Sunday, September 1st: Indiction: Ecclesiastical New Year

Ladies Society Meeting during Coffee Hour

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

Bake Sale during Luncheon to benefit Sunday School & Teen SOYO

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: Ninteenth 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

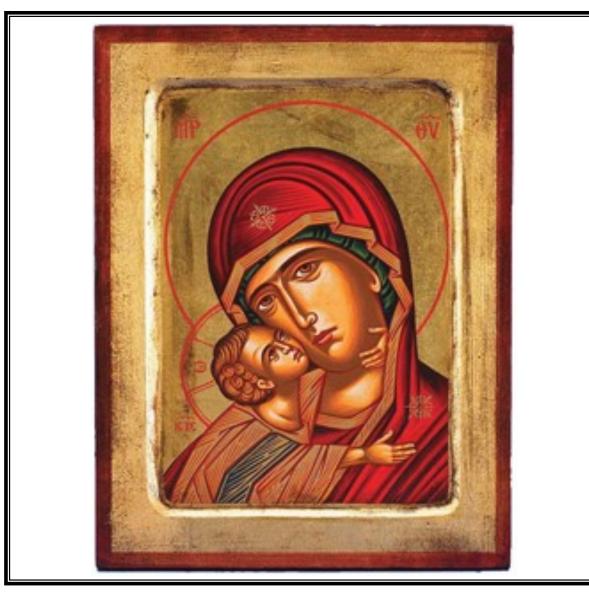
Wednesday, November 20th: 7pm Liturgy for the Entrance of The Theotokos

Sunday, November 24th: Twenty third Sunday After Pentecost

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

Sunday, December 1st: Twenty Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

## SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday, September 1, 2019

Indiction: Ecclesiastical New Year

# Saint Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church

"A parish of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America"

249 High Street, Pawtucket, RI 02860 Phone (401) 726-1202 Fax: (401) 729-1203 Parish Center Phone (401) 725-5150 Web site: http://stmarypawtucket.org Email: office@stmarypawtucket.org

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

V. Rev. Father Elie Estephan Cell- 1-(240) 205-9079

Sub-Deacon Emad Amirhom Sub-Deacon Elijah Vollendorf

#### 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.

#### *IN LOVING MEMORY OF*:

Julia Vale George Matook Thomas Matook Scott Bleasdale Chris Spenard Offered by: Flo & Phil Spenard



Don Hayes
John Massiwer
Tom Andrew
Julia & Bob Vale
Louise Osborn
Toofic, Elizabeth, John, Helen, George, Alma, Nicholas, Jane, Florence, Olga, Leon & Thomas Matook
Jeanette & Joseph DiMarzo
Joseph & Joan DiMarzo
Evelyn & Richard McNeil
Mary David
John & Nicholas Matook
Scott Bleasdale
Offered by: Cindy Hayes & Family

Julia Vale
Louise Osborn
Toofick, Elizabeth, Olga, Florence, John, Helen,
George, Alma, Nicholas, Jane, Leon, Thomas, George
T., John N. and Nick Matook
Scott Bleasdale
Evelyn and Richard McNeil
Janette, Joseph, Joe and Joan DiMarzo
Anthony Cuozzo
Robert Vale
John Massiwer
Donald Hayes
Tom Andrew
Offered by: Paul, Maureen & Mary Gurghigian



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

On September 1 in the Holy Orthodox Church we celebrate the Beginning of the Indiction—the Ecclesiastical (Church) New Year.

#### Verse

Do thou bless for our sakes the new year's Indiction Thou Ancient, Who, for man's sake, tookest on newness.

The First Ecumenical Council in Nicaea in 325 decreed that the Church year should begin on September 1. The month of September was, for the Hebrews, the beginning of the civil year, the month of gathering the harvest and of the offering of thanks to God. It was on this feast that the Lord Jesus entered the synagogue in Nazareth, and opened the book to read from the Prophet Isaiah, as found in today's Liturgy Gospel reading. The month of September is also important in the history of Christianity, because Emperor Constantine the Great was victorious over Maxentius, the enemy of the Christian Faith, in September. Following this victory, Constantine granted freedom of confession to the Christian Faith throughout the Roman Empire.

On this day we also commemorate the miracle wrought by the Most-holy Theotokos at Miasinae Monastery and the Great Conflagration (fire) which followed. The Virgin's holy icon had been cast into Lake Zaguru so that the iconoclasts would not desecrate it. It miraculously arose intact from the lake's depths after many years in 864.

On this day we also commemorate Simeon the Stylite. He was born in Syria of peasant parents. At the age of eighteen, Simeon left home and was tonsured a monk. He undertook the most difficult ascetic practices, including a strict fast for forty days. Simeon eventually took upon himself a form of asceticism that was previously unknown. He stood day and night on a pillar, in unceasing prayer. At first, his pillar was six cubits (7.5 feet) high; Simeon eventually raised it to forty cubits (60 feet) high. The saint worked many great miracles, healing infirmities by word and prayer, comforting those in need, instructing others, and reproaching some who held heretical beliefs. Simeon lived to be 103 years old. He reposed in the Lord on September 1, 459. His pillar and the cathedral named in his honor still stand outside of Aleppo, Syria.

On September 1, we also commemorate Simeon's mother, Martha; the 40 virgin-martyrs and Ammon the deacon in Heraclea; Venerable Evanthia of Skepsis; Righteous Joshua, son of Nun (Jesus of Navi); Meletios the New of Mount Myoupolis; Venerable Nicholas of Crete; New-martyr Angelis of Constantinople; the martyr Aethalas of Persia; and the martyrs Callista, Evodus and Hermogenes the siblings.

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

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

Jim & Beth Schillawski Rav & Leila Trabulsi

Offered by: St Mary Liturgical Choir

Mary Massiwer & Family John & Patricia Massiwer Nora Matook & Family

Alan Matook

Florence & Phil Spenard & Family

Bill Osborn & Family

Darlene & Doug Elkas & Family

Judy & Russell Fortier

Nick & Elaine Matook & Family

Linda Matook & Family Sandra Matook & Family

Janice Cuozzo & Family

Donna & Dana Schock & Family

Lil Massiwer Diana Hashway Elaine Wilbur

Patti & Steve Kilsey & Family Al & Vikki Hallal & Family Nabil & Salwa Khoury & Family

Ed & Sue Ayoub

Fred & Adele Shwaery & Family Jim & Beth Schillawski & Family Offered by: Cindy Hayes & Family

John & Patricia Massiwer Sandra Matook & Family

Alan Matook

Flo and Phil Spenard & Family Mary Massiwer & Family

Bill Osborn & Family Nora Matook & Family

Linda Matook & Family

Darlene and Doug Elkas & Family

Judy & Russell Fortier Elizabeth McNeil & Family Janice Cozzo & Family

Donna and Dana Schock & Family Jim and Beth Schillawski & Family

Offered by: Paul, Maureen & Mary Gurghigian

Elaine Wilbur Sue Ayoub

Offered by: Samy & Helen Morcos

#### IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Fred Hashway Jr.

Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Sophie Hallal Fred Hallal

Moses Lazieh

Offered by: Holly Lazieh & Sons & Bob Dessaint

Julia Vale

Offered by: Elaine Gauthier

Julia & Bob Vale

Offered by: Lily Massiwer

Julia Vale

Offered by: Ron & Janice Hallal

Julia Vale

Offered by: Nora Matook

Julia Vale

Offered by: Leah, Bianca & Johanna Macaruso

Julia Vale

Offered by: Michael, Maria, Mark & Meika Matook

Julia Vale Sarah Massiwer Don Hayes Tom Andrews

Offered by: Mary Massiwer & Family

Julia Vale

Offered by: Walid & Mirna Nakhoul

Julia Vale

Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Julia Vale

Offered by: Nora Abdelahad

Julia Vale

Offered by: Elaine Agaty

Julia Vale

Offered by: Sandra Matook & Family

Julia Vale

Offered by: Bill & Mary Lou Catelli

Julia Vale

Offered by: Elaine Swistak

# Indiction: Ecclesiastical New Year

Tone: 2 / Eothinon: 11

#### **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 THE INDICTION: Tone 2**

O Maker of all creation, Who hast established the times and the seasons in Thine own power: Bless the crown of this year with Thy goodness, O Lord, and keep our rulers and Thy flock in peace, by the intercessions of the Theotokos, and save us.

#### APOLYTIKION OF THE SYNAXIS OF THE THEOTOKOS: Tone 7

Rejoice, thou who art full of grace, O Virgin Theotokos, haven and protection of the race of man; for the Redeemer of the world became incarnate of thee; for thou alone art both mother and virgin, ever blessed and glorified. Intercede with Christ God that peace be granted unto all the world.

#### **APOLYTIKION OF ST. SIMEON THE STYLITE: Tone 1**

Thou becamest a pillar of patience and didst emulate the Forefathers, O righteous one: Job in his sufferings, Joseph in temptations, and the life of the bodiless while in the body. O Simeon, our righteous Father, intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.

#### 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 FOR THE INDICTION: Tone 4**

(\*\*Thou Who wast raised up\*\*)

O God of all, Thou Who hast made all the ages, \* O Sovereign Lord, truly transcendent in essence, \* bestow Thy grace and blessing on the year to come; \* and, O Most Compassionate, \* in Thine infinite mercy \* save all them that worship Thee, \* Who alone art our Master, \* and that with fear, O Savior, cry to Thee: \* Grant unto all men a fruitful and godly year.

### THE EPISTLE

Great is our Lord, and great is His power. Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good.

#### The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to St. Timothy. (2:1-7)

Timothy, my son, first of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all men, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life, godly and respectful in every way. This is good, and it is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior. Who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, Who gave Himself as a ransom for all, the testimony to which was borne at the proper time. For this I was appointed a preacher and apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

## THE GOSPEL

#### The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (4:16-22)

At that time, Jesus came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up; and He went to the synagogue, as His custom was, on the Sabbath day. And He stood up to read; and there was given to Him the book of the prophet Isaiah. Jesus opened the book and found the place where it was written, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach good news to the poor and to heal the broken hearted. He has sent Me to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord." And Jesus closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant, and sat down; and the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on Him. And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." And all spoke well of Him, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of His mouth.





## 40 Day Memorial Service



A Forty-Day Memorial Service is being offered for the servant of God Julia Vale and is being offered by Her Family. Coffee Hour will be held at the Parish Center in her memory following Liturgy.

May God grant her peace and may her memory be eternal.

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

Kevin Hashway Mark Hashway

Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

John Massiwer

Offered by: Nora Matook & Family

Jim Schillawski

Offered by: his wife, Beth and children,

Michael & Tanya

Elizabeth Votruba

Offered by: Sandra Matook

John Massiwer

Mary Massiwer Sam Lazieh

Elaine Wilbur

Offered by: Holly Lazieh & Sons & Bob Dessaint

Elaine Wilbur

Offered by: Elaine Gauthier

John Massiwer

Sue & George Michalopolous Offered by: Lily Massiwer

Elaine Wilbur **Bobby Laffey** Al & Vicki Hallal John Massiwer

Offering by: Ron & Janice Hallal

John A. Massiwer

Massiwer Family & Grandchildren

Elaine Wilbur Samra Family

Rose Ganim & Family

Offered by: Mary Massiwer & Family

Steve & Pat Kilsey Elaine Wilbur

Offered by: Joe & Marlene Samra

Joseph & Antoinette Accoui Walid & Mirna Nakhoul

Leah Macaruso Elaine Wilbur

John Massiwer

Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Joseph & Antoinette Accoui

Elaine Wilbur John Massiwer

Offered by: Walid & Mirna Nakhoul

Elaine Wilbur

Offered by: Nora Abdelahad

Elaine Wilbur

Offered by: Elaine Agaty

Elaine Wilbur

Offered by: Sandra Matook & Family

Elaine Wilbur

Offered by: Philip & Bette Ayoub

Steve Kilsey John Massiwer

Elaine Wilbur Elaine Gauthier

Stephanie, Bryan, Nicholas, Leila & Emily Chowning

Offered by: Bill & Mary Lou Catelli

Elaine Wilbur

Jim & Beth Schillawski

Leah Macaruso

John & Patricia Massiwer Matook & Massiwer Families Offered by: Elaine Swistak

Alan Matook John Massiwer Leah Macaruso Robert Laffey Mary Lou Catelli

Our Children & Grandchildren Offered by: Flo & Phil Spenard