Sunday, November 24th: Twenty third Sunday After Pentecost

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

Stewardship Sunday

Sunday, December 1st: Twenty Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

Wednesday, December 4th: Ladies Christmas Dinner at Andrew's Bistro

Saturday, December 7th: 6:00pm— Arabic Liturgy

Sunday, December 8th: Twenty Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

Choir Appreciation Sunday

40 Day Memorial Service for Steve Kilsey

Tuesday, December 10th: 7:00 P.M.- Parish Council Meeting

Sunday, December 15th: Sunday of the Forefathers (Ancestors) of Christ

Church School Pageant & Luncheon

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

Sunday, December 22nd: Sunday before the Nativity (Genealogy)

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

Tuesday, December 24th: 5:00 P.M.– Christmas Liturgy

Sunday, December 29th: Sunday after the Nativity

Upcoming events:

January 26th: Annual Meeting February 15th: Valentine Hafli



Christmas Liturgy

Christmas Liturgy this year will be on December 24th at 5:00 P.M.



Bulletin Submissions

Please help us provide a quality weekly bulletin by submitting all prayer requests and announcements to the church office by <u>Noon on Wednesdays</u>. Any requests received after this time will be in the following week's bulletin. Thank you for your cooperation.

SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday, November 24, 2019 Twenty-Third Sunday After Pentecost

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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

<u>We welcome our Visitors & Guests</u>: 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 November 24 in the Holy Orthodox Church we continue to celebrate the Entrance of the Theotokos into the Holy of Holies, and we commemorate our father among the saints Clement, bishop of Rome.

Verses

Cast into the depth of the sea with an anchor, Clement cometh to Christ, the uttermost Anchor. On the twenty-fourth Clement drowned in the depths of Christ.

Clement was born in Rome of royal lineage. His family had become lost at sea, so Clement, at age 24, went east to find them. In Alexandria, he met the Apostle Barnabas and, afterward, joined the Apostle Peter whom Clement's two brothers, Faustinus and Faustinian, were already following. By God's providence, the Apostle Peter came upon Clement's mother as an aged beggar woman, and then found his father as well. Thus, the whole family was reunited, and all returned to Rome as Christians. Clement served as third bishop of Rome, bringing a great number of unbelievers to Christ. He ordered seven scribes to write the lives of the Christian martyrs who were suffering at that time for their Lord. The Emperor Trajan banished him to Cherson, where Clement found about 2,000 exiled Christians who received him with great joy. In one year, 75 churches were built there. The authorities drowned Clement in the sea in the year 101. His miracle-working relics emerged from the sea in the ninth century.

On this day, we also commemorate the Hieromartyr Peter, bishop of Alexandria; Hermogenes, bishop of Agrigentum; Martyrs Philoumenos and Christopher; and Martyr Alexander of Corinth.

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



IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Fred Hashway Jr.

Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Josephine Karam Lillian Betor

Offered by: Elie, Julia & Naji Karam

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Dawn Boukari Offered by: Elaine Gauthier

Ronald & Christopher Gauthier Offered by: Elaine Gauthier & Family

Nouhad Ghouzami Offered by: Ray & Leila Trabulsi

Dawn Boukari Nellie Hallal Offered by: Lorice Hallal

Dawn Boukari Steve Kilsey John Hallal Offered by: Ron & Janice Hallal Dawn Boukari Offered by: Samy & Helen Morcos

Anthony Agaty Dawn Boukari Offered by: Elaine Swistak

Anthony Agaty Charles Agaty Offered by: Elaine Agaty

Dawn Boukari Offered by: John & Anita Chamoun & Family

Dawn Boukari Offered by: Joseph & Marlene Samra

George Hallal Hallal, Sackall, Mouro & Kandalaft Families Offered by: Georgette Hallal

Steve Kilsey George H. Baalbaki George A. Saggal Deceased members of our Families & Friends Offered by: Nabil & Gloria Baalbaki

Coffee Hour

Coffee hour today is sponsored by the Stewardship Committee.



Coffee hour will be held at the Parish Center following Liturgy.

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.

Please Note:

• Advent Fast: November 15th-December 24th– Please abstain from meat & dairy.

Twenty-Third Sunday After Pentecost

Tone: 6 / Eothinon: 1

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION: Tone 6

When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb; and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

APOLYTIKION OF ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS: Tone 4

Today the Virgin is the foreshadowing of the pleasure of God, and the beginning of the preaching of the salvation of mankind. Thou hast appeared in the Temple of God openly and hast gone before, preaching Christ to all. Let us shout with one thrilling voice, saying, Rejoice, O thou who art the fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation.

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.

KONTAKIONOF THE ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS: Tone 4

(**Thou Who wast raised up**)

The sacred treasury of God's holy glory, * the greatly precious bridal chamber and Virgin, * the Savior's most pure temple, free of stain and undefiled, * into the House of the Lord * on this day is brought forward * and bringeth with herself the grace * of the Most Divine Spirit; * her do God's Angels hymn with songs of praise, * for she is truly the heavenly tabernacle.

Visitations

Please contact Fr. Elie with any names of parishioners that are in need of visitation either at home, in hospital or nursing homes.

THE EPISTLE

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance. To Thee, O Lord, have I cried, O my God.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians. (2:4-10) Brethren, God, Who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up with Him, and made us sit with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the coming ages He might show the immeasurable riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith; and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God—not because of works, lest any man should boast. For, we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (18:18-27)At that time, a man came testing Jesus and asking, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery. Do not kill. Do not steal. Do not bear false witness. Honor your father and mother." And the man said, "All these I have observed from my youth." And when Jesus heard it, he said to him, "One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." But when the man heard this he became sad, for he was very rich. Jesus, seeing him sad, said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus said, "What is impossible with men is possible with God."



PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR GOOD HEALTH AND BLESSING OF:

Kevin Hashway Mark Hashway Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Elizabeth Votruba
Offered by: Sandra Matook

Fr. Isaac & Kh. Dolly Crow Simon Karam Edward Betor Offered by: Elie, Julia & Naji Karam

Lily Massiwer Fred Shwaery Offered by: Linda Dvelis

Anthony Chamoun (20th Birthday) Fred Shwaery Lily Massiwer John Massiwer Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

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Paul, Maureen & Mary Gurghigian John & Patricia Massiwer Jim & Beth Schillawski Nabil & Salwa Khoury Cindy Hayes & Family Offered by: John & Anita Chamoun & Family

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Lily Massiwer Offered by: Holly Lazieh and Sons & Bob Dessaint Paul, Maureen & Mary Gurghigian Lily Massier Sam Matook Fred & Adele Shwaery Offered by: Elaine Swistak

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Fred & Adele Shwaery Offered by: Susan Warzycha

Maureen & Paul Gurghigian & Family Offered by: Ray & Leila Trabulsi

Paul & Maureen Gurghigian Offered by: Samy & Helen Morcos

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Patty Kilsey & Family
Al & Vicki Hallal
Sam Matook
Lily Massiwer
Offered by: Ron & Janice Hallal

Health of my Family Hallal, Sackall, Mouro & Kandalaft Families Offered by: Georgette Hallal

Patricia Kilsey Melissa Kilsey Melanie, Patrick & Esma Mercer Steve, Missy & Benjamin Kilsey The Kilsey Family Our Families & Friends Offered by: Nabil & Gloria Baalbaki

