Sunday, June 11th: First Sunday After Pentecost (All Saints Sunday)
Church School Graduation & Luncheon (hosted by The Order of St. Ignatius)
Tuesday, June 13th: 7:00 P.M. – Parish Council Meeting
Saturday, June 17th: PLC Pre-Conference St. George Orthodox Cathedral, Worcester
Sunday, June 18th: Second Sunday After Pentecost
Father’s Day
June 23rd-25th, 2017 – PLC St. George Orthodox Cathedral, Worcester
Sunday, June 25th: St. Mary Church will be closed for PLC **please note**
Saturday, July 1st: 6:00 P.M. – Arabic Liturgy
40 Day Memorial Service for Mary Kasatli Shagouri
Sunday, July 2nd: Fourth Sunday of Matthew
Tuesday, July 4th: Independence Day (church office closed)
Sunday, July 9th: Fifth Sunday After Pentecost
Sunday, July 16th: Fathers of the Fourth Ecumenical Council

Coffee Hour Sponsorships

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Sponsored by</th>
<th>Sponsored for</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>June 11, 2017</td>
<td>The Order of St. Ignatius Church School Graduation Luncheon</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>June 18, 2017</td>
<td>The Kilsey Family</td>
<td>Memory of Mary Kilsey (20 years)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>June 25, 2017</td>
<td>no coffee hour</td>
<td>Church closed for PLC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>July 2, 2017</td>
<td>Elaine Swistak &amp; Family</td>
<td>Memory of John Swistak (5 years)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>July 9, 2017</td>
<td>His Loving Family</td>
<td>Memory of Frederick Hallal</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>July 16, 2017</td>
<td>St. Mary Church</td>
<td>Family Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>July 23, 2017</td>
<td>Dr. Zeyad &amp; Norma Morcos</td>
<td>Health of our son Elias Morcos</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>July 30, 2017</td>
<td>Mirna &amp; Walid Nakhoul</td>
<td>Health of Family</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>August 6, 2017</td>
<td>Open for sponsorship</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>August 13, 2017</td>
<td>Open for sponsorship</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>August 20, 2017</td>
<td>St. Mary Church</td>
<td>Feast Day Luncheon</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>August 27, 2017</td>
<td>John &amp; Anita Chamoun</td>
<td>Memory of Wajiha Chamoun</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>September 3, 2017</td>
<td>Open for sponsorship</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>September 10, 2017</td>
<td>The Order of St. Ignatius</td>
<td>First Day of Church School</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>September 17, 2017</td>
<td>Open for sponsorship</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>September 24, 2017</td>
<td>Open for sponsorship</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>October 1, 2017</td>
<td>Open for sponsorship</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
We welcome our Visitors & Guests: Please take a moment to fill out a Visitor Card.

Receiving Communion: Only those Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves may approach the chalice for Holy Communion. Everyone is welcome to partake of the Holy Bread after the Liturgy.

Schedule of Services

Sunday: Orthodox (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

**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**

Outreach-Item Donations

The ‘Soup Kitchen’ Outreach project is kindly looking for the following items: baby wipes, hand sanitizer, & spiral notebooks to be distributed with the boxed lunches handed out each month.

Thank you for your support!

---

The Feast of all the Saints

The first Sunday after Pentecost is dedicated to the commemoration of all the saints. Sanctity is the work of the Holy Spirit; all Christian holiness is a fruit of Pentecost. There is therefore a logical link between today’s feast and that of last Sunday.

At the liturgy a portion of the epistle to the Hebrews (11:33-12:2) is read which evokes the sufferings of the cloud of witnesses’, that is to say the prophets, the martyrs, the righteous, those who were storiied, put to the sword, or tortured, ‘of whom the world was not worthy’. We know this passage well, for the Church has already given it to us to hear twice during the liturgical year: first on the Sunday before Christmas, then on the first Sunday of Great Lent. It seems that the Church, in calling our attention to this text before the Nativity, before Easter, and immediately after Pentecost, wants to emphasize that we draw near to these great mysteries ‘catholicly’, surrounded by the saints and helped by their prayers; she wishes above all to tell us that saintliness is not an abnormal or exceptional state; that, on the contrary it is the normal flowering of every Christian life. The call to holiness is addressed to each one of us.

The gospel for the liturgy (Matt. 10:32-33, 37-38, 19:27-30) is a selections of the sayings of Our Lord which relate to the actual conditions of holiness: ‘He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me...And he that taketh not his cross and followeth after me, is not worthy of me...Everyone that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or land, for my name’s sake, shall receive a hundredfold and shall inherit everlasting life’.

Once again, our Lord brings us into the presence of his Cross and the personal renunciations that it involves. There is, however, a great difference between the way we read these words today and the way we read them (or similar texts) during the preceding months: read after Pentecost, this invitation to sacrifice is now clothed in fire, in the light and power of the Holy Spirit. The apostles did not really follow their master on his painful road until after the coming of the Paraclete, the saints, whose collective feast we celebrate today, only carried the cross when they were under the inspiration of the Spirit. The cross that Jesus set before our eyes, on this first Sunday after Pentecost, is a cross of fire—the fire of the Spirit descending on the disciples.

~The Year of Grace of the Lord~
Parish Life Conference, hosted by St. George Orthodox Cathedral of Worcester~
June 23rd-25th. [Link to event details]
PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR GOOD HEALTH AND BLESSING OF:

Kevin Hashway
Mark Hashway
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Church School Students & Teachers
Offered by: St. Mary Church

George & Sandra Matook
Offered by: Nora Matook

Nabil & Salwa Khoury
Cindy Hayes & Family
Elaine Swistak
Very Rev. Herbert Nahas
Offered by: Albert & Victoria Hallal

Nabil & Salwa Khoury & Family
Offered by: Elaine Swistak

Edward and Lillian Betor
Paul & Kerrie Betor
Thomas & Lynn Marcotte
Peter Marcotte
William & LaVerne Ameen
Gr. Grandchildren – Joelle, Rose & Daniel Dykstra
Offered by: Edward and Lillian Betor

George Matook
Gina Saad
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Antwanet Kasatli
George, Kristen & Gabriella Baalbaki
Eli & Michael Baalbaki
Riad & Rosette Eid & Family
Rowayda Shouaa & Family
Offered by: Nabil & Gloria Baalbaki

PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Fred Hashway Jr.
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Daniel Hayes
Offered by: Albert & Victoria Hallal

Leon T. Marook
Offered by: Nora Matook

Mary & Ethel Kilsey
Offered by: Audrey & Wayne Kilsey

Mary & Ethel Kilsey
Offered by: Deborah Kilsey & Victoria Azar

Ameen and Nafee Sabath
Petros and Affie Betor
Helen Betor
Fred Sabath
Fritz and Jimmy Sabath
Offered by: Edward and Lillian Betor

Mary Kasatli Shagouri
Abdulah Shagouri
Aboud Shouaa
George H. Baalbaki
George A. Saggal
Offered by: Nabil & Gloria Baalbaki

A 40 Day Memorial Service will be held Saturday, July 1st during Arabic Liturgy in memory of Mary Kasatli Shagouri and is being offered by her sister Antwanet Kasatli Baalbaki & Children

Time to pick Grape Leaves
The weather is good, and the picking should be better! Now is the time to help us gather grape leaves for the bazaar! The grape leaves should be blanched, frozen and counted.

St. Mary Church, teachers & students would like to graciously thank Rebecca Samra for her time and leadership to make it a very successful Church School this year for all our students.

We would also like to thank all of the teachers & parents who volunteered their time & talents to educate our church school students in the Orthodox Faith.

Church School Graduation Luncheon
Today, a Luncheon is graciously being offered by The Order of St. Ignatius for Church School Graduation and will be held at the Parish Center following Liturgy. Everyone is invited. Donations are greatly appreciated.

Upcoming events:

- **June 17th:** PLC Pre-Conference at St. George Orthodox Cathedral, Worcester
- **June 23rd-25th:** PLC at St. George Orthodox Cathedral, Worcester (St. Mary Church closed on June 25th)
- **July 16th:** Family Fun Day – 1:00pm ~ Masonic Youth Center, 116 Long Street, Warwick, RI
- **August 20th:** Feast Day (following Hierarchial Liturgy-with Bishop JOHN) ~ Music & Luncheon at the Parish Center
- **September 10th:** Church School ~ First day of Church School & Luncheon
- **September 16th:** Bowling~ Church School & Teen SOYO outing
- **September 23rd:*** St. Mary’s Got Talent
- **October 21st:** Halloween Party at the Parish Center (church school & Teens)
- **November 3rd-5th:** St. Mary Annual Bazaar
- **November 11th:** Hafli at the Parish Center
- **November 18th:** Game night at the Parish Center (church school & Teens)
- **December 17th:** Christmas Pageant and Luncheon at the Parish Center
- **December 30th:** Movie Night at the Parish Center (church school & Teens)
- **December 31st:** Hafli at the Parish Center

Cheese is available for purchase $6/ball at the parish center during coffee hour today.