

ST ANN CHURCH

A Parish Community of the Melkite
Greek Catholic Eparchy of Newton



Fathers Athanasius and Cyril
Archbishops of Alexandria

THIS WEEK

TODAY . JANUARY 18

**SAMY MEETING and
BIBLE STUDY**

TUESDAY . JANUARY 20 | 7PM

ARABIC BIBLE STUDY

ENGLISH BIBLE STUDY

Introduction to the Eucharist

FRIDAY . JANUARY 23 | 7PM

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

SATURDAY . JANUARY 24 | 12 NOON

**MAYA MEETING and
BIBLE STUDY**

NEXT WEEK

TUESDAY . JANUARY 27 | 7PM

ARABIC BIBLE STUDY

FRIDAY . JANUARY 30 | 6:30PM

SAMY DEBKE NIGHT

UPCOMING

MONDAY . FEBRUARY 2 | 7PM

**DIVINE LITURGY for the FEAST
of the ENCOUNTER**

TUESDAY . FEBRUARY 3 | 7PM

ENGLISH BIBLE STUDY

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 Musil Shihadeh | *Pastor*

Rev Sayed Kozhaya | *Parochial Vicar*

Rev Choukri Sabbagh

Rev Archdeacon Edward Bsarany

Rev Deacon Roland Basinski

Rev Deacon Robert Shalhoub

Salvation is not earned by wealth, status, or deeds, but is a divine gift to the soul that earnestly seeks God with humility and repentance. Let us strip away the burdens of sin, open the door of our hearts without delay, and allow Christ to dwell within, for only in His presence does the soul find true transformation, peace, and eternal life.

January 18, 2026

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS

Hebrews: 13:7-16 | Luke 19:1-10

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.

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Intentions

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS

SATURDAY | JANUARY 17 | 5:30PM

†Lois Lozy . *M/M Riad Homsî*

†Louis Dahdah . *M/M Abboud Batikba*

SUNDAY | JANUARY 18 | 9:00AM

†Lucille Tobjy . *25 Year Remembrance . Husband Joseph
& Family*

†William Siouffi . *M/M John Colie*

†Mary Tahan . *Barbara Jarosz*

†Marlene Rodgers . *Rita Magliarditi*

†Laurice Kayal . *Her Family*

SUNDAY | JANUARY 18 | 11:30AM

†Sayer Sawaged . *Wife Badia & Family*

†Hani Haddad . *Wife Mary & Family*

†Naim Haddad . *Wife Nellie & Family*

†John Baladi . *M/M Joseph Sukhun*

†Rana Alamir Haddad . *Alamir Family*

†Amira & Khalil Alamir . *Their Family*

†Sammy Barsa . *His Family*

†Najah Khawam . *M/M George Jalinos*

†Joey Pastore . *M/M George Jalinos*

SUNDAY OF THE PHARISEE AND THE PUBLICAN

SATURDAY | JANUARY 24 | 5:30PM

†Lois Lozy . *1 Year Remembrance . Husband Fred & Family*

†Norman & Laurice Dikdan . *Their Daughters*

SUNDAY | JANUARY 25 | 9:00AM

†William Siouffi . *M/M Gabe Raad*

†Mary Tahan . *M/M George Sous*

†Marlene Rodgers . *M/M John McCluskey*

†Laurice Kayal . *Her Family*

SUNDAY | JANUARY 25 | 11:30AM

†Sayer Sawaged . *Wife Badia & Family*

†Hani Haddad . *Wife Mary & Family*

†Naim Haddad . *Wife Nellie & Family*

†John Baladi . *M/M Fayez Noury*

†Rana Alamir Haddad . *Samira Fakhoury*

†Amira & Khalil Alamir . *Their Family*

†Sammy Barsa . *His Family*

IN OUR PRAYERS

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

Robert Baskinger

Dolores Fritz

Mark Frommer

Charles Gleason

Mona Mardelli

Joyce Neuss

Debra Payne Wierciszewski

DAILY READINGS . January 19-24, 2026

MONDAY 1/19

1 PT 2:21-25; 3:1-9
MK 12:13-17

TUESDAY 1/20

MT 11:27-30
2 COR 4:6-15
LK 6:17-23

WEDNESDAY 1/21

1 PT 4:1-11
MK 12:28-37

THURSDAY 1/22

1 PT 4:12-19; 5:1-5
MK 12:38-44

FRIDAY 1/23

2 PT 1:1-10
MK 13:1-8

SATURDAY 1/24

2 TIM 2:11-19
LK 18:2-8

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.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

FIRST ANTIPHON *pg. 15*

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us!

1. Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth; sing praise to His name!

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us!

2. Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! So great is Your power that Your enemies cringe before You!"

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us!

3. "Let all the earth worship You and sing praises to You; let it sing praises to Your name, O Most High!"

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and always and forever and ever. Amen.

TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION *(Tone 7) pg. 65*

You destroyed Death by Your Cross, You opened paradise to the thief. You changed the weeping of the Myrrh-bearers, and commanded Your Apostles to proclaim that You, O Christ God, have risen granting to the world great mercy.

TROPARION OF ATHANASIOS AND CYRIL *(Tone 4)*

Radiant with the works of Orthodoxy, you extinguished every false belief and teaching, becoming trophy-bearers and conquerors. Since you enriched all with true piety, greatly adoring the Church with magnificence, O Athanasios, and wise Cyril, you have both attained Christ God who grants great mercy unto all.

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 PRESENTATION

OF OUR LORD *(Tone 1) pg. 171*

O Christ our God who through Your birth have sanctified the virginal womb and have now blessed the arms of Simeon, today You have come to save us. O Lord, when wars prevail, keep Your people in peace and strengthen our Public Authorities in every good deed, for You alone are the lover of Mankind.

TRISAGION *pg. 25*

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us. . (3 times)

EPISTLE: HEBREWS 13:7-16

Prokimenon: Blessed are you, O Lord, God of our fathers, and your name is worthy of praise and glorious forever.

Stichon: For you are just in all you have done to us, and all your works are true and your ways right.

A Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews:

BRETHREN, remember your superiors who spoke to you the word of God. Consider how they ended their lives, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today, yes, and forever. Do not be led away by various and strange doctrines. For it is good to make the heart steadfast by grace, not by foods, in which those who walked found no profit.

We have an altar, from which they have no right to eat who serve the tabernacle. For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the Holies by the high priest for sin, are burned outside the camp. And so Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people by His blood, suffered outside the gate.

Let us therefore go forth to Him outside the camp, bearing His reproach; for here we have no permanent city, but we seek for the city that is to come. Through Him, therefore, let us offer up a sacrifice of praise always to God, that is, fruit of lips praising His name. And do not forget kindness and love, for by such sacrifices God's favor is obtained.

Alleluia

O God, our ears have heard, our fathers have declared to us the deeds you did in their days, in the days of old.

Stichon: The just cried out, and the Lord heard them, and he delivered them from all their trials.

GOSPEL: LUKE 19:1-10

(Zacchaeus' Repentance)

At that time as Jesus was passing through Jericho, behold there was a man named Zacchaeus; and he was a leading publican, and he was rich. And he was trying to see Jesus, to find out who he was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So, he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was going to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and saw him, and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down; for I must stay in your house today." And he made haste and came down, and welcomed him joyfully. And upon seeing it, all began to murmur, saying, "He has gone to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." But Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, I give one-half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he, too, is the son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost."

HIRMOS *Hymn to the Theotokos pg. 42*

It is truly meet to bless you, O Theotokos...

KINONIKON *(pg. 50)* Praise the Lord from the Heavens...

POST-COMMUNION *(pg. 52)* We have seen the True Light...

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S CRAFT CORNER

There will be a Children's Craft Corner following the 9am Divine Liturgy for those children not attending Religious Ed Class.

HOUSE BLESSING

If you would like your home to be blessed by Father Musil or Father Sayed, reach out to them for a home visit. Please let them know if there are pets in the home.
Father Musil 630.209.9834; Father Sayed 857.203.1034

STAY CONNECTED!

Text the word FRMUSIL to 84576 or connect with us online at: saintannmelkite.flocknote.com.

Not receiving our emails? go to the flocknote address above or email: stann.woodlandpark@melkite.org.

Join the Whatsapp Group.

Text Fr. Musil 630.209.9834, Fr. Sayed 857.203.1034, or Bashar Katat 480.589.8909.

NOT A REGISTERED PARISHIONER?

Call the Parish Office at 973.785.4144 to register!

If you are not receiving parish envelopes, you are not registered. We encourage all families, seniors, and post-college singles attending St. Ann to register as parish members to be eligible for marriage, baptisms, and Religious Education registration.

OUR CHARITABLE SOCIETY CAN HELP

Do you or someone you know need assistance? If so, please contact Fr. Musil at 973.785.4144 or Fr. Sayed at 857.203.1034. *All inquiries are confidential!*

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Weekend of JANUARY 11, 2025

5:30pm	16 Envelopes	\$ 940.00
9:00am	20 Envelopes	897.00
11:30am	35 Envelopes	1717.00
Online	43 Envelopes	1742.00
Mailed	5 Envelopes	9150.00
Donation		100.00
Candles		92.00

Weekly Total \$14,638.00

Total Envelopes Received: 119

GIVE YOUR SUNDAY OFFERING ONLINE!

Go to saintannmelkite.com and click on online giving.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23 | 7pm FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Join us for an evening of food, games, and great company for the whole family! Dinner will be provided, and there will be plenty of fun activities such as basketball, cards, backgammon, foosball, and more. **A \$5 donation per person will be collected at the door. Reservations with Julie Thalab 929-888-0880 or Bashar Katat 480-589-8909 by Wednesday, January 21st.**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7 | 9:30AM FATHER-SON BREAKFAST

Open to all men and boys of St. Ann's community. Catered breakfast in the parish center. Special guest speakers who will share their faith journey. Tickets are \$25 (age 15 & older), \$15 (age 6-14), and free to ages 5 and younger. **Scan the QR code or contact: Fred Lozy at 973.727.5553, Bashar Katat at 480.589.8909 or get tickets at saintannbreakfast.com.**



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13 | 4PM NIGHT TO SHINE PROM

Hosting Night to Shine requires an incredible amount of people to make our guests feel truly extraordinary! Scan the QR code to take a look at the volunteer descriptions and consider lending a hand. You must be at least 14 years old to volunteer and 16 to be a buddy.



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21 | 11:30AM MAYA BIBLE STUDY RETREAT Pause. Pray. Renew.

St. Ann's Young Adult group is hosting a Bible Study retreat, on The Great Fast, for ages 18-30 in the parish center. Food will be served, and there is no cost, but reservations are required. **Contact Ayla Homsy at 973.925.3238 or Lila Baladi at 201.874.3857 to RSVP or scan the QR code to sign up!**



END OF YEAR RECEIPTS

Beginning January 2026 all weekly gifts and donations will be entered into the Flocknote system and the end of the year receipt will be generated from there.

Each registered parish family is in the Flocknote database and has access to their information. If you have questions, or need help accessing your account please contact **Fr. Musil 630.209.9834 or Doreen Pierson 973.800.2643.**

If you are not receiving texts or emails from St. Ann, text the word **FRMUSIL to 84576** to be added to our mailing list.