immediately healed. And Jesus said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." While Jesus was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when Jesus came to the house, He permitted no one to enter with Him, except Peter and James and John, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but Jesus said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand Jesus called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and Jesus directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but He charged them to tell no one what had happened.

St. Mary Teen SOYO News and Events

Attention All Teens

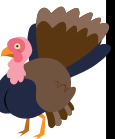
(12 years and older)

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

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

The Teens are beginning the food drive to provide Thanksgiving baskets to families in need this holiday season. Please bring canned foods & non-perishables and leave in the box in the church hall to help Teen SOYO with their outreach program.

We are also in need of money to purchase fresh turkeys and vegetables for all the baskets. These donations can be brought to church and given to Matthew Duncan or Maureen Gurghigian. Please bring donations by November 15th. Thank you for all your support!!!



Fall Haffi 2016

Music, Dabke, Dinner & Dessert ~ Featuring: Andre Keedi & Ensemble

Saturday, November 12th ~ Doors open @ 7:30pm ~ Dinner @ 8:00pm
St. Mary Parish Center

For tickets & reservations, please contact:
Fr. Elie Estephan: (240) 205-9079 and/or Tony Kabak (401) 744-6317
Tickets: \$40 per person

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.

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

Caroline Lawrence
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Leah, Bianca & Johnna Macaruso
Michael, Maria, Mark & Meika Matook
Offered by: Nora Matook

Lois
Offered by: George, Mary & Christopher

George, Patricia & Melanie
Offered by: Lois

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

Leon T. Matook
Offered by: Nora Matook

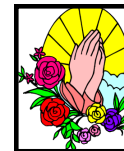
Fred Slemon, Sr.
Offered by: His Children, Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren

Nicola, Jamilie, Dakhil & Hannie
Offered by: Jacob & Charlotte Mitri



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.



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.

St. Mary Annual Bazaar

~2016~

Join us today following Liturgy at the Parish Center for our Holiday Bazaar. Arabic food, penny social, silent auction, face painting & more.



Happy Birthday to everyone who has a birthday during the month of November!

Bill Catelli
Albert Hallal
Bassam Estephan
Yasmine Mechrefe
Pauline Khabbaz
Sarah Hayes
Elaine Wilbur

Meika Matook
Michael Salhany
Azzam Bitar
Judy Karneeb
Fadia Kabak
Geoff Ayoub
Albert Wehbe

Janice Hallal
Fr. Elie Estephan
Chadi Saad
Jim Hallal
Matthew Kelley
Anthony Chamoun
Tanya Schillawski

if you have a November birthday and do not see your name– we do not have it in our database – please email or call the church office to have you and your family members added.



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

****Christmas Pageant- December 18th**

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 today to be distributed to families from our “Soup Kitchen” outreach project.



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 Soup Kitchen provides boxed lunches to people from the community every 3rd Sunday of the month.