

ST ANN CHURCH

A Parish Community of the Melkite
Greek Catholic Eparchy of Newton



THIS WEEK

ALL LITURGIES
SECOND COLLECTION for
ST. ANN CHARITABLE SOCIETY
MONDAY . FEBRUARY 2 | 7PM
DIVINE LITURGY for the
FEAST of the ENCOUNTER
TUESDAY . FEBRUARY 3 | 7PM
ENGLISH BIBLE STUDY
ARABIC BIBLE STUDY
WEDNESDAY . FEBRUARY 4 | 7PM
VESPERS followed by the PARISH
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
SATURDAY . FEBRUARY 7 | 9:30AM
FATHER-SON BREAKFAST

NEXT WEEK

MONDAY . FEBRUARY 9 | 7PM
CHARITABLE SOCIETY MEETING
FRIDAY . FEBRUARY 13 | 5PM
NIGHT TO SHINE

UPCOMING

SUNDAY . FEBRUARY 15
FORGIVENESS VESPERS

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

Before the threshold of the Father's mercy, humanity discovers that true freedom is not found in the absence of bonds, but in love restored after being wounded by pride and fear. Every heart is softly invited to return, to choose communion over isolation, humility over resentment, and a grace that costs everything yet heals completely. It is this living grace that transforms fractured relationships into joy reborn, where brokenness becomes a dwelling place for love.

February 1, 2026
SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON
1 Corinthians 6:12-20 | Luke 15:11-32

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Intentions

SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON

SATURDAY | JANUARY 31 | 5:30PM

- †Brian Palestis . Elizabeth Kattak
- †George Natterer . Elizabeth Kattak
- †Lois Lozy . MaryJane Portelli
- †Louis Dahdah . M/M Eli Siouffi
- †Anthony Najjar . Wife Fran & Family

SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 1 | 9:00AM

- †Laurice Kayal . 40 Day Memorial . Her Family
- †Lucille Tobjy . 25 Year Remembrance . Husband Joseph & Family
- †William Siouffi . M/M Gabe Raad
- †Mary Tahan . M/M George Sous
- †Marlene Rodgers . M/M John McCluskey

SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 1 | 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 MEAT FARE

SATURDAY | FEBRUARY 7 | 5:30PM

- †George Haskoor . 5 Year Remembrance . His Family
- †Norman & Laurice Dikdan . Their Daughters
- †Lois Lozy . M/M Joseph Murray & Family
- †Louis Dahdah . Adrienne Kattak
- †Anthony Najjar . Wife Fran & Family

SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 8 | 9:00AM

- †Anthony Fattell . His Children
- †William Siouffi . Yvonne Cantisano
- †Mary Tahan . The Cathcart Family
- †Marlene Rodgers . M/M Abboud Batikha
- †Laurice Kayal . M/M Joseph Kayal

SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 8 | 11:30AM

- †Naim Haddad . 1 Year Remembrance . Nader Haddad & Family
- †Sayer Sawaged . Wife Badia & Family
- †Hani Haddad . Wife Mary & Family
- †Youssef Kozhaya . M/M Riad Homsy
- †John Baladi . M/M Fayez Noury
- †Amira & Khalil Alamir . Their Family
- †Rana Alamir Haddad . Samira Fakhoury
- †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 . February 2-7, 2026

Encounter of Our Lord

MONDAY 2/2

LK 2:25-32
HEB 7:7-17
LK 2:22-40

TUESDAY 2/3

1 JN 3:9-22
MK 14:10-42

WEDNESDAY 2/4

1 JN 3:21-24; 4:1-11
MK 14:43-72; 15:1

THURSDAY 2/5

1 JN 4:20-21; 5:1-21
MK 15:1-15

FRIDAY 2/6

2 JN 1:1-13
MK 15:22,25,33-41

Saturday of the Dead

SATURDAY 2/7

1 COR 10:23-29
LK 21:8-9; 25-27; 33-36

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.

SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

ANTIPHON PRAYER

O God of mercy and compassion, Who do not want the sinner to die but to repent and live, we ask You to shine the Light of your Face upon us. Convert us to You, for the enemy has deceived us and stripped us of your grace. Restore to us our initial vestment. Open to us the doors of your great mercy, that we may enter your heavenly Dwellings with the Elect and praise your glory forever.

For You have sent your Only-begotten Son in forgiveness to the World. Through Him we render glory, thanksgiving and worship to You Eternal Father, and to your All-holy, Good and Life-giving Spirit, now and always and forever and ever.

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 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 PREPARATION *(Tone 1)*

The host of Angels look down from the balconies of Heaven to behold upon earth the First-Fruits of all creation carried to the temple, a suckling babe in the arms of a Mother all-pure. Together with us, they sing with joy a hymn in preparation for the feast.

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 OF THE PREPARATION *(Tone 4)*

Come O Faithful, open wide your hearts, and let us receive the approaching Lord with a pure mind, as we chant the hymns of the preparation of the feast!

TRISAGION *pg. 25*

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

EPISTLE: 1 CORINTHIANS 6:12-20

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.

A Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians:

BRETHREN, all things are lawful for me, but not all things are fitting. All things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of anyone. Food is for the belly, and the belly for food, but God will destroy both the one and the other. Now, the body is not for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. For God has raised up the Lord and will also raise us up by His power.

Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them the members of a prostitute? By no means! Or do you not know that one who cleaves to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For the two, it is said, shall be one flesh (Gn.2:24). But he who cleaves to the Lord is one spirit with Him. Flee immorality. Every sin a man commits is outside the body, but the immoral man sins against his own body. Or do you not know that your members are the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God and that you are not your own? For you have been bought at a great price. Glorify God therefore in your body and in your soul which both are God's.

Alleluia

O God, You granted me retribution and make peoples subject to me and saved me from my raging enemies

Stichon: I will open my mouth in parables; I will utter dark mysteries from of old!

GOSPEL: LUKE 15:11-32

(The Parable of the Prodigal Son)

The Lord told this parable: "A man had two sons. And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that falls to me.' And he divided his possessions between them. And not many days later, the younger son gathered up all his wealth and traveled to a far country; and there he squandered his fortune in loose living. And after he had spent all, there came a severe famine over that country, and he began to suffer from it. And he went and joined one of the local landowners, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. And he longed to fill himself with the pods the pigs were eating, but no one offered to give them to him. But when he had come to his senses, he said, 'How many hired men in my father's house have bread in abundance, while I am perishing with hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you, I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me as one of your hired men.'" And he got up and went to his father. But while he was yet

a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with compassion and ran and fell upon his neck and kissed him. And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you, I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the Father said to his servants, 'Fetch quickly the best robe and put it on him, and give him a ring for his finger and sandals for his feet; and bring out the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and make merry; because this my son was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to make merry. Now his elder son was in the field; and as he came close to the house, he heard music and dancing. And calling one of the servants he asked what this meant. And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has got him back safe.' But he was angered and would not go in. His father, therefore, came out and began to beg him. But he answered and said to his father,

'Look, these many years I have been serving you, and have never disobeyed any of your orders; and yet, you have never given me a kid that I might make merry with my friends. But when this son of yours comes, who has devoured your wealth with prostitutes; you have killed for him the fattened calf!' But he said to him, 'Son you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours; but we were bound to make merry and rejoice, for this your brother was dead, and has come to life; he was lost and is found.'"

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

HOUSE BLESSING

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

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 25, 2025

5:30pm	9 Envelopes	\$1287.00
9:00am	Envelopes	
11:30am	Envelopes	
Online	43 Envelopes	1542.00
Mailed	9 Envelopes	1020.00
Donation		200.00
Stole Offering		700.00

Weekly Total \$4,749.00

Total Envelopes Received: 61

GIVE YOUR SUNDAY OFFERING ONLINE!

Go to saintannmelkite.com and click on online giving.

THIS WEEKEND SECOND COLLECTION for St. Ann Charitable Society



CHILDREN'S CRAFT CORNER

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

Last Chance for tickets - Purchase by February 2nd 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. Tickets are \$25 (age 15 & older), \$15 (age 6-14), and free to ages 5 and younger. Scan the QR, call: Fred Lozy at 973.727.5553, Bashar Katat at 480.589.8909 or go to 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 Homsí at 973.925.3238 or Lila Baladi at 201.874.3857 to RSVP or scan the QR code to sign up!

