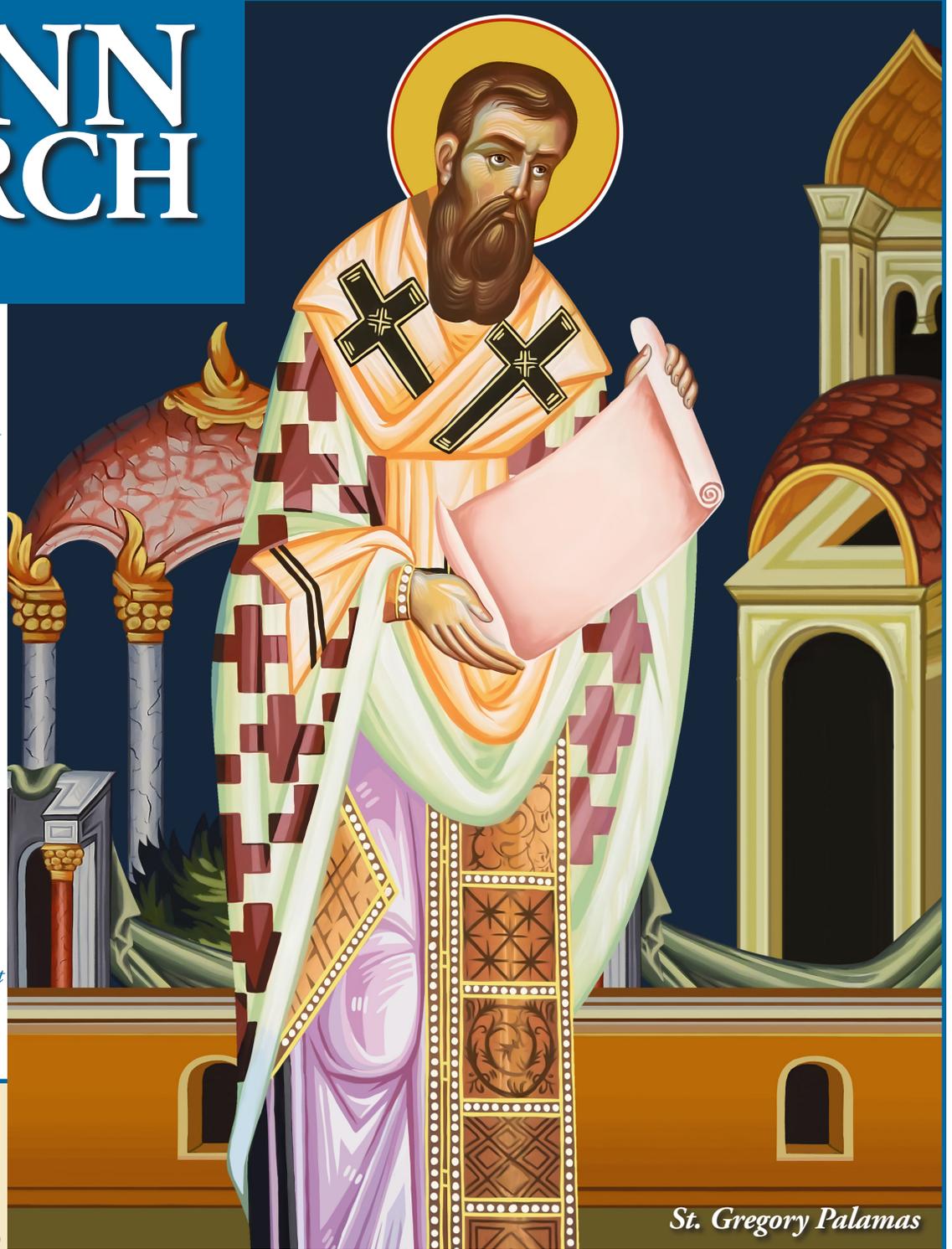


ST ANN CHURCH

A Parish Community of the Melkite
Greek Catholic Eparchy of Newton



St. Gregory Palamas

THIS WEEK

THIS WEEKEND | All Liturgies
HOLY RELICS PROCESSION
SECOND COLLECTION for
ST. ANN CHARITABLE SOCIETY

MONDAY . MARCH 2 | 7PM
ARABIC MEDITATION
and **BIBLE STUDY**

TUESDAY . MARCH 3 | 7PM
PRESANCTIFIED LITURGY
ENGLISH BIBLE STUDY
following Presanctified Liturgy

FRIDAY . MARCH 6 | 7:30PM
LENTEN MISSION at
SACRED HEART CHURCH
Stations of the Cross

NEXT WEEK

SUNDAY | **HOLY CROSS**
MONDAY | **ARABIC MEDITATION**
and **BIBLE STUDY**

TUESDAY | **PRESANCTIFIED**
LITURGY

WEDNESDAY | **LENTEN MISSION at**
ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH

FRIDAY | **LENTEN MISSION at**
ST ANN CHURCH

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

Let your heart be filled with love, and place your trust in Christ, for in Him, faith and love have the power to lift the heaviest souls from darkness into the light of His mercy, melting every wound and restoring the heart's peace. As this light spreads through the depths of your being, burdens fall away, hope awakens, and life flows with the warmth and serenity of God's eternal embrace.

March 1, 2026

SUNDAY OF THE HOLY RELICS and ST. GREGORY PALAMAS

Hebrews 1:10-2:4 | Mark 2:1-12

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Intentions

SUNDAY OF THE HOLY RELICS *Holy Relics Procession*

SATURDAY | FEBRUARY 28 | 5:30PM

†Anthony Najjar . 40 Day Memorial . Wife Fran & Family

†Lois Lozy . George Raad

†Deacon Seraphim Ritchey . Rev. Musil Shihadeh

†Maria Socorro . Rev. Musil Shihadeh

†Safa Khoury . Rev. Musil Shihadeh

SUNDAY | MARCH 1 | 9:00AM

†Rita Harraka . 2 Year Remembrance . Her Family

†Mary Tahan . M/M John Lozy

†Marlene Rodgers . Elena Passano

†Teresa Pivrotto . Rev/M Edward Bsarany

†Laurice Kayal . M/M Elias Sawaf

†Kathleen Carlisle . M/M Gabe Raad

SUNDAY | MARCH 1 | 11:30AM

†Zahieh Haddad . Memorial . M/M Joseph Sawaked

†Julie Clark Molloy . 1 Year Remembrance . Patti Tahan & Family

†Janice Carter . 4 Year Remembrance . Patti Tahan & Family

†Hani Haddad . Wife Mary & Family

†Naim Haddad . Wife Nellie & Family

†Sayer Sawaged . Wife Badia & Family

†John Baladi . Adrienne Kattak

†Khalil & Amira Alamir . Their Family

†Sonia Makhoul . Jason & Maha Najem

SUNDAY OF THE HOLY CROSS *Holy Cross Procession*

SATURDAY | MARCH 7 | 5:30PM

†Norman & Laurice Dikdan . Their Daughters

†Lois Lozy . M/M John Colie

†Anthony Najjar . M/M Karim Kasper

SUNDAY | MARCH 8 | 9:00AM

†Rev. Philip Azoon . 13 Year Remembrance . M/M Gregg Kattine

†Suzan & John Kayal . Anthony Kayal & Family

†Kathleen Carlisle . M/M Gabe Raad

†Mary Tahan . M/M Joseph Kayal

†Laurice Kayal . M/M Salem Alechemmas

†Marlene Rodgers . Georgina Dahab

SUNDAY | MARCH 8 | 11:30AM

†Moufida Sawaged . Memorial . Her Family

†Issa Sawaged . Memorial . His Family

†Hani Haddad . Wife Mary & Family

†Naim Haddad . Wife Nellie & Family

†Georget Brouesso . Her Family

†John Baladi . The Cathcart Family

†Youssef Kozhaya . Reem & Rola Hannoush

IN OUR PRAYERS

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

Robert Baskinger

Mark Frommer

Mona Mardelli

Debra Payne Wierciszewski

Dolores Fritz

Charles Gleason

Joyce Neuss

DAILY READINGS . March 2, 2026

MONDAY 3/2

IS 8:13-22;9:1-7

GEN 6:9-22

PROV 8:1-21

TUESDAY 3/3

IS 9:9-21;10:1-4

GEN 7:1-5

PROV 8:32-9:11

WEDNESDAY 3/4

IS 10:12-20

GEN 7:6-9

PROV 9:12-18

THURSDAY 3/5

IIS 11:10-16;12:1-2

GEN 7:11-8:3

PROV 10:1-22

FRIDAY 3/6

IS 13:2-13

GEN 8:4-21

PROV 10:31-11:12

SATURDAY 3/7

HEB 10:32-38

MK 2:14-17

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 HOLY RELICS *and* ST. GREGORY PALAMAS

Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great – 2nd Sunday of Lent

Prior to the Profession of Faith turn to page 67 to complete the Liturgy.

ANTIPHON PRAYER

O Lord, our God, You have granted the holy martyrs that their relics would be spread throughout the world, including this church, to bring forth the grace of healing from diseases. Make us worthy, through the intercession of your Saints, to offer You the Spiritual Sacrifice and guide us on the way of Salvation.

For You are Good and the Lover of mankind and to You we render glory, Father, Son and Holy 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 5) pg. 63*

Let us, O faithful, praise and worship the Word, coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our Salvation; for He was pleased to be lifted in the flesh upon the Cross and to endure death and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

TROPARION OF THE HOLY RELICS *Tone 2*

Victorious witnesses of the Lord, blessed is the earth that received your blood, and holy are the heavenly places that opened to your souls. You have vanquished the enemy in battle and proclaimed Christ with courage. We beg you to intercede with Him who is all good, that He may save our souls.

TROPARION OF ST. GREGORY *Tone 8*

O Gregory the Wonderworker, light of Orthodoxy, support and teacher of the Church, glory of monk sand invincible protector of theologians, pride of Thessalonica and preacher of grace: pray without ceasing for the salvation of us 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 ANNUNCIATION *Tone 8*

Triumphant leader to you belongs our prize of victory! And since you saved us from adversity, we offer you, our thanks. We are your people O mother of God! So, as you have that invincible power, continue to deliver us from danger that we may cry out to you Hail, O Virgin and bride ever pure.

TRISAGION *pg. 25*

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

EPISTLE: HEBREWS 1:10-2:4

Prokimenon: You, O Lord, will keep us and preserve us always from this generation.

Stichon: Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any holy man, for truthfulness has vanished from among the children of men.

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

You in the beginning, O Lord, did found the earth, and the heavens are works of Your hands. They shall perish, but You shall continue; and they shall all grow old as does a garment, and as clothing shall You change them, and they shall be changed. But You are the same, and Your years shall not fail (Ps. 101: 26-28). Now, to which of the angels has He ever said, "Sit at My right hand, until I make your enemies the footstool at your feet" (Ps. 109: 1)? Are they not all ministering spirits, sent for service, for the sake of those who shall inherit salvation? That is why we should all the more earnestly observe the things we have heard, lest perhaps we drift away. For if the word spoken by angels proved to be valid, and every transgression and disobedience received a just punishment, how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? For it was first announced by the Lord and was confirmed to us by those who heard it.

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: MARK 2:1-12

(Healing of the Paralytic)

At that time Jesus entered Capernaum after some days, it was reported that He was at home. So many gathered around that there was no longer room for them, not even in front of the door, and He spoke the word to them. Then some people came, bringing to Him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. And since they could not bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, they uncovered the roof where he was, and, having made an opening, they let down the pallet on which the paralytic was lying. And Jesus, seeing their faith, said to the Paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven you." Now some of the Scribes were sitting there and reasoning in their hearts, "Why does this man blaspheme in this way? Who can forgive sins, beside God?" And at once Jesus, knowing in His spirit that they so reasoned within themselves, said to them, "Why are you arguing these things in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise, and take up your pallet, and walk'? But that you may know the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins" – He said to the paralytic – "I say to you, arise, take up your pallet, and go to your house," And immediately he arose and, taking up his pallet, went forth in the sight of all, so that they were all amazed, and glorified God, saying, "Never did we see anything like this!"

HIRMOS *Hymn to the Theotokos pg. 74*

In you, O full of grace, all creation rejoices...

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

POST-COMMUNION *(pg. 52)* We have seen the true light....

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASLEEP IN THE LORD

Please remember in your prayers the soul of **Shakib Al Samaan**, who went to his eternal rest recently. He is the husband of Nouha Al Samaan. *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 22, 2026

5:30pm	31 Envelopes	\$1265.00
9:00am	10 Envelopes	469.00
11:30am	8 Envelopes	235.00
Online	45 Envelopes	1707.00
Mailed	9 Envelopes	1395.00
Candles		80.00
Coffee Hour		150.00
Donation		500.00
Weekly Total		\$5,801.00

Total Envelopes Received: 103

According to our **2026 budget**, we need **\$10,464.42** per week to meet our monthly expenses

GIVE YOUR SUNDAY OFFERING ONLINE!

Go to saintannmelkite.com and click on online giving.

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.

THIS WEEKEND SECOND COLLECTION for St. Ann Charitable Society



CLOTHING/PERSONAL HYGIENE DRIVE

The SAMY Youth Group is sponsoring a Clothing/Personal Hygiene Products Drive for the organization Oasis. Lightly used spring clothing and personal hygiene products such as: shampoo/conditioner, soap, body lotion, dental products, razors, deodorants and feminine high gene products are needed. **Please drop off your donations to High School Class by March 8th.**

LAYALI AL SHAM (LEVANTINE NIGHTS)

Friday, March 14 . 6:30pm

St Ann MAYA Group is hosting a night filled with tarab, traditional mazza and entertainment featuring Oud player Maurice Chedid. \$35 per person. **Reservations: Hala Homsy 973.393.0799, Alya Homsy 973.925.3238, Selena Dahdouh 973.768.2541.** A portion of the proceeds will go to Syrian Relief efforts.

ANNUAL CHURCH CLEANING

Wednesday, March 18th . starting at 4pm

Come help make St Ann sparkle. We will start at 4pm but will have plenty to do if you come after work!

LENTEN SUPPER FISH FRY

Friday, March 20 after 5pm Akathist Hymn

Takeout orders begin pickup at 6pm.

Cost: \$25 Adults | \$10 Children (ages 4-10)

Menu: fish & chips, eech, hummus, and coleslaw. Children's plate has a choice of mac & cheese or fish & chips. **RSVP by March 15** by **Scan the QR code or call/text Debbie Gorny at 973-919-4571.**



2026 GOLF OUTING

Wednesday, June 17 (rain date June 24)

Sunset Valley Golf Course, Pompton Plains \$180 per golfer includes 18 holes, cart, sleeve of golf balls, one drink ticket, and buffet dinner at St. Ann Parish Center. Dinner-only tickets are \$40. Join us for dinner or support our Tricky Tray with a gift or monetary donation. **To register or learn more, contact John Gorny at 973-919-4570.**

When you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites. They neglect their appearance, so that they may appear to others to be fasting. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that you may not appear to be fasting, except to your Father who is hidden. And your Father who sees what is hidden will repay you. MATTHEW 6:16-18