

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, March 8th: Orthodoxy Sunday

Extra Collection for Theological education for Seminarians

Outreach Meeting During Coffee Hour

Daylight Savings Time

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

7:00 P.M.- Service of Great Compline at St. Mary Church

Wednesday, March 11th: 9:30am-Ladies Cooking

7:00 P.M.- Pre-Sanctified Liturgy at St. Mary Church

Thursday, March 12th: 7:00 P.M.- Service of Great Compline at St. Mary Church (Arabic)

Friday, March 13th: 7:00 P.M.- Akathyst Hymn at St. Mary Church followed by

Potluck Dinner at Parish Center

Sunday, March 15th: Second Sunday of Lent (Gregory Palamas)

Monday, March 16th: Service of Great Compline (Diocese) at 7pm

Tuesday, March 17th: 7:00 P.M.- Service of Great Compline at St. Mary Church

Wednesday, March 18th: 9:30am-Ladies Cooking

7:00 P.M.- Pre-Sanctified Liturgy at St. Mary Church

Thursday, March 19th: 7:00 P.M.- Service of Great Compline at St. Mary Church (Arabic)

Friday, March 20th: 7:00 P.M.- Akathyst Hymn at St. Mary Church followed by

Potluck Dinner at Parish Center

Sunday, March 22nd: Sunday of the Holy Cross

Monday, March 23rd: Service of Great Compline (Diocese) at 7pm

Tuesday, March 24th: 7:00 P.M.-Liturgy for the Annunciation

Wednesday, March 18th: 9:30am-Ladies Cooking

7:00 P.M.- Pre-Sanctified Liturgy at St. Mary Church

Thursday, March 19th: 7:00 P.M.-Service of Great Compline at St. Mary Church (Arabic)

Friday, March 20th: 7:00 P.M.- Akathyst Hymn at St. Mary Church followed by

Potluck Dinner at Parish Center

Sunday, March 29th: Fourth Sunday of Lent (John Climacus)

Monday, March 30th: Service of Great Compline (Diocese) at 7pm

Tuesday, March 24th: 7:00 P.M.-Liturgy for the Annunciation

Wednesday, March 18th: 9:30am-Ladies Cooking

7:00 P.M.- Pre-Sanctified Liturgy at St. Mary Church

Thursday, March 19th: 7:00 P.M.-Service of Great Compline at St. Mary Church (Arabic)

SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday, March 8, 2020

**First Sunday of Great Lent:
Sunday of Orthodoxy**

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& Metropolitan of all North America**

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Schedule of Services

<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.

St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church, Pawtucket
Schedule of Services: Great Lent 2020



The Service of Great Compline (Diocese) will be held on Monday evenings at 7:00 pm.
(except Worcester- 6:30pm)

The Service of Great Compline (St. Mary Church) will be held on Tuesday evenings at 7:00, Thursday
Evenings (in Arabic) at 7:00pm

The Liturgy of the Pre-sanctified Gifts will be held on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm. Those wishing to
partake of Holy Communion ought to be fasting from 12:00 noon on.

The service of the Akathyst Hymn or Madeeh (The Salutations to the Virgin Mary) will be held on the
first five Friday evenings of Great Lent at 7:00 pm.

The Divine Liturgy on Lazarus Saturday, April 11th, will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m.

Palm Sunday is on April 12th. Holy Week starts on Sunday evening April 12th with the
Bridegroom Service at 7:00 p.m.

Great and Holy Week: Monday, April 13th - Saturday, April 18th.

Great and Holy PASCHA (Easter) is April 19th.

*May the Living God, the Fountain of Wisdom, enlighten our minds, strengthen our bodies, and nourish
our souls in the blessing of this holy season, the Lenten Spring.*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Fred Hashway Jr.
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

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

Luciano Ferrari
Offered by: Tawfik, Olga & Fareed Hawwa

John Massiwer
Mary Andrews
Deceased Family & Friends
Offered by: Lily Massiwer

John Massiwer
Offered by: Diana Hashway

Alma Matook
George Matook
Thomas Matook
George T. Matook
Scott Bleasdale
Chris Spenard
John Matook
John Massiwer
Offered by: Philip & Florence Spenard & Family
Dr. Alan Matook

John Massiwer
Offered by: Holly Lazieh & Sons & Bob Dessaint

Luciano Ferrari
John Massiwer
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury



John Massiwer
George Bowab
Offered by: Elaine Swistak

John A. Massiwer
Massiwer Family
Matook Family
Hallal Family
Samra Family
Offered by: Mary Massiwer & Family

John Massiwer
Offered by: Nora Abdelahad
Elaine Agaty
Sandra Matook & Family

John Massiwer
Donald Hayes
Tom Andrew
Dawn Boukari
Offered by: Paul, Maureen & Mary Gurghigian

Don Hayes
John Massiwer
Tom Andrew
Sarah, George, Abraham & Emile Massiwer
Sophie & Fred Hallal
David Massiwer
Louis Hashway
Moses Lazieh
Dawn Boukari
Offered by: Cindy Hayes & Family

Coffee Hour

Coffee hour today is sponsored by Mary Massiwer & Children in Memory of John Massiwer (20 years). Coffee hour will be held at the Parish Center following Liturgy.



Extra Collection

Today on the Sunday of Orthodoxy, as is the custom in our Archdiocese, an extra collection will be taken in support for Theological education and our Seminarians. Please be generous so that the Church can afford to train, equip and support the formation and education of our future pastors and educators.

Sunday of Orthodoxy

Tone: 5 / Eothinon: 5

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION: Tone 5

Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

APOLYTIKION OF FIRST STUNDAY OF GREAT LENT: Tone 2

Thy pure image do we venerate, O good One, asking forgiveness of our sins, O Christ our God; for by Thine own will Thou didst ascend the Cross in Thy body, to save Thy creatures from the bondage of the enemy. Wherefore, with thankfulness we cry aloud to thee: Thou hast verily filled all with joy, since Thou didst come, O our Savior, to save the world.

TROPARION OF THE DORMITION: Tone 1

In giving birth, Thou didst keep Thy virginity and in thy repose, Thou didst not forsake the world, O Theotokos, for Thou art the mother of life, and Thou didst pass over into life; and through thy intercession from death Thou dost redeem our souls.

KONTAKION FOR SUNDAYS IN GREAT LENT: Tone 8

To thee, the Champion Leader, do I offer thanks of victory, O Theotokos, thou who hast delivered me from terror; but as thou that hast that power invincible, O Theotokos, thou alone can set me free: from all forms of danger free me and deliver me, that I may cry unto thee: Hail, O Bride without Bridegroom.

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.

The Epistle
Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-40

Prokeimenon: Blessed are you, O Lord, God of our Fathers.
Verse: For you are righteous in all things you have done for us.
The reading is from Saint Paul's Letter to the Hebrews.

Brethren, by faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to share ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. And what more shall I say? For time will fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets - who through faith conquered kingdoms, and enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated (of whom the world is not worthy) wandering over deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

The Gospel
John 1:43-51

At that time, Jesus decided to go to Galilee. And he found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Beth-saida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael, and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!" Nathanael said to Jesus, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You shall see greater things than these." And Jesus said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man."



Twenty-Year Memorial Service



A Twenty-Year Memorial Service is being offered for *John Massiwer* by his loving wife Mary Massiwer, his Children & their Families.

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



Elizabeth Votruba
Offered by: Sandra Matook

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

Paula Hallal
Mary Massiwer & Family
Offered by: Holly Lazieh & Sons & Bob Dessaint

John, Renda, Natalia & Julia Ferrari
Ann Marie, Matthew, & the Ferrari Family
Offered by: Tawfik, Olga & Fareed Hawwa

Fred & Adele Shwaery
Ed & Suzanne Ayoub
Offered by: Susan Warzycha

Mary Massiwer & Family
Paula Hallal
Holly Lazieh & Sons & Bob Dessaint
Rose Ganim & Family
Matook Family
Osborn Family
Samar Family
Elaine Wilbur & Family
Offered by: Mary Massiwer & Family

Mary Massiwer & Family
Paula Hallal
Family & Friends
Offered by: Lily Massiwer

Massiwer Family
Offered by: Diana Hashway

Elaine Agaty
Offered by: Elaine Swistak

Ann Marie & Matthew Ferrari
William Ferrari & Family
John & Renda Ferrari & Family
Jacob, Maria, Emelia & Sofia Khoury
Paula Hallal
Janice Hallal
Mary Massiwer & Family
Ed & Sue Ayoub
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Mary Massiwer & Family
Offered by: Nora Abdelahad
Elaine Agaty
Sandra Matook & Family

Mary Gurghigian
Offered by: Paul & Maureen Gurghigian

Mary Massiwer & Family
Paula Hallal
John & Patricia Massiwer
Charlie & Angela Abosamra
Fred & Adele Shwaery
Sue & Ed Ayoub
Al & Vickie Hallal
Offered by: Paul, Maureen & Mary Gurghigian

Donnie, Lauren, Dan & Sarah Hayes
Offered by: Cindy Hayes

Mary Massiwer
John & Patricia Massiwer
Paul, Maureen & Mary Gurghigian
Mary, Bill, Bill Jr, & Jon Franklin
Diane Andrew & Paul Bernier
Laura, Jim & Noelle Arrighi
Fr. Isaac & Kh Dolly Crow
Lil Massiwer
Diana Hashway
Paula Hallal
Holly, Jordan & Alexander Lazieh
Bob Dessaint
Cheryl, Anthony, Emma & Evan Nassaney
Nancy, Dimetrios, Steven & Nicholas Sterpis
Mitchell Massiwer & Family
Offered by: Cindy Hayes & Family