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

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Sunday, July 23, 2017
Seventh Sunday After Pentecost & Seventh Sunday of Matthew
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 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.

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 Hierarchical 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 – 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.
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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
Mazza: Falafel, Za’tar & Labneh
Entrée: Fattoush, Grilled Chicken Kabab, Kibbee Meshwee (Grilled), Laban with Cucumbers, Vegetables & Rice
Dessert: Assorted Pastries, Rice Pudding, Coffee, Tea

$25– per person ~ Children under 12– Free

Please obtain tickets by August 11th, 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.