

# ST ANN CHURCH

A Parish Community of the  
Melkite Greek Catholic Eparchy of Newton

## UPCOMING

SEPTEMBER 5-7  
ST ANN FESTIVAL

OCTOBER 2  
SIGHT & SOUND  
THEATER TRIP

## SUMMER DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30PM  
Sunday 10:00AM (Arabic/English)  
Great Feast  
Day Eve 7:00PM  
Mystery of Holy Confession  
30 minutes before each Divine Liturgy

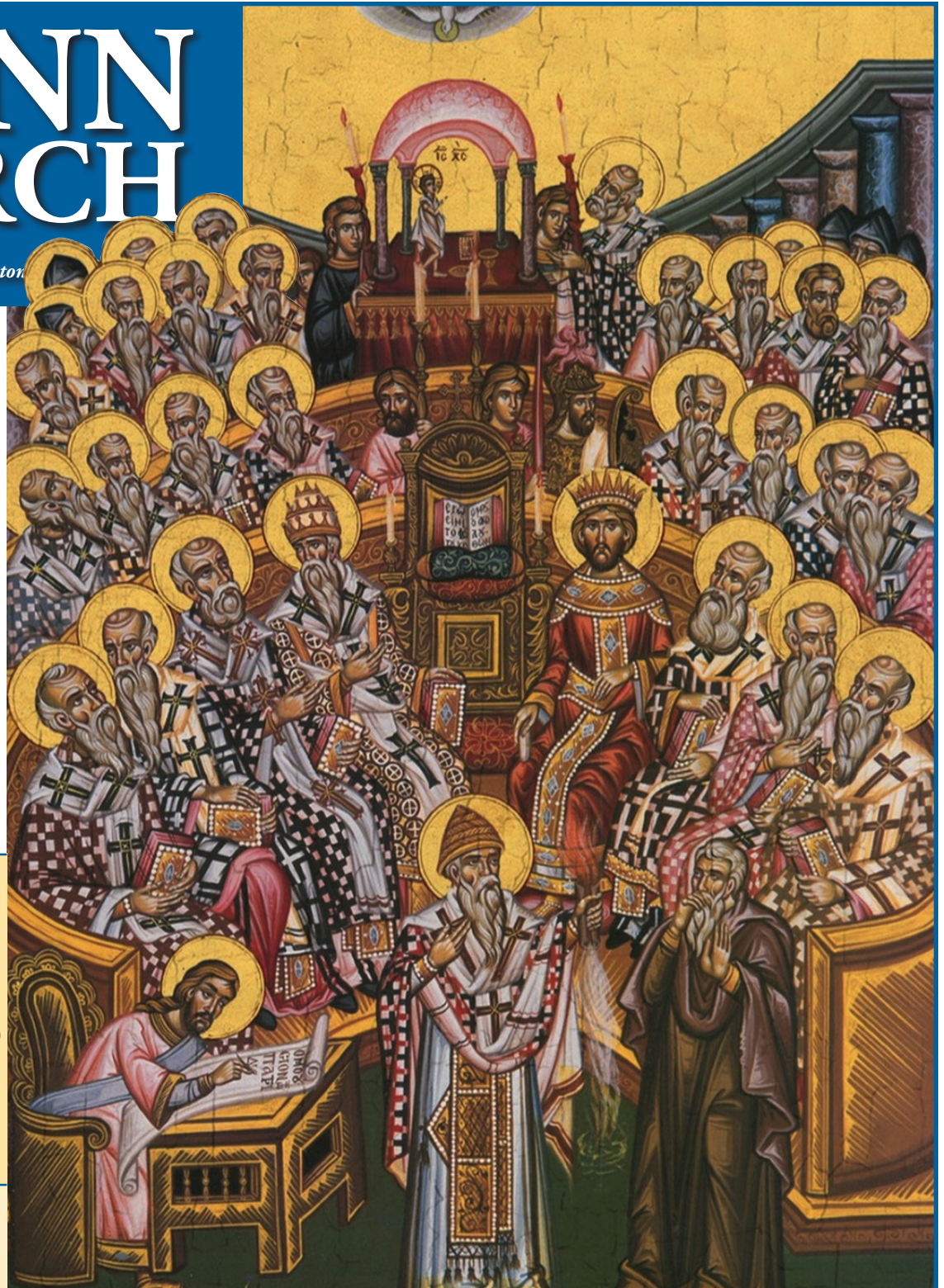
### Our Community is Served By:

Rev Rezkallah Samaan  
*Administrator Pro Tempore*  
Rev Sayed Kozhaya  
*Parochial Vicar*  
Rev Choukri Sabbagh  
Rev Archdeacon Edward Bsarany  
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*Christ, the Light of the world, calls us not merely to shine, but to burn with the flame of His love. Hearts ignited by grace. Minds radiant with truth. Lives poured out in sacrifice. Through our flame, may the world no longer wander in shadow, but behold God's splendor and be drawn into His eternal embrace.*

## July 13, 2025 SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE FIRST SIX ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

PROKIMENON *Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, you just; exult, all you upright of heart.*

Titus 3:8-15 | Matthew 5:14-19



# Intentions

## SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE FIRST SIX ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

**SATURDAY | JULY 12 | 5:30PM**

- †Rev. Basil Samra . 2 Year Remembrance . His Family  
†Betty Kattak . 24 Year Remembrance . M/M Gregg Kattine  
†Robert Gorny Sr. . 40 Year Remembrance  
M/M John Gorny & Family  
†Lois Lozy . Rev/M Edward Bsarany  
†Norman & Laurice Dikdan . Their Daughters  
†Julie Clark Molloy . M/M Michael Gurcio

**SUNDAY | JULY 13 | 10:00AM**

- †Sayer Sawaged . 6 Month Memorial . Wife Badia & Family  
†Salim Sabbagh . 25 Year Remembrance . M/M Peter Farewege  
†Jeanette Farewege . 3 Year Remembrance . M/M Peter Farewege  
†Amira Abouhanna Al Amir . Her Family  
†Susan & John Kayal . M/M George Massola  
†Josephine Butman . Her Family  
†Georget Barousou . Her Family  
†William Siouffi . M/M George Gerro  
†Hani Haddad . Wife Mary & Family  
†Naim Haddad . Wife Nelli & Family  
†Claude Fallaha Ullrich . Marie Sara  
†Joseph Kassis . M/M Khamis Khamis

## SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**SATURDAY | JULY 19 | 5:30PM**

- †Mary Borsina . 10 Year Remembrance  
M/M John Nagel & Family  
†Joseph Borsina . 59 Year Remembrance  
M/M John Nagel & Family  
†Lois Lozy . M/M John Bsarany  
†Julie Clark Molloy . M/M Gregg Kattine  
†Patricia Jacob . The Family of William Hayek

**SUNDAY | JULY 20 | 10:00AM**

- †Sayer Sawaged . 6 Month Memorial . Wife Badia & Family  
†Susan & John Kayal . M/M Besim Latte  
†Josephine Butman . Her Family  
†William Siouffi . Goodrich Family  
†Jameleh Sawaged . Ramzi & Janet & Family  
†Hani Haddad . Wife Mary & Family  
†Naim Haddad . Wife Nelli & Family  
†Claude Fallaha Ullrich, Micheline Ghanem  
†Joseph Kassis . M/M Khamis Khamis  
†Madeleine Bishara . M/M Tony Najjar  
†Amira Abouhanna Al Amir . Her Family

## 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 . July 14-19, 2025

### MONDAY 7/14

ROM 16:17-24  
MT 13:10-23

### TUESDAY 7/15

1 COR 1:1-9  
MT 13:24-30

### WEDNESDAY 7/16

1 COR 2:9-16; 3:1-8  
MT 13:31-36

### THURSDAY 7/17

GAL 3:23-29; 4:1-5  
MK 5:24-34

### FRIDAY 7/18

1 COR 4:5-8  
MT 13:44-54

### SATURDAY 7/19

ROM 9:1-5  
MT 9:18-26

### 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 FIRST SIX ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

## 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!*

1. 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 4) pg. 62

The women disciples of the Lord, having learned from the angel the joyful announcement of the resurrection, and having rejected the ancestral sentence, proudly told the apostles: "Death is despoiled. Christ God is risen, bestowing to the world great mercy."

### 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!

### 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

O never failing Protectress of Christians and their ever-present intercessor before the Creator, despise not the petitions of us sinners, but in your goodness extend your help to us who call upon you with confidence. Hasten, O Mother of God, to intercede for us, for you have always protected those who honor you.

### TRISAGION

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

### EPISTLE: Titus 3:8-15

**Prokimenon:** Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, you just; exult, all you upright of heart.

*Stichon:* Happy are those whose faults are taken away, and whose sins are covered.

### A Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to Titus:

My son Titus, this saying is true, and in this matter, I want to insist that those who believe in God be careful to excel in good works; these are good and useful to people. But avoid foolish controversies and genealogies and quarrels, and disputes about the Law, for they are useless and futile. Avoid a factious man after warning him one or twice, knowing that such a man is perverted and sins, since he is condemning himself.

When I send Artemas or Tychicus to you, make every effort to meet me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Help Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way, taking care that they lack nothing. And let our people also learn to excel in good works, in order to help cases of urgent need so that they may not be unfruitful. All my companions greet you. Greet those who love us in the faith. The grace of God be with all of you. Amen.

### Alleluia

O God, our ears have heard, our fathers have declared to us the deeds you did in their days, in the days of old.

*Stichon:* For you saved us from those who afflicted us and have put to shame those who hated us.

### GOSPEL: MATTHEW 5:14-19

The Lord said to his disciples, "You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden. Neither do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but upon the lampstand, so as to give light to all in the house. Even so let your light shine before men, in order that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. Do not think I have come to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I have not come to destroy, but to fulfill. For amen I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, not one letter or one stroke shall be lost from the Law till all things have been accomplished. Therefore, whoever does away with one of these least commandments, and so teaches men, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever carries them out and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven."

### 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...

# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ASLEEP IN THE LORD

Please remember in your prayers the soul of **Amira Abouhanna Al Amir**, who went to her eternal rest this week; and also **Mary Dolling Aslan**, sister of George Dolling, who went to her eternal rest the week.  
*Memory Eternal.*



## SACRIFICIAL GIVING

### Weekend of JULY 6, 2025

5:30pm	14 Envelopes	\$ 565.00
10:00am	34 Envelopes	2916.00
Online	38 Envelopes	1537.50
Mailed	5 Envelopes	700.00
Candles		50.00
Donation		429.00
Stole Offerings		300.00

**Weekly Total** \$6,497.50

Total Envelopes Received: 91

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](http://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.**

## HOLY MYSTERY OF CROWNING

Congratulations to **Paul & Faith (Tahan) Kayal**, who were crowned in the Mystery of Marriage last week. May their new life together be filled with committed love and the blessing of Christ.



## 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](mailto: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 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!**