

# SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

**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)

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

**Sunday, December 29th:** Sunday after the Nativity

**Tuesday, December 31st:** New Year's Eve

## Upcoming events:

January 26th: Annual Meeting

February 9th: "Souper Bowl" Luncheon

February 15th: Valentine Haffli

February 23rd: Teen SOYO hosting Luncheon & Bake Sale



## Christmas Liturgy

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



**Reminder**– The Christmas Card & Poinsettia Fund forms are *TODAY* **Sunday, December 8th.** Please put in tray or leave in the mail slot in the front of the church.

*(this date is firm as we need to get the card to the printers)*

## December is the month of The Order of St. Ignatius

During the month of December, in our Antiochian Archdiocese we commemorate the role of The Order of St. Ignatius in The Life of the Church and it's Ministry. Members of The Order will be reading the Epistle, taking the collection, and assisting in the Vestry. May God bless all the members of our parish chapter of The Order and guide them to fulfill their Ministry.

*Sunday, December 8, 2019*

*Twenty-Fifth Sunday After Pentecost*



***Saint Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church***  
***"A parish of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America"***

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**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](mailto: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:**

Steve Kilsey  
Offered by: Barbara Samra

Steve Kilsey  
Offered by: Sandra Conca

Steve Kilsey  
Offered by: Elaine Gauthier

Steven Kilsey  
Offered by: Susan Warzycha

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George Hallal  
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Steve Kilsey  
Offered by: Philip & Bette Ayoub  
Philip G. Ayoub

Steven W. Kilsey  
Offered by: Cindy, George & Michael Antypas

Steven Kilsey  
Offered by: George & Barbara Moussalli

Steven Kilsey  
Offered by: Tawfik, Olga & Fareed Hawwa

Steve Kilsey  
Offered by: Elaine Swistak

Steve Kilsey  
Offered by: Michael & Nancy Muller & Family

Steven Kilsey  
Dawn Boukari  
Offered by: Paul, Maureen & Mary Gurghigian

John Massiwer  
Don Hayes  
Tom Andrew  
Steve Kilsey  
Teresa Croce  
Dawn Boukari  
Offered by: Cindy Hayes & Family

John Massiwer  
Don Hayes  
Tom Andrew  
Steve Kilsey  
Louise Osborn  
William Osborn Jr.  
Dawn Boukari  
Offered by: Mary Massiwer & Family

Steven Kilsey  
Offered by: Linda Dvelis

On behalf of my children and myself, I would like to thank all of our family and friends for the heartwarming love and support during this most difficult time of the loss of our beloved husband, father and grandfather, Steve.

Your prayers, cards, donations, calls, messages, flowers and food were greatly appreciated. Please keep his memory alive in your smiles, good deeds and belief in God. We are blessed to have our faith and God walking with us each day.

You must always believe.

Pattie and the Kilsey family

*~Thank you~*

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

Patricia Kilsey & Family  
Amen Kilsey & Family  
Fred Kilsey & Family  
Joyce Kilsey  
Jeffrey Kilsey  
Offered by: Susan Warzycha



Pattie & Melissa Kilsey  
Melanie, Patrick & Esma  
Steve, Missy & Benjamin  
Offered by: Barbara Samra

Pattie & Melissa Kilsey  
Melanie, Patrick & Esma  
Steve, Missy & Benjamin  
Offered by: Sandra Conca

Kilsey Family  
Offered by: Cindy, George & Michael Antypas

Patricia Kilsey & Family  
William Salhany  
Nabil & Gloria Baalbaki  
Offered by: George & Barbara Moussalli

Walid & Mirna Nakhoul  
Patricia Kilsey & Family  
Amen & Fred Killsey & Families  
Joyce Kilsey & Jeff Kilsey  
Fred & Adele Shwaery  
Offered by: Elaine Swistak

Patricia Kilsey & Family  
Offered by: Tawfik, Olga & Fareed Hawwa

Patricia Kilsey  
Melissa Kilsey  
Patrick, Melanie & Esma Kilsey  
Steven, Missy & Benjamin Kilsey  
Offered by: Joe & Rebecca Samra

Patricia Kilsey & Family  
Lily Massiwer  
Diana Hashway  
John & Patricia Massiwer  
Gina & Joe Montiero  
Offered by: Cindy Hayes & Family

Patricia Kilsey & Family  
Lily Massiwer  
Diana Hashway  
John & Patricia Massiwer  
William Osborn & Family  
Offered by: Mary Massiwer & Family

Lily Massiwer  
Fred & Adele Shwaery & Family  
Al & Vickie Hallal & Family  
Sam Matook  
Patricia Kilsey & Family  
Offered by: Paul, Maureen & Mary Gurghigian

Patricia Kilsey & Family  
Fred & Adele Shwaery  
Louise Megalli  
Charles & Angela Abosamra  
Offered by: Michael & Nancy Muller & Family

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF:**

Fred Hashway Jr.  
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Lillian Betor  
Georges Karam  
Offered by: Elie, Julia & Naji Karam

Steve Kilsey, our beloved Husband, Father & Jiddo  
Offered by: Patricia, Melissa, Steven, Missy &  
Benjamin Kilsey and Patrick, Melanie & Esma Merner

Steve Kilsey  
Offered by: Joe & Marlene Samra

Steve Kilsey  
Offered by: Joe & Rebecca Samra

Steve Kilsey  
Offered by: Nabil& Salwa Khoury

Steve Kilsey  
Offered by: Walid & Mirna Nakhoul

Steve Kilsey  
George Hallal  
Offered by: Lorice Hallal

# Twenty-Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

**Tone: 8 / Eothinon: 3**

**RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION: Tone 8**

From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

**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 PREPARATION OF CHRIST’S NATIVITY: Tone 3**

(\*\**The original melody*\*\*)

On this day the Virgin cometh to the cave to give birth to \* God the Word ineffably, \* Who was before all the ages. \* Dance for joy, O earth, on hearing \* the gladsome tid-ings; \* with the Angels and the shepherds now glorify Him \* Who is willing to be gazed on \* as a young Child Who \* before the ages is God.



**CHOIR APPRECIATION SUNDAY**

Today, the second Sunday of the month, our Antiochian Archdiocese is celebrating Choir/ Chanter Appreciation Sunday. We appreciate our choir and chanters many other times through- out the year, for all the liturgical services they beautify and make possible with their singing and chanting This Sunday we especially acknowledge them particularly throughout the Archdi- ocese, and thank them for their ministry in the parish.

**Please Note:**

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



**THE EPISTLE**

*Make your vows to the Lord our God and perform them.  
God is known in Judah; His Name is great in Israel.*

**The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians. (4:1-7)**

Brethren, I, a prisoner for the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all lowliness and meekness, with patience, forbearing one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, Who is above all and through all and in all. But grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ’s gift.

**THE GOSPEL**

**The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (13:10-17)**

At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And there was a woman who had had a spirit of infirmity for eighteen years; she was bent over and could not fully straighten herself. And when Jesus saw her, He called her and said to her, “Woman, you are freed from your infirmity.” And He laid His hands upon her, and immediately she was made straight, and she praised God. But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, said to the people, “There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be healed, and not on the Sabbath day.” Then the Lord answered him, “You hypocrite! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his ass from the manger, and lead it away to water it? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day?” As Jesus said this, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by Him.



**40 Day Memorial Service**



A Forty-Day Memorial Service is being offered for the servant of God *Steven Kilsey* and is being offered by his loving wife Patricia Kilsey, his Children & their Families. 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.*

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Mark Hashway  
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Elizabeth Votruba  
Offered by: Sandra Matook

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

Our Family & Friends  
Offered by: The Kilsey Family

Patricia Kilsey  
Melissa Kilsey  
Patrick, Melanie & Esma Merner  
Steven, Missy & Benjamin Kilsey  
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