CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, July 15th: Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council

Outreach Committee 'Soup Kitchen' 12:00-12:30pm

Sunday, July 22nd: Eighth Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, July 29th: Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Wednesday, August 1st: 7:00 P.M.– Paraklesis Service Thursday, August 2nd: 7:00 P.M.– Paraklesis Service

Friday, August 3rd: 7:00 P.M.— Paraklesis Service Saturday, August 4th: 6:00 P.M.— Arabic Liturgy Sunday, August 5th: Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Monday, August 6th- Friday, August 10th: Summer Camp/School Week

Monday, August 6th: 7:00 P.M.— Paraklesis Service Tuesday, August 7th: 7:00 P.M.— Paraklesis Service Wednesday, August 8th: 7:00 P.M.— Paraklesis Service Thursday, August 9th: 7:00 P.M.— Paraklesis Service Friday, August 10th: 7:00 P.M.— Paraklesis Service Sunday, August 12th: Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost Monday, August 13th: 7:00 P.M.— Paraklesis Service

Tuesday, August 14th: 7:00P.M.—Parish Council Meeting

Sunday, August 19th: Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost with Bishop John presiding

Feast Day (following Hierarchial Liturgy-with Bishop JOHN) ~

Music & Luncheon at the Parish Center

Outreach Committee 'Soup Kitchen' 12:00-12:30pm

Sunday, August 26th: Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost Saturday, September 1st: 6:00 P.M.— Arabic Liturgy

Sunday, September 2nd: Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost Monday, September 3rd: Labor Day (church office closed)

Sunday, September 9th: Sunday before the Elevation of the Cross

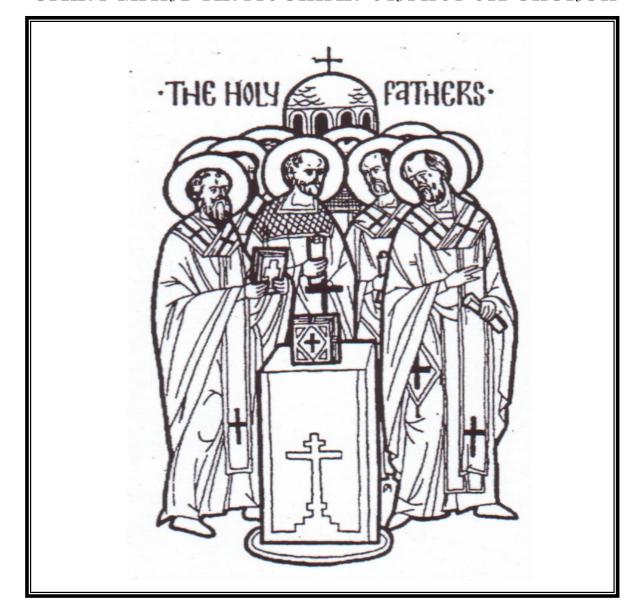
Start of Church School & Luncheon hosted by The Order of St. Ignatius

Tuesday, September 11th: 7:00P.M.—Parish Council Meeting Sunday, September 16th: Sunday after the Elevation of the Cross

Outreach Committee 'Soup Kitchen' 12:00-12:30pm

Sunday, September 23rd: Conception of John the Baptist Sunday, September 30th: Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday, July 15, 2018

Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the Fourth Ecumenical Council

Saint Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church

"A parish of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America"

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His Eminence Metropolitan JOSEPH, Archbishop of New York & Metropolitan of all North America

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

V. Rev. Father Elie Estephan Cell- 1-(240) 205-9079

Sub-Deacon Chadi Saad & Sub-Deacon Emad Amirhom

Schedule of Services

Sunday: Orthros (Matins) 9:00 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 partake of the Holy Bread after the Liturgy.



Prayer Line

St. Mary ~ Internet Prayer Line
Prayer requests can be sent to us via the internet at

office@stmarvpawtucket.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.

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



Schedule of Services and Events: Sunday, August 19th, 2018

9:00am: Matins

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

12:00pm: Luncheon at the Parish Center

2:00pm: Entertainment- Singer: George Maloof

Menu

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

\$35- per person ~ Children under 12- Free Please obtain tickets by <u>August 12th</u>, so we may have an accurate number to help make our Feast Day a Success!

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

Donations are welcome to help defray the cost.

One St. Mary Way, Pawtucket, RI 02860

THE SYNAXARION (Plain Reading)

On July 15 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the Great Prince Vladimir (Basil) of Kiev, Equal-to-the-Apostles; and the Martyrs Kyrikos and his mother Julitta of Tarsus.

On this Sunday, we commemorate the 630 holy and God-bearing Fathers of the Fourth Ecumenical Council, which convened in Chalcedon in 451 against the Monophysites.

Verses

Shunning opposite errors like the sea monsters Scylla and Charybdis, The Fathers steer the Church on a straight course to safety.

The Holy Fathers were, once again, concerned with the nature of Jesus Christ. The false teaching arose that Christ's human nature (considered by heretics as less perfect) dissolved itself in His divine nature (considered by heretics as more perfect): like a cube of sugar in a parcel of water. Thus, in that scenario, Christ had only one nature, the Divine. These false preachers were called Monophysites ("mono", meaning "one" and "physis", meaning "nature"), and they were led by Eutyches and Dioscorus. Monophysitism overemphasized the divine nature of Christ, at the expense of the human. The Fourth Ecumenical Council condemned Monophysitism and proclaimed that Christ has two complete natures: the divine and the human, as defined by previous Councils. These two natures function as equally perfect, without confusion, and are neither divided nor separate. The Fathers declared that at no time did they undergo any change.

By the intercessions of Thy Saints, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.

Our Creator already rules, at the beginning and the end of our lives; why not allow Him to rule our entire lives from start to end? He is the Master of birth and death; may He rule over all the time between birth and death.

~St. Nikolai Velimorvich

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.

THE EPISTLE

Blessed art Thou, O Lord, the God of our Fathers. For Thou art just in all that Thou hast done for us.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to St. Titus. (3:8-15) Titus, my son, the saying is sure. I desire you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these are excellent and profitable to men. But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, dissensions, and quarrels over the law, for they are unprofitable and futile. As for a man who is factious, after admonishing him once or twice, have nothing more to do with him, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned. When I send Artemas or Tychicus to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing. And let our people learn to apply themselves to good deeds, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not to be unfruitful. All who are with me send greetings to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (5:14-19)The Lord said to His Disciples: "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father Who is in heaven. Think not that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets; I have come not to abolish them, but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Whoever then relaxes one of the least of these commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but he who does them and teaches them shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven."



Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the Fourth Ecumenical Council Tone: 6 Eothinon: 7

APOLYTIKION OF THE RESURRECTION: Tone 6

When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb; and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

APOLYTIKION OF THE HOLY FATHERS: Tone 8

Thou, O Christ, art our God of exceeding praise Who didst establish our Holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true Faith, O most merciful One, glory to Thee.

TROPARION OF THE DORMITION: Tone 1

In giving birth, Thou didst keep Thy virginity and in thy repose, Thou didst not forsake the world, O Theotokos, for Thou art the mother of life, and Thou didst pass over into life; and through thy intercession from death Thou dost redeem our souls.

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.



PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR GOOD HEALTH AND BLESSING OF:

Kevin Hashway Mark Hashway Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Steve & Patty Kilsey Nabil & Salwa Khoury Charlie & Rhoda Michael Offered by: Ron & Janice Hallal

Joe & Judy Dincecco & Family Mary Massiwer & Family Nabil & Salwa Khoury & Family Glenn, Donna & Alicia Maurice Steve & Patti Kilsey & Family Offered by: Cindy Hayes & Children

Glenn, Donna & Alicia Maurice Offered by: Sandra Matook

Rajaa Audi Walid & Mirna Nakhoul Nabil Khoury Offered by: Philip & Bette Ayoub

Fr. Timothy & Louise Ferguson Offered by: Samy & Helen Morcos Walid & Mirna Nakhoul Rajaa Audi Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Tom & David Trabulsi & their Family Offered by: Ray & Leila Trabulsi

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Fred Hashway Jr. Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Mary Dincecco
Don Hayes
John Massiwer
Tom Andrew
Offered by: Cindy Hayes & Children

Fred Hallal
Offered by: Holly Lazieh and Sons
& Bob Dessaint

Alma Matook Offered by: Sandra Matook & Family

Ethel Kilsey Offered by: Audrey & Wayne Kilsey George, Lois, Mary & Christopher Kilsey Deborah Kilsey & Victoria Azar

Orthodox Vocabulary

Gospel Book

Gospel Book: this is the book containing the four gospels which is used at liturgical services. The gospels are arranged into a series of "periscopes": (passages), each destined to be read on a certain day of the year, as regulated by the liturgical calendar. This makes it easier for the celebrant to find the appropriate reading. The gospel book is kept permanently on the altar. Father Schmemann, in his *Eucharist: Sacrament of the Kingdom*, on p. 71, writes: "The Gospel is a part of the liturgy not only as something which is read, but also as a book. It is venerated just like an icon or the altar, it is kissed, it is incensed, it is used to bless the people of God." As a book, the gospel is also used at the consecration of a bishop, in the sacraments of penance, at the anointing of the sick, and in processions. This is why, at Sunday matins, we kiss it as we sing: "Having beheld the resurrection of Christ..." The Word of God is the Person of the Son (Jn 1:1 and 14). The gospel book contains the Word. This is why it is the "verbal icon" of Christ.