



Sunday, September 6, 2020

Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

THE EPISTLE

*O Lord, how marvelous are Thy works. In wisdom hast Thou made them all.
Bless the Lord, O my soul!*

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (16:13-24)
Brethren, be watchful, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, and be strong. Let all that you do be done in love. Now, brethren, you know that the household of Stephanas were the first converts in Achaia, and they have devoted themselves to the service of the saints; I urge you to be subject to such men and to every fellow worker and laborer. I rejoice at the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicus, because they have made up for your absence; for they refreshed my spirit as well as yours. Give recognition to such men. The churches of Asia send greetings. Aquila and Prisca, together with the church in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord. All the brethren send greetings. Greet one another with a holy kiss. I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. If anyone has no love for the Lord, let him be accursed. Our Lord, come! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (21:33-42)
The Lord spoke this parable: "There was a householder who planted a vineyard, and set a hedge around it, and dug a wine press in it, and built a tower, and let it out to tenants, and went into another country. When the season of fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants, to get his fruit; and the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first; and they did the same to them. Afterward he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' And they took him and cast him out of the vineyard, and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: 'The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes?'"



THE SYNAXARION (Plain Reading)

On September 6 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the dread miracle of the Chief Commander Michael that took place in Colossae of Phrygia; and we also commemorate Saint Archippos of Hierapolis.

Verses

*Most mighty in thy temple, O Michael, Great Marshal,
Thou hast marshaled the river's floods into a funnel.
On the sixth, Michael, Prince of Angels, hid the confluence of rivers.*

The Archangel Michael delivered from destruction a church and a holy, miraculous spring named for him. The pagans, moved by malice, sought to turn the course of two rivers against the church and the spring. But the Archangel appeared by the prayers of the holy Archippos and, by means of the Cross and a great earthquake that shook the entire area, diverted the waters into an underground course. Henceforth, the name of that place changed from Colossae to Chonae, which means "funnels" in Greek. Archippos lived there until age 70, when he entered peacefully into Heaven.

On this day, we also commemorate the Martyrs Eudoxios, Zeno, Romulus and Makarios at Melitene in Armenia.

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

ONLINE BULLETIN

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

Visitations

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

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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.

Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

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RESURRECTION APOLYTIKION: Tone 3

Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.

APOLYTIKION OF THE ARCHANGELS: Tone 4

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

Supreme Commander of the Hosts of the Heavens, * we, the unworthy, importune and beseech thee * that by thy supplications thou encircle us * in the shelter of the wings * of thine immaterial glory, * guarding us who now fall down * and cry to thee with fervor: * Deliver us from dangers of all kinds, * as the great Marshal of the heavenly hosts on high.

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 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.



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

Kevin Hashway
Mark Hashway
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Victoria & Albert Hallal
Offered by: Ron Hallal

Josephine Karam
Mother Xenia Minihan
Ed Betor
Offered by: Elie, Julia & Naji Karam

Ron Hallal
Offered by: Rhonda Hallal, Bob Lienert, Hanna &
Emma, Sharyn Hallal, Keith & Maria Hallal, Isabel
& Matthew

Mitt, Nora, Marie & their Families
Offered by: Georgette Hallal

Salwa Khoury
Offered by: A Friend



IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Janice Hallal
Offered by: Her Loving Husband Ron

Fred Hashway Jr.
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

George & Rose Ganim
Offered by: Georgette Hallal

Rose Ganim
Offered by: Audrey & Wayne Kilsey

Richard McNeil, Sr.
Leon Matook
Offered by: Sandra Matook & Family



Congratulations to Naji Karam as you begin the
next chapter in your life at Boston University!
Wishing you great success, health & happiness
always! May God keep you safe.

Love, Mom & Dad

Congratulations

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.

Sunday School will begin next Sunday, September 13. Parents can check in directly with their student's teacher for specific Sunday School plans. If you have a Sunday School student and are not currently on the email list--if you haven't been receiving Sunday School emails so far--please get in touch with Sunday School Director, Matt Duncan (s.matthew.duncan@gmail.com or (714) 686-0541). All other questions can be directed to Matt as well.

SAVE THE DATE!!

In the past 40 years St.Mary Church has held its Annual Christmas Bazaar on the first weekend of November which is always our biggest fundraiser of the year. This year because of the Pandemic we are forced to do something completely different. So please save the date for a 2 day Food Fair on Saturday November 7th and Sunday November 8th where we will have our wonderful Arabic foods available for sale with no in hall seating but for Takeout and Bulk Sales.

Because of the restrictions we will be following the guidelines set by the Governor's office of Masks, Gloves and Social Distancing. We will be sanitizing the tables and all hard surfaces of the parish center before and after all cooking sessions.

The Ladies will begin cooking for the Bazaar on Saturday September 19th at 9:30 AM and we will be rolling Grape leaves. We need all hands (everyone is invited!) for these sessions so bring a friend and help us to roll approximately 7000 grape leaves this day. We will also be making Sfeeha on Saturday September 26th at 9:30.

More cooking dates will be advertised shortly.

And Lastly, the Ladies will be having a meeting at the Parish Center on Thursday September 10th at 11:00 AM. Please plan to attend if you are able.

Your Sister in Christ,
Cindy Hayes
Ladies Society President

Food Fair

LIVESTREAMING

As you noticed, the last two Sundays we did not have our liturgy life streamed, because we did not have anyone to do it.

Keith Marshall has been doing it for over six months now (God bless him), and it is not fair to leave him alone in this. It is good to have between 3 - 5 volunteers who come to Liturgy on a regular basis that can broadcast the liturgy online using the church equipment (Camera and microphone). You need to have a laptop or tablet. The church has an iPad that can be used if needed.

Please, let Fr. Elie know if you would like to step in and help.