

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, January 20th: Sunday of Euthymios the Great; 12th Sunday of Luke
Stewardship Sunday

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

Sunday, January 27th: Fifteenth Sunday of Luke
Annual Parish Meeting at the Parish Center
Outreach Committee 'Food Pantry' 11:30am-noon

Saturday, February 2nd: 6:00 P.M.– Arabic Liturgy

Sunday, February 3rd: Sixteenth Sunday of Matthew

Sunday, February 10th: Seventeenth 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
Outreach Committee 'Food Pantry' 11:30am-noon

Saturday, March 2nd: 6:00 P.M.– Arabic Liturgy

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
Outreach Committee 'Food Pantry' 11:30am-noon

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

Saturday, April 6th: 6:00 P.M.– Arabic Liturgy

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

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



SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday, January 20, 2019

Twelfth Sunday of Luke

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**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

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 20 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate our righteous Father Euthymios the Great of Palestine.

Verses

*With this life, O Euthymios, what hast thou in common?
Depart to those strangers to this life, that is, the Angels.
On the twentieth noble Euthymios ceased from life.*

Euthymios was born in the Armenian town of Melitene near the Euphrates River. He was the only child born in answer to the prayer of his barren parents Paul and Dionisiya. Finally, they had a vision and heard a voice saying, “Be of good cheer! God will grant you a son, who will bring joy to the churches.” The name Euthymios means “good cheer.” From his youth, he lived a life of asceticism, eventually settling in the Pharan Desert between Jerusalem and Jericho. He filled his days and nights with prayer, internal thoughts about God, contemplation and physical exertion. Around him many disciples gathered, some of whom are glorious saints such as Sabas the Sanctified. God gifted Euthymios to expel demons, heal the gravely ill, bring water to the desert, multiply bread and prophesy. When some of the younger monks wanted to fast more than others, he forbade them and commanded them to come to the communal table so they would not become prideful. He also taught monks not to move from place to place: “A tree frequently transplanted does not bear fruit. Whoever desires to do good can do it from the place where he sits.” Euthymios reposed peacefully at age 97 in 473.

On this day, we also commemorate the New-martyr Zachariah of Morea.

By their intercessions, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.

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.

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 Najwan & Ragheed Elias in loving memory of Sadiq Bader . Coffee Hour will be held at the Parish Center following Liturgy.



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

The saints shall be joyful in glory. Sing unto the Lord a new song.

The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (4:6-15)

Brethren, it is the God Who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” Who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. While we live we are always being given up to death for Jesus’ sake, so that the life of Jesus may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you. Since we have the same spirit of faith as he had who wrote, “I believed, and so I spoke,” we too believe, and so we speak, knowing that He Who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into His presence. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

THE GOSPEL

The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (17:12-19)

At that time, as Jesus entered a village, He was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.” When He saw them He said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus’ feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus said, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” And He said to him, “Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.”



Twelfth Sunday of Luke

Tone: 1 Eothinon: 1

APOLYTIKION OF THE RESURRECTION: Tone 1

While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. EUTHYMIOS: Tone 4

Be glad, O barren one that hast not given birth; be of good cheer, thou that hast not travailed; for a man of desires hath multiplied thy children of the Spirit, having planted in them piety and reared them in continence to the perfection of the virtues. By his prayers, O Christ God, make our lives peaceful.

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 PRESENTATION OF CHRIST: Tone 1

Thou, O Christ God, Who by Thy Birth, didst sanctify the Virgin's womb, and, as is meet, didst bless Simeon's arms, and didst also come to save us; preserve Thy fold in wars, and confirm them whom Thou didst love, for Thou alone art the Lover of mankind.



PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR GOOD HEALTH AND BLESSING OF:

Kevin Hashway
Mark Hashway
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur



Elizabeth Votruba
Offered by: Sandra Matook

Philip A. Ayoub
Offered by: Geoffrey Ayoub

Al & Vicky Hallal
Phil Ayoub
Elaine Wilbur
Offered by: Ron & Janice Hallal

Mary Lou & Bill Catelli
Offered by: Susan Warzycha & Family
Philip & Bette Ayoub

Edward Bakleh & Family
Albert & Vicki Hallal
William Salhany
Offered by: George & Barbara Moussalli

Elaine Wilbur
Offered by: Joe & Marlene Samra

Sandra Matook
Offered by: Elaine Agaty

Nabil Khoury
Offered by: Salwa Khoury

Mary Lou Catelli
Philip Ayoub
Elaine Wilbur
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Philip Ayoub
Mary Massiwer
Offered by: Elaine Swistak

Mary Lou Catelli
Philip Ayoub Sr.
Offered by: Steve & Patricia Kilsey & Family

Phil Ayoub
Ed Bakleh
Offered by: Walid & Mirna Nakhoul

Sue Ayoub
Offered by: Ed Ayoub

Philip A. Ayoub
Offered by: Ed & Sue Ayoub

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Fred Hashway Jr.
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Frederick L. Kilsey
Offered by: Audrey & Wayne Kilsey

Frederick L. Kilsey
Offered by: George, Lois, Mary &
Christopher Kilsey

Ann Ayoub
Offered by: Geoffrey Ayoub

Mona Bakleh
Offered by: George & Barbara Moussalli

Michelle Kilsey
Offered by: Joe & Marlene Samra

Margaret Tager
George Matook
Offered by: Elaine Agaty

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Linda Bowab
Offered by: Elaine Swistak

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Anne Asermely
Offered by: Ed & Sue Ayoub