

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



PRESENTATION OF THE MOTHER OF GOD

WEDNESDAY . NOVEMBER 20 . 6:30pm

Vespers/Divine Liturgy followed by coffee and in the parish center. *Please bring a dessert to share!*

FEAST OF ST. BARBARA

SUNDAY . DECEMBER 8 . 4-8PM

Sandwiches and dessert. Nativity Pageant. St Ann Band. Christmas Carols. **\$20 per adult / \$10 per children 4-10 years old.** For reservations please call **Maha Gabriel 973.610.8444, Nellie Cathcart 973.610.8036, Debra Gorny 973.919.4571 or Lena Batikha 973.303.5232.** Please RSVP by Wednesday, December 4th.



ANNUAL TURKEY DRIVE



Turkeys are being collected for Catholic Charities and should be placed in the designated freezer any Sunday.

November 24th after the 9am liturgy is the final day of collection.

ANGEL TAGS

"ANGEL" gifts are being purchased for Catholic Charities. **All gifts with the tags must be returned by December 8th.** Please see *Bernadette Murray* if interested.



CLOTHING DRIVE

Please drop off new and gently worn clothing for Catholic Charities. Items can be dropped off outside the Sunday School office. **Sunday, November 24th after the 9am liturgy is the final day of collection.**



PASTORAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Meetings of the Pastoral Advisory Council are open to all parishioners, who are encouraged to attend and share any concerns related to the spiritual and social life of the parish. If you have a concern, would like to share your thoughts or simply wish to attend, please join us at a meeting.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

7PM VESPERS SERVICE followed by **PAC MEETING**

WEDNESDAY . DECEMBER 4

WEDNESDAY . JANUARY 8, 2025

Meeting dates may be subject to change or cancellation.

BISHOP'S APPEAL

Today Christ teaches us that things are given to us to administer as stewards. Our security comes from God, not from His gifts. A full barn can be either a window or a mirror. The man in the Gospel looked at the barn and saw only himself – He did not see God's blessings, intention and provision. He had a full barn, but empty heart. The Bishop's Appeal strives to focus the Eparchy on God's purposes and grow to be the Church envisioned and taught by the Lord. **Our parish has raised \$ 12,025.00 and our goal is \$35,000.00.** Appeal envelopes and reply cards are available in the narthex. Thank you for your generosity. You may donate online at: melkite.org/appeal. **Please mail your donation directly to the Diocese of Newton.**

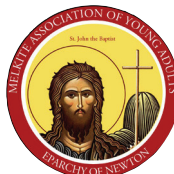
LEBANON RELIEF FUND



Bishop François has established a diocesan "Lebanon Relief Fund" to assist our brothers and sisters who are suffering and in need due to the current situation in the Middle East. You may donate online at Melkite.org or via the parish weekly collection. If you choose the latter, please place your donation in a plain envelope marked "Lebanon Relief" with your name as well, and hand it at any Sunday collection. Thank you for your response!

MAYA NEWS

The first meeting of the MAYA Organization (ages 18-26) will be held on **Saturday, November 30th** following the 5:30 Divine Liturgy. For more information, contact **Fr. Choukri at 914-510-4415 or Brian Katat at 201-625-2780.**



SECRET SANTA – The Charitable Society is seeking monetary donations to purchase Christmas gifts for needy children. **Please make out checks to St. Ann Charitable Society and mail it to the rectory or contact Barbara Fierravanti at 973.626.0055.**

NEW YEAR'S EVE GALA

Tuesday, December 31st

Featuring Kaleidoscope Entertainment. Reservations: Nabil Alain 973-930-5794, Norma Bittar 973-979-9619 or Bashar Katat 480-589-8909.

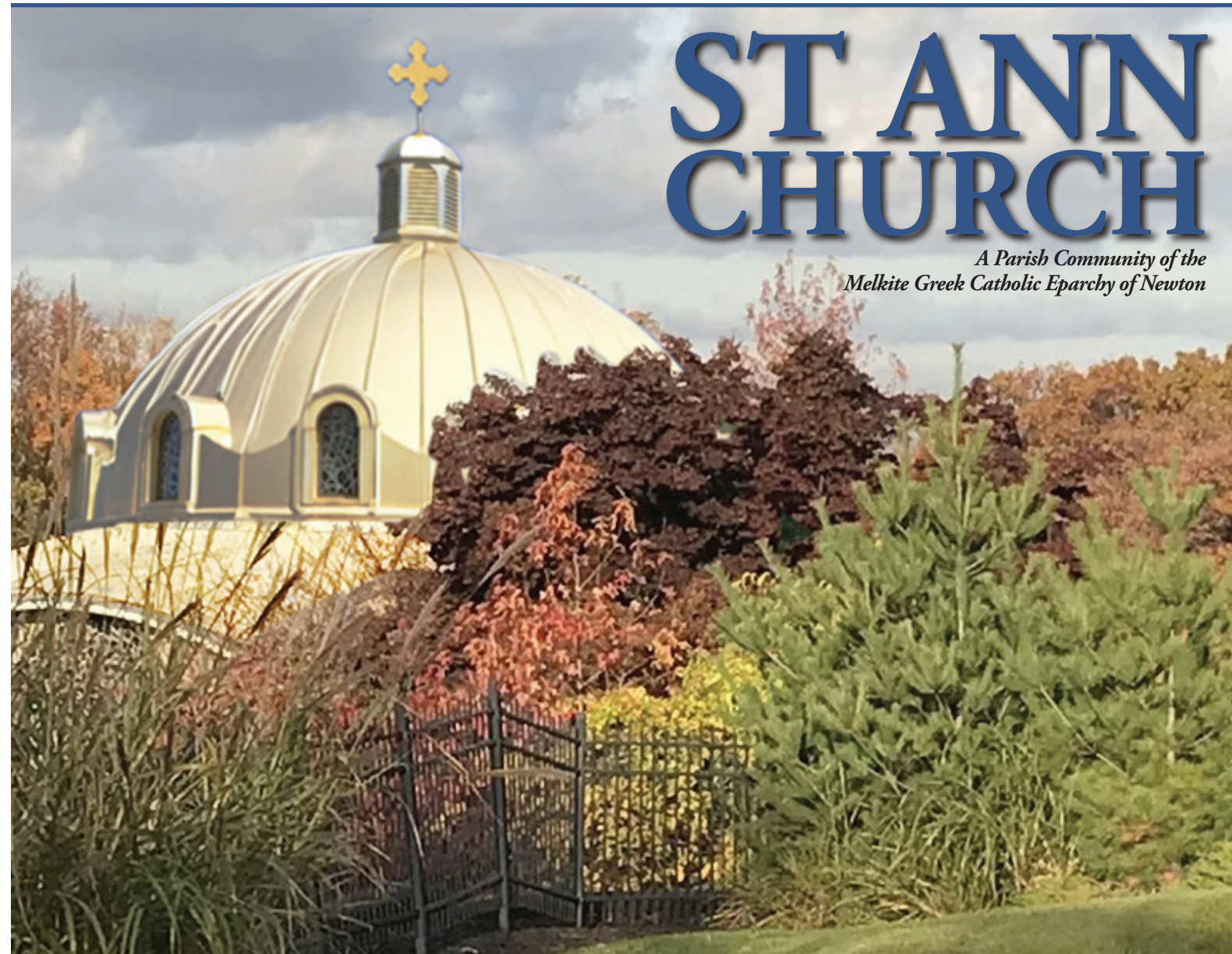
SOLD OUT



SIGHT & SOUND TRIP TO SEE THE SHOW NOAH

in Lancaster, PA . **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2025**

Cost is estimated to be \$150-\$160 per person and include theater tickets, bus transportation and lunch. **Please send a \$50 deposit per person, payable to St. Ann Church, by November 24th, to hold your reservation. Only 5 seats left!** If interested in attending, respond to office@saintannmelkite.com.



ST ANN CHURCH

A Parish Community of the Melkite Greek Catholic Eparchy of Newton

NOVEMBER 17, 2024 . NINTH SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS

PROKIMENON 9: *May your kindness, O Lord, be upon us, for we have hoped in you.*

Ephesians 5:8-19 | Luke 12:16-22

Our Community is Served By:

Rt Rev Kenneth Sherman
PASTOR

Rev Choukri Sabbagh
ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Rev Archdeacon Edward Bsarany

Rev Deacon Roland Basinski

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30pm

Sunday 9:00am / 11:30am (arabic/english)

Great Feast
Day Eve 7:00pm

Mystery of Holy Confession
30 minutes before each Divine Liturgy

THIS WEEK

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VESPER LITURGY

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into the TEMPLE

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UPCOMING

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ONGOING

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ANGEL GIFTS

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To report sexual abuse by clergy, parish personnel or volunteers in the Diocese of Newton, please call the Victim Assistance Coordinator at 1-800-479-5910.

Intentions

— NINTH SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS —

SATURDAY | NOVEMBER 16 | 5:30PM

- †Lucille Bsales . 3 Year Remembrance . Husband Raymond Bsales
- †Elias Sayad . Wife Mary Sayad
- †Joseph & Annie Shackoor . Shackoor Family
- †Norman & Laurice Dikdan . Their Daughters
- †Raymond Orfaly . Samira Fakhoury

SUNDAY | NOVEMBER 17 | 9:00AM

- †Regina Siouffi . 10 Year Remembrance . Husband & Children
- †Gladys Gorny . 10 Year Remembrance
M/M John Gorny & Family
- †Lorice Zelhof . M/M John Colie
- †George Bsales . Anthony Rowek
- †Emil Garlewicz . M/M Gregg Kattine

SUNDAY | NOVEMBER 17 | 11:30AM

- †Albert Anthony Kayal . 14 Year Remembrance
Parents George & Fadia Kayal
- †Michael & Jeanette Bardaghji . M/M Bassil Bardaghji
- †Sandra Pisciotta . Parents George & Fadia Kayal
- †Naji Homsy . Rudolph Family
- †Adibeh Moubarak . M/M Hani Khoury
- †Moufid Sukarie . M/M Riad Homsy
- †Antoine Khoury . M/M Riad Homsy

IN OUR PRAYERS

Please remember in your prayers the sick and convalescing friends and members of our community, especially:

Louis Dahdah	Robin A. Kingery
Tracey Ferraro	Mona Mardelli
Andrew Friedman	Joyce Neuss
Dolores Fritz	Mary Tahan
Mark Frommer	Debra Payne Wierciszewski
Laurice Kayal	Donna Yuppa

Our Community is Served By:

Parish Office | Georgann Bsarany, Secretary
Lina Alain, Secretary

Communications | Doreen Pierson, Director
Pastoral Advisory Council | Bernadette Murray, Chair

Property Advisory Council | Nabil Alain, Chair
Finance Advisory Council | Louis Sayad, Chair
Charitable Society | Debbie Tahan, Chair
Religious Education | Michael & Jessica Hanczaryk

Society of Publicans | Jenine Long
Readers | Joann Fakhoury
Ushers | Joseph Murray
S.A.M.Y. | Paulie Harraka, Advisor
Fr Choukri Sabbagh, Spiritual Advisor

— THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS —

SATURDAY | NOVEMBER 23 | 5:30PM

- †Joseph & Annie Shackoor . Shackoor Family
- †James Cantisano . Abdinoor Family
- †Victor Kattak . Elizabeth Kattak
- †Emil Garlewicz . Bob & Helen Nahas

SUNDAY | NOVEMBER 24 | 9:00AM

- †George & Selma Tobjy . Joseph Tobjy
- †Deceased Members of the Fakhoury Family . Samira Fakhoury
- †Deceased Members of the Hayek Family . Samira Fakhoury
- †Lorice Zelhof . M/M John Bsarany
- †George Bsales . M/M Gabe Raad

SUNDAY | NOVEMBER 24 | 11:30AM

- †Naji Homsy . M/M Khamis Khamis
- †Adibeh Moubarak . M/M Michel Gabriel
- †Moufid Sukarie . Reem & Rola Hannoush
- †Antoine Khoury . M/M Riad Homsy

“...be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and chanting in your hearts to the Lord.”

Ephesians 5:18-20

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Weekend of NOVEMBER 10, 2024

5:30pm	12 Envelopes	\$ 558.00
9:00am	28 Envelopes	1207.00
11:30am	42 Envelopes	1946.00
Mailed	4 Envelopes	225.00
Online	42 Envelopes	1587.00
Candles		155.00
Donations		1477.00
Liturgy Stipends		760.00
Coffee Hour		350.00

Weekly Total \$8,265.00

Total Envelopes Received: 128

According to our 2023-2024 budget, our weekly sacrificial giving need is **\$8,000.00** to meet expenses.

GIVE YOUR SUNDAY OFFERING ONLINE!

Online giving directly from your bank account is the most cost effective way to donate. Consider this for your Sunday Offering. For details, go to saintannmelkite.com and click the online giving tab.

OUR CHARITABLE SOCIETY CAN HELP

Do you or someone you know need assistance? Please contact Fr. Ken at 973.785.4144 or Fr. Choukri at 914.510.4415. All inquiries are confidential!

ARE YOU A REGISTERED PARISHIONER?

If you are not receiving the weekly envelope, you are not registered! All families, seniors and post-college singles should register as official parish members! Please call the Office at 973.785.4144 to register.

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food pantry

The St Ann Food Pantry is committed to keeping the shelves stocked, and we need your help to do that.

The pantry welcomes all non-perishable items, and is need of:

Household Paper Products	Sugar & Flour
Laundry Detergents	Rice
Bleach & Softeners	Cereal
Household Cleaning Supplies	Cookies & Snacks
Personal Health Items	Fruit Drinks & Juices
Beauty Items	Fruit (cans, jars and snack)

Please place donations, in the bin, in the narthex of the church.

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PROKIMENON 9

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TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION (Tone 1) pg. 59
After the stone was sealed by the Jews and the while the soldiers were watching Your spotless body, You rose, O Savior, on the third day, bestowing life to the world. Therefore, the heavenly powers cried out to You, O Giver of life: “Glory to Your Resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Your Kingdom! Glory to Your economy, O You Who alone are the lover of mankind!”

ST. GREGORY

TROPARION OF SAINT ANN pg. 22

O divinely wise Ann, you carried in your womb the pure mother of God, who gave birth to the Life. Wherefore you now have been carried up joyfully to the inheritance of heaven, to the abode of those who rejoice in glory. O blessed one, obtain the forgiveness of sins, for those who honor you with fervor.

KONTAKION pg. 153

Presentation of the Mother of God

The most pure Temple of our Holy Savior, and the most precious and bright Bridal Chamber, the Virgin sacred treasury of the glory of God openly appears today in the Temple of the Lord, bringing with her the grace of the Most Holy Spirit. Wherefore the angels of God are singing: This is the heavenly tabernacle.

DAILY READINGS

November 18-23, 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
1 Tim 5:1-12 Lk 17:20-25	1 Tim 5:11-21 Lk 17:26-36; 18:8	1 Tim 5:22-25; 6:1-11 Lk 18:15-17; 26-30
THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Lk 1:39-49; 56 Heb 9:1-7 Lk 10:38-42; 11:27-28	2 Tim 1:1-2; 8:1-18 Lk 19:12-28	Gal 5:22-26; 6:1-2 Lk 10:19-21

MYSTERY OF HOLY CONFESSION: Available 30 minutes before each Divine Liturgy.

MYSTERIES OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION: Call the parish office three months before desired Baptism, Chrismation and First Eucharist date.

MYSTERY OF HOLY CROWNING (Marriage): Call the parish office twelve months before desired wedding date.

MYSTERY OF HOLY ANOINTING: Call the parish office when a family member is hospitalized or seriously ill.