# ST ANN CHURCH

A Parish Community
of the Melkite Greek Catholic
Eparchy of Newton

#### REMINDER

Starting **Sunday, July 6th** there will be **ONE Divine Liturgy** on Sundays at 10am.
Saturday evening Liturgy will still be held at 5:30pm.

#### **UPCOMING**

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

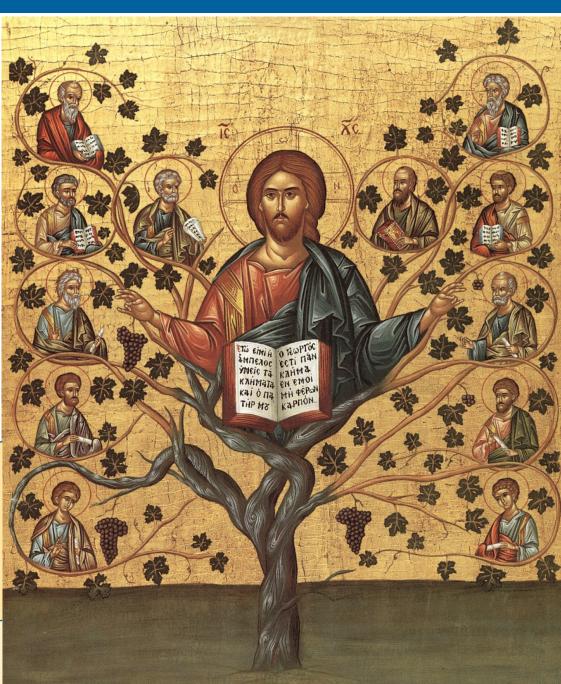
Rev Deacon Roland Basinski

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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.



When the voice of the Eternal whispers, it does not argue. It does not explain.

It awakens. It pierces. It summons the soul to rise beyond the comforts of the known.

It calls us into the mystery of the Divine. To follow Him is to surrender, not just what we have, but who we are. It is to trust that in losing ourselves, we are finally found.

Love demands everything, but it gives even more. The cost is great.

But the reward is God Himself.

# June 22, 2025 SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PROKIMENON May Your kindness, O Lord, be upon us, for we have hoped in You.

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

# Intentions

# SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

# Saturday | JUNE 21 | 5:30pm

†Victor Kattak . Wife Elizabeth Kattak

**†Lois Lozy** . M/M George Dahdah

†Julie Clark Molloy . M/M Lawrence Margolis

## SUNDAY | JUNE 22 | 9:00AM

**†William Siouffi** . Bruce Balady

†Patricia Jacob . Diane Hayek

†Michael Kayal . Basil Kayal

**†Antoine** (Tony) Nassimos . M/M Karim Kaspar

# SUNDAY | JUNE 22 | 11:30AM

**†Susan & John Kayal** . 40 Day Memorial . Kayal Family

**†Sayer Sawaged** . Wife Badia & Family

**†Hani Haddad** . Wife Mary & Family

**†Naim Haddad** . Wife Nelli & Family

†Claude Fallaha Ullrich . Marie Malki

†Joseph Kassis . Maria Wanis

# THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## SATURDAY | JUNE 28 | 5:30pm

**†Laurice Dikdan** . 6 Year Remembrance . Her Daughters

†Lois Lozy . Patti Tahan

†Julie Clark Molloy . Carmina Posthumous

## SUNDAY | JUNE 29 | 9:00AM

tValerie Kayal . 15 Year Remembrance . Husband Basil & Family

 †Marcus Kayal
 . Basil Kayal & Family

†Megan McQuaede . Basil Kayal & Family

†George & Alieh Kayal . Basil Kayal

**†William Siouffi** . M/M Gregg Kattine

†Patricia Jacob . The Family of Jack Hayek

# SUNDAY | JUNE 29 | 11:30AM

**†Sayer Sawaged** . Wife Badia & Family

**†Hani Haddad** . Wife Mary & Family

tNaim Haddad . Wife Nelli & Family

†Claude Fallaha Ullrich . Reem Hannoush

**†Joseph Kassis** . M/M Khamis Khamis

# **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 23-28, 2025

**MONDAY 6/23** 

GAL 4:4-7 LK 1:29-45 **TUESDAY 6/24** 

ROM 13:11-14; 14:1-4 LK 1:1-25; 57-68; 76-80 WEDNESDAY 6/25

ROM 8:2-13 MT 10:16-22 THURSDAY 6/26

ROM 8:22-28 MT 10:23-31 **FRIDAY 6/27** 

ROM 9:6-19 MT 10:32-42; 11:1 SATURDAY 6/28

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 pg. 18

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

- Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; let us shout with joy to God our Savior!
  - O Son of God, who are risen from the dead...
- 2. Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving, and let us joyfully sing psalms to Him.
  - O Son of God, who are risen from the dead...
- 3. For God is a great Lord, and a great King over all the earth!
  - 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 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

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 FEAST

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**

Holy God, Holy Might 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

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

*Stichon*: Therefore, I will proclaim You, O Lord, among the nations and I will sing praise to Your name.

#### 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 Hymn to the Theotokos

It is truly right to call you blessed...

KINONIKON Praise the Lord ...

POST-COMMUNION HYMN We have seen the True Light...

# **TAKE NOTE:**

Starting Sunday, July 6th through
Sunday, September 7th, there will
be just ONE Divine Liturgy on
Sunday morning at 10am. Saturday
evening Liturgy will still be held at 5:30pm.
Mark your calendars for the summer schedule!

# **SACRIFICIAL GIVING**

# Weekend of JUNE 15, 2025

5:30pm	19 Envelopes	\$ 729.00
9:00am	13 Envelopes	833.00
11:30am	28 Envelopes	564.00
Online	44 Envelopes	1512.50
Mailed	8 Envelopes	820.00
Candles		67.00
Hall Rental		500.00
Stole Offering		100.00

Weekly Total \$5,125.50

Total Envelopes Received: 112

According to our 2023-2024 budget, our weekly sacrifical 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.

# **PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**



#### **NEW ARRIVAL**

Congratulations to **Gregory & Desirey** (**Chamoun**) **Nasser** on the birth of their daughter!



#### **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.

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS



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

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

Friday . **SAJ** (tonight only) + our Full Menu **SEPTEMBER 5** . **6pm-10pm** 

As Melkites, we observe the traditional fast on Friday. In support of this observance, we will be serving meatless choices, including Saj, as well as offering the full menu for our guests and neighbors.

Saturday . FULL MENU SEPTEMBER 6 . 12pm-10pm

Sunday . FULL MENU SEPTEMBER 7 . 11am-5pm

#### **VENDOR TABLES**

Have something to sell or know of someone who does?

Rent a vendor table for the weekend. Sat/Sun \$200

Call Julie Thalab 929.888.0880 for info.

### **PARISH FESTIVAL APPEAL**

We would be truly grateful for any donations, whether by check (made payable to St. Ann Melkite Catholic Church, with "Festival" noted in the memo) or in cash. Thank you for being a vital part of our community celebration!

#### **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. 2 seats left!