Sunday, October 18, 2020
The Holy Apostle & Evangelist Luke

THE EPISTLE

His voice has gone out into all the earth. The heavens declare the glory of God.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Colossians. (4:5-11, 14-18)

Brethren, conduct yourselves wisely toward outsiders, making the most of the time. Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer everyone. Tychicus will tell you all about my affairs; he is a beloved brother and faithful minister and fellow servant in the Lord. I have sent him to you for this very purpose, that you may know how we are and that he may encourage your hearts, and with him Onesimus, the faithful and beloved brother, who is one of you. They will tell you of everything that has taken place. Aristarchus my fellow prisoner greets you, and Mark the cousin of Barnabas (concerning whom you have received instructions—if he comes to you, receive him), and Jesus who is called Justus. These are the only men of the circumcision among my fellow workers for the kingdom of God, and they have been a comfort to me. Luke the beloved physician and Demas greet you. Give my greetings to the brethren at Laodicea, and to Nympha and the church in her house. And when this letter has been read among you, have it read also in the church of the Laodiceans; and see that you read also the letter from Laodicea. And say to Archippus, “See that you fulfill the ministry which you have received in the Lord.” I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. Remember my fetters. Grace be with you. Amen.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (10:16-21)

The Lord said, “He who hears you hears Me, and he who rejects you rejects Me, and he who rejects Me rejects Him who sent Me.” The Seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Thy Name!” And Jesus said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I have given you authority to tread upon serpents and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing shall hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you; but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.” In that same hour Jesus rejoiced in the spirit and said, “I thank Thee, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that Thou hast hidden these things from the wise and prudent and revealed them to babes; yea, Father, for such was Thy gracious will.”
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Tone: 2  Eothinon: 8

RESURRECTION 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 ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST: Tone 3
O holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke, intercede with the merciful God, to grant our souls forgiveness of sins.

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.

ORDINARY KONTAKION: Tone 2
O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

Visitations

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

Bazaar/Food Fair 2020

Bulk Order

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Phone #: _________________________

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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

Mike Muller
Cindy Hayes
Elaine Swistak
Al & Vicki Hallal
Elaine Wilbur
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

The Families of George & Rose Ganim
The Families of Fred & Sophie Hallal
Baalbaki & Saggal Families
Ron Hallal & Family
All our Friends & Families
Offered by: Nabil & Gloria Baalbaki & Family

Michael, Maria, Mark & Meika Matook
Leah, Bianca & Johnna Macaruso
Offered by: Nora Matook

Nabil & Salwa Khoury
Victoria & Albert Hallal
Offered by: Charles & Angela Abosamra

Elaine Wilbur
Offered by: Nora Abdelahad
Elaine Agaty
Sandra Matook

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Janice Hallal
Offered by: Her Loving Husband Ron

Fred Hashway Jr.
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

George A. & Georgette A. Saggal
George & Rose Ganim
Janice Hallal
Fred, Sophie & Paula Hallal
All our deceased Family & Friends
Offered by: Nabil & Gloria Baalbaki & Family

Don Hayes
John Massiwer
Tom Andrew
Moses Lazieh
Nawal Habib
Offered by: Cindy Hayes & Family

Vinnie Penta
Offered by: Elaine Swistak

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.
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.

More cooking dates will be advertised shortly.

The next Bazaar/Food Fair Meeting will be held on Sunday, October 25th following Liturgy in the Church Hall. Please make every effort to attend--this is the last meeting before the event and we need everyone's help to make this event successful!

GREETINGS!

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Fall 2020

I hope this letter finds you and your loved ones well. The women of St. Mary Antiochian Church are basking in a storm for our 40th Annual Bazaar/Food Fair, which will include our delicious Middle Eastern food and pastries for all to enjoy. St. Mary Holiday Bazaar/Food Fair will be held on Saturday, November 7th and Sunday, November 8th, 2020.

Due to COVID-19, we will not be having our traditional Annual Bazaar at our Parish Center. However, we offer you our Bazaar Menu to go! Also, we will have online orders.

Last year our Sponsorship donations were the most successful one yet! We have always appreciated your generosity in the past as we strive to make this year’s event even more successful. We are reaching out to you for your continued support. It is a wonderful and rewarding way to show your support for St. Mary’s. For businesses it is a great opportunity to display your support of a local event and receive excellent recognition.

The tax-deductible sponsorships are divided into four tiers: Platinum, Gold, Silver & Bronze sponsorships. This year we will be printing our Sponsors names in a flyer that will be included with each order sold.

Please complete your sponsorship as soon as possible using the form below. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call. Thank you!

Fr. Eleftherios, Pastor
Salva Khoary
Waldy Nakhoal

St. Mary Holiday Bazaar/Food Fair- 2020 Sponsorship Form
Yes! I/We wish to sponsor the November 7th & 8th, St. Mary Holiday Bazaar/Food Fair as follows:
- $500 Platinum Sponsor
- $300 Gold Sponsor
- $200 Silver Sponsor
- $150 Bronze Sponsor

Listing for sponsorship recognition:

Contact Person:
Phone:
Email:

Please make your tax-deductible donation to St. Mary Bazaar/Food Fair, earmarked “Bazaar/Food Fair sponsorship” and send it with this form to:
St. Mary Church
249 High Street
Pawtucket, RI 02860

Thank you!

‘Let us we, O Lord, be stronger outside your door’ (St. Seraphim of Sarov)
Orthodox Vocabulary

Son of Man

This is a title that Christ ascribed to Himself and is found only in the Gospels and nowhere else in the New Testament, apart from a passage in the Acts of the Apostles 7:56, ‘behold I see the heavens open and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.’ It is used in the Gospels with the meaning of the One who is to appear at the Last Judgment ‘coming with the clouds of heaven’ or ‘sitting on the throne of His glory as Judge of the World.’ Elsewhere, it relates to the future sufferings, death and Resurrection of the Messiah, and still in other passages clearly refers to Christ Himself. It is believed that the term Son of Man especially signifies the humility of Christ’s Incarnate Manhood as contrasted with the majesty of His Divinity denoted by the title ‘Son of God.’ It has been also suggested that Christ chose this title rather than any phrase referring to His Davidic Messiahship, in which case He would be named ‘Son of David.’ The associations of the title ‘son of Man’ were less fixed and practically non-nationalistic.

Do not approach the words of the mysteries contained in the Scriptures without prayer and without asking for God’s help. Say, “Lord, grant that I may receive an awareness of the power that is within them.” Consider prayer to be the key to the understanding of truth in Scripture.

Fertile Ground

Humility comes from the Latin word humus, fertile ground. The fertile ground is there, unnoticed, taken for granted, always there to be trodden upon. It is silent, inconspicuous, dark and yet it is always ready to receive any seed, ready to give it substance and life. The more lowly, the more fruitful, because it becomes really fertile when it accepts all the refuse of the earth. It is so low that nothing can soil it, abase it, humble it; it has accepted the last place and cannot go any lower. In that position, nothing can shatter the soul’s serenity, its peace and joy.

~Metropolitan Anthony Bloom, Living Prayer

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Schedule of Services

Sunday: Orthros (Matins) 9:00 a.m.
Church School 11:15 a.m.
Sunday: Divine Liturgy 11:15 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.
THE SYNAXARION (Plain Reading)

On October 18 in the Holy Orthodox Church we commemorate the holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke.

Verses

Though near Emmaus I was kept from Thy vision, 
Yet now, saith Luke, I see Thee, O Christ, distinctly. 
On the eighteenth Luke reached the limit of his life.

He was born in Antioch. In his youth, he excelled in his studies of Greek philosophy, medicine and art. During the ministry of the Lord Jesus on earth, Luke came to Jerusalem, where he saw the Savior face to face, heard His saving teaching and was witness to His miraculous works. Coming to believe in the Lord, Luke was numbered among the Seventy Apostles, and was sent out to preach. With Cleopas, he saw the resurrected Lord on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24). After the descent of the Holy Spirit, Luke returned to Antioch and there became a fellow worker of the Apostle Paul and traveled to Rome with him, converting Jews and pagans to the Christian Faith. At the request of Christians, he wrote his Gospel in about the year 60. Following the martyrdom of the great Apostle Paul, Luke preached the Gospel throughout Italy, Dalmatia, Macedonia and other regions. He painted three icons of the Most-holy Theotokos—one of which is protected by the nuns of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Convent of Our Lady of Saydnaya in Syria. He also painted icons of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul. Hence, Luke is considered to be the founder of Christian iconography. In old age, he visited Libya and Upper Egypt. From Egypt he returned to Greece, where he continued to preach and convert many with great zeal despite his old age. In addition to his Gospel, Luke wrote the Acts of the Apostles and dedicated both works to Theophilus, the governor of the region of Emperor Constantinus, the son of Constantine.

On this day, we also commemorate Martyr Marinos the Elder at Anazarbos; Venerable Theodore, Simeon and Euphrosyne, founders of the Monastery of the Great Cave in the Peloponneseus; New-martyrs Gabriel and Kyrmidoles of Egypt; and Venerable Peter of Cetinje (TSEH-tee-ne-eh).

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

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, October 18th: Sunday of the Apostle & Evangelist Luke
Saturday, October 24th: 4-5:30pm- St. Mary Trunk or Treat Harvest Party
Sunday, October 25th: Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost
Sunday, November 1st: One Year Memorial Service for Hilaneh Al Khaouli
Bazaar/Food Fair meeting in the Church Hall following Liturgy
Sunday, November 7th: 6:00 P.M.–Arabic Liturgy
Bazaar/Food Fair: November 7th & 8th

St. Mary Trunk or Treat!!

Hello Sunday School families!

We hope you are enjoying the fall season so far. We won’t be able to have our Harvest Party as usual this year, but are excited to host a Trunk or Treat event!

What: St. Mary Trunk or Treat Harvest Party
When: Saturday, October 24 from 4-5:30pm
Place: St. Mary Parish Center parking lot

If you haven’t done a Trunk or Treat before, each family would decorate their car and provide some candy or small favor to hand out. Kids can trick or treat from car to car and spend some fun time together. Costumes are encouraged!

Masks will be MANDATORY for everyone over the age of two, and cars should be parked a space apart. The parish center will be open for restroom use, but we won’t be having any food or indoor activities. We will also have hand sanitizer as well.

We hope you’ll be able to join us for this fun socially distanced event!