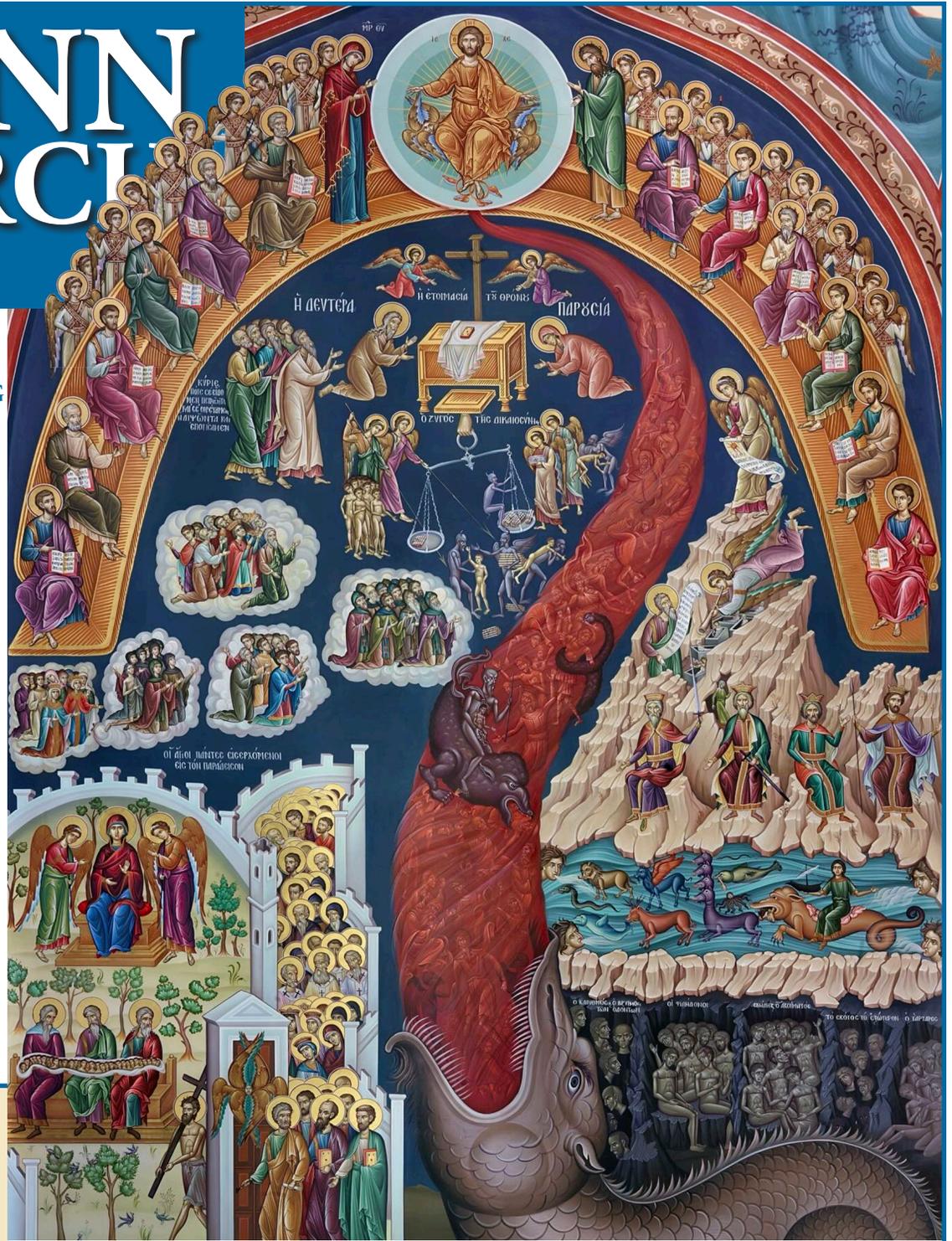


ST ANN CHURCH

A Parish Community of the Melkite Greek Catholic Eparchy of Newton



THIS WEEK

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

NEXT WEEK

SUNDAY . FEBRUARY 15 | 7PM
FORGIVENESS VESPERS
 MONDAY . FEBRUARY 16
GREAT LENT BEGINS
 TUESDAY . FEBRUARY 17 | 7PM
PRESANCTIFIED LITURGY
ENGLISH BIBLE STUDY
following Presanctified Liturgy
 Topic: The Theology of Marriage
 FRIDAY . FEBRUARY 20 | 7PM
ACATHIST HYMN
followed by LENTEN POTLUCK

UPCOMING

FEBRUARY 22 | ALL LITURGIES
SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY
Icon Procession
 FEBRUARY 24 | 7PM
PRESANCTIFIED LITURGY

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

The soul walks in mercy, compassion, and quiet love, offering itself in humble surrender. Every act of love endures beyond time, and in this stillness the soul rests in God, where love and God are one. In that silence, the soul discovers that to bear even the smallest suffering with Christ, and to meet every need with hidden mercy, is to taste the eternal presence of God and to be drawn into His infinite life.

February 8, 2026
SUNDAY OF MEAT FARE
 1 Corinthians 8:8-13 & 9:1-2 | Matthew 25:31-46

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

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 Memorial . 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
- †Jamil Sawaged . His Family
- †Barakat, Elias & Rose Kiame . Vera Kiame
- †Samar Chechko . M/M Riad Homsy
- †Georget Brouesso . Her Family
- †Moufida Sawaged . M/M Ramzi Sawaged

SUNDAY OF CHEESE FARE

SATURDAY | FEBRUARY 14 | 5:30PM

- †George Bsales . Birthday Remembrance . His Family
- †Anthony Najjar . Wife Fran & Family
- †Lois Lozy . M/M Eli Siouffi

SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 15 | 9:00AM

- †Suzan & John Kayal . Anthony Kayal & Family
- †Mary Tahan . Nadia Kayal
- †Marlene Rodgers . Joe Tobjy
- †Laurice Kayal . M/M Gabe Raad

SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 15 | 11:30AM

- †Hani Haddad . Wife Mary & Family
- †Naim Haddad . Wife Nelli & Family
- †John Baladi . Amal Nakhle
- †Amira & Khalil Alamir . Their Family

IN OUR PRAYERS

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

Robert Baskinger	Mona Mardelli
Dolores Fritz	Joyce Neuss
Mark Frommer	Debra Payne Wierciszewski
Charles Gleason	

DAILY READINGS . February 9-14, 2026

MONDAY 2/9

3 JN 1:1-15
LK 19:29-40;
22:7-39

TUESDAY 2/10

JUDE 1:1-10
LK 22:39-42;
45-71; 23:1

WEDNESDAY 2/11

JOEL 3:12-21
JOEL 2:12-26

THURSDAY 2/12

JUDE 1:11-25
LK 23:1-33; 44-56

FRIDAY 2/13

ZECH 8:19-23
ZECH 8:7-17

SATURDAY 2/14

ROM 14:19-23;
16:25-27
MT 6:1-13

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 MEAT FARE

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

ANTIPHON PRAYER

O Christ, Our God, You were sent by the Father, not to judge the world, but to save it. We ask You in your boundless Compassion: Assist our weakness. Overcome our selfishness. Teach us to feed the hungry, to clothe the naked and to serve all people faithfully for your sake. Then we shall deserve to hear your Divine Voice saying: "Come you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." For You are our Life and our Hope, O Christ God, and to You we render glory, and to your Eternal Father, and your All-holy, Good and Life-giving Spirit, now and always and forever and ever.

SECOND ANTIPHON *pg. 16*

O Son of God who are risen from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

1. Be gracious to us, O God, and bless us; let Your face shine upon us, and have mercy on us!

O Son of God who are risen from the dead...

2. That Your name may be known upon earth, among all nations Your salvation.

O Son of God who are risen from the dead...

3. Let the peoples praise You, O God, let all the peoples praise You!

O Son of God who are risen from the dead...

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 2) pg. 60*

When You descended to death, O immortal Life, You put Hades to death by the splendor of Your divinity. And when You raised the dead from below the earth, all the heavenly powers cried out to you: "O Giver of life, Christ our God, 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 ENCOUNTER *(Tone 1) pg. 107*

When You shall come down, O God, upon earth in Your glory, every creature shall tremble before You. A river of fire shall flow before Your judgment seat, the books shall be opened and all secrets revealed. On that day, O Righteous Judge, deliver me from the unquenchable fire and make me worthy to stand at Your right!

TRISAGION *pg. 25*

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

EPISTLE: 1 CORINTHIANS 8:8-13 & 9:1-2

Prokimenon: My strength and my courage is the Lord, and He has been my Savior.

Stichon: The Lord has chastised me through His teaching, yet He has not delivered me to death.

A Reading from the

First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians:

BRETHREN, food does not commend us to God. For neither shall we gain any advantage if we eat, nor suffer any loss if we do not. And yet, beware lest perhaps this right of yours become a stumbling-block to the weak. For if a man sees you who "have knowledge" sitting at table in a place dedicated to idols, will not his conscience, weak as it is, be emboldened to eat idol offerings? And through your "knowledge" the weak one will perish, the brother for whom Christ died. Now, when you sin in this way against the brethren and wound their weak conscience, you are sinning against Christ. Therefore if food scandalizes my brother, I will never again eat any more meat so as not to scandalize my brother. Am I not an apostle? Am I not free? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? Are you not my work in the Lord? And if to others I am not an apostle, yet to you I am. For you are the seal set upon my apostleship in the Lord

Alleluia

The Lord shall hear you on the day of distress; the name of the God of Jacob shall defend you.

Stichon: O Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 25:31-46

(Last Judgement)

The Lord said, "At that time when the Son of Man shall come in His majesty, and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory; and before Him will be gathered all the nations, and He will separate them one from another, as the shepherd separates the sheep from the goats; and He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. Then the king will say to those on His right hand, Come, blessed of My Father, take possession of the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave Me to eat; I was thirsty and you gave Me to drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; naked and you covered Me; sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.' Then the just will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry, and feed You; or thirsty, and give You to drink? And when did we see You a stranger, and take You in; or naked, and clothe You? Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?' And answering, the King will say to them, 'Amen I say to you, every time you did it for one of these, the least of My brethren, you did it for Me.' Then He will say to those on His left hand, 'Go away from Me, accursed ones, into the everlasting fire which was prepared for the devil and his ministers. For I was hungry, and

you did not give Me to eat; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink; I was a stranger and you did not take Me in; naked and you did not clothe Me; sick, and in prison, and you did not visit Me.' Then they also will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry, or thirsty, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not take care of You?' Then He will answer them, saying, 'Amen I say to you as long as you did not do it for one of these least ones, you did not do it for Me.' And these will go into everlasting punishment, but the just into everlasting life."

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! Praise Him in the highest. Alleluia.

POST-COMMUNION (pg. 52) We have seen the true light. We have received the heavenly Spirit. We have found the true faith, worshipping the undivided Trinity which has saved us.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASLEEP IN THE LORD

Please remember in your prayers the soul of **Moufida Sawaged**, who went to her eternal rest in Jordan. She is the mother of Ramzi Sawaged. *Memory Eternal.*



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 FEBRUARY 1, 2026

5:30pm	11 Envelopes	\$ 460.00
9:00am	37 Envelopes	2653.00
11:30am	36 Envelopes	1443.00
Online	43 Envelopes	1657.00
Mailed	5 Envelopes	525.00
Donation		200.00
Liturgy Stipends		1215.00
Coffee Hour		200.00
Candles		98.00

Weekly Total \$8,353.00

Total Envelopes Received: 132

GIVE YOUR SUNDAY OFFERING ONLINE!

Go to saintannmelkite.com and click on online giving.

HOLY MYSTERIES OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Baptism, Chrismation & Eucharist

Congratulations to **Hayley Rae Batikha**, daughter of Charles & Lyndsay (Dahdah) Batikha, who received these sacraments last week.



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.

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!**



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

FORGIVENESS VESPERS

Sunday, February 15 | 7pm

GREAT LENT BEGINS

Monday, February 16

LENTEN MISSION

Friday, March 6 | 7:30pm

SACRED HEART . Stations of the Cross

Wednesday, March 11 | 7pm

SAINT MICHAEL . Presanctified Liturgy

Friday, March 27 | 7pm

SAINT ANN . Vespers-Lazarus Saturday

FISH FRY LENTEN SUPPER

Friday, March 20th – Watch for more details.