

A Parish Community of the Melkite Greek Catholic Eparchy of Newton

THIS WEEK

Monday . JANUARY 13 | 7PM CHARITABLE SOCIETY MEETING in the Parish Center

FRIDAY . JANUARY 17 | 7PM MAYA MEETING in the Parish Center

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

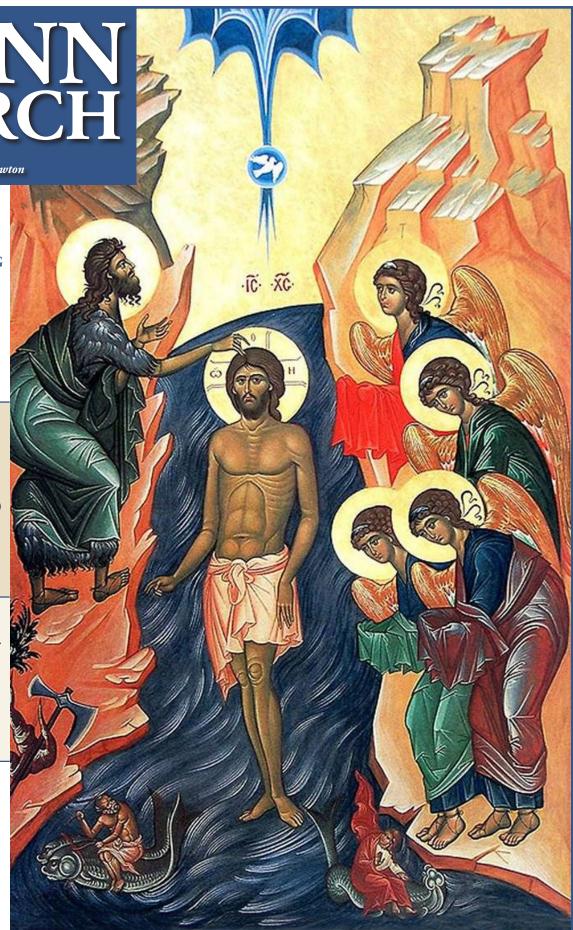
Our Community is Served By:

Rev Rezkallah Samaan | *Administrator* Rev Sayed Kozhaya Rev Choukri Sabbagh Rev Archdeacon Edward Bsarany Rev Deacon Roland Basinski

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JANUARY 12, 2025 . SUNDAY AFTER THEOPHANY OF OUR LORD Prokimenon 9

Ephesians 4:7-13 | Matthew 4:12-17

SUNDAY AFTER THE THEOPHANY OF OUR LORD

SATURDAY | JANUARY 11 | 5:30PM

†Norman Dikdan . Birthday Remembrance . His Daughters **†Albert Dahab** . 3 Year Remembrance . Wife Georgina & Family **†Elias Harraka** . Wife Antoinette & Family **†Raymond Orfaly** . Mary's Rosary Group **†John Obeji** . Birthday Remembrance . M/M Michael Massood **†Yvonne Obeji** . M/M Michael Massood

SUNDAY | JANUARY 12 | 9:00AM

†George Zelhof . 28 Year Remembrance . His Family
†Richard Kruger . 16 Year Remembrance M/M Gabe Raad & Ann Rocko
†Joseph Wardy . 1 Year Remembrance . Dr/M George Ajjan
†Michael & Mary Fahmie . Jennifer & Eric
†James & Jennie Gilarmo . Jennifer & Eric
†Robert Gerard Sladowski . Jennifer & Eric
†Felix Rosario . Jennifer & Eric
†William Siouffi . His Family

SUNDAY | JANUARY 12 | 11:30AM

†George Dayoub . Wife Afaf Khawam
†Georges & Mounira Khawam . Daughter Afaf Khawam
†Dr. Razek Khawam . Sister Afaf Khawam
†Dr. Salem Khawam . Sister Afaf Khawam
†Dr. Mouine M. Khawam . Sister Afaf Khawam
†Mayla Gabriel Sabeh . Teta Afaf Khawam
†Naji Homsi . Marcele Ghandour
†Sayer Sawaged . Wife Badia & Family
†Edward & Leila Abi Karam . Their Daughter Grace Abi Karam

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS

SATURDAY | JANUARY 18 | 5:30PM

†Elias Harraka . 40 Day Memorial . Wife Antoinette & family **†James & Kathy Cantisano** . Yvonne Cantisano **†Emil Garlewicz** . Rockel Family **†Raymond Orfaly** . Loretta Santa Di Santolo

SUNDAY | JANUARY 19 | 9:00AM

Special Intention of Mark & Family . M/M Joseph Fierravanti †Lucille Tobjy . 24 Year Remembrance . Husband Joseph & Family †William Siouffi . His Family †Anthony Fattal . Patricia Fattal & Family †Lorice Zelhof . M/M Charles Cathcart †George Bsales . M/M George Fakhoury

SUNDAY | JANUARY 19 | 11:30AM

†Sayer Sawaged . Wife Badia & Family**†Naji Homsi** . M/M Gilbert Sabeh**†Dalal Haddad** . Ghassan & Maggie Slim

IN OUR PRAYERS

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

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

DAILY READINGS January 13-18, 2025

MONDAY 1/13 2 TIM 2:1-10 LK 20:1-8 TUESDAY 1/14 HEB 10:32-35 LK 12:32-41 WEDNESDAY 1/15 GAL 5:22-26; 6:1-2 LK 12:32-40 **THURSDAY 1/16** ACTS 12:1-11 JN 21:14-25 FRIDAY 1/17 MT 11:27-30 HEB 13:17-21 LK 6:17-23 **SATURDAY 1/18** JN 10:1-9 HEB 13:7-16 MT 5:14-19

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

SUNDAY AFTER THEOPHANY

SPECIAL PETITIONS: *After the 5th petition of the Great Synapte, the following special petitions are said:*

- 6. That the fruits of holy Baptism may be realized in us and that we may partake of the death of Christ our God, in order to partake of his Resurrection, let us pray to the Lord.
- 7. That we may be transformed by casting off the old man and putting on the new man, in order to become a new creature in Christ, let us pray to the Lord
- 8. That the world may be sanctified and the whole creation renewed by the salvific Theophany of Our Savior Jesus Christ, let us pray to the Lord.
- 9. That the Gospel of Christ may shine upon all countries of the world and their peoples may be enlightened by the Divine Knowledge, let us pray to the Lord."

ANTIPHON PRAYER:

O Lord, Who have saved us by the baptism of regeneration and the renewal coming from the Holy Spirit, enlighten our minds, uphold us in Faith, confirm us in Hope, fulfill us in Love, make us worthy members of your Christ Who sacrificed Himself in redemption of our souls, so that being justified by your Grace, we may inherit eternal life. For You are our Light and our Sanctification and to You we render glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and always and forever and ever.

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!"

TROPARION OF THE THEOPHANY

At your Baptism in the Jordan, O Lord, the worship of the Trinity was revealed: for the Father's voice bore witness to you by calling You his Beloved Son, and the spirit in the form of a dove confirmed the truth of these words. O Christ God who have appeared to us, and enlightened the world, glory to You.

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.

KONDAKION OF THE THEOPHANY

Today You have appeared, O Lord, to the universe and Your light, O Christ our God, has been impressed upon us who sing to You with full knowledge: You came and appeared, O Inaccessible Light.

TRISAGION

All of you who have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ. Alleluia

EPISTLE: Ephesians 4:7-13

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

Stichon: Exult, you just, in the Lord; praise from the upright is fitting.

Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians:

Brethren, to each one of us the grace was given according to the measure of Christ's bestowal. Thus it says, *Ascending on high, he led away captives; he gave gifts to men* (Ps.61:19). Now this ascending, what does it mean but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended, he it is who ascended also above all the heavens, that he might fill all things. And he himself gave some men as apostles, and some as prophets, and others as pastors and teachers, in order to perfect the saints for a work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the deep knowledge of the Son of God, to perfect manhood, to the mature measure of the fullness of Christ. *Alleluia*

Your favor, O Lord, I will sing forever; from generation to generation, my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.

Stichon: For you have said, "My kindness is established forever." In heaven you have confirmed your faithfulness.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 4:12-17

Sunday after Theophany

At that time, when Jesus heard that John had been delivered up, he withdrew to Galilee. And leaving the town of Nazareth, he came and lived in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the territory of Zebulon and Nephtalim; that there might be fulfilled what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet: "Land of Zebulon and land of Nephtalim, by the way to the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles: the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light; and upon those who sat in the region and shadow of death, a light has arisen." From that time, Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

HYMN TO THE THEOTOKOS

O my soul, magnify the Higher in honor and glory than the heavenly Powers. All tongues are at a loss to praise you properly, and every intelligence even supernatural is rapt in wonder when it comes to honor you, O Mother of God. But in your graciousness accept our faith, knowing our holy longing. Intercessor of Christians, we extol you!

KINONIKON

The Grace of God our Savior has appeared to all people. Alleluia.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

At your Baptism in the Jordan, O Lord...

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Weekend of JANUARY 5, 2025

5:30pm	20 Envelopes	\$1125.00
9:00am	30 Envelopes	1744.00
11:30am	30 Envelopes	1673.00
Mailed	7 Envelopes	840.00
Online	49 Envelopes	3617.00
Candles		241.00
Stole Offering		500.00
Hall Rental		1500.00
Donation		1000.00
Coffee Hour		250.00
Weekly Total Total Envelopes Received: 136		\$12,490.00
Total Christmas	\$12,464.00	

According to our 2023-2024 budget, our weekly sacrifical 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. Rezkallah at 973.785.4144 or Fr. Choukri at 914.510.4415. *All inquiries are confidential!*

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.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

HAPPY RETIREMENT De WELCOME

Sunday, January 26, 2025 . 10am Join us on as we wish Fr Ken a happy retirement and welcome Fr Rezkallah Samaan to our St Ann Community! The breakfast is free to all parishioners. There will only be one Divine Liturgy at 10am, and no Religious Education



classes will be held that day. You must RSVP by January 22nd by 3pm, to attend. Contact Bernadette Murray 551.206.1986, Debra Gorny 973.919.4571, Lena Batikha 973.303.5232, Julie Thalab 929.888.0880

SIGHT & SOUND THEATER TO SEE 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, to hold your reservation. 3** *seats left!* If you are interested, please respond to office@saintannmelkite.com.

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.

saint ann foodpantry

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, <u>and is need of</u>:

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

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