**Church Calendar**

**Sunday, September 26th:** Repose of John the Theologian
    20 Year Memorial Service for Edward Hallal Sr.

**October is YOUTH MONTH—**
**Saturday, October 2nd:** 6:00 P.M.– Arabic Liturgy
**Sunday, October 3rd:** Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
**Tuesday, October 5th:** 7:00 P.M.– Bazaar Meeting
**Sunday, October 10th:** Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
    Bazaar Kick-Off Luncheon following Liturgy at Parish Center
    (Lasagna, Pizza, Salad, Dessert, Coffee)
**Tuesday, October 12th:** 7:00pm– Parish Council Meeting
**Saturday, October 16th:** Harvest Hafleh
**Saturday, October 23rd:** Teens/Sunday School Halloween Party
**Sunday, October 31st:** Two Year Memorial Service for Steve Kilsey

**Friday-Sunday November 5th-7th Annual Bazaar**

**Saturday, November, 6th:** 6:00 P.M.– Arabic Liturgy
**Sunday, November 7th:** 20th Sunday after Pentecost
    Daylight Savings Time ends
**Tuesday, November 9th:** 7:00pm– Parish Council Meeting
**Sunday, November 14th:** Eighth Sunday of Luke
**Saturday, November, 20th:** Teens Thanksgiving Basket Distribution
**Sunday, November 21st:** Entrance of the Theotokos
**Sunday, November 28th:** Twenty Third after Pentecost
    One Year Memorial Service for Albert Hallal
**Thursday, December 2nd:** Ladies Christmas Dinner
**Saturday, December 4th:** 6:00 P.M.– Arabic Liturgy
**Sunday, December 5th:** Tenth Sunday of Luke
    One Year Memorial Service for Elias Kandalaft
**Sunday, December 12th:** Forefathers (Ancestors) of Christ
    Choir Appreciation Sunday
**Tuesday, December 14th:** 7:00pm– Parish Council Meeting

**Sunday, September 26, 2021**

**Repose of John the Theologian**
Saint Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church
“A parish of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America”

Church Office hours: Monday – Friday 9am-1pm
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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
V. Rev. Father Elie Estephan
Cell- 1-(240) 205-9079
Sub-Deacon Emad Amirhom

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

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
(There is one coffee hour per Sunday during Divine Liturgy)
(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:
September 26, 2021: Lorice Hallal & Family Memory of Ed Hallal (20 years)
October 3, 2021: Daikh Family Bazaar Kick-Off Luncheon
October 10, 2021: St. Mary Church Memory of Fred Hashway, Russell Wilbur, Mary Samra & Joseph Samra
October 17, 2021: Elaine Wilbur Bazaar-Off Luncheon
October 24, 2021: Fouad & Marianne Alzaibak 1st Wedding Anniversary
October 31, 2021: Patricia Kilsey Memory of Steve Kilsey (2 years)
November 7, 2021: not available Annual Holiday Bazaar
November 14, 2021: Ricky & Roula Greigre & Children Health of Family
November 21, 2021: Mery Deeb & Family Health of Family
November 28, 2021: His Loving Family Memory of Albert Hallal (1 year)
December 5, 2021: Russell & John Kandalaft Memory of Elias Kandalaft (1 year)
December 12, 2021: St. Mary Church Choir Appreciation
December 19, 2021: St. Mary Church Sunday School Pageant & Luncheon Memory of Sue Ayoub (1 year)
December 26, 2021: Ghassan, Latifa, Elissa & Elias Health of Family

Upcoming dates:
January 2, 2022: available for sponsorship
January 9, 2022: available for sponsorship
January 16, 2022: Fred Kilsey & Family Michelle Kilsey (11 years)
January 23, 2022: Her Loving Family Antwanet Kasatli Baalbaki
January 30, 2022: not available General Assembly Meeting
February 6th: available for sponsorship Soup Kitchen Luncheon (Outreach)
February 13th: not available
February 20th: available for sponsorship
February 27th: available for sponsorship
Attention All Parents:
Please bring your children to the Liturgy before Church School.
Church School starts every Sunday following communion (Approx. 11:15am).

Harvest Hafli
Saturday, October 16th, 2021
Renowned Composer & Singer: Salah Kurdi

ST. MARY PARISH CENTER
DOORS OPEN- 7:30PM ~ DINNER- 8PM
SUBSTANTIAL MAZA & DESSERTS
CASH BAR

Tickets: VIP $100 / Regular $75
For tickets & to RSVP-
Contact Fr. Elie Estephan (240)205-9079
Walid Nakhoul (401) 692-1250

St. Mary Parish Center

Repose of John the Theologian
Tone: 5   Eothenon: 3

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION: TONE 5
Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST: TONE 2
O Apostle John, beloved of Christ our God, hasten to deliver a defenseless people. He that allowed thee to recline on His breast receiveth thee bowing in intercession. Implore Him, O Theologian, to dispel the persistent cloud of the heathen, and ask for us His peace and Great Mercy.

APOLYTIKION OF THE DORMITION: TONE 1
In thy birth-giving, O Theotokos, thou didst keep and preserve virginity; and in thy falling-asleep thou hast not forsaken the world; for thou wast translated into life, being the Mother of Life. Wherefore, by thine intercessions, deliver our souls from death.

ORDINARY KONTAKION: TONE 2 (CHANT)(CHORAL)
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.
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.

THE EPISTLE

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

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. John. (4:12-19)

Brethren, no one has ever seen God. If we love one another, God abides in us, and His love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in Him, and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit. And we have seen, and do testify that the Father has sent the Son to be the Savior of the world. Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. And we have known and believed the love which God has for us. God is love; and he who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. In this is love perfected with us, that we may have boldness in the Day of Judgment; because as He is, even so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear, because fear has torment; but he who fears is not perfected in love. We love God, because He first loved us.

THE GOSPEL


At that time, standing by the Cross of Jesus were His mother, and His mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing near, He said to his mother, “Woman, behold, your Son!” Then He said to the disciple, “Behold, your mother!” And from that hour the disciple took her to his own. This is the disciple who is bearing witness to these things, and who has written these things; and we know that his testimony is true. But there are also many other things, which Jesus did; were every one of them to be written, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written. Amen.

Schedule for Bazaar Cooking:

- Friday, October 1st: 9:30am – Kibbee
- Saturday, October 9th: 9:30am – Grapeleaves
- Saturday, October 23rd: 9:30am – Sfeeha

Cheese:

- Braiding cheese - Wednesday, September 29th: 9:30am

Schedule for Bazaar Baking:

- Wednesday, October 13th: 9:30am – Mamoul- Nuts & Date
- Friday, October 15th: 9:30am – Graybee
- Wednesday, October 20th: 9:30am – Rolled Baklawa
- Tuesday, October 26th: 9:30am – Birds Nest

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to help with the cooking! Come help us in making these delicious foods for our Bazaar.

Bazaar Committee Meeting

The next Bazaar meeting is scheduled for in the church hall on Tuesday, October 5th at 7:00 pm. Please plan to join us and remember SUCCESS starts with YOU! If you have any questions, please contact Bazaar Chair Salwa Khoury.

Bulletin Submissions

Please help us provide a quality weekly bulletin by submitting all prayer requests and announcements to the church office by Noon on Wednesdays. Any requests received after this time will be in the following week’s bulletin. Thank you for your cooperation.
Greetings!

Fall 2021

I hope this letter finds you well. St. Mary is busy preparing for its 42nd Annual Bazaar. As in previous years we are assembling the BEST holiday bazaar in the area, which will include our delicious Middle Eastern food and pastries for all to enjoy. **St. Mary Holiday Bazaar will be held November 5th, 6th and 7th, 2021.** We anticipate over 1000 visitors over these three days.

We hope you would consider sponsoring this fantastic event. **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 sponsors. Each Sponsor will have an appropriately sized banner, depending upon the level of the gift, prominently displayed in the Parish Center.

Complete your sponsorship as soon as possible using the form below. We are counting on your help to make this event a success!

Please let us know if you have any questions. Thank you!

Fr. Elie Estephan         Walid Nakhoul         Fouad Alziabak         Ghassan Alarmani         Salwa Khoury
240-205-9079             401-692-1250             781-888-4448             781-414-1091             401-434-8877

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**St. Mary’s Holiday Bazaar 2021 Sponsorship Form**

Yes! I/We wish to sponsor the November 5th, 6th & 7th, St. Mary’s Holiday Bazaar 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’s Bazaar, earmarked “bazaar sponsorship” and send it with this form to:

St. Mary Church
249 High Street
Pawtucket, RI 02860

Thank you!

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**Memorial Service**

A Twenty-Year Memorial Service is being offered for the servant of God, Edward Hallal, Sr. and is being offered by his wife, Lorice Hallal & Family. Coffee Hour will be held in his memory following Liturgy at the Parish Center.

*May God grant him peace and may his memory be eternal.*
IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Janice Hallal
Offered by: Her Loving Husband Ron

Fred Hashway
Edward Hallal
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

Edward Hallal, Sr.
Offered by: Joe & Marlene Samra

George H. & Antwanet Baalbaki
George A. & Georgette A. Saggal
Foud & Aboud Shouaa
Abdalah & Mary Shagoury
All our Deceased Families & Friends
Offered by: Nabil & Gloria Baalbaki

Edward Hallal, Sr.
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Edward Hallal
Offered by: Marl & Sheila Hashway

Edward Hallal
Offered by: Philip and Bette Ayoub

Edward Hallal, Sr.
Offered by: Waid & Mirna Nakhoul

Edward Hallal
Offered by: Elaine Gauthier

Edward Hallal, Sr.
Offered by: Nora Abdelahad
Elaine Agaty
Sandra Matook and Family

Edward Hallal
Offered by: Patricia and Melissa Kilsey

John Massiwer
Don Hayes
Tom Andrew
Tammy Andrew
Edward Hallal
Offered by: Mary Massiwer & Family

Don Hayes
John Massiwer
Tom Andrew
Edward Hallal
Offered by: Cindy Hayes & Family

ST. MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH
ANNUAL BAZAAR

NOVEMBER 5th, 6th and 7th, 2021

The Bazaar Committee is establishing a Leg of Lamb Drive Program to help defray the kitchen costs of our annual event.

Everyone has an opportunity to donate Legs of lamb at a cost of $30 each. You simply make your donation, and the committee will purchase the lamb.

Just fill out the donation form below and return it to the church with your check. We'll do the rest!

Thanks for your generosity and support.

Lamb Drive Donation Form

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Attention: Bazaar Committee

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.
We have officially started preparations for our Annual Holiday Bazaar being held on November 5th, 6th & 7th. As you may know, this is our biggest fundraiser of the year and would deeply appreciate all the help that you can offer either cooking beforehand, setting up, helping with booths, donating items for the penny social & silent auction, or being a Sponsor for the Bazaar. The next Bazaar meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 5th at 7pm in the Church Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Thank you,
Salwa Khoury
Bazaar Committee Chairwoman

25 Week-Multi Raffle

Tickets are still available for our Multi Raffle—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

WINNERS:
Week 1—Flo Spenard
Week 2—Philip G. Ayoub
Week 3—Cindy Hayes
Week 4—Maureen Gurghigian
Week 5—Anita Chamoun
Week 6—Fred Slemon
Week 7—Maureen Gurghigian
Week 8—Susan Warzycha
Week 9—Maria Saad
Week 10—Nabil Baalbaki

Congratulations!
You are cordially invited to the St. Mary Bazaar Kick-Off Luncheon on October 10th at 12:00pm (following Liturgy) at the Parish Center. All proceeds will support the cost of undertaking our annual bazaar.

Donation: Adults: $15 / Children 12 years & under: $7

The Bazaar is approaching quickly and the new table “Vintage Christmas” is looking for NEW and SLIGHTLY USED items...ex: dishes, figurines (santa, snowmen), glassware, serving pieces, flower arrangements, etc. Please bring them down to the Parish Center and leave in the Coat Room.

(This is NOT a White Elephant table. We need high quality items.)

Thank you.....