

ST ANN CHURCH

A Parish Community of the Melkite Greek Catholic Eparchy of Newton



THIS WEEK

ALL LITURGIES . SUNDAY . JUNE 7
SECOND COLLECTION for
ST. ANN CHARITABLE SOCIETY

SAMY MEETING | 11:30AM

FAMILY BBQ | 4PM

Rain or Shine!

TUESDAY . JUNE 9 | 7PM
ARABIC BIBLE STUDY

NEXT WEEK

TUESDAY . JUNE 16 | 7PM
ENGLISH BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAY . JUNE 17
SAINT ANN GOLF OUTING

JUNE 18-JUNE 20
DIRECTORY PHOTOS

UPCOMING

SEPTEMBER 11-13
ST ANN FESTIVAL

SUMMER DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00PM

Sunday 10:00AM (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

To follow Christ is to enter a quiet stripping of the heart, where His voice loosens what the soul clings to as necessity, not to wound it but to free it. Grace works inwardly, gently unfastening attachments until the heart learns that nothing created can carry the weight of what is uncreated. This path is not rejection of life but purification of desire, a slow reordering of the will until Christ is preferred above every consolation that competes with Him. In this way, God is no longer one reality among others, but the center by which all things are judged, whether they lead to Him or draw the heart away.

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June 7, 2026

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Romans 2:10-16 | Matthew 4:18-23

To report sexual abuse by clergy, parish personnel or volunteers in the Diocese of Newton, please call the Victim Assistance Coordinator at 1-800-447-8439.

Intentions

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SATURDAY | JUNE 6 | 5:00PM

†Shirley Bluemer . *Husband Alan & Son Matthew*

†Lois Lozy . *M/M Karim Kaspar*

†Tony Najjar . *Rosemary Hannoush*

SUNDAY | JUNE 7 | 10:00AM

†Anthony Barbary . *40 Day Memorial . M/M Gregg Kattine*

†Charles Tahan . *5 Year Remembrance . His Family*

†Charles Joseph . *10 Year Remembrance . Wife Dolores & Family*

†Janet & Harvey Baskinger . *Rev & Mrs. Edward Bsarany*

†Mary Tahan . *M/M Raymond Foster*

†Janice Eckert . *Rita Magliarditi*

†Laurice Kayal . *Nadia Kayal*

†Marlene Rodgers . *M/M George Fakhoury*

†Kathleen Carlisle . *M/M Joseph Stambuli*

†Suzan & John Kayal . *Anthony Kayal & Family*

†Sayer Sawaged . *Wife Badia & Family*

†John Baladi . *Cathcart Family*

†Amira & Khalil Alamir . *Their Family*

†Elias Sawaf . *M/M Roger Masola*

†Nadia Haeik . *Virginio Family*

†Rana Alamir Haddad . *Alamir Family*

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SATURDAY | JUNE 13 | 5:00PM

†Shirley Bluemer . *40 Day Memorial
Husband Alan & Son Matthew*

†Norman Dikdan . *12 Year Remembrance . His Daughters*

†Ken & Ellen Bluemer . *Alan Bluemer*

†Albert & Olga Balady . *Alan Bluemer*

†Lois Lozy . *M/M Salem Alechammas*

†Tony Najjar . *M/M Charles McCauley*

SUNDAY | JUNE 14 | 10:00AM

†Jamal Radwan Alazraie . *Memorial . Alazraie Family*

†Georget Barouisou . *Her Family*

†Mary Tahan . *Dolores Joseph*

†Laurice Kayal . *Gary Kayal*

†Kathleen Carlisle . *Barbara Jarosz*

†Sayer Sawaged . *Wife Badia & Family*

†John Baladi . *M/M Michel Gabriel*

†Amira & Khalil Alamir . *Their Family*

†Elias Sawaf . *M/M Bashir Katat*

†Anthony Barbary . *Adrienne Kattak*

†Jeanette Turkmany . *M/M Joseph Stambuli*

†Rana Alamir Haddad . *Alamir Family*

IN OUR PRAYERS

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

Robert Baskinger

Dolores Fritz

Charles Gleason

Joyce Neuss

Debra Payne Wierciszewski

William Bsarany

Mark Frommer

Mona Mardelli

Matthew Orsini

Henry Raad

DAILY READINGS

June 8-14, 2026

MONDAY 6/8

ROM 7:1-13
MT 9:36-38; 10:1-8

TUESDAY 6/9

ROM 7:14-25; 8:1-2
MT 10:9-15

WEDNESDAY 6/10

ROM 8:2-13
MT 10:16-22

THURSDAY 6/11

ROM 8:22-28
MT 10:23-31

FRIDAY 6/12

ROM 9:6-19
MT 10:32-42; 11:1

SATURDAY 6/13

ROM 3:28-31; 4:1-3
MT 7:24-29; 8:1-4

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.

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

ANTIPHON PRAYER

O Christ God, who gave us Your Flesh as true food and Your Blood as true drink for our salvation, sanctify us, enlighten us, make us Your temples as we partake of Your holy mysteries, so that we may keep You in our hearts.

For You are our food and our life, 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.

ANTIPHON OF THE FEAST OF THE DIVINE BODY

O Son of God, O Heavenly Bread, save us who sing to You Alleluia!

1. Give thanks to the Lord and call upon His name.

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

2. Sing His praise, sing to Him, proclaim all His wondrous deeds.

O Son of God, O Heavenly Bread, save us who sing to You Alleluia!

3. Recall the wondrous deeds that He has wrought, His portents, and the judgments He has uttered.

O Son of God, O Heavenly Bread, save us who sing to You Alleluia!

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 DIVINE BODY Tone 1

Christ, having loved His own, loved them until the end and gave them His Body and Blood as food and drink. Wherefore let us offer Them our veneration and say with fear: "O Christ, glory to Your presence, glory to Your compassion, glory to Your condescension: for You alone are the Lover of Mankind."

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 DIVINE BODY Tone 2

O Christ, do not turn Your face away from me: for I partake of the bread which is Your Body and of the wine which is Your Blood. O Lord, let my sharing in these august mysteries be not for my judgment and condemnation, but for my eternal and everlasting life.

TRISAGION pg. 25

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

EPISTLE: ROMANS 2:10-16

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 Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans:

BRETHREN, glory, honor and peace to everyone who does good works, first to the Jew, then to the Greek, since with God there is no favoritism.

For all those who have sinned without the Law will perish without the Law, and all those who have sinned under the Law will be judged under the Law. (Before God, indeed, it is not those who hear the Law who are just, but those who follow the Law who will be justified. When the Gentiles who do not have the Law do by nature what the Law commands, while they do not have the Law, they are their own law: they show the work of the Law written in their hearts. The conscience bears witness to them, even when conflicting thoughts accuse or defend them) on the day when God will judge the hidden secrets of men according to what I preach, through Jesus Christ.

Alleluia

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

Stichon: Many are the trials of the just, but out of them all, the Lord will save them.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 4:18-23

Call of the First Disciples

At that time as Jesus was walking by the Sea of Galilee, He saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea (for they were fishermen). And He said to them, "Come, follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." And at once they left the nets and followed Him. And going farther on, He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and his brother John, in a boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and He called them. And immediately they left their nets and their father, and followed Him. And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the Good News of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every sickness among the people.

HIRMOS OF THE FEAST Tone 6

Let all the souls of the faithful be gladdened and glorified as they receive the body of Christ their Savior: for He has satisfied their

hunger with his heavenly goods and granted them a tremendous favor by offering Himself as a Sacrifice of Redemption for their sake. Wherefore, together with the Mother of God, we send up glory to Him.

KINONIKON OF THE FEAST

The Lord said: "He who eats My Body and drinks My Blood abides in Me and I in him." Alleluia!

POST-COMMUNION *Tone 1*

Christ, having loved His own, loved them until the end and gave them His Body and Blood as food and drink. Wherefore let us offer Them our veneration and say with fear: "O Christ, glory to Your presence, glory to Your compassion, glory to Your condescension: for You alone are the Lover of Mankind."

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THIS WEEKEND
SECOND COLLECTION**
for St. Ann Charitable Society



SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Weekend of MAY 31, 2026

5:00pm	18 Envelopes	\$ 827.00
10:00am	37 Envelopes	1799.00
Mailed	7 Envelopes	730.00
Online	50 Envelopes	1832.00
Candles		66.00
Donation		100.00
Weekly Total		\$5,354.00

Total Envelopes Received: 112

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.

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!*

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.**

PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY

Thursday, June 18 - Saturday, June 20

We need more families to sign up by TODAY, June 7th or the directory project will be canceled.

SCHEDULE YOUR SESSION TODAY!

schedule.ucdir.com | Code: NJ187 | Password: stanni

Each participating household will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and a free copy of the directory. **Questions or help signing up, contact Doreen Pierson at 973-800-2643.**

NOT A REGISTERED PARISHIONER?

Call the Parish Office at 973.785.4144 to register!

Not receiving parish envelopes? We invite all families, seniors, and post-college singles who attend St. Ann to become registered members. Registration is important for participation in parish life, including Marriage, Baptism, and Religious Ed.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**Our Annual Festival is
September 11, 12 and 13th**

FAMILY BBQ UPDATE

Today's Family BBQ is Rain or Shine! If the weather doesn't cooperate, we'll simply move the festivities indoors to the Hall.

CALL OF THE FIRST DISCIPLES. The icon on the front of today's bulletin depicts the Gospel account of the Call of the First Disciples. As Jesus walks along the Sea of Galilee, He calls Simon and Andrew: "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." At once, they leave their nets and follow Him.

Christ's call is not reserved for the perfect or the prepared. He calls ordinary people and transforms them through His grace. He calls each of us wherever we are, inviting us not only to follow Him, but to be changed by Him. The disciples' immediate response challenges us to reflect: What "nets" of comfort, fear, or attachment keep us from fully saying yes to Christ? James and John leave even their family ties behind, reminding us that Jesus must come first if all other relationships are to be rightly ordered.

Jesus then teaches, proclaims the Kingdom, and heals the sick. This mission is entrusted to His disciples and continues through us today. We are called to be witnesses of the Gospel, bringing hope, healing, and the light of Christ to the world.

May we hear His voice anew, leave behind whatever holds us back, and follow Him with faith and courage. Amen.