CHURCH CALENDAR

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

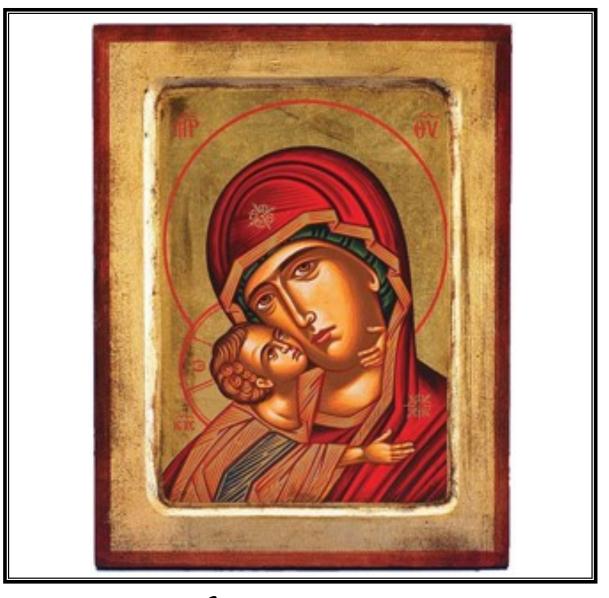
Saturday, August 20th & Sunday, August 21st: Feast Day Weekend

Upcoming events:

October 2nd: Kick-Off Luncheon for Bazaar November 4th, 5th & 6th- Annual Bazaar



SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday, May 29, 2022
Sunday of the Blind Man

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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

Date: Sponsored by: Sponsored for:

May 29th:

June 5th:

Value 12th:

Charitable Gift Program

Charitable Gift Program Participants

Health of Family

St. Mary Church

Last Day of Church School & Luncheon

June 19th: Karwashan Family Health of Family

June 26th: Karwashan Family Health of Family

Father's Day Luncheon

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. Zeyad & Norma Morcos Health of Elias Morcos (son)

August 7th: Memory of Elias Morcos (father)

Falafel Sale

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

August 21st: not available Olivia (happy birthday) Karwashan 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

October 16th: available for sponsorship
October 23rd: available for sponsorship
october 30th: available for sponsorship

Memorial Day Prayers

This year Memorial Day falls on Monday, May 30th. Prayers for the deceased will be held at Walnut Hill Cemetery starting at 9am on Monday, May 30th. Please bring a list of the names of your beloved deceased and give them to Fr. Elie at the central cross for the offering of the Trisagion Prayers (9am).

May God grant the Departed, rest and peace and may their memories be eternal.



Prayers for the Departed

Remember, O Lord, all who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection and of eternal life, our fathers, mothers, brothers and sisters. Orthodox Christians who rest both here and in all other parts of the earth. Place them with Your saints, where the light of Your countenance shines, and have mercy upon us, for You are gracious and love all mankind. Grant, O Lord, to all that have gone before us in faith and hope of the resurrection, remission of sins and keep them in everlasting memory. Amen.

In the place of Your rest, O Lord, where all Your saints repose, give rest to the souls of Your servants, for You alone are immortal. O virgin, alone pure and immaculate that in maiden-motherhood brought forth God, intercede for the salvation of the souls of your servants. With the saints give rest, O Christ, to the souls of Your servants (names), where there is not pain, sorrow or sighing, but Life everlasting. Amen and repose to the beloved deceased and may their memories be eternal!



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 Blind Man

Tone: 5 / Eothinon: 8

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.

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



Coffee Hour

Coffee Hour will be held after Liturgy today for both the health and memory of the Charitable Gift Program Participants and is being offered by The Charitable Gift Program.

Everyone is welcome!

THE EPISTLE

Thou, O Lord, shalt keep us and preserve us. Save me, O Lord, for the godly man is no more. The Reading from the Acts of the Apostles. (16:16-34) In those days, while we the apostles were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a slave girl who had a spirit of divination, who brought her masters much gain by soothsaying. She followed Paul and us, and cried out saying: "These men are servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to us the way of salvation." And she did this for many days. But Paul was annoyed, and turned and said to the spirit: "I charge you in the Name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her masters saw that the hope of their gain was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the rulers; and when they had brought them to the magistrates, they said: "These men are disturbing our city, and they, being Jews, are setting forth customs which are not lawful for us to receive or observe, since we are Romans." The multitude then rose up together against them, and the magistrates tore their garments off them, and commanded to beat them with rods. And when they had inflicted many stripes upon them, they cast them into prison, charging the jailer to keep them safely. Having received such a charge, he cast them into the inner prison, and fastened their feet in the stocks. But about midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and every one's fetters were unfastened. And the jailer, being roused out of sleep and seeing the prison doors open, drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul cried out with a loud voice saying: "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." And he called for lights and rushed in, and fell down before Paul and Silas trembling with fear, and brought them out and said: "Masters, what must I do to be saved?" And they said: "Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household." And they spoke the word of the Lord to him, and to all who were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their stripes, and was baptized, he and his entire household. Then he brought them up into his house, and set food before them, and rejoiced greatly, with his entire house, in that he had believed in God.



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.

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.



Save the Date

St. Mary Family Fun Day

Sunday, July17, 2022 (rain date July 24, 2022) @ 1:00 pm

Masonic Youth Center 116 Long St., Warwick, RI (Site #6)

We will provide (Free): Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Chips, Watermelon, Hot Grill, Games for everyone!

For more information contact-Walid Nakhoul (401)692-1250



Save The Date



<u>Feast Day Weekend</u> Friday, August 19 - Sunday, August 21, 2022

We are planning a Fun Weekend Music and Ethnic food such as SAJ, Zaater and Cheese, Shawarma, Falafel, Knafee, Houka and much more.

THE SYNAXARION (Plain Reading)

On May 29 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we the Martyrs Theodosia of Tyre and Theodosia of Constantinople; Hieromartyr Olvian, bishop of Aneos, and those with him. On this day, the sixth Sunday of Pascha, we celebrate the miracle wrought by our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ upon the man who was blind from his birth. Verses O Light of Light most perfect, and Light-provider, On the blind from birth, O Word, eyes Thou bestowest. The Savior met this man, born blind and incurable after every human effort, while leaving the Temple on the Sabbath. Saints John Chrysostom, Basil the Great and Irenaeus teach that the man was born without eyeballs. Jesus spat into the dirt, made clay, rubbed it in his eye sockets and told him to wash in the pool of Siloam, a famous water spring in Jerusalem. The Savior did not send him there because his eye sockets were filled with clay, nor did the pool have healing power, but instead to test his faith and obedience. Jesus fashioned the eyes of the blind man from the dirt as God fashioned man from the dirt. The blind man proclaimed that Jesus healed him, but this confession caused him to be cast out by the enemies of the truth. Even his own parents would not defend him. However, the blind man followed Jesus from that moment forward. By Thine infinite mercy, O Christ our God, Giver of light, have mercy on us. Amen.

Save the Date

Falafel Sale following Liturgy Sunday, August 7th Time to pick Grape Leaves! Please blanch and freeze them.



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THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (9:1-38)

At that time, when Jesus was passing, he saw a man blind from his birth. And His disciples asked Him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be made manifest in him. I must work the works of Him who sent Me, while it is day; night comes, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." As he said this, he spat on the ground and made clay of the spittle and anointed the man's eyes with the clay, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam," which means "Sent." So he went and washed and came back seeing. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar, said, "Is not this the man who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is he;" others said, "No, but he is like him." He said, "I am the man." They said to him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash'; so I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. The Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for He does not keep the Sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" There was a division among them. So they again said to the blind man, "What do you say about Him, since He has opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight, and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age, he will speak for himself." His parents said this because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess him to be Christ, he was to be put out of the synagogue. Therefore, his parents said, "He is of age, ask him." So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and said to him, "Give God the praise; we know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "Whether he is a sinner, I do not know; one thing I know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did He do to you? How did He open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you too want to become His disciples?" And they reviled him, saying, "You are His disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where He comes from." The man answered, "Why, May 29, 2022 Liturgy Variables 4 Sixth Sunday of Pascha this is a marvel! You do not know where He comes from, and yet He opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does His will, God listens to him. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. If this man were not from God, He could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him He said, "Do you believe in the Son of God?" He answered, "And who is He, Sir, that I may believe in Him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen Him, and it is He who speaks to you." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped Him.



Memorial Service



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.

Rt. Rev. Archmandrite Jim Hallal Leonard Faris Keith Hallal Rt. Rev. Fr. Timothy Lorice Hallal Maria Hallal Ferguson Anonymous—Two Paula Hallal Angela Abosamra Ronald Hallal Charles Abosamra Dianna Hashway Lisa Andrews Fareed Hawwa Olga Hawwa Cindy Antypas Bette Ayoub Tawfik Hawwa Edward Ayoub Cindy Hayes Philip Ayoub Daniel Hayes Donald Hayes, Jr. Philip G. Ayoub Janet Bowab Sarah Haves Hilda Jarjoura Juczyk **Christine Briggs** 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 Audrey Kilsey Fred Elliott Renda Ferrari Fred Kilsev Elaine Gauthier George Kilsey Lois Kilsey Maureen Gurghigian Paul Gurghigian Melissa Ann Kilsev

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 Joseph J. Samra III Marlene Samra Rebecca Samra Florence Spenard Phil Spenard Susan Warzycha Mary Jane Wehbe Elaine Wilbur Our Teens

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 Fr. Elie & Rouba Estephan Walid & Mirna Nakhoul Ed Ayoub Najla Estephan

Saliba, Robin, Bianca, Michelle Saliba Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Alcides Gonzalo Offered by: Maria 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

Eddie Ayoub Offered by: Bill & MaryLou Catelli

Ed Ayoub Lisa Ayoub Offered by: Ray & Leila Trabulsi

Bishop JOHN & Family Ed Ayoub Offered by: Elaine Gauthier

All our Families & Friends Offered by: Nabil & Gloria Baalbaki

Lisa Ayoub Mark Resnick Offered by: Ed Ayoub

Roxanne Offered by: Will Small

The Salhany Family
The Moussalli Family
Offered by: Barbara & George Moussalli

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

Joanne Abdalah Offered by: Bill & MaryLou Catelli

Joanne Abdalah Offered by: Elaine Gauthier

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

Sue Ayoub Offered by: Ed Ayoub

William and Ruth Salhany Zaki and Mary Moussalli All our departed loved ones Offered by: Barbara & George Moussalli



Prayers of Good Health and Blessing are being offered for Fr. Elie & Kh. Rouba on the occasion of their Wedding Anniversary.

