

## CHURCH CALENDAR

**Sunday, June 13th:** Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council

Church School Graduation & Cook-out

**Saturday, June 19th:** Father's Day Hafli— rescheduled to a later date— more info to follow

**Sunday, June 20th:** Holy PENTECOST

Father's Day

**Sunday, June 27th:** First Sunday after Pentecost

Memorial Services for Mary (Marie) Matook David & Wilfred Solomon David

**Saturday, July 3rd:** 6:00 P.M.— Arabic Liturgy

**Sunday, July 4th:** Second Sunday after Pentecost

**Sunday, July 11th:** Great Martyr Euphemia

Family Day

**Tuesday, July 13th:** 7:00 P.M.— Parish Council Meeting

**Sunday, July 18th:** Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council



### 25 Week-Multi Raffle

Tickets are still available for our Multi Raffle— *first drawing to be announced soon.*

Tickets: \$125

Prizes: \$125...plus your number can be pulled again throughout the 25 weeks!!

To purchase a ticket, please see Edward Ayoub (401) 263-3666



### 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.

## SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



*Sunday, June 13, 2021*

*Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council*

# 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**

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**Sub-Deacon Emad Amirhom**  
**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](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.

**Coffee Hour Committee:** Latifa Alarmani- (781)414-6281  
 (Please contact her to sponsor a coffee hour.)

The Parish Council has decided to implement a new system to organize our coffee hours. There are two ways to handle this: when a couple, family, or an individual decides to sponsor the coffee hour, you may do it on your own which entails purchasing the pastry & juice, making the coffee, setting up the table, and cleaning up. The second option is to donate \$200 to the church so that a Parish Council member will handle the coffee hour on your behalf.

## Coffee Hour Sponsorships.

### Date:

### Sponsored by:

### Sponsored for:

<b>June 13, 2021:</b>	<b>St. Mary Church</b>	<b>Church School Graduation</b>
<b>June 20, 2021:</b>	<b><u>No Coffee Hour today</u></b>	
<b>June 27, 2021:</b>	<b><i>not available</i></b>	
<b>July 4, 2021:</b>	<b><i>available for sponsorship</i></b>	
<b>July 11, 2021:</b>	<b><i>not available</i></b>	<b>Family Day</b>
<b>July 18, 2021:</b>	<b>Dr. Zeyad &amp; Norma Morcos</b>	<b>Health of Son</b>
		<b>Memory of Father</b>
<b>July 25, 2021:</b>	<b>Ghassan, Latifa, Elissa &amp; Elias Alarmani</b>	<b>Health of Family</b>
<b>August 1, 2021:</b>	<b><i>available for sponsorship</i></b>	
<b>August 8, 2021:</b>	<b><i>available for sponsorship</i></b>	
<b>August 15, 2021:</b>	<b><i>not available</i></b>	
<b>August 22, 2021:</b>	<b>Their Loving Family</b>	

<b>August 29, 2021:</b>	<b><i>available for sponsorship</i></b>	
<b>September 5, 2021:</b>	<b><i>available for sponsorship</i></b>	
<b>September 12, 2021:</b>	<b><i>available for sponsorship</i></b>	
<b>September 19, 2021:</b>	<b><i>available for sponsorship</i></b>	
<b>September 26, 2021:</b>	<b><i>available for sponsorship</i></b>	
<b>October 3, 2021:</b>	<b><i>available for sponsorship</i></b>	
<b>October 10, 2021:</b>	<b><i>available for sponsorship</i></b>	
<b>October 17, 2021:</b>	<b><i>available for sponsorship</i></b>	
<b>October 24, 2021:</b>	<b><i>available for sponsorship</i></b>	
<b>October 31, 2021:</b>	<b><i>available for sponsorship</i></b>	
<b>November 7, 2021:</b>	<b><i>not available</i></b>	
<b>November 14, 2021:</b>	<b><i>available for sponsorship</i></b>	
<b>November 21, 2021:</b>	<b><i>available for sponsorship</i></b>	
<b>November 28, 2021:</b>	<b><i>available for sponsorship</i></b>	
<b>December 5, 2021:</b>	<b><i>available for sponsorship</i></b>	
<b>December 12, 2021:</b>	<b><i>available for sponsorship</i></b>	
<b>December 19, 2021:</b>	<b><i>available for sponsorship</i></b>	
<b>December 26, 2021:</b>	<b><i>available for sponsorship</i></b>	

**Feast Day Weekend**  
**Frederick Hallal (6 years)**  
**Sophie Hallal (11 years)**  
**Paula Hallal (1 year)**

**Annual Holiday Bazaar**



Happy Birthday to everyone who has a birthday during the month of June.

Julia Ferrari  
Carol Bazerji  
Tara Cavanaugh  
Joshua Hallal  
William Khoury  
Leila Nadra  
William Salhany  
Steven Sterpis

Edward Ayoub  
Christine Briggs  
Megan Duncan  
Susan Harvey  
Charlotte Kilsey  
Cheryl Nassaney  
Robert Shwaery  
Christine Whatley

Emad Amirhom  
Stephanie Briggs  
Christine Ganim  
Julia Karam  
Holly Lazieh  
Rania Salhany  
Dante Stanley

*\*\*if you have a June birthday and do not see your name– we do not have it in our database– please email or call the church office to have you and your family members added.\*\**

### **St. Mary Feast Day Celebration** *Mahrajan*



*Friday, August 13th, Saturday August 14th  
AND Sunday, August 15th*  
(Outdoors- Rain Or Shine)

*Music, Food, Entertainment and Fellowship!*

**More info to follow....**

### **ONLINE BULLETIN**

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



## *Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council*

**Tone 6 / Eothinon 10**

### **RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION: TONE 6**

When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb. And the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

### **TROPARION OF THE ASCENSION: TONE 4**

Thou hast ascended in glory, O Christ our God, and gladdened Thy Disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit, making them confident through the blessing that Thou art the Son of God, and Deliverer of the world.

### **APOLYTIKION OF THE HOLY FATHERS: TONE 8**

Thou, O Christ, art our God of exceeding praise Who didst establish our holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true Faith, O most merciful One, glory to Thee.

### **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.

### **THE KONTAKION OF THE ASCENSION: TONE 6**

When Thou didst fulfill Thy dispensation for our sakes, uniting the terrestrials with the celestials, Thou didst ascend in glory, O Christ our God, inseparable in space, but constant without separation, and crying unto Thy beloved: I am with you, and no one shall be against you.



**The Epistle**  
**Acts 20:16-18, 28-36**

Prokeimenon: Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers.

Verse: For you are just in all you have done.

The reading is from the Acts of the Apostles.

In those days, Paul had decided to sail past Ephesos, so that he might not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hastening to be at Jerusalem, if possible on the day of the Pentecost. And from Miletos he sent to Ephesos and called to him the elders of the church. And when they came to him, he said to them: "Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God which he obtained with the blood of his own Son. I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish every one with tears. And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities, and to those who were with me. In all things I have shown you that by so toiling one must help the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" And when he had spoken thus, he knelt down and prayed with them all.

**The Gospel**  
**John 17:1-13**

At that time, Jesus lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify thy Son that the Son may glorify thee, since thou hast given him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom thou hast given him. And this is eternal life, that they know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent. I glorified thee on earth, having accomplished the work which thou gavest me to do; and now, Father, glorify thou me in thy own presence with the glory which I had with thee before the world was made. "I have manifested thy name to the men whom thou gavest me out of the world; thine they were, and thou gavest them to me, and they have kept thy word. Now they know that everything that thou hast given me is from thee; for I have given them the words which thou gavest me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from thee; and they have believed that thou didst send me. I am praying for them; I am not praying for the world but for those whom thou hast given me, for they are thine; all mine are thine, and thine are mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to thee. Holy Father, keep them in thy name, which thou hast given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. While I was with them, I kept them in thy name, which thou hast given me; I have guarded them, and none of them is lost but the son of perdition, that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves.



## **Sunday School Luncheon** **Sunday, June 13th**

Please join us to celebrate the last day of Sunday School and graduation with a barbecue at the Parish Center following Liturgy.

We will be serving: *Hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, condiments, watermelon.*

***Donations are greatly appreciated  
to help defray the costs.***

## THE SYNAXARION (Plain Reading)

On June 13 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the Martyr Aquilina of Byblos in Syria; Antipater, bishop of Bostra in Arabia; and Triphyllos, bishop of Leucosia (Nicosia) in Cyprus.

On this day, the seventh Sunday of Pascha, we celebrate the first Ecumenical Council of the 318 God-bearing Fathers, which took place in Nicaea in Bithynia.

### *Verses*

*O ye light-bearing stars of the spiritual firmament,  
enlighten my mind with your rays.*

### *Verses Against Arius*

*Calling the Son a stranger to the Father's essence,  
Arius proved to be a stranger to God's glory.*

Arius, the notorious heretic, began to blaspheme against God and His Son the Word, saying that the latter was not God consubstantial with the Father, but that He was created as a stranger to the Substance of the Father and His glory. Alexander, the Archbishop of Alexandria, tried to constrain Arius from disturbing the faithful with this teaching; even though Alexander excommunicated him, Arius did not cease his blasphemy, which spread throughout the Church in all nations. Thus, Emperor Constantine the Great called the First Ecumenical Council, which gathered bishops and teachers in the Church from all lands. They all proclaimed, as by one mouth, the equality of the Son of God with the Father in Substance, thus laying down the noble Confession of Faith, *The Creed*, which we Orthodox Christians recite to this day. The Church regards these divine Fathers as preachers of the Faith next to the holy Apostles.

*By the intercessions of the 318 God-bearing Fathers,  
O Christ God, have mercy on us. Amen.*



## Orthodox Vocabulary

### **Oktoechos**

**Oktoechos: Book of The Eight Tones:** In Greek, 'eight tones': either the system of eight tones which are the basis of the liturgical music of Byzantine, Roman, Syrian, and Armenian rites, or a Byzantine rite liturgical book, the Parakletike, containing the texts for each day's services for all eight tones, or a Troparion which makes use of all eight tones in the course of its melody.

A tree is known by its fruit, a man by his deeds. A good deed is never lost; he who sows courtesy reaps friendship, and he who plants kindness gathers love.

~St. Basil the Great



Forgetting offences is a sign of sincere repentance. If you keep the memory of them, you may believe you have repented, but, you are like someone running in his sleep.

~St. John Climacus



## Time to pick Grape Leaves

The weather is good, and the picking should be better! Now is the time to help us gather grape leaves for the bazaar! The grape leaves should be blanched, frozen and counted. Please help! Thanks!



**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  
Ed Betor  
Offered by: Elie, Julia & Naji Karam

Edward Ayoub  
Offered by: Philip & Bette Ayoub

Edward Ayoub  
Offered by: Philip G. Ayoub

Maureen Gurghigian  
Susan Harvey  
Mother Xenia Minihan  
Offered by: Michael, Nancy, Jacob & Victoria Muller

Jacob, Maria, Sofia & Emilia  
Paul, Maureen & Mary Gurgigian  
Ado (Saad) Najaar & Family  
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

William Salhany (on his 99th Birthday)  
Susan & David Gallant  
Kristen & Eric Hughes  
Offered by: George & Barbara Moussalli

William Salhany (on his 99th Birthday)  
Susan & David Gallant (on their recent marriage)  
Offered by: Bill & Susan Salhany



**Sunday School Graduation & Cookout**

A Cookout will be held after Liturgy today in honor of all the students, graduates & teachers. A big THANK YOU to Matt Duncan (Sunday School Director).

*Everyone is welcome to attend.*

Bulletins are now available on our website every Sunday morning. Other important information, flyers, recipes, etc. can also be found on our website at [www.stmarypawtucket.org](http://www.stmarypawtucket.org)

*Father’s Day Hafli is being rescheduled to a later date.*

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF:**

Janice Hallal  
Offered by: Her Loving Husband Ron

Fred Hashway  
Offered by: Elaine Wilbur



Al Hallal  
Offered by: Ron Hallal

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

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

Suzanne Ayoub  
Offered by: Philip & Bette Ayoub

Suzanne Ayoub  
Offered by: Philip G. Ayoub

Mary & Ethel Kilsey  
Offered by: Audrey & Wayne Kilsey

Mary & Ethel Kilsey  
Offered by: Deborah Kilsey & Victoria Azar

Mary & Ethel Kilsey  
Offered by: George, Lois, Mary & Christopher Kilsey

John & Esma Gorab  
Joseph & Mary Samra  
Offered by: Joe & Marlene Samra

Patricia Ashbrook  
Offered by: Michael, Nancy, Jacob & Victoria Muller

Evelyn McNeil  
Offered by: Sandra Matook & Family

Rosette Haddad (Mother of Ado Saad Najaar)  
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Margaret Salhany Haley  
Ruth Ganim Salhany  
Offered by: George & Barbara Moussalli

Margaret Salhany Haley  
Ruth Ganim Salhany  
Offered by: Bill & Susan Salhany



**Congratulations**

St. Mary Church offers its congratulations to all of our young men and women who are or will be graduating from both High School and College in the next few weeks. May God bless them as they continue their education and pursue new work and careers. And may God bless their parents and families for nurturing and supporting them.

