

CHURCH CALENDAR

October is YOUTH MONTH~

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, December 19th: Sunday School Pageant & Luncheon

Bishop JOHN visit

One Year Memorial Service for Sue Ayoub



SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday, October 3, 2021
Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

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**

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.

*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.

Date:

Sponsored by:

Sponsored for:

October 3, 2021:	Jack & Paula ElKhoury	Jack & Paula ElKhoury & Family Groom & Bride- Walid & Kimy
October 10, 2021:	St. Mary Church	Bazaar Kick-Off Luncheon
October 17, 2021:	Elaine Wilbur	Memory of Fred Hashway, Russell Wilbur, Mary Samra & Joseph Samra
October 24, 2021:	Fouad & Marianne Alzaibak	1st Wedding Anniversary
October 31, 2021:	Patricia Kilsey	Memory of Steve Kilsey (2 years)
November 7, 2021:	<i>not available</i>	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:	<i>available for sponsorship</i>	
January 9, 2022:	<i>available for sponsorship</i>	
January 16, 2022:	Fred Kilsey & Family	Michelle Kilsey (11 years)
January 23, 2022:	Her Loving Family	Antwanet Kasatli Baalbaki
January 30, 2022:	<i>not available</i>	General Assembly Meeting
February 6th:	<i>available for sponsorship</i>	
February 13th:	<i>not available</i>	Soup Kitchen Luncheon (Outreach)
February 20th:	<i>available for sponsorship</i>	
February 27th:	<i>available for sponsorship</i>	



Orthodox Vocabulary

Eighth Day

Eighth Day: We have meditated a great deal about the significance of God's rest on the seventh day, blessed and sanctified after six days of creative activity during which heaven and earth, and everything in them, were created. We have also reflected at length on the symbolism of this first week of the world and of each of its days. When the Word, the Son of God, was incarnate, became man, the week of his passion, which culminated in his resurrection, was seen somehow in the light of "the first week" of creation. The Lord Jesus also took his "rest" when he was placed in the tomb. But on the day following that sabbath, on Sunday, there was an incredible event: the Lord arose, and his resurrection is a pledge that we too shall rise. Sunday was henceforth called "the Day of the Lord," the first day (Jn 20:1), which is also the Eighth Day, the day of entrance into eternity. For Christians, this day keeps its essentially paschal character—a new era, beyond time—and remains, *par excellence*, the day of the eucharistic liturgy. Many Fathers have written that the first day of the world, on which light, a symbol of divine light, was created, was a Sunday, the first day.... The day of the resurrection is unique, at once the first and the eighth day: "*For the day following the sabbath, the first day of the week, was also the eighth in the cycle of days succeeding one another, without ceasing being the first*" (Justin, *Dialogues*, 41). St Basil shows that the mystery of time and eternity is summarized in the significance of Sunday:

It is therefore in order to direct our thoughts toward the life to come that Scripture has named this the *first* day, for it is the image of eternity, the first-fruits of the days and the contemporary of the light, the holy Day of the Lord, which the Master has honored by his resurrection. (*2nd Homily on the Hexaemeron*, SC 26 bis)

In another text, St Basil writes:

We stand for prayer on the day of the resurrection to remind ourselves of the graces we have been given: not only because we have been raised with Christ and are obliged to seek the things that are above, but also because Sunday seems to be an image of the age to come. Notice that although Sunday is the beginning of days, Moses does not call it the first day... Therefore "one" and "eight" are the same, and the "one" day really refers both to itself and to the "eighth day,"... a day without sunset, nightfall, or successor, an age which does not grow old or come to an end. (*On the Holy Spirit*, XXVII, 66)

Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Tone: 6 Eothinon: 4

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.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. DIONYSIOS THE AREOPAGITE: TONE 4

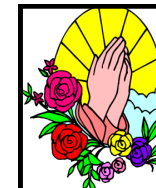
Since thou hadst been instructed in uprightness thoroughly and wast vigilant in all things, thou wast clothed with a good conscience as befitteth one holy. Thou didst draw from the Chosen Vessel ineffable mysteries; and having kept the Faith, thou didst finish a like course, O Hieromartyr Dionysios. Intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.

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

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.



THE EPISTLE

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance. Unto Thee will I cry, O my God. The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (4:6-15) Brethren, seeing that it is the God who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, the same also shone in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the exceeding greatness of power is from God, and not from us. We are pressed on every way, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; smitten down, but not destroyed; always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life of Jesus may also be manifested after Pentecost in our body. For we who live are always delivered to death for Jesus' sake, that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our mortal flesh. So, then, death is working in us, but life in you. But having in us the same spirit of faith, according to that which is written, "I believed, and therefore I spoke," we also believe, and therefore we also speak, knowing that the One who raised up the Lord Jesus will also raise us up through Jesus, and will make us stand together with you. For all things are for your sakes, that the grace, which is multiplied through the thanksgiving of many, may abound to the glory of God.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (6:31-36)

The Lord said: "As you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."

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.

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



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& T e e n S O Y O N e w s

Attention All Parents: Please bring your children to the Liturgy before Church School. Church School starts every Sunday following communion (Approx. 11:15am).

Join us for the annual St. Mary Harvest Party! Saturday October 23 from 5:30p-8pm. Look for an invite via email to RSVP!



St. Mary's Holiday Bazaar Sponsorship

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

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!

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

Faraj Freij
Tony & Fadia Kabak
Saliba, Robin, Bianca, Michelle Saliba
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Lorice Hallal & Family
Offered by: Holly Lazieh & Bob Dessaint & Sons

Mack & Louise Megalli
Mother Xenia Minihan
Philip Muller
Ronald Muller
Elmer & Cheryl Stanley & Family
Madison Tucker
Offered by: Michael, Nancy, Jacob & Victoria Muller

Mike & Pauline St. Martin
Offered by: Joe & Marlene Samra

Ghassan & Latifa Alarmani
Tony & Fadia Kabak
Offered by: Lorice Hallal



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

Jacqueline Gorab
Offered by: Joe & Marlene Samra

Edward Hallal Sr.
Offered by: Holly Lazieh & Bob Dessaint & Sons

Thomas Matook
Offered by: Sandra Matook & Family

Fred Hallal
Edward Hallal, Sr.
Sophie Hallal
Paula Hallal
Offered by: Dimitrios, Nancy, Steven & Nicholas Sterpis

Edward Hallal Sr.
Perry Panagakos
Joseph Samra
Offered by: Lorice Hallal

Coffee Hour

Today, Coffee Hour is being sponsored by Jack & Paula ElKhoury for the Health of Jack & Paula & Family and Groom & Bride-Walid & Kimy. Coffee hour will be held at the Parish Center following Liturgy. All are welcome to attend.



Schedule for Bazaar Cooking:

Saturday, October 9th: 9:30am– Grapeleaves
Saturday, October 23rd: 9:30am– Sfeeha



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

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Everyone is welcome and encouraged to help with the cooking!
Come help us in making these delicious foods for our Bazaar.
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THE SYNAXARION (Plain Reading)

On October 3 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the holy Hieromartyr Dionysios the Areopagite.

Verses

*He Who said: Take up thy bed and walk, to the Paralytic,
Said: Take up thy head and run, O Dionysios.
On the third, O Dionysios, thou takest thy severed head and runnest.*

He is counted among the Seventy lesser apostles. Dionysios was studying in Egypt when Lord Christ breathed His last on the Cross, and the whole world was darkened for three hours. Then Dionysios cried out: 'Either God the Creator of the world is suffering, or the world is ending.' Returning home to Athens, he married a woman called Damaris and had sons by her. He was a member of the highest court in Greece, the Areopagus, and was always thereafter known as the Areopagite. When the Apostle Paul preached the Gospel in Athens, Dionysios was baptized with his whole household (Acts 17:34). Paul consecrated Dionysios bishop of Athens and he travelled widely with Paul, coming to know all the other apostles. He went especially to Jerusalem, to see the most holy Mother of God, and wrote of his meeting with her in one of his works, being present at her burial. After Paul suffered martyrdom, Dionysios went off to Gaul to preach the Gospel among the barbarians, accompanied by Rustikos, a priest, and Eleutherios a deacon, whom we also commemorate today. By their labors, many were turned to the Christian faith and Dionysios built a small chapel in Paris where he celebrated divine service. When he was ninety years old, Dionysios was seized and tortured for Christ, together with Rustikos and Eleutherios, until they were all beheaded in the year 96. His famous writings include: On the Divine Names, On the Heavenly Hierarchies, On the Ecclesiastical Hierarchies, and The Mystical Theology.

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



Leg of Lamb Drive

**ST. MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH
ANNUAL BAZAAR**

NOVEMBER 5th, 6th and 7th, 2021

*The Bazaar Commitee 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

Quantity _____ @ \$30 each

Total enclosed: _____

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Payable to: *St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church*
Attention: Bazaar Committee



2021 Annual Bazaar News...

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!



St. Mary's Famous Annual Bazaar 2021

Friday, November 5th, 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Saturday, November 6th, 9:00 am - 9:00 pm

Sunday, November 7th, 11:30 am - 5:00 pm

FEATURING

Middle Eastern Cuisine

Middle Eastern Pastry

Homemade Candy

Homemade Braided Cheese

Salad Bar

Penny Social

Silent Auction

Janice's Vintage Christmas Booth

50/50 Cash Raffle & Grand Raffle

Children's Entertainment: (Saturday at 1pm)
(face painting & balloon animals, storytelling)

Visitor from the NORTH POLE-(Sunday at 2pm)



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For more information please call 726-1202
or view our website at www.stmarypawtucket.org

ST. MARY BAZAAR 2021

Kick-Off Luncheon & 'Shower'

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 12years & under: \$7



*HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE AT THE KICK-OFF LUNCHEON
IN SUPPORT OF OUR ANNUAL BAZAAR.*



PLEASE DON'T FORGET YOUR SHOWER GIFTS!
(GIFTS TO BE USED FOR SILENT AUCTION & PENNY SOCIAL)

MENU:

LASAGNA, PIZZA, SALAD, COFFEE & DESSERT



St. Mary Annual Bazaar ***SIGN-UP SHEET***

***THE HOLIDAYS BASKETS:**
Thanksgiving or Christmas

***NIGHT AT THE MOVIES:**

***BEAUTY:**

***KITCHEN HELPER:**

***WINE/LIQUOR:**

***BEACH BASKET:**

*** BABY BASKET:**

***SPORTS BASKET**

***DATE NIGHT BASKET:**

***CAR CARE BASKET:**

***GAME BASKET:**

***CANDLE BASKET:**

***BATH & BED BASKET:**

***WRAPPING PAPER/BOW
BASKET:**



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.....

Listed are some ideas for Baskets needed for penny social/silent auction.

Please help us in making the baskets & bringing to the Parish Center by Sunday, October 10th.

