

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, July 24th: Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, July 31st: Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Monday, August 1st-Friday, August 12th (weeknights only): 7:00pm Parakalesis Services

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

Sunday, August 7th: Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Falafel Sale following Liturgy

Tuesday, August 9th: 6:00 P.M.– Parish Council Meeting

Sunday, August 14th: Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Friday, August 19th- Sunday, August 21st: Feast Day Weekend

Sunday, August 21st: Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, August 28th: Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday, September 3rd: 6:00 P.M.– Arabic Liturgy

Sunday, September 4th: Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, September 11th: Sunday before Elevation of the Cross

First Day of Church School & Church School Luncheon

Tuesday, September 13th: 6:00 P.M.– Parish Council Meeting

Sunday, September 18th: Sunday after Elevation of the Cross

Sunday, September 25th: Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday, October 1st: 6:00 P.M.– Arabic Liturgy

Sunday, October 2nd: Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Kick-Off Luncheon for Bazaar

Sunday, October 9th: Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Memorial Service for William Salhany (1 year)

Tuesday, October 11th: 6:00 P.M.– Parish Council Meeting

Sunday, October 16th: Fathers of 7th Ecumenical Council

Sunday, October 23rd: Apostle James, Brother of God

Sunday, October 30th: Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

November 4th-November 6th– Annual Holiday Bazaar

Saturday, November 5th: 6:00 P.M.– Arabic Liturgy



SAINT MARY ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday, July 24, 2022

Sixth 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

<i>Sunday: Orthros (Matins)</i>	<i>9:00 a.m.</i>
<i>Church School</i>	<i>11:15 a.m.</i>
<i>Sunday: Divine Liturgy</i>	<i>10:00 a.m.</i>

*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:

July 24th:
July 31st:

Walid & Mirna Nakhoul & Sons
Dr. Zeyad & Norma Morcos

Health of Family
Health of Elias Morcos (son)
Memory of Elias Morcos (father)

August 7th:
August 14th:

St. Mary Church
Karwashan Family

Falafel Sale
Health of Elias, Nicole &
Olivia (happy birthday) Karwashan
Feast Day Weekend Aug. 19th-21st

August 21st:
August 28th:

not available

Will Small Memory of deceased members of Will Small's family
Matt & Megan Duncan & kids Health of Family

September 4th:
September 11th:

St. Mary Church Welcome back Luncheon for Church School
His Loving Family Memory of Leon Matook

September 18th:
September 25th:

Their Loving Families Memory of Michelle Kilsey (12 years),
Jacqueline Gorab (10 years), Alice Kilsey (10 years), and Steve Kilsey (3 years)

October 2nd:
October 9th:

St. Mary Church Kick-Off Luncheon for Bazaar
His Loving Family: Memory of William Salhany (1 year)
Barbara and George Moussalli

Ken and Rania Salhany
Bill and Susan Salhany

October 16th:
October 23rd:
October 30th:

Philip & Bette Ayoub Health of Ayoub & David Family
Fouad & Marianne Alzaibak Anniversary & Health of Family
Ghassan & Family Memory of Jack Alarmani

November 6th:
November 13th:

NO COFFEE HOUR– Annual Bazaar Weekend
George & Carol Daikh & Family Health of Family

November 20th:
November 27th:

available for sponsorship
available for sponsorship

December 4th:
December 11th:

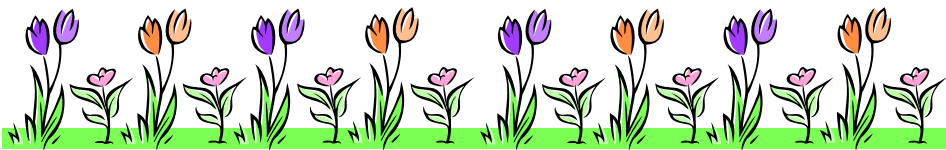
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December 18th:
December 25th:

St. Mary Church Church School Pageant & Luncheon
not available

THE SYNAXARION (Plain Reading)

On July 24 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the holy and glorious Great-martyr Christina of Tyre. Verses The blood of martyrdom hath chastely united The blameless bride Christina to Christ the Bridegroom. On the twenty-fourth Christina was cast upon sharp stakes. She was the beautiful daughter of the imperial governor, Urban, an idolater. Christina knew nothing of the Savior until the age of eleven, but, when she reached that age, her father—who 22 was hiding her from the world until she was fully grown—made her live in a high tower. He gave her every comfort, but Christina’s young soul was suffocated in this idolatrous atmosphere. Looking out of the window at God’s natural wonders, she came, through her own understanding, to a firm belief in Him. God, in His great mercy, sent His angel to her, who named her the bride of Christ and fully instructed her in the things of God. Then Christina smashed all the golden idols in her rooms and distributed the remnants to the poor. Urban and two other leaders, Dion and Julian, tortured her and intended to kill her. Urban and Dion dropped dead, and Julian was blinded when Christina threw her severed tongue into his face. Christina’s courage in suffering and the marvels which were performed by the power of God brought many of Tyre’s pagan inhabitants to Christianity. Christina entered the immortal kingdom in the year 200. On this day, we also commemorate the New-martyrs Athanasios of Ikia and Theophilos of Zakynthos; Athanasios the Confessor; and the Passion-bearers Boris (Roman) and Gleb (David). By the intercessions of Thy Saints, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.



Save the Date

**Falafel Sale
following Liturgy
Sunday, August 7th**

Bulletins are available on our website. Other important information, flyers, recipes, etc. can also be found on our website at www.stmarypawtucket.org

Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

Tone: 5 Eothinon: 6

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. CHRISTINA Tone 4 (Joseph was amazed**)**

O Lord Jesus, unto Thee Thy lamb doth cry with a great voice: * O my Bridegroom, Thee I love; and seeking Thee, I now contest, * and with Thy baptism am crucified and buried. * I suffer for Thy sake, that I may reign with Thee; * for Thy sake I die, that I may live in Thee: * accept me offered out of longing * to Thee as a spotless sacrifice. * Lord, save our souls through her intercessions, since Thou art great in 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.

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

*Thou, O Lord, wilt preserve us and keep us from this generation.
Save me, O Lord, for the Godly man hath disappeared.*

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (12:6-14)

Brethren, having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; he who teaches, in his teaching; he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who contributes, in liberality; he who gives aid, with zeal; he who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with brotherly affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Never flag in zeal, be aglow with the Spirit, and serve the Lord. Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints, practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (9:1-8)

At that time, Jesus got into a boat, crossed over and came to His own city. And behold, they brought to Him a paralytic, lying on his bed; and when Jesus saw their faith He said to the paralytic, “Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven.” And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, “This man is blaspheming.” But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, “Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Rise and walk’? But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins”—He then said to the paralytic—“Rise, take up your bed and go home.” And he rose and went home. When the crowds saw it, they marveled, and they glorified God, Who had given such authority to men.



Orthodox Vocabulary

Essence

Essence: the Orthodox Church distinguishes between the essence of God and his energies. In speaking of his essence, we affirm that God is absolutely transcendent, beyond all creatures, unknowable and ineffable. But we also affirm that God is “everywhere present and filling all things,” and that *we can participate in him through grace*. Indeed, God remains “totally other,” while revealing himself to us through his *energies*, through his deifying grace and divine light.



Feast Day Weekend- August 19th, 20th & 21st

St. Mary Church needs our Parishioners 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 help on Thursday, August 18th (set-up), Friday, August 19th Saturday, August 20th, & Sunday, August 21st.

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Area to help</u>

We are also looking for monetary donations to help with: food supplies, bar supplies, tents, entertainment, water, soda, misc. Please contact Walid Nakhoul(401)692-1250.

St. Mary Feast Day Celebrations

Mahrajan



***Friday, August 19th, Saturday August 20th
AND Sunday, August 21st
(Outdoors- Rain Or Shine)***

Music, Food, Entertainment and Fellowship!

Friday, August 19th: 5:00 pm til 9:00 pm

Saturday, August 20th: 12 noon til 11:00 pm

Sunday, August 21st: 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 (DJ) Gaby Almassih– 1pm-4pm*

One St. Mary Way, Pawtucket, RI 02860

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
Walid & Mirna Nakhoul
Fred Shwaery & Family
Saliba, Robin, Bianca, Michelle Saliba
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury

Ed Ayoub
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

Walid & Mirna Nakhoul & Sons
Nabil Khoury
Offered by: Philip & Bette Ayoub

Fred, Linda & Bobby Shwaery
Ed Ayoub
Offered by: The Trabulsi Family

Lorice Hallal
Offered by: Nora Abdelahad
Elaine Agety
Sandra Matook



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

Ethel Kilsey
Offered by: Audrey & Wayne Kilsey
Deborah Kilsey & Victoria Azar
George, Lois, Mary & Christopher Kilsey

Adele Shwaery
Offered by: Walid & Mirna Nakhoul

Adele Shwaery
Offered by: Ray & Leila Trabulsi & Family

Adele Shwaery
Offered by: Nabil & Salwa Khoury



Parakalesis Services



Monday, August 1st-Friday, August 12th
(weeknights only): 7:00pm Parakalesis Services

All are welcome and encouraged to attend

Coffee Hour

Today, Coffee Hour is being offered by Walid & Mirna Nakhoul & Sons for the Health of their Family. Coffee Hour will be held at the Parish Center following Liturgy.



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.

Let mercy outweigh all else in you. Let our compassion be a mirror where we may see in ourselves that likeness and that true image, which belong to the Divine nature and Divine essence. A hard and unmerciful heart will never be pure.

~St. Isaac the Syrian



Menu for Coffee Hour

Fasting Sundays: tray of salad, 4 dozens zaatar, fruit and one kind of sweet.

Regular Sundays: tray of salad, 4 dozens of assorted crescent, fruit and one kind of sweet .

This is to clarify the new menu when booking a coffee hour (and want Latifa to take care of the coffee hour) the cost is \$200 and includes the above food items.

ONLINE BULLETIN

The Bulletin is available online on our website at:

<http://stmarypawtucket.org>

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.

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.



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.