CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, July 23rd: Seventh Sunday After Pentecost Sunday, July 30th: Eighth Sunday After Pentecost Saturday, August 5th: 6:00 P.M.— Arabic Liturgy Sunday, August 6th: Transfiguration of Christ

Sunday, August 13th: Tenth Sunday After Pentecost Sunday, August 20th: Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

Feast Day Luncheon at the Parish Center

12:00-12:30 P.M.- Outreach Project – boxed lunches

Sunday, August 27th: Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost Saturday, September 2nd: 6:00 P.M.— Arabic Liturgy Sunday, September 3rd: Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Monday, September 4th: Labor Day (church office closed)
Sunday, September 10th: Sunday Before the Elevation of the Cross

Church School Year begins & Dinner hosted by St. Ignatius

Sunday, September 17th: Sunday After the Elevation of the Cross

Coffee Hour Sponsorships

Date:	Sponsored by:	Sponsored for:
July 23, 2017	Dr. Zeyad & Norma Morcos	Health of our son Elias Morcos
July 30, 2017	Mirna & Walid Nakhoul	Health of Family
August 6, 2017	Open for sponsorship	•
August 13, 2017	Open for sponsorship	
August 20, 2017	St. Mary Church	Feast Day Luncheon
August 27, 2017	John & Anita Chamoun	Memory of Wajiha Chamoun
September 3, 2017	Open for sponsorship	· ·
September 10, 2017	The Order of St. Ignatius	First Day of Church School
September 17, 2017	Open for sponsorship	·
September 24, 2017	Open for sponsorship	
October 1, 2017	Open for sponsorship	
October 8, 2017	Open for sponsorship	
October 15, 2017	Open for sponsorship	
October 22, 2017	Open for sponsorship	
October 29, 2017	Open for sponsorship	
November 5, 2017	no coffee hour	Annual Christmas Bazaar

SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday, July 23, 2017

Seventh Sunday After Pentecost & Seventh 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

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

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

We welcome our Visitors & Guests: Please take a moment to fill out a Visitor Card. We invite you to join us for coffee hour at the Parish Center following Liturgy.

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

themselves may approach the chalice for Holy Communion. Everyone is welcome to partake of the Holy Bread after the Liturgy.

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

Coffee Hour

Coffee Hour today is being sponsored by Dr. Zeyad & Norma Morcos for the Health of their son Elias Morcos. Coffee hour will be held at the Parish Center following Liturgy.

St. Mary's Got Talent

September 23rd at the Parish Center~



Open to all parishioners....

Talent show for both young and old....

If you have any talents- dance, sing, play instrument, magic—come and share them with us! Please contact Fr. Elie if you are interested in participating (240) 205-9079.

ONLINE BULLETIN

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

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!

Upcoming events:

- 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 at the Parish Center
- 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:** New Year's Hafli at the Parish Center

Dear Parishioners,

Due to a high consensus of parishioners wanting a TV for the Parish Center, we would like to buy a big screen TV. Please contact Walid Nakhoul if you would like to help (401) 692-1250.

Donations are very much appreciated!

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.

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

Please consider sponsoring a coffee hour.



Prayer Line

 $St. \ Mary \sim Internet \ Prayer \ Line$ 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.

Do not approach the words of the mysteries contained in the Scriptures without prayer and without asking for God's help. Say, "Lord, grant that I may receive an awareness of the power that is within them." Consider prayer to be the key to the understanding of truth in Scripture.

~St. Isaac the Syrian

THE EPISTLE

O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance. Until Thee will I cry, O Lord my God.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (15:1-7)

Brethren, we who are strong ought to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves; let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to edify him. For Christ did not please himself; but, as it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached thee fell on me." For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures, we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (9:27-35)

At that time, as Jesus passed on from there, two blind men followed him, crying aloud: "Have mercy on us, Son of David." When He entered the house, the blind men came to Him; and Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" They said to Him, "Yes, Lord." Then He touched their eyes, saying, "According to your faith be it done to you." And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly charged them, "See that no one knows it." But they went away and spread His fame through all that district. As they were going away, behold, a dumb demoniac was brought to Him. And when the demon had been cast out, the dumb man spoke; and the crowds marveled, saying, "Never was anything like this seen in Israel." But the Pharisees said, "He casts out demons by the prince of demons." And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every infirmity.



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-Grandchildren Daniel, Rose &

Joelle Dykstra

Offered by: Edward & Lillian Betor

Paul Gurghigian Mary Massiwer

Walid & Mirna Nakhoul

Joe, Rebecca, Joseph, Elianna & Stella Mary Samra

Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Joyce & Ron Williams

Offered by: Samy & Helen Morcos

Joseph and Rebecca Samra Joseph, Elianna & Baby Stella Mary Offered by: Auntie Barbara

Joseph & Marlene Samra Offered by: Barbara

Father Harry & Kerri Pappas

Offered by: Barbara

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

Ethel Kilsey

Offered by: Audrey & Wayne Kilsey

Ethel Kilsey

Offered by: Deborah Kilsey & Victoria Azar

Ethel Kilsey

Offered by: George, Lois, Mary & Christopher

Kilsey

Emile Moussalli

Offered by: George & Barbara Moussalli

Gregory Nazarian

Offered by: Barbara Samra



Welcome Back Campers

Welcome back to our Antiochian Village Campers-Nicole Baalbaki, Mary Gurghigian, Isabel Hallal and Victoria Muller.



SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH INVITES YOU TO ITS FEAST DAY CELEBRATION: "THE DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS"



Schedule of Services and Events: Sunday, August 20th, 2017

9:00am: Matins

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

12:00pm: Luncheon at the Parish Center

2:00pm: Music DJ—Roy El Hachem ("English & Arabic")

Menu

<u>Mazza</u>: Falafel, Za'tar & Labneh <u>Entrée</u>: Fattoush, Grilled Chicken Kabab, Kibbee Meshwee (Grilled), Laban with Cucumbers, Vegetables & Rice <u>Dessert</u>: Assorted Pastries, Rice Pudding Coffee, Tea

\$25– per person ~ Children under 12– Free

Please obtain tickets by <u>August 11th</u>, so we may have an accurate number to help make our Feast Day a Success!

For tickets contact: Fr. Elie (240) 205-9079, Church Office (401) 726-1202 or Salwa Khoury (401) 434-8877

Donations are welcome to help defray the cost.