Sunday, July 25th: Dormition of Anna
   Six-Month Memorial Service for Antwanet Kasatli Baalbaki
Sunday, August 1st: Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Monday–Friday, August 2nd-6th: 8:30am–12:30pm Church School Summer Camp
   at the Parish Center
Saturday, August 7th: 6:00 P.M.– Arabic Liturgy
Sunday, August 8th: Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
Tuesday, August 10th: 7:00 P.M.– Parish Council Meeting
August 1st-14th: Dormition Fast
Friday–Sunday, August 13th-15th: Feast Day Weekend Celebration (Mahrajan)
   Friday, August 13th: 5:00 pm til 9:00 pm
   Saturday, August 14th: 12 noon til 11:00 pm
   Sunday, August 15th: 9:00am: Matins
   10:00am: Divine Liturgy
   Feast Day Following Liturgy– 5:00 pm
Sunday, August 15th: Dormition of the Theotokos
Sunday, August 22nd: Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
   OneYear Memorial Service for Paula Hallal
Sunday, August 29th: Beheading of John the Baptist
Saturday, September 4th: 6:00 P.M.– Arabic Liturgy
Sunday, September 5th: Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, September 12th: Sunday before the Elevation of the Cross
   First Day of Sunday School & Welcome back Luncheon
Sunday, September 19th: Sunday after the Elevation of the Cross
Sunday, September 26th: Repose of John the Theologian
Saturday, October 2nd: 6:00 P.M.– Arabic Liturgy
Sunday, October 3rd: Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, October 10th: Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
   Bazaar Kick-Off Luncheon
Saturday, October 16th: Harvest Hafleh

Sunday, July 25, 2021
Dormition of Righteous Anna, mother of the Theotokos
& Fifth Sunday of Matthew
Saint Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church
“A parish of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America”

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Sub-Deacon Elijah Vollendorf

Schedule of Services
Sunday: Orthros (Matins) 9:00 a.m.
Church School 11:15 a.m.
Sunday: Divine Liturgy 10:00 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.

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.

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

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On July 25 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the Dormition of Saint Anna, Mother of the Most Holy Theotokos. Verses The Virgin-mother Maiden’s Mother now dieth, 22 Who for child-bearing mothers is swift salvation. On the twenty-fifth died Anna, the assuager of hard travail. According to tradition, Anna, the ancestor of God, lived for 79 years, and her spouse Joachim, for 80, who preceded Anna in death. They were married for 50 years and prayed to God for a child—male or female—to comfort them in their old age. Anna gave birth to the one who would bear God in her womb. The Theotokos had been orphaned of both her parents when she was 11 years old, when she was living in the Temple. Saint Anna is invoked for conceiving children, and for help in difficult childbirth. On this day, we also commemorate our righteous mothers Olympias the deaconess of Constantinople; and Eupraxia of Tabenna.

**By the intercessions of Thy Saints, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.**

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**Dormition of Righteous Anna, mother of the Theotokos**

**Tone: 4  Eothinon: 5**

**RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION: TONE 4**

Having learned the joyous 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 FOR THE DORMITION OF ST. ANNA: TONE 4**

O Godly-minded Anna, thou didst give birth unto God’s pure Mother who conceived Him Who is our Life. Wherefore, thou hast now passed with joy to thy heavenly rest, wherein is the abode of them that rejoice in glory; and thou askest forgiveness of sins for them that honor thee with love, O ever-blessed one.

**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 DORMITION OF ST. ANNA: TONE 2**

(**Thou soughtest the heights**) We celebrate now * the mem’ry of Christ’s ancestors, * while asking their help * with faith, that we may all be saved * from all manner of tribulation as we fervently cry aloud: * Be Thou with us, O Lord our God, * Whose pleasure it was to glorify them both.
THE EPISTLE

God is wondrous in His saints. In the churches, bless ye God. The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (4:22-27) Brethren, Abraham had two sons, one by the handmaid, and one by the free-woman. But the one from the handmaid is born according to the flesh; whereas the one from the freewoman is through the promise. These things are an allegory, for these women are two covenants. One is from Mount Sinai, bearing children for bondage, which is Hagar. For Sinai, which corresponds to Hagar, is a mountain in Arabia, and resembles the present Jerusalem, for she is in bondage with her children. But the Jerusalem that is above is free, and she is the mother of us all. For it is written, “Rejoice, O barren one who does not bear; break forth and cry out, you who are not in travail: For many are the children of the desolate, much more than of her who has a husband.”

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (8:28-9:1) At that time, when Jesus came to the country of the Gergesenes, two demoniacs met Him, coming out of the tombs, so fierce that no one could pass that way. And behold, they cried out, “What have we to do to Thee, O Son of God? Art Thou come here to torment us before the time?” Now a herd of many swine was feeding at some distance from them. And the demons begged Him, “If Thou castest us out, send us away into the herd of swine.” And He said to them, “Go.” So they came out and went into the swine; and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and perished in the waters. The herdsmen fled, and going into the city they told everything, and what had happened to the demoniacs. And behold, all the city came out to meet Jesus; and when they saw Him, they begged Him to leave their neighborhood. And getting into a boat He crossed over and came to His own city.

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

Feast Day Weekend- August 13th, 14th & 15th

St. Mary Church needs your help to make our Feast Day Weekend a success. We are relying on volunteers to help with making the weekend a successful one. Please sign up for a day & time that is convenient for you. We appreciate any time you can give us! We need volunteers on Thursday, August 12th (set-up), Friday, August 13th Saturday, August 14th, & Sunday, August 15th.

We need help with: Kitchen, Bar, Cleaning, Serving Food

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We are also looking for monetary donations to help with: food supplies, bar supplies, tents, entertainment, water, soda, misc. Please see Walid & Mirna Nakhoul, Ghassan, Latifa Alarmani, or Salwa Khoury.
ONLINE BULLETIN

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

Church School Summer Camp
We've had enough interest in Summer Camp that we are going to move forward! **Camp will be August 2-6 from 9-12:30pm.** It will be geared for 3-10 year olds, but older kids always welcome to help out. Everything will be free of charge, and kids will bring their own lunches.

So save the dates, more info and registration info to come soon! If you are interested in helping out, please contact Megan Duncan at megan.duncan09@gmail.com

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!

MEMORIAL SERVICE

A six-month Memorial Service is being offered for the servant of God, Antwanet Kasatli Baalbaki and is being offered by Her Loving Family.

**May God grant her peace and may her 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
Ed Betor
Offered by: Elie, Julia & Naji Karam
Ken & Rania Salhany & Family
Elias & Samar Baalbaki & Family
Nabil & Gloria Baalbaki & Family
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury
George, Kristen, Gabriella & Julianna Baalbaki
Elias & Michael Baalbaki
Riad & Rosette Eid & Family
Rowayda Shouaa & Family
Elias & Samar Baalbaki & Family
Ken & Rania Salhany & Family
Myrna Brahisha
All our Families & Friends
Offered by: Nabil & Gloria Baalbaki

Renna, Kenny & Joe Salhany
Offered by: Ken & Rania Salhany
Maureen Gurghigian
Mack & Louise Megalli
Mother Xenia Minihan
Ronald Muller
Madison Tucker
Offered by: Michael, Nancy, Jacob & Victoria Muller
Walid & Mirna Nakhoul
The Baalbaki Family
The Salhany Family
Offered by: Philip & Bette Ayoub
Victoria Hallal
Offered by: Lorice Hallal
Ken & Rania Salhany
Elias & Samar Baalbaki & Family
Nabil & Gloria Baalbaki & Family
Walid & Mirna Nakhoul
Ray & Leila Trabulsi
Phil & Bette Ayoub
Offered by: Samy & Helen Morcos

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.

~St. Isaac the Syrian

Visitations

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

**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.

**Coffee Hour**

Today, Coffee Hour is being sponsored in memory of Antwanet Kasatli Baalbaki by Her Loving Family. Coffee hour will be held at the Parish Center following Liturgy. All are welcome to attend.

**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

Antwanet Kasatli Baalbaki
Offered by: Elias Baalbaki & Family

George H. & Antoinette Baalbaki
George A. & Georgette A. Saggal
Aboud & Foad Shouaa
Abdalah & Mary Shagoury
Marie Claire Chouha
All deceased Families & Friends
Offered by: Nabil & Gloria Baalbaki

Antwanet Kasatli Baalbaki (Beloved Mother & Grandmother)
Offered by: Ken & Rania Salhany & Family

Antwanet Kasatli Baalbaki
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Antwanet Kasatli Baalbaki
Offered by: Philip & Bette Ayoub

Denise Dowd
Offered by: Lorice Hallal

Antwanet Kasatli Baalbaki
Offered by Samy & Helen Morecos

**St. Mary Feast Day Celebrations**

**Mahrajan**

**Friday, August 13th, Saturday August 14th AND Sunday, August 15th**

(Outdoors- Rain Or Shine)

**Music, Food, Entertainment and Fellowship!**

**Friday, August 13th:** 5:00 pm til 9:00 pm

**Saturday, August 14th:** 12 noon til 11:00 pm

**Sunday, August 15th:**

9:00am: Matins

10:00am: Divine Liturgy

Feast Day Following Liturgy– 5:00 pm

**Free Admission**

Authentic Middle Eastern Food

Hookah available

Raffles

Full Cash Bar

**Saturday Entertainment by George Maalouf**– 5pm-11pm

**Sunday Entertainment by Mitchell Kaltsunas** – 1pm-3pm

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