

## CHURCH CALENDAR

**Sunday, January 13th:** Sunday after Theophany  
Outreach Meeting during Coffee Hour at the Parish Center

**Sunday, January 20th:** Sunday of Euthymios the Great; 12th Sunday of Luke  
Stewardship Sunday  
Outreach Committee 'Soup Kitchen' 12:00-12:30pm

**Monday, January 21st:** 7:00 P.M.– Parish Council Meeting \*\*note date change\*\*

**Sunday, January 27th:** Sunday of John Chrysostom; 14th Sunday of Luke  
Annual Parish Meeting at the Parish Center

**Sunday, February 3rd:** Thirty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

**Sunday, February 10th:** 17th Sunday of Matthew  
“Souper Bowl” Luncheon hosted by the Outreach Committee

**Tuesday, February 12th:** 7:00 P.M.– Parish Council Meeting

**February 16th:** Valentine Hafli 8pm-1am

**Sunday, February 17th:** Sunday of the Pharisee & Publican  
Outreach Committee 'Soup Kitchen' 12:00-12:30pm

**Sunday, February 24th:** John the Baptist; Prodigal Son

**Sunday, March 3rd:** Last Judgment (Meat Fare)

**Friday, March 8th-Sunday, March 10th:** Teen SOYO- YES weekend

**Sunday, March 10th:** Forgiveness Sunday (Cheese Fare)  
Daylight Savings Time Begins

**Tuesday, March 12th:** 7:00 P.M.– Parish Council Meeting

**Sunday, March 17th:** Sunday of Orthodoxy  
Outreach Committee 'Soup Kitchen' 12:00-12:30pm

**Sunday, March 24th:** Second Sunday of Lent (Gregory Palamas)  
Annunciation Day with Bishop JOHN presiding  
Antiochian Women Fish Dinner at the Parish Center following Liturgy

**Sunday, March 31st:** Third Sunday of Lent (Holy Cross)

**Sunday, April 7th:** Fourth Sunday of Lent (John Climacus)

**Tuesday, April 9th:** 7:00 P.M.– Parish Council Meeting

**Sunday, April 14th:** Fifth Sunday of Lent (Mary of Egypt)

**Sunday, April 21st:** Palm Sunday  
Outreach Committee 'Soup Kitchen' 12:00-12:30pm

**Sunday, April 28th:** Great & Holy PASCHA



## SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



*Sunday, January 13, 2019*

**Sunday after Theophany**

**Christ is Born, Glorify Him !**

***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**

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**Schedule of Services**

<i>Sunday: Orthros (Matins)</i>	<i>9:00 a.m.</i>
<i>Church School</i>	<i>11:15 a.m.</i>
<i>Sunday: Divine Liturgy</i>	<i>10:00 a.m.</i>

*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.

**THE SYNAXARION (Plain Reading)**

On January 13 in the Holy Orthodox Church we continue to celebrate the Theophany of our Lord Jesus Christ, and we commemorate the holy Martyrs Hermynos and Stratonikos of Belgrade.

***Verses***

*Hermynos and Stratonikos' ship was a basket, wherein they sailed a joint voyage to the bottom.  
On the thirteenth the Danube drowned Hermynos and companion.*

The Emperor Licinius started a persecution against Christians, and so Hermynos was captured and led to court. When Hermynos was informed that he was being led away to be tortured, he greatly rejoiced. The emperor threatened him in vain. Hermynos responded, "The Lord is with me; I fear not. What can man do against me?" (Psalm 118:6). Following excruciating tortures, Hermynos was thrown into the dungeon. The guard Stratonikos, secretly a Christian, sympathized with the suffering of Hermynos. When it was reported to the emperor that Stratonikos was also a Christian, the emperor ordered that both of them be drowned in the Danube River. Three days later, their bodies washed ashore. Christians discovered their bodies and buried them about eighteen miles from Belgrade. These martyrs suffered for Christ and were glorified in 315.

On this day we also commemorate the Martyrs Pachomios and Papyrinos of Greece; Venerable Maximos Kafsokalyvitis of Athos; Venerable Eleazar of Anzersk Island; and Hilarion, bishop of Poitiers.

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

**ONLINE BULLETIN**

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**<http://stmarypawtucket.org>**

**Epiphany 2019- Blessing of Homes**

**With the celebration of The Feast of Epiphany and the Great Sanctification of the Water, house blessings are starting for the new year. If you would like to have your house blessed, please contact Fr. Elie and schedule an appropriate time. While it is traditional to begin house blessings following Epiphany, homes may be blessed throughout the year. May the Blessing of the Jordan River sanctify and protect each and every home and family in our community.**



## Coffee Hour

Today, Coffee Hour is being offered by Fred Kilsey in memory of his wife Michelle Kilsey (8 years). Coffee Hour will be held at the Parish Center following Liturgy.



## Christ is Born, Glorify Him !

Dear Brethren in Christ,

On Sunday, January 27, 2019 our Annual Parish Meeting will be held in the Parish Center immediately following Divine Liturgy.

All parishioners in good standing who “accept, profess and practice the faith and discipline of the Holy Orthodox Faith” are welcome to participate and to vote at the meeting. Practicing the discipline of the faith involves regular and consistent attendance at Divine Liturgy and participation in the Sacraments of the Church, as well as completing a stewardship pledge for the year 2018 and making a pledge commitment for the year 2019.

If you are interested in running for a seat on the Parish Council, please speak to either Fr. Elie or Ed Ayoub about this as soon as possible as we have several members that have terms expiring this year.

Please make every effort to attend the meeting as we will be discussing and voting on a Capital Campaign for 2019.

A copy of the budget will be sent in a separate mailing in January 2019, prior to the Annual Meeting, for your review.

Praying for your good health and participation in the life of the Church and all blessings for the New Year, we remain,

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Elie Estephan

Edward Ayoub

## THE EPISTLE

*Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous.*

**The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians. (4:7-13)**  
Brethren, grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ’s gift. Therefore, it is said, “When He ascended on high He led a host of captives, and He gave gifts to men.” (In saying, “He ascended,” what does it mean but that He had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is He who also ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.) And His gifts were that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.

## THE GOSPEL

**The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (4:12-17)**  
At that time, when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee; and leaving Nazareth he went and dwelt in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulon and Naphtali, so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: “The land of Zebulon and the land of Naphtali, toward the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.” From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of Heaven is at hand.”





# Sunday After Theophany

*Tone: 9 Eothinon: 11*

## **APOLYTIKION OF THE RESURRECTION: Tone 8**

From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

## **APOLYTIKION OF THE THEOPHANY OF CHRIST: Tone 1**

When Thou, O Lord, wast baptized in the Jordan, worship of the Trinity wast made manifest; for the voice of the Father bore witness to Thee, calling Thee His beloved Son. And the Spirit in the likeness of a dove confirmed the truth of His word. O Christ our God, Who hast appeared and enlightened the world, 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 THE THEOPHANY: Tone 4**

*(\*\*The original melody\*\*)*

On this day Thou hast appeared \* unto the whole world, \* and Thy light, O Sovereign Lord, \* is signed on us who sing Thy praise \* and chant with knowledge: Thou hast now come, \* Thou hast appeared, O Thou Light unapproachable.



## **PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR GOOD HEALTH AND BLESSING OF:**

Kevin Hashway  
Mark Hashway  
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur



Dr. Joe Samra  
Mary Lou Catelli  
Mary David  
Julia Vale  
Elaine Wilbur  
Offered by: Ron & Janice Hallal

Elaine Wilbur  
Offered by: Radwan Al-Amir & Family

Elaine Wilbur  
Offered by: Iman Al-Amir

Elaine Wilbur  
Joe & Marlene Samra  
Offered by: Lorice Hallal

Mary David  
Julia Vale  
Elaine Wilbur  
Ed Bakleh & Family  
Offered by: Linda Dvelis

Nabil Khoury  
Offered by: Salwa Khoury

Fred Kilsey & Family  
Maureen Gurghigian  
Mary David  
Julia Vale  
Elaine Wilbur  
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Mary David  
Julia Vale  
Elaine Wilbur  
Maureen Gurghigian  
Offered by: Ray & Leila Trabulsi

Elaine Wilbur  
Offered by: Joe & Marlene Samra

Elaine Wilbur  
Offered by: Elaine Gauthier

Bill & Mary Lou Catelli  
Julia Vale  
Elaine Wilbur  
Offered by: Nora Abdelahad  
Elaine Agaty  
Sandra Matook

Elaine Wilbur  
Mary Lou & Bill Catelli  
Maureen, Paul & Mary Gurghigian  
Fred Kilsey & Family  
Offered by: Elaine Swistak

## **IN LOVING MEMORY OF:**

Fred Hashway Jr.  
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Chris Gauthier  
Linda Bowab  
John Swistak  
Offered by: Ron & Janice Hallal

Michelle Kilsey  
Offered by: Ray & Leila Trabulsi

Michelle Kilsey  
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Mona Bakleh  
Offered by: Lorice Hallal

Mona Bakleh  
Offered by: Linda Dvelis

Michelle Kilsey  
Offered by: Joe & Marlene Samra

Michelle Y. Kilsey  
Offered by: Audrey & Wayne Kilsey

Linda Bowab  
Michelle Kilsey  
Offered by: Elaine Gauthier

Michelle Kilsey  
Offered by: Elaine Swistak

Ann Sabby  
Offered by: Rosemary, Jlhada & Shadia