

CHURCH CALENDAR

Friday– Sunday, May 10th-12th: YES Weekend at the Parish Center

Sunday, May 12th: Sunday of the Myrrh Bearing Women

Mother's Day

Coffee Hour sponsored by the Stewardship Committee

Sunday, May 19th: Sunday of the Paralytic

May 24th-27th: Antiochian Village– Family Camp

Sunday, May 26th: Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

Charitable Gift Program Coffee Hour

Church School Clean-A-Thon ('FFHP' Fundraiser)

Special Collection- Food For Hungry People

Monday, May 27th: Memorial Day

9:00 A.M. Prayers at Walnut Hill Cemetery

Saturday, June 1st: 6:00 P.M.– Arabic Liturgy

Sunday, June 2nd: Sunday of the Blindman

Sunday, June 9th: Holy Fathers of the First Council of Nicea

Church School Graduation & Luncheon

Tuesday, June 11th: 7:00 Parish Council Meeting

Sunday, June 16th: Sunday of Holy PENTECOST

Father's Day

Saturday, June 22-Sunday, June 23rd: Parish Life Conference

Sunday, June 23rd: First Sunday after Pentecost

*****please note that St. Mary Church will be closed today due to the Parish Life Conference*****

Sunday, June 30th: Synaxis of the Twelve Apostles

Thursday, July 4th: Independence Day (church office closed)

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

Sunday, July 7th: Third Sunday of Matthew

Family Day (rain date July 14th)

Tuesday, July 9th: 7:00 Parish Council Meeting

Sunday, July 14th: Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council



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SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday, May 12, 2019

Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women

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Saint Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church

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& Metropolitan of all North America**

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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

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.

Orthodox Vocabulary

Doctrine of Immortality

In pre-Christian times, the Greeks, especially, reasoned out a doctrine of immortality. They showed an essential connection of the soul with the principles governing reasoning and they took both to be eternal. Plato inferred from this believed kinship the existence of the soul before birth as well as its survival after death. On the other hand the constant striving of the virtuous man after the eternally valid principles of morality was thought to point to the same belief Plato and other Greek philosophers dwelt on the fact that matter imposes limitations on the soul. The body was believed to be a prison-house, from which death released the soul into a fuller and more perfect existence. The doctrine of immortality in Christianity arose from the fact of Christ's Resurrection. Thus, man's highest destiny was more than the mere survival of an immortal soul. Rather, it was a life of continued union with the risen Christ which reached its completion only by the reunion of body and soul after death. St. Paul sketches in his First Epistle to the Corinthians and elsewhere the essence of this Christian belief The Fathers explain the hope of immortality only in relation with the redemptive work of Christ. The Fall of Adam had brought death and it was only through the Second Adam (Christ) that life was regained (St. Athanasios, Gregory of Nyssa.) Later theological developments on the concept of immortality reached the stage by which the resurrection of the body was necessary for a full human life in the world to come; else, a disembodied soul was no true being.

Because of the Resurrection of Christ, because of His victory over death, men have become, continue to become, and will continue becoming Christians. The entire history of Christianity is nothing other than the history of a unique miracle, namely, the Resurrection of Christ, which is unbrokenly threaded through the hearts of Christians from one day to the next, from year to year, across the centuries, until the dreaded judgment.

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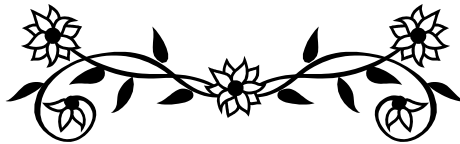
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Coffee Hour

Today, Sunday, May 12th there will be a Mother's day coffee hour hosted by the stewardship committee. This will be free as a thank you to parishioners for their time, talents and treasure and in honor of all the mothers, grandmothers, aunts and special women in our lives Coffee Hour will be held at the Parish Center following Liturgy.



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Food For Hungry People Collection (F.F.H.P.)

During the Holy Season of Lent, we collect alms to feed the hungry, as an act of Christian Mercy. Food for Hungry People collection boxes are available in the Vestibule & Church Hall. Take one home, fill it with coins during Lent and return it at Holy Pasha (Easter). Donations will also be accepted. To: St. Mary Orthodox Church earmarked "F F.H.P."

May we be generous to reach out to those who hunger and who are in need.

This "reaching out" and caring will help us to witness the resurrection.

****Please remember to return your Food For Hungry People boxes****

Sunday, May 5th, 2019

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RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION: Tone 2

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy hell with Thy Godly power. And when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ, Thou giver of life, glory to Thee.

APOLYTIKION OF JOSEPH OF ARIMATHAEA: Tone 2

The pious Joseph, having brought down Thy pure body from the Tree, wrapped it in fine linen, embalmed it with ointment, provided for it, and laid it in a new tomb. But Thou didst verily rise after three days, O Lord, granting the world Great Mercy.

APOLYTIKION OF THE MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN: Tone 2

Verily, the angel came to the tomb and said to the ointment-bearing women: the ointment is meet for the dead, but Christ is shown to be remote from corruption. But cry ye: The Lord is risen, granting the world the Great Mercy.

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.

THE KONTAKION OF PASCHA Tone 8

Though Thou didst descend into the grave, O Immortal One, yet didst Thou destroy the power of Hades, and didst arise as victor, O Christ God, calling to the myrrh-bearing women, Rejoice, and giving peace unto Thine Apostles, O Thou Who dost grant resurrection to the fallen.

THE EPISTLE

The Lord is my strength and my song. The Lord has chastened me severely.

The Reading from the Acts of the Saintly and Pure Apostles. (6:1-7)

In those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the Twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, “It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.” And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaos, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark. (15:43-16:8)

At that time, Joseph of Arimathaea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the Kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if He were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether Jesus was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that He was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking Him down, wrapped Him in the linen shroud, and laid Him in a tomb, which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where He was laid. And when the Sabbath was passed, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices so that they might go and anoint Him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?” And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back—it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, “Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, Who was crucified. He has risen, He is not here; see the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His Disciples and Peter that He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see Him, as He told you.” And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR GOOD HEALTH AND BLESSING OF:

Kevin Hashway
Mark Hashway
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Elizabeth Votruba
Offered by: Sandra Matook

Mary Lou Catelli
Sue Ayoub
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Mary Lou Catelli
Offered by: Anita, John, Reyna & Anthony
Chamoun

Suzanne Ayoub
Lorice Hallal
Offered by: Elaine Swistak

Charlie Abosamra
Suzanne Ayoub
Bette & Phil Ayoub
Mary Lou Catelli
Offered by: Ray & Leila Trabulsi

Steve & Patricia Kilsey & Family
Keith & Marlene Marshall & Family
Joseph & Rebecca Samra & Family
Offered by: Joe & Marlene Samra

Stephanie, Mary Lou, Lois, Janet, Marcella
Charlie Abosamra
Philip & Bette Ayoub
Sue Ayoub
Offered by: Elaine Gauthier

Lily Massiwer
Diana Hashway
Offered by: Holly Lazieh and Sons & Bob Dessaint

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Fred Hashway Jr.
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Esma Gorab
Mary Samra
Offered by: Joe & Marlene Samra

Sophie, Tillie, Hilda, Julia, Lillian, Edna
Offered by: Elaine Gauthier

Mary Agaty
Jeannette Swistak
Offered by: Elaine Swistak

Sophie Hallal
Sarah Massiwer
Nellie Hallal
Offered by: Holly Lazieh and Sons & Bob Dessaint



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.



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