#### CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, May 15th: Sunday of the Paralytic

Sunday, May 22nd: Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

Sunday, May 29th: Sunday of the Blind Man

Memorial Service for Charitable Gift Participants

Monday, May 30th: Memorial Day

9:00 A.M.- Prayers at Walnut Hill Cemetery

Wednesday, June 1st: 7:00 P.M.– Liturgy for the Ascension

Saturday, June 4th: 6:00 P.M.– Arabic Liturgy

Sunday, June 5th: Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council

Sunday, June 12th: Holy Pentecost

Last day of Church School & Luncheon

Tuesday, June 14th: 6:00 P.M.– Parish Council Meeting (please note time change)

Sunday, June 19th: Sunday of All Saints

Father's Day

Sunday, June 26th: Second Sunday after Pentecost

Luncheon in observance of Father's Day offered by The Ladies Society

Saturday, July 2nd: 6:00 P.M.— Arabic Liturgy Sunday, July3rd: Third Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, July 10th: Joseph of Damascus; Fourth Sunday of Matthew

Sunday, July17th: Fathers of the Fourth Ecumenical Council

12pm-6pm-Family Day at Buttonwoods

Sunday, July24th: Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Family Day-Rain date

Sunday, July 31st: Seventh Sunday after Pentecost Saturday, August 6th: 7:00 P.M.— Arabic Liturgy Sunday, August 7th: Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Falafel Sale following Liturgy

Sunday, August 14th: Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday, August 20th & Sunday, August 21st: Feast Day Weekend

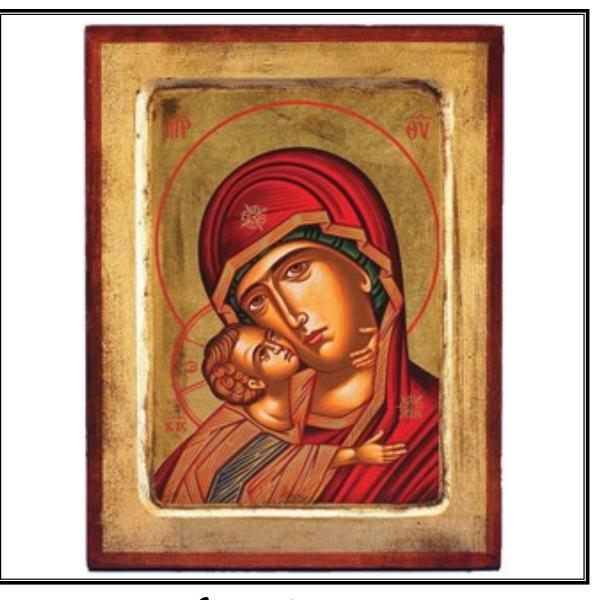
#### **Upcoming events:**

October 2nd: Kick-Off Luncheon for Bazaar

November 4th, 5th & 6th- Annual Bazaar



## SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday, May 15, 2022
Sunday of the Paralytic

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## Saint Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church

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#### 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**

**<u>Date:</u>** Sponsored by: Sponsored for:

Memory of Fred, Sophie and Paula Hallal May 15th: **Their Loving Family** May 22nd: Adolina & Alex Najjar & Family Rosette Wadih Alhaddad (1 year) May 29th: **Charitable Gift Program Charitable Gift Program Participants** June 5th: Nabil & Salwa Khoury **Health of Family** Last Day of Church School & Luncheon June 12th: St. Mary Church June 19th: Karwashan Family **Health of Family Father's Day Luncheon** June 26th: **Ladies Society** 

July 3rd: available for sponsorship
July 10th: available for sponsorship

July 17th: not available Family Day

July 24th: not available Family Day (rain date)
July 31st: Dr. Zevad & Norma Morcos Health of Elias Morcos (son)

**Memory of Elias Morcos (father)** 

August 7th: St. Mary Church Falafel Sale

August 14th: Karwashan Family Health of Elias, Nicole &

Olivia (happy birthday) Karwashan August 21st: not available Feast Day Weekend Aug. 19th-21st

August 28th: Will Small Memory of deceased members of Will Small's family

September 4th: available for sponsorship

September 11th: St. Mary Church Welcome back Luncheon for Church School

September 18th: available for sponsorship

September 25th: Philip & Bette Ayoub
October 2nd: St. Mary Church
October 9th: His Loving Family: Health of Ayoub & David Family
Kick-Off Luncheon for Bazaar
Memory of William Salhany (1 year)

Barbara and George Moussalli

Ken and Rania Salhany Bill and Susan Salhany available for sponsorship available for sponsorship

October 23rd: available for sponsorship october 30th: available for sponsorship

October 16th:

#### **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.



"We receive salvation by grace and as a divine gift of the Spirit. But to attain the full measure of virtue we need also to possess faith and love, and to struggle to exercise our free will with integrity.

~St. Macarius of Egypt



#### **Visitations**

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

## CHRIST IS RISEN. TRULY HE IS RISEN!



## Sunday of the Paralytic

Tone: 3 / Eothinon: 5

#### RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION: Tone 3

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death, and become the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.

#### 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 PASCHA: TONE 8

Though Thou didst descend into the grave, O Immortal One, yet didst Thou destroy the power of Hades, and didst arise as victor, O Christ God, calling to the myrrh-bearing women, Rejoice, and giving peace unto Thine Apostles, O Thou Who dost grant resurrection to the fallen.



## Orthodox Vocabulary Naos

Naos, Greek, 'temple'. (1) The Temple in Jerusalem. (2) A church building. (3) The nave area of a church. (4) Mary, hymned as the naos in which God makes his dwelling by the incarnation. (5) Every Christian, as a *naos* where God dwells by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

#### THE EPISTLE

O chant unto our God, chant ye. Clap your hands, all ye nations.

#### The Reading from the Acts of the Holy Apostles. (9:32-42)

In those days, as Peter went throughout all regions, he came down also to the saints who dwelt at Lydda. There he found a certain man named Aeneas, who was bedridden for eight years and paralyzed. And Peter said to him: "Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you; arise and make your bed." And immediately he arose. And all who dwelt at Lydda and Sharon saw him, and they turned back to the Lord. Now there was at Joppa a certain disciple named Tabitha (which means Gazelle). She was full of good works and of charitable deeds which she did. And it came to pass in those days that she fell sick and died; and when they had washed her, they placed her in an upper chamber. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, hearing that Peter was there, sent two men to him entreating him: "Come to us without delay!" So Peter arose and went with them. And when he arrived, they took him into the upper chamber. All the widows stood by him weeping, showing the tunics and other garments which Tabitha made while she was with them. But Peter put them all outside and knelt down and prayed; then turning to the body, he said: "Tabitha, arise!" And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter, she sat up. And he gave her his hand, and raised her up. Then he called the saints and widows and presented her alive. And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

#### THE GOSPEL

#### The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (5:1-15)

At that time, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Hebrew called Bethesda, which has five porticoes. In these lay a multitude of invalids, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water. For an angel of the Lord went down at certain seasons into the pool and troubled the water; whoever stepped in first, after the troubling of the water was healed of whatever disease he had. One man was there, who had been ill for 38 years. When Jesus saw him and knew that he had been lying there a long time, He said to him, "Do you want to be healed?" The sick man answered Him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is troubled, and while I am going another steps down before me." Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your pallet, and walk." And at once the man was healed, and he took up his pallet and walked. Now that day was the Sabbath. So the Jews said to the man who was cured, "It is the Sabbath, it is not lawful for you to carry your pallet." But he answered them, "The man who healed me said to me, 'Take up your pallet, and walk.'" They asked him, "Who is the man who said to you, 'Take up your pallet, and walk'?" Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, as there was a crowd in the place. Afterward, Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "See, you are well! Sin no more, that nothing worse befalls you." The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus Who had healed him.

### **Coffee Hour**

Today, Coffee Hour is being offered in memory of Fred, Sophie & Paula Hallal by their Loving Family. Coffee Hour will be held at the Parish Center following Liturgy.

All are welcome to attend.

#### **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.

#### **Bulletin Submissions**

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

#### **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.

#### CHRIST IS RISEN, TRULY HE IS RISEN!

There are many unsponsored Coffee Hours. If you would like to sponsor one, please contact:

Latifa Alarmani- (781)414-6281

Thanks

Thank you for your support.

#### THE SYNAXARION (Plain Reading)

On May 15 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate our Venerable Father Pachomios the Great of Egypt; Achilles, bishop of Larisa; and Martyr Barbaros the myrrh-streaming of Corfu. On this day, the fourth Sunday of Pascha, we commemorate the Paralytic and, as is right, we celebrate the miracle wrought for him. Verses The word of Christ was strength for the paralytic; So that this word alone was the man's full healing. Jesus healed the Paralytic at the Sheep's Pool, located near the Sheep's Gate of Jerusalem, where people sacrificed their beasts and washed their insides. The pool had five sides, with a porch and arch on each. A number of people, afflicted with various diseases, passed through them, waiting at the water for an angel to come down and stir it. Once it moved, whoever stepped into the water first was instantly healed. One poor man, whose story is recounted in today's Gospel lection in the Divine Liturgy, waited 38 years for someone to lower him into the water, because he was unable to move into the water himself. However, the Savior merely commanded the man to get up and walk, and he was healed. In Thine infinite mercy, O Christ our God, have mercy on us. Amen.

## **Save the Date**

Falafel Sale following Liturgy Sunday, August 7th



## 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

Nabil Khoury Fred & Adele Shwaery Najla Estephan Saliba, Robin, Bianca, Michelle Saliba Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

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

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

Holly, Cheryl & Nancy Offered by: Lorice Hallal

Mary Massiwer John & Patricia Massiwer Maureen, Paul & Mary Gurghigian Mary & Bill Franklin Billy & Britt, Jon & Meagan Diane Andrew & Paul Burnier Laura, Jim & Noelle Arrighi Holly, Jordan & Alexander Lazieh and Bob Dessaint Cheryl, Anthony, Emma & Evan Nassaney Nancy, Demitrios, Stephen & Nicholas Sterpis Lil Massiwer Diana Hashway Linda Dvelis & Family Fred & Adele Shwaery Darlene & Doug Elkas & Family Judy & Russell Fortier & Family Donna & Dana Schock & Family Nabil & Salwa Khoury & Family Offered by: Cindy Hayes & Family

#### **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

Fred, Sophie & Paula Hallal Offered by: Their Loving Family

Don Hayes
John Massiwer
Tom Andrew
Alan Matook
Sarah, George, Emile, Abraham Massiwer
Sophie, Fred & Paula Hallal
Moses Lazieh
Louis Hashway
David Massiwer
Offered by: Cindy Hayes & Family

Fred, Sophie & Paula Hallal Offered by: Lorice Hallal



Special prayers of Good Health & Blessing are being offered for Anthony Chamoun on the occasion of his Graduation from Bryant University.

GRADUATE

Offered by:

His parents; John & Anita

His sister; Reyna

CHRIST IS RISEN, TRULY HE IS RISEN!

#### Welcome and Thank you

We would like to welcome and thank Bishop JOHN for presiding over Liturgy today, as Fr. Elie is out of town.

~Thank you~

### **Coffee Hour**

Today, Coffee Hour is being offered in loving memory of Fred, Sophie & Paula Hallal by their Loving Family. Coffee Hour will be held at the Parish Center following Liturgy.



## CHRIST IS RISEN, TRULY HE IS RISEN!



#### **2022 Dioceses of Worcester and New England Scholarship**

• To qualify for consideration, the applicant must be a graduating high school senior who is a member of any of the Antiochian Orthodox Churches in the Diocese of Worcester and New England, and who has been accepted by an institution of higher learning entering as a freshman. In awarding the scholarships, consideration is given to the following factors: participation in church, church-related activities, extracurricular & civic activities, academic record & financial need. If you are interested in applying, please contact the church office at office@stmarypawtucket.org and we will email you an application.

# This is the twentieth-eighth year that Memorial Trisagion services are offered for those deceased parishioners in our Charitable Gift Program who have made their contribution to the fund.

The Trisagion service will be offered this year in memory of: V. Rev. Isaac Crow, Assad Ayoub, Mary Ayoub, Naseem Ayoub, Suzanne Ayoub, Joseph Bowab, Linda Salhany Bowab, Alice David, Florence David, George David, Mary Elizabeth David, Nora David, Christopher Gauthier, Ronald Gauthier, Esma Gorab, Jacqueline Gorab, John Gorab, Albert Hallal, Edward J. Hallal, Sr., Fred Hallal, Janice Bowab Hallal, Sophie Hallal, Donald Hayes, Matilda Josephs, Theodore Juczyk, Michelle Kilsey, Steven W. Kilsey, Ida Lavin, Theodore Lavin, John Massiwer, Sarah Massiwer, Esma Matook, Wadi Matook, Kamal Nassif, Ruth Ganim Salhany, William Salhany, Rita Sayegh, Joseph Samra, Mary Samra, Jameela Tahmoush and Nora Walker.

#### May their Memory Be Eternal!

## We would also like to offer prayers for the health and safety of the following individuals who have committed to the Charitable Gift Program.

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Rt. Rev. Archmandrite	Jim Hallal
Leonard Faris	Keith Hallal
Rt. Rev. Fr. Timothy	Lorice Hallal
Ferguson	Maria Hallal
Anonymous—Two	Paula Hallal
Angela Abosamra	Ronald Hallal
Charles Abosamra	Dianna Hashway
Lisa Andrews	Fareed Hawwa
Cindy Antypas	Olga Hawwa
Bette Ayoub	Tawfik Hawwa
Edward Ayoub	Cindy Hayes
Philip Ayoub	Daniel Hayes
Philip G. Ayoub	Donald Hayes, Jr.
Janet Bowab	Sarah Hayes
Christine Briggs	Hilda Jarjoura Juczyk
Liam Burke	Fadia Kabak
Mary Lou Catelli	Eli Karam
William Catelli	Julia Karam
Bryan Chowning	Naji Karam
Stephanie Chowning	Nabil Khoury
Linda Dvelis	Salwa Khoury
Fred Elliott	Audrey Kilsey
Renda Ferrari	Fred Kilsey
Elaine Gauthier	George Kilsey
Maureen Gurghigian	Lois Kilsey
Paul Gurghigian	Melissa Ann Kilsey

Patricia A. Kilsey Steven G. Kilsey Robert Laffey Lily Massiwer Mary Massiwer Keith Marshall Marlene Marshall Mary Mechrefe Louise Megalli Melanie Ann Merner

Barbara A. Moussalli Mirna Nakhoul Walid Nakhoul Barbara M. Samra Joseph J. Samra III Marlene Samra Rebecca Samra Florence Spenard Phil Spenard Susan Warzycha Mary Jane Wehbe Elaine Wilbur Our Teens