

## CHURCH CALENDAR

**Sunday, October 14th:** Fathers of 7th Ecumenical Council

12:00 P.M.- Kick-Off Luncheon & 'Shower'

**Tuesday, October 16th:** 7:00 P.M.- Parish Council Meeting

**Saturday, October 20th:** 9:30 A.M.- Bazaar Cooking/Baking- Sfeeha

5:30 -8 P.M.- Sunday School/Teens Fall Harvest Party

**Sunday, October 21st:** Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

NAC SOYO's Special Olympics Awareness Day Collection

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

**Saturday, October 27th:** 9:30 A.M.- Bazaar Cooking/Baking- Sfeeha

**Sunday, October 28th:** Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

**Friday, November 2nd-Sunday, November 4th:**

**Annual Bazaar at the Parish Center**

**Saturday, November 3rd:** 6:00 P.M.- Arabic Liturgy

**Sunday, November 4th:** Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Daylight Savings Time Ends

**Sunday, November 11th:** Menas the Wonderworker & Eighth Sunday of Luke

Veterans Day

**Tuesday, November 13th:** 7:00P.M.- Parish Council Meeting

**Sunday, November 18th:** Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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

**Thursday, November 22nd:** Thanksgiving (church office closed)

**Sunday, November 25th:** Great-Martyr Katherine

**Saturday, December 1st:** 6:00 P.M.- Arabic Liturgy

**Sunday, December 2nd:** Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

**Sunday, December 9th:** Conception of Theotokos

Choir Appreciation

**Tuesday, December 11th:** 7:00P.M.- Parish Council Meeting

**Sunday, December 16th:** Forefathers (Ancestors) of Christ

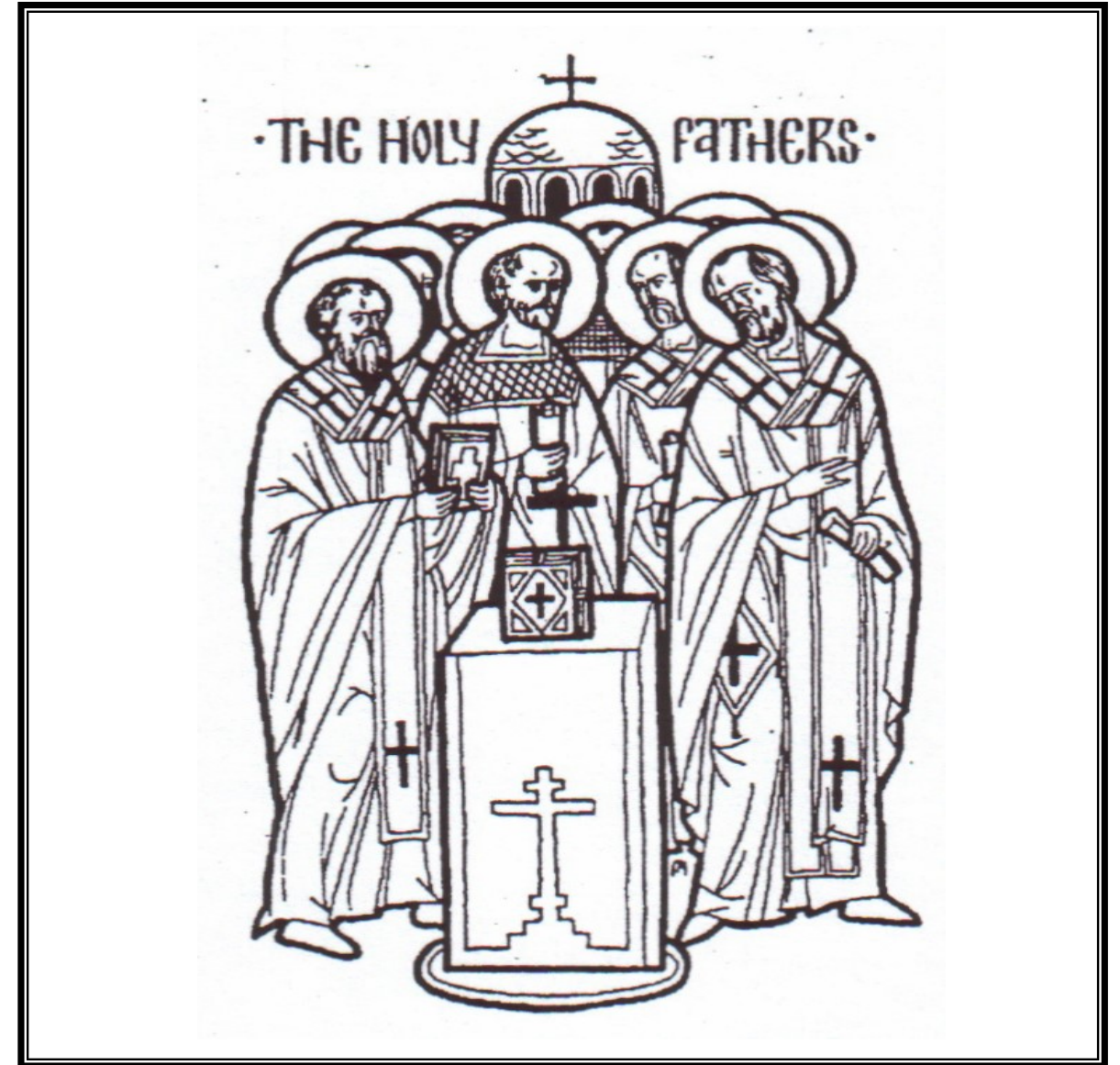
Church School Pageant

**Sunday, December 23rd:** Sunday before the Nativity (Genealogy)

**Tuesday, December 25th:** Christmas Day



## SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



*Sunday, October 14, 2018*

**Sunday of the Holy Fathers  
of the 7th Ecumenical Council**



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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**

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**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@stmarypawtucket.org](mailto: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.

# Special Olympics AWARENESS DAY



**ST. JOHN  
CHRYSTOM**  
Patron Saint of Teen SOYO



**NAC SOYO**  
50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

As NAC Teen SOYO prepares to run and sponsor the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Special Olympics Sports Camp; we ask that you be generous in helping our teens in this ministry. Nearly three hundred athletes and coaches participated in our camp last summer. Teen SOYO members come from all over North America to volunteer their time, to reach out to others, and fulfill the Gospel: "Inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me." (Matthew 25:40)

*Did you know?*

Special Olympics Sports Camp is a premier SOYO outreach program and is now in its 38th year of service to Special Olympic Athletes. In addition to the funds raised on Special Olympics Awareness Day, the teens provide at least half the coaching staff and many former teen volunteers, now adults, serve as adult leaders in the ministry.

Next Sunday, October 21, our teens will request your financial donations to enable them to sponsor the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Special Olympics Sports Camp, which will be held at the Antiochian Village, in August of 2019.

As an expression of gratitude for your support of this ministry, you will receive an icon bookmark of Saint John Chrysostom, the Patron Saint of Teen SOYO. The Year 2019 marks the 50th Anniversary of the North American Council of Teen SOYO. For this reason our teens have chosen to honor their Patron Saint as an expression of love and gratitude for the multitude of blessings they have received over these 50 years.

*Thank you for your financial support. Please make checks payable to your local teen SOYO group.*

For More Information: <https://teensoyo.org/special-olympics>  
For online donations: <https://teensoyo.org/product/donate>

## **THE SYNAXARION (Plain Reading)**

On October 14 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the Martyrs Nazarius, Gervasius, Protasius and Celsus of Milan; Cosmas the Hymnographer, Bishop of Maïuma; and Venerable Paraskeva the New of Thrace.

On this day we commemorate the holy and blessed Fathers who came together for the second time in Nicaea, during the reign of the pious and Christ-loving Sovereigns Constantine and Irene, against those who impiously, ignorantly and foolishly asserted that the Church of God worshippeth idols, and rejected the august and holy icons.

### ***Verses***

*Thy champions, O Word, with words as their weapons,  
Turn to flight the foes of the venerable icons.*

The Council met in 787 to refute the Iconoclast heresy, whose camp believed that all depictions of Christ, His Mother and the saints should be destroyed. The iconophiles believed that icons served to preserve the doctrinal teachings of the Church; and they considered icons to be man's dynamic way of expressing the divine through art and beauty. The council decreed that the veneration of icons was not idolatry (Exodus 20:4-5), because the honor shown to them is not directed to the wood or paint, but passes to the prototype, or the person depicted. It also upheld the possibility of depicting Christ, Who became man and took flesh at His Incarnation. The Father, on the other hand, cannot be represented in His eternal nature, because "no man has seen God at any time" (John 1:18).

By the intercessions of the Holy Fathers, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.



## **Antiochian Village Winter Family Camp**

Antiochian Village Winter Family Camp program to be held January 18-21 (MLK Jr. weekend), 2019! It is a wonderful opportunity for families to spend a weekend growing closer to Christ together. Please visit [avcamp.org](http://avcamp.org) to register. Please feel free to contact us at (724)-238-9565 or e-mail [office@avcamp.org](mailto:office@avcamp.org). (optional snowtubing)

## **Epistle Titus 3:8-15**

*Prokeimenon blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers.  
Verse For you are just in all you have done.  
The reading is from Saint Paul's Letter to Titus*

Titus, my son, The saying is sure. I desire that you insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these things 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, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned. When I send Artemas to you, or Tychicus, 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, and see that they lack nothing. And let people learn to devote 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 all of you. Amen.

## **The Gospel Luke 8:5-15**

The Lord said this parable: "A sower went out to sow his seeds; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundred fold."

And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, he said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the evil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience. As he said these things, he cried out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."



# Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council

*Tone: 3 Eothinon: 9*

## APOLYTIKION 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.

## 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.

## APOLYTIKION 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 thou wast translated into life, being the Mother of Life. Wherefore, by thine intercessions, deliver our souls from death.

## KONTAKION OF ORDINARY SUNDAY: 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



Ed & Sue Ayoub  
Joe & Marlene Samra  
Elaine Wilbur  
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Keith & Marlene Marshall  
Offered by: Joe & Marlene Samra

Joe & Marlene Samra  
Keith & Marlene Marshall & Children  
Joseph & Rebecca Samra & Children  
Elaine Wilbur  
Offered by: Elaine Swistak

Newborn child Emily Makrina Zabak  
Zabak Family  
Offered by: Sandra Matook

Georgette Hallal & Family  
The Hallal, Sackall, Mouro & Kandalaft Families  
Offered by: Georgette Hallal

Joe & Marlene Samra (50th Wedding Anniversary)  
Offered by: Steve, Patricia & Family

Joe & Marlene Samra  
Offered by: Philip & Bette Ayoub  
Pat Nazarian

Donnie & Lauren Hayes  
Daniel Hayes  
Offered by: Cindy Hayes

Joe & Judy Dincecco & Family  
Liz Larose & Family  
Mary Massiwer & Family  
Glenn & Alicia Maurice  
Steve & Patti Kilsey & Family  
Nabil & Salwa Kilsey  
Steve, Missy & Benjamin Kilsey  
Melanie, Patrick & Esma Merner  
Al & Vicki Hallal  
Bill & Mary Lou Catelli  
Offered by: Cindy Hayes & Children

## IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Fred Hashway Jr.  
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

George T. Matook  
Offered by: Sandra Matook & Family

Vinnie Penta  
Offered by: Elaine Swistak

Dorothy Catelli  
John & Esma Gorab  
Jacqueline Gorab  
Offered by: Joe & Marlene Samra

Dorothy Catelli  
Offered by: Audrey & Wayne Kilsey

George Hallal  
Hallal, Sackall, Mouro & Kandalaft Family  
Offered by: Georgette Hallal

Dorothy Catelli  
Offered by: Steve, Patricia & Family

Herbert Trabulsi  
Dorothy Catelli  
Offered by: Leila and Ray Trabulsi  
Tom Trabulsi  
David Trabulsi

George T. Matook  
Offered by: Elaine Agaty  
Nora Abdelahad

Donna Maurice  
Don Hayes  
John Massiwer  
Tom Andrew  
Connie Matook  
Dorothy Catelli  
Moses Lazieh  
Offered by: Cindy Hayes & Children

