

SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

Sunday, August 25th: Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

Outreach Committee 'Soup Kitchen' & 'Food Bag Donations' 11:30-12pm

Sunday, September 1st: Indiction: Ecclesiastical New Year

Saturday, September 7th: 9:00am– Roll Grape Leaves at the Parish Center
6:00pm– Arabic Liturgy

Sunday, September 8th: Sunday Before Elevation of the Cross

Start of Church School & Welcome Back Luncheon

Tuesday, September 10th: 7:00 Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, September 12th: 7:00 P.M.– Bazaar Committee Meeting

Sunday, September 15th: Sunday After Elevation of the Cross

Outreach Committee 'Soup Kitchen' 11:30-12pm

Sunday, September 22nd: Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Outreach Committee 'Food Bag Donations' 11:30-12pm

Sunday, September 29th: Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Saturday, October 5th: 6:00pm– Arabic Liturgy

Sunday, October 6th: Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

October is Youth Month

Sunday, October 13th: Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council

Bazaar Kick-Off Luncheon

Saturday, October 19th: Harvest Hafleh– more info to follow

Sunday, October 20th: Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Outreach Committee 'Soup Kitchen' 11:30-12pm

Saturday, October 26th: Sunday School & Teens Halloween Party

Sunday, October 27th: Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Outreach Committee 'Food Bag Donations' 11:30-12pm

Friday, November 1st-Sunday, November 3rd: St. Mary Annual Holiday Bazaar

Saturday, November 2nd: 6:00pm Arabic Liturgy

Sunday, November 3rd: Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, November 10th: Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, November 17th: Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

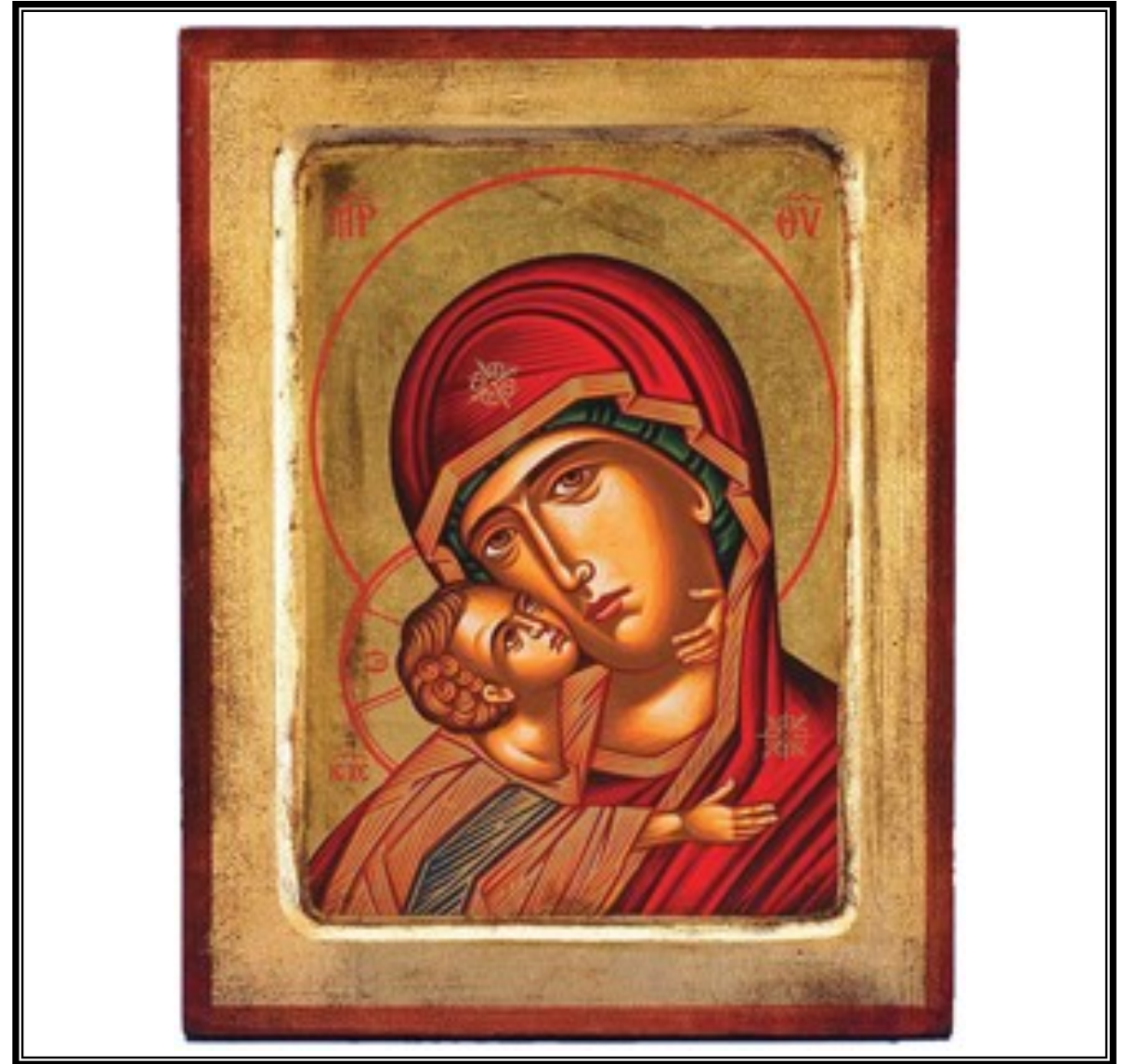
Outreach Committee 'Soup Kitchen' 11:30-12pm

Wednesday, November 20th: 7pm Liturgy for the Entrance of The Theotokos

Sunday, November 24th: Twenty third Sunday After Pentecost

Outreach Committee 'Food Bag Donations' 11:30-12pm

Sunday, December 1st: Twenty Fourth Sunday After Pentecost



Sunday, August 25, 2019

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

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Schedule of Services

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| <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 August 25 in the Holy Orthodox Church we commemorate the return of the holy relics of the holy glorious Apostle Bartholomew.

Verses

*Bartholomew is found, though was hidden,
that we the faithful might reap grace in abundance.
They found thy body on the twenty-fifth, O Bartholomew.*

When Bartholomew was crucified in Albanopolis (Derbend) in Armenia, Christians removed his body and honorably buried it in a lead sarcophagus. When numerous miracles and healings occurred over the grave of the apostle—because of which the number of Christians increased—the pagans then took the sarcophagus containing the relics of Bartholomew and tossed it into the sea. They did the same to the sarcophagi of four other martyrs. However, by God's providence, none of them sank and the current carried them to separate but safe shores. Agathon, bishop of the island of Lipara, mystically learned of Bartholomew's approaching relics and, with the clergy and people, came to the shore to receive them with great joy. On that occasion, many healings of the sick occurred from the relics of the holy Bartholomew.

On this day, we commemorate the holy Apostle Titus of the Seventy, bishop of Gortynia in Crete. Titus was born in Crete and educated in Greek philosophy and poetry. Following a dream, he began reading the Prophet Isaiah and doubted all the wisdom of the Hellenes. Hearing about Christ the Lord, Titus traveled to Jerusalem with other Cretans and personally heard the words of the Savior and witnessed His mighty works. His young heart completely adhered to Christ. Later, he was baptized by the Apostle Paul whom he served as a son to a father in evangelization. Titus was present at the suffering and death of Paul in Rome and honorably buried his body. After that, Titus returned to Crete where, with great success, he baptized the pagans and prudently governed the Church of God until his repose at age 94.

On this day, we also commemorate our Holy Fathers Menas, Epiphaneios, Gennadios and John, archbishops of Constantinople.

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

ONLINE BULLETIN

The Bulletin is available online on our website at:
<http://stmarypawtucket.org>

Orthodox Vocabulary

Paten

Paten: In Greek, *diskos*. It is a round platter on which the priest places the lamb, the central part of the *prospora*, which is to be consecrated into the Body of Christ. Other parcels are then placed beside and below the lamb; these represent the Mother of God, St John the Baptist, prophets apostles, martyrs, saints, the episcopate, the living, and the dead.

Let us therefore supplicate Him... let us assist the needy with prayers of intercession. The community of the Church can do much, if with a repented soul and a contrite spirit, we offer up our prayers! It is unnecessary to cross the ocean, or to undertake a long journey. Let every man and woman and child, whether meeting together in Church, or remaining at home, call upon God with much earnestness, and He will doubtless accede to our petitions.

~St. John Chrysostom



The Beheading of The Holy and Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John August 29th

John's beheading was in the spring. However, this date was chosen for commemoration since it was when the church was built over St. John's relics and those of his disciples and was consecrated. Herod Antipas was the son of the Herod who killed the children up to two years of age in search of Jesus. He took his brother Philip's wife Herodias while Philip was yet alive, and put his own wife who was the daughter of an Arabian prince away. John severely criticized Herod Antipas for this, and so he was imprisoned. Even though Herod "wanted to put him to death, he feared the multitude, because they counted him as a prophet." (Matthew 14:5) During a feast, Herod's niece Salome asked for the head of John on a platter. "And the king was sorry; nevertheless, because of the oaths and because of those who sat with him, he commanded it." (Matthew 14:9) John's disciples buried his body. Salome ordered that John's head be buried deep in the earth in an unclean place for she feared that he would come back to life again. However, it was soon found and reburied on the Mount of Olives by a Christian woman of Herod's court. The Arabian prince soon attacked and deposed Herod, and he and his wife were banished to poverty and exile. Salome was decapitated, falling into a frozen river, and her head was taken to her mother Herodias.

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

Tone: 1 / Eothinon: 10

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION: 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 FOR SS. BARTHOLOMEW & TITUS: Tone 3

O Holy Apostles, intercede with our merciful God, to grant our souls forgiveness of sins.

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 NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS: Tone 4

By thy holy nativity, O pure one, Joachim and Anna were delivered from the reproach of barrenness; and Adam and Eve were delivered from the corruption of death; thy people do celebrate it, having been saved from the stain of iniquity, crying unto thee: The barren doth give birth to the Theotokos, who nourisheth our life.



THE EPISTLE

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

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (4:9-16)

Brethren, God has exhibited us Apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill clad and buffeted and homeless; and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the Gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (17:14-23)

At that time, a man came up to Jesus and kneeling before Him said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. And I brought him to Thy disciples, and they could not heal him." And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me." And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" Jesus said to them, "Because you have no faith. For truly, I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you. This kind never comes out except by prayer and fasting." As they were traveling together through Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill Him, and He will rise on the third day."



40 Day Memorial Service



A Forty-Day Memorial Service is being offered for the servant of God *Wahib Wehbe* and is being offered by Paul Wehbe & Family. Coffee Hour will be held at the Parish Center in his memory following Liturgy.

May God grant him peace and may his memory be eternal.

PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR GOOD HEALTH AND BLESSING OF:

Kevin Hashway
Mark Hashway
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

John & Patricia Massiwer
Offered by: Mary Massiwer

John & Patricia Massiwer
Offered by: Cindy Hayes & Family

Elizabeth Votruba
John Massiwer
Mary Massiwer
Offered by: Sandra Matook

Sue Ayoub
Lisa Ayoub
Offered by: Ed Ayoub

Elaine Swistak
John Massiwer
Steve Kilsey
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Mary Massiwer
John Massiwer
Offered by: Joe & Marlene Samra

John Massiwer
Mary Massiwer
Offered by: Sandra Matook

John Massiwer
Leah Macaruso
Bobby Laffey
Offered by: Linda Dvelis



IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Fred Hashway Jr.
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Charles Agaty
Offered by: Elaine Agaty

Wahib Wehbe
Offered by: Paul Wehbe & Family



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.

There are still many open dates to sponsor a coffee hour. See Jiana Diakh or Sousan Karwashan on Sunday after Liturgy. Please consider sponsoring a coffee hour.