

THE SYNAXARION (Plain Reading)

On January 17 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate our righteous and God-bearing Father Anthony the Great.

Verses

*Malachi, who boasteth to be named Angel,
boasteth yet more in that he standeth with Angels.*

On the third Malachi's soul flew from things fleeting.

He was chronologically the last of the prophets, born after the return of the Jews from exile in Babylon in 538 B.C. He was unusually fair of face. According to tradition, he was nicknamed "the angel" perhaps because of his outward fairness, or because of his purity of spirit, or because of his companionship with an angel, with whom he often spoke face to face. At these times, others also heard its voice but were not worthy to look on its face. The young prophet spoke forth that which the angel revealed to him. Malachi cried out against the ingratitude of Israel and the sins of the priests. Five hundred years before Christ, he clearly foretold the coming and work of John the Baptist (Mal. 3:1). Malachi was chiefly the prophet of the Day of Judgment (Mal. 3:19-21). Malachi went to God young in years, and after him there was no prophet in Israel until John the Baptist, the last of all prophets.

On this day, we also commemorate the Martyr Gordios of Cappadocia; Venerable Thomais the wonderworker of Lesbos; and Venerable Genevieve of Paris.

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



THE EPISTLE

*Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.
What shall I render to the Lord for all that He has given me?*

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (13:17-21)

Brethren, obey your leaders and submit to them; for they are keeping watch over your souls, as men who will have to give account. Let them do this joyfully, and not sadly, for that would be of no advantage to you. Pray for us, for we are sure that we have a clear conscience, desiring to act honorably in all things. I urge you the more earnestly to do this in order that I may be restored to you the sooner. Now may the God of peace Who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in you that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ; to Whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE GOSPEL

The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (17:12-19)

At that time, as Jesus entered a village, He was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When He saw them He said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus said, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And He said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

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.

***Happy New Year
2021***

**VENERABLE AND GOD-BEARING FATHER
ANTHONY THE GREAT
& TWELFTH SUNDAY OF LUKE**

Tone: 7 Eothinon: 10

RESURRECTION APOLYTIKION: Tone 7

Thou didst shatter death by Thy Cross, Thou didst open paradise to the thief; Thou didst turn the sadness of the ointment-bearing women into joy. And didst bid Thine Apostles proclaim a warning, that Thou hast risen O Christ, granting to the world the Great Mercy.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. ANTHONY THE GREAT: Tone 4

Thou didst become like the zealous Elijah in his condition, and followed John the Baptist in his upright ways, becoming a dweller in the wilderness and an establisher of the universe by thy prayer, O Father Anthony. Wherefore, intercede thou with Christ God to save our souls.

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 OF THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST: Tone 1

Thou, O Christ God, Who by Thy Birth, didst sanctify the Virgin's womb, and, as is meet, didst bless Simeon's arms, and didst also come to save us; preserve Thy fold in wars, and confirm them whom Thou didst love, for Thou alone art the Lover of mankind.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, January 17th: Anthony the Great; 12 Sunday of Luke

40 Day Memorial Service for Albert Hallal

Sunday, January 24th: Thirty First Sunday after Pentecost

40 Day Memorial Service for Elaine Swistak

Sunday, January 31st: Thirty Second Sunday after Pentecost

40 Day Memorial Service for Eli Kandalaft

Annual Meeting on Zoom at 4pm



**DAILY SCRIPTURE
— R E A D I N G —**

*“Do not judge, or you too will be judged.
For in the same way you judge others,
you will be judged, and with the
measure you use, it will be
measured to you.”*

Matthew 7:1-2

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& Metropolitan of all North America**

**His Grace Bishop JOHN, Auxiliary and Bishop of the
Diocese of Worcester and New England**

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Sub-Deacon Elijah Vollendorf

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.

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.



Sunday, January 17, 2021


*Venerable and God-bearing Father Anthony the Great
& Twelfth Sunday of Luke*



40 Day Memorial Service

A Forty-Day Memorial Service for the servant of God *Albert Hallal* is being offered by The Hallal Family.

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



Victoria Hallal
Offered by: Ron Hallal

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

Andrea Swistak
Stephanie Swistak
Offered by: Elaine Agaty

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

Fr. Elie, Kh. Rouba, Tala, Chadi & Bassam
Walid & Mirna Nakhoul
Vicki Hallal
Andrea & Stephanie Swistak
Offered by: Linda Dvelis

Victoria Hallal
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Kh. Dolly Crow
Offered by: Louise, Makram & Madison Megalli

Ron Hallal
Offered by: Victoria Hallal
Karen, Linus, Katie & Lauren
James. Paula & Joshua
David, Terrie, Jonathan, Nicholas & Jack

Vicki Hallal, Children & Grandchildren
Offered by: Elaine Gauthier

Victoria Hallal
Offered by: Walid & Mirna Nakhoul

Vickie Hallal & Family
Fr. Elie & Family
Offered by: Very Rev. Constantine & Sharon Nasr & Family

Vickie Hallal & Family
Fr. Elie & Family
Offered by: Cindy, George & Michael Antypas

Victoria Hallal
Karen & Linus Vachon & Family
James & Paula Hallal & Family
David & Terrie Hallal & Family
Offered by: George & Barbara Moussalli & Family

Donnie, Lauren, Allison Mary, Sarah, Dan & Liz
Offered by: Cindy Hayes

Mary Massiwer & Family
John & Patricia Massiwer
Maureen, Paul & Mary Gurghigian
Mary & Bill Franklin
Billy & Brittany
Jon & Meghan
Diane Andrew & Paul Burnier
Laura, Jim & Noelle Arrighi
Ed Ayoub
Elaine Gauthier & Family
Victoria Hallal
Karen & Linus Hallal & Family
David & Terrie Hallal & Family
Jim & Paula Hallal & Josh
Ron Hallal & Family
Jessica Desfosses & Family
Offered by: Cindy Hayes & Family

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Khalil Estephan
Eli Kandalaft
Sue Ayoub
Albert Hallal
Elaine Swistak
Yolla Aatik
Offered by: Linda Dvelis



Albert Hallal
Khalil Estephan
Offered by: Very Rev. Constantine & Sharon Nasr & Family

Albert Hallal
Janice Hallal
Offered by: Elaine Gauthier

Albert Hallal
Khalil Estephan
Offered by: Cindy, George & Michael Antypas

Albert Hallal
Offered by: George & Barbara Moussalli & Family

Don Hayes
John Massiwer
Tom Andrew
Albert Hallal
Janice Hallal
Elaine & John Swistak
Sue Ayoub
Chris Gauthier
Matilda Josephs
Yolla Attik
Stephen Desfosses
Offered by: Cindy Hayes & Family



ONLINE BULLETIN

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

John Massiwer
Don Hayes
Tom Andrew
Albert Hallal
Janice Hallal
Elaine & John Swistak
Sue Ayoub
Chris Gauthier
Matilda Josephs
Offered by: Mary Massiwer & Family

Michelle Y. Kilsey
Offered by: Audrey & Wayne Kilsey

Michelle Kilsey (10th Anniversary)
Al Hallal
Offered by: Fred Kilsey & Family

Albert Hallal
Offered by: John & Mary Cahaly
Ralph & Susan Cahaly
John & Mary Cahaly
John & Eloise Cahaly
Laura & Jeffrey Ristaino
Michael & Sharon Burdulis

Albert Hallal
Offered by: Edward Carey & Family

Al Hallal
Offered by: Nora Abdelahad
Elaine Agaty
Sandra Matook

Al Hallal
Offered by: Michael, Nancy, Jacob & Victoria Muller

Miladeh, Karim, Elias, Hanneh, Dakhil, Salim, Rajaa & William
Offered by: Alisar & Joe Mitri

Cemetery Plots

If you wish to purchase a cemetery plot at Walnut Hill Cemetery, the cost is \$1,000. Please contact Ed Ayoub for more information or to purchase a plot.

ANNUAL MEETING

Dear Brethren In Christ,

Christ is Born, Glorify Him

We ask our Savior, Who was born for our Salvation, to look fondly upon you and grant you His peace and love, and we hope that all of you and your loved ones despite the many challenges of this year have enjoyed a wonderful and blessed Christmas.

According to our Constitution and By Laws, we are supposed to hold a General Assembly Meeting on the last Sunday of January. *Due to the Governor's guidelines on gatherings we will hold our meeting on Zoom, January 31, 2021, at 4:00 pm.*

All parishioners in good standing who “accept, profess and practice the faith and discipline of the Holy Orthodox Faith” are welcome to vote at the meeting. Practicing the discipline of the faith involves regular and consistent attendance at Divine Liturgy and participation in the Sacrament of the Church, as well as completing a stewardship pledge for the year 2020 and making a pledge commitment for the year 2021.

This year four vacancies, three elected and one appointed on the Parish Council must be filled. If you are interested in running for a seat on the Parish Council, please speak to either Fr. Elie or Matt Kelly Chairman of the Nominating Committee.

A copy of our budget will be sent out, prior to our Annual Meeting for your review. Please submit any concern via email to the church office in advance so we can answer any of your concerns.

We have two items that require voting:

- ◆ Approval of the budget.
- ◆ Three vacancies on the council that need to be filled.

We lift up our prayers for your good health and participation in the life of the church and blessing for the New Year, we remain,

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Elie Estephan
Pastor

Salwa Khoury,
Parish Council President

PRAYERS ARE BEING OFFERED FOR GOOD HEALTH AND BLESSING OF:

Richard Nahas & Family
Offered by: Ray & Leila Trabulsi

Vicki Hallal & Family
Offered by: Nora Abdelahad
Elaine Agaty
Sandra Matook

Victoria Hallal
Offered by: Rhonda, Keith & Sharyn Hallal & Family

Fr. Elie, Kh. Rouba Estephan & Family
Mother Xenia Minihan
Victoria Hallal
James & Paula Hallal & Family
All St. Mary's Parishioners
Offered by: Michael, Nancy, Jacob & Victoria Muller

John & Patricia Massiwer
Maureen, Paul & Mary Gurghigian
Cindy & Sarah Hayes
Donnie, Lauren & Allison Mary Hayes
Dan Hayes & Liz Larose
Mary & Bill Franklin
Billy & Brittany
Jon & Meghan
Diane Andrew & Paul Burnier
Laura, Jim & Noelle Arrighi
Ed Ayoub
Elaine Gauthier & Family
Victoria Hallal
Karen & Linus Hallal & Family
David & Terrie Hallal & Family
Jim & Paula Hallal & Josh
Ron Hallal & Family
James Hallal
Chris & Bob Briggs & Family
Offered by: Mary Massiwer & Family



IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Janice Hallal
Offered by: Her Loving Husband Ron

Al Hallal
Offered by: Ron Hallal

Georges Karam
Elaine Swistak
Julia Enright
Offered by: Elie, Julia & Naji Karam

Albert Hallal
Offered by: Victoria Hallal

Elaine Swistak
Offered by: Elaine Agaty

Fred Hashway Jr.
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur

Albert Hallal
Janice Hallal
Offered by: Lorna Hallal

Albert Hallal
Janice Hallal
Offered by: Your adoring niece Lauren Hallal & Family

George T. Matook
Offered by: His loving Wife & Family

Albert Hallal
Offered by: Rhonda, Keith & Sharyn Hallal & Family

Albert Hallal (our Father & Grandfather)
Offered by: Karen, Linus, Katie & Lauren
James. Paula & Joshua
David, Terrie, Jonathan, Nicholas & Jack

Janice Hallal (our dear sister & aunt)
Offered by: Victoria Hallal & Family

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Sue Ayoub
Albert Hallal
Matilda
Offered by: George & Lois Kilsey & Family

Frederick L. Kilsey
Offered by: Audrey & Wayne Kilsey
George, Lois, Mary & Christopher Kilsey
Deborah Kilsey & Victoria Azar