

ST ANN CHURCH

A Parish Community of the
Melkite Greek Catholic Eparchy of Newton

THIS WEEK

TODAY | ALL LITURGIES
SECOND COLLECTION for
ST. ANN CHARITABLE SOCIETY

MONDAY, JUNE 2 | 7PM
CHARITABLE
SOCIETY MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4 | 7PM
VESPERS followed by
PASTORAL ADVISORY
COUNCIL MEETING

UPCOMING

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11
CHARITABLE GOLF OUTING
followed by DINNER in the
PARISH CENTER

SEPTEMBER 5-7
ST ANN FESTIVAL

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 Pro Tempore

Rev Sayed Kozhaya

Parochial Vicar

Rev Choukri Sabbagh

Rev Archdeacon Edward Bsarany

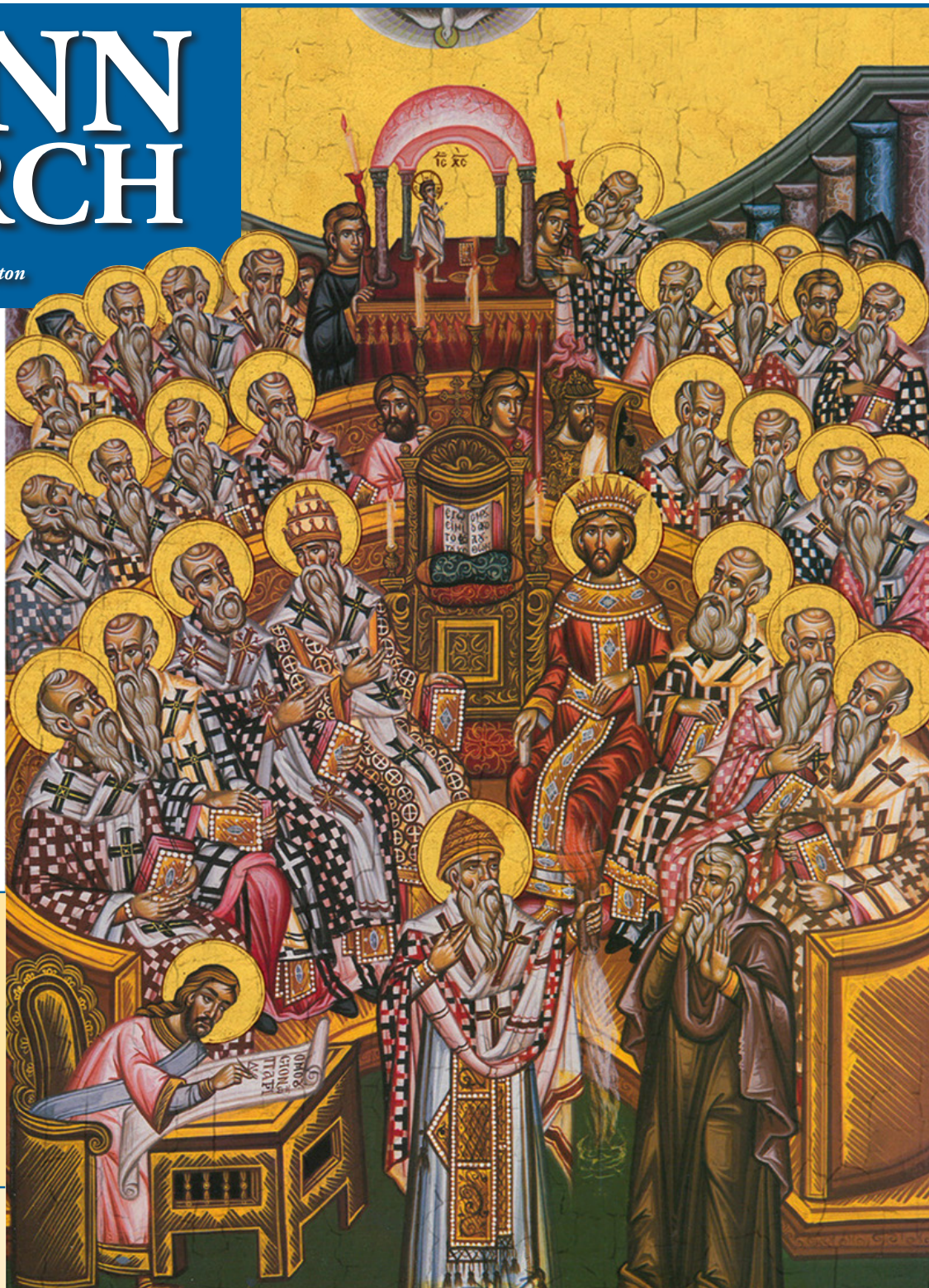
Rev Deacon Roland Basinski

Rev Deacon Robert Shalhoub

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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.



The eternal life we receive in Christ - crucified, risen, and glorified—is the very life the Fathers of the First Council of Nicaea proclaimed with holy boldness: that Jesus, the Son, is not a creature, not a shadow of divinity, but Light from Light, true God from true God, one in essence with the Father. Their confession was not mere theology, it was a shield for the mystery of our salvation, the safeguard of the love that flowed from the Cross, and the gateway to the glory Christ now shares with those who believe in His Name.

June 1, 2025

SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE COUNCIL OF NICEA

PROKIMENON *Blessed are You, O Lord God of our fathers,
and Your name is worthy of praise and glorious forever.*

Acts 20:16-18, 27-36 | John 17:1-13

Intentions

SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF NICEA 1

SATURDAY | MAY 31 | 5:30PM

- †Sam Sheber . *Birthday Remembrance . M/M Charles Cathcart*
†Colin McNeil . *Birthday Remembrance . M/M Charles Cathcart*
†Edgar Cathcart . *Birthday Remembrance . M/M Charles Cathcart*
†Lois Lozy . *Reem Hannoush*
†Julie Clark Molloy . *M/M Dennis Murray*

SUNDAY | JUNE 1 | 9:00AM

- †William Siouffi . *M/M Michael Massood*
†Rita Harraka . *M/M Gregg Kattine*

SUNDAY | JUNE 1 | 11:30AM

- †George Sawaged . *Memorial . Daughter, Maisoum Sawaged*
†Akram Sawaged . *His Family*
†Sayer Sawaged . *Wife Badia & Family*
†Hani Haddad . *Wife Mary & Family*
†Naim Haddad . *Wife Nelli & Family*
†Claude Fallaha Ullrich . *Micheline Ghanem*
†Joseph Kassis . *Samia Dakar*
†Javed Iqbal . *Samia Khammar*
†Houda George Antar . *Viviane & Geale DeBakhos*

SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

SATURDAY | JUNE 7 | 5:30PM

- †Lois Lozy . *Raymond Bsales*
†Julie Clark Molloy . *Rev/M Elias Hamway*

SUNDAY | JUNE 8 | 9:00AM

- †Alfred Kattine . *25 Year Remembrance . M/M Gregg Kattine*
†Harvey & Janet Baskinger . *Rev/M Edward Bsarany*
†Charles Tahan . *His Family*
†William Siouffi . *M/M Frank Fasolo*

SUNDAY | JUNE 8 | 11:30AM

- †Georget Barousou . *Her Family*
†Sayer Sawaged . *Wife Badia & Family*
†Hani Haddad . *Wife Mary & Family*
†Naim Haddad . *Wife Nelli & Family*
†Claude Fallaha Ullrich . *Marie Sara*
†Joseph Kassis . *M/M Michel Bittar*
†Jameleh Sawaged . *M/M Ramzi Sawaged*
†Issa Sawaged . *M/M Ramzi Sawaged*

IN OUR PRAYERS

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

Gloria Altemus	Dolores Fritz	Charles Gleason	Laurice Kayal	Joyce Neuss	Debra Payne Wierciszewski
Susan Brigida	Mark Frommer	George Kayal	Mona Mardelli	Mary Tahan	Donna Yuppa
Louis Dahdah					

DAILY READINGS

June 2-7, 2025

MONDAY 6/2 ACTS 21:8-14 JN 14:27-31; 15:1-7	TUESDAY 6/3 ACTS 21:26-32 JN 16:2-13	WEDNESDAY 6/4 ACTS 23:1-11 JN 16:15-23	THURSDAY 6/5 ACTS 25:13-19 JN 16:23-33	FRIDAY 6/6 ACTS 27:1-44; 28:1 JN 17:18-26	SATURDAY 6/7 ACTS 28:1-31 JN 21:14-25
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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 FATHERS OF THE COUNCIL OF NICEA

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

ANTIPHON

O Son of God, who gloriously ascended into heaven, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

1. Great is the Lord and wholly to be praised in the city of our God, on His holy mountain.
O Son of God, who gloriously ascended into heaven...
2. Mount Sion, the recesses of the North, is the city of the Great King.
O Son of God, who gloriously ascended into heaven...
3. God is with her castles: renowned is He as a stronghold.
O Son of God, who gloriously ascended into heaven...

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 6) pg. 64

The angelic powers were around Your tomb, and the guards became as dead; and Mary stood at the tomb, seeking Your spotless body; Then You despoiled Hades without being tried by it, and You met the Virgin O Bestower of life. O Lord, who rose from the dead, glory to You.

TROPARION OF THE ASCENSION

You ascended in glory, O Christ our God, and gladdened Your disciples by the promise of the Holy Spirit. Through Your blessing they were confirmed in their belief that You are the Son of God, the Redeemer of the world.

TROPARION OF THE FATHERS

O Christ our God, You are infinitely glorified, for You established our Fathers as radiant stars on earth: You led us to the true faith though them. O Most Merciful One, glory to You!

KONDAKION OF THE ASCENSION

After fulfilling for us Your plan of redemption and joining the things of earth with those of heaven, O Christ our God, You gloriously ascended without abandoning us, but remained with us forever and reassured all who love You by telling them: "Behold, I am with you: no one has power against you."

EPISTLE: ACTS 20:16-18, 27-36

Sunday of the Holy Fathers

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 Acts of the Apostles:

In those days Paul decided to sail past Ephesus so as not to waste time in Asia. For he was hurrying as much as he could in order to reach Jerusalem for the day of Pentecost. From Miletus, however, he

had sent an invitation to Ephesus for the presbyters of the church. And when they had come to him, he said to them, (20:28) "Be careful about yourselves and the whole flock over which the Holy Spirit has placed you as bishops, to herd the Church of God which He has redeemed through His own blood. For I know this, that after I am gone fierce wolves will get in among you and will not spare the flock. And from among you, some men will rise, speaking perverse doctrines, to draw away the disciples after them.

"Watch, therefore, and remember that for three years, night and day, I did not cease to warn with tears every one of you. And now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the Word of His grace, Who is able to edify and to grant you an inheritance among all His blessed ones.

"I have coveted no one's silver or gold or clothing. You, yourselves, know these hands of mine have provided for my needs and those of my companions. In all things, I have shown you that by working in this way you should help the weak, and remember that the Lord Jesus said in person, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" And after saying this, he knelt down and prayed with them all.

Alleluia

The God of gods, the Lord has spoken and summoned the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting

Stichon: Gather His faithful ones around Him, those who have made a covenant with Him through sacrifices.

GOSPEL: JOHN 17:1-13

The Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the Council of Nicea

At that time Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come! Glorify Your Son, that Your Son may glorify You, even as You have given Him power over all flesh, in order that to all You have given Him, He may give everlasting life. Now this is everlasting life, that they may know You, the only true God, and the One You have sent, Jesus Christ. I have glorified You on earth; I have accomplished the work You have given Me to do. And now do You, Father, glorify Me with Yourself, with the glory that I had with You before the world existed. I have manifested Your name to the men You have given me out of the world. They were Yours, and You have given them to Me, and they have kept Your word. Now they have learned that whatever You have given Me is from You; because the words that You have given Me, I have given to them. And they have received them, and have known as a fact that I came forth from You, and they have believed that You did send Me. I pray for them; not for the world do I pray, but for those whom You have given Me, because they are Yours; and all things that are Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine; and I am glorified in them. And I am no longer in the world, but these are in the world, and I am coming to You. Holy Father, keep in Your name those You have given Me, that they may be one even as We are. While I was with them in the world, I kept them in Your name. Those You have given Me, I guarded; and not one of them perished except the son of perdition, in order that the Scriptures might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to You and these

things I speak in the world, in order that they may have My joy made full in themselves.”

HIRMOS *Hymn to the Theotokos*

O you who have given birth in time to the One whom no limit of time can hold, You thus have become the Mother of God in a manner beyond understanding and beyond words: we the faithful magnify you in one mind.

KINONIKON

God ascended amid shouts of joy, the Lord amid trumpet blasts. *Alleluia.*

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

You ascended in glory, O Christ our God, and gladdened Your disciples by the promise of the Holy Spirit. Through Your blessing they were confirmed in their belief that You are the Son of God, the Redeemer of the world.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Weekend of MAY 25, 2025

5:30pm	10 Envelopes	\$ 475.00
9:00am	19 Envelopes	991.00
11:30am	20 Envelopes	813.00
Online	37 Envelopes	1305.50
Mailed	8 Envelopes	695.00
Candles		62.00

Weekly Total \$4,341.50

Total Envelopes Received: 94

According to our 2023-2024 budget, our weekly sacrificial 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? Contact Fr. Rezkallah at 973.785.4144, Fr. Sayed at 857.203.1034 or Fr. Choukri at 914.510.4415. *All inquiries are confidential!*

NOT A REGISTERED PARISHIONER?

We need you to register as soon as possible! With your name, your family members, address, phone, e-mail and other info, we can enroll you in our offering envelope system. **If you are not receiving these envelopes, you are not registered!** All families, seniors, and post college singles attending St Ann should register as official parish members to be eligible for marriage, baptisms and registration of your child for Religious Education. **Please call the Parish Office at 973.785.4144 to register.**

THIS WEEKEND SECOND COLLECTION for St. Ann Charitable Society



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW ARRIVAL

Congratulations to **Brian & Angela (Altemus) Happ** on the recent birth of their son!



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**Our Annual Festival is
September 5, 6 and 7th**

Please plan on attending and answering **YES** when asked to help!!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS NEEDED!

We are looking for Sunday School Teachers to ignite young hearts with the love of Christ. Reach out to Michael Hanczaryk at mhanczaryk@aol.com or 973.932.2855.

CHARITABLE SOCIETY GOLF OUTING

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11TH

Sunset Valley Golf Course

Shotgun Start Time: 1pm.

\$160 PER GOLFER includes

18 holes of golf, a sleeve of balls, golf cart, 1 drink ticket and buffet dinner. \$35 Dinner only at St Ann

Parish Center. **QUESTIONS, SPONSOR**

A HOLE, DONATIONS OR TO VOLUN-

TEER? Call or email John Gorny 973 919 4570

or email johngorny11@gmail.com.



Scan the QR code
for flyer &
registration form.

CHARITABLE SOCIETY GOLF **DINNER**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11TH | 6:30PM

St Ann Parish Center

Even if you are not attending the golf outing, we invite you to join us for the buffet dinner. \$35 per person. **Please call Debra Gorny at 973.919.4571 for tickets. All proceeds benefit the St. Ann Charitable Society.**

SIGHT & SOUND THEATER TO SEE NOAH

in Lancaster, PA . **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2025**

\$160 per person includes theater tickets, bus transportation and lunch. A **\$50 deposit per person, payable to St. Ann Church, holds your reservation. 7 seats left!**