

ST ANN CHURCH

*A Parish Community of the Melkite
Greek Catholic Eparchy of Newton*

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY . JULY 12

FR. SAYED ORDINATION
ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
following the 10am Liturgy

UPCOMING

JULY 25

DORMITION OF ST. ANN

AUGUST 6

TRANSFIGURATION
OF OUR LORD

AUGUST 15

DORMITION OF
THE MOTHER OF GOD

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

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Holy Martyrs Proclus and Hilarion

The soul may wander through the shadows of this world, wounded by sin and burdened by weakness, yet the mercy of Christ reaches deeper than every darkness. His touch does not simply restore what is lost, it renews the very heart and raises it into the light of His divine life. When the soul surrenders to Him, blindness becomes vision, silence becomes praise, and weakness becomes a testimony of the unfailing power of God's love.

July 12, 2026

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Romans 15:1-7 | Matthew 9:27-35

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

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SATURDAY | JULY 11 | 5:00PM

†Norman & Laurice Dikdan . *Their Daughters*

†Lois Lozy . *M/M Edmond Raad*

†Tony Najjar . *Dr/M Hani Khoury*

†Shirley Bluemer . *M/M John Lozy*

SUNDAY | JULY 12 | 10:00AM

†Archbishop Joseph Jules Zerey . *St. Ann Clergy*

†Archbishop Jean Clement Jeanbart . *M/M George Jalinos*

†Valerie Balady . *Husband Bruce & Family*

†Georget Barouisou . *Her Family*

†Sayer Sawaged . *Wife Badia & Family*

†John Baladi . *M/M George Gerro*

†Mary Tahan . *Jackie Scully*

†Kathleen Carlisle . *M/M Matthew Jalinos*

†Laurice Kayal . *Nadia Kayal*

†Elias Sawaf . *M/M Faouzi Saoud & Family*

†Amira & Kahlil Alamir . *Their Family*

†Rana Alamir Haddad . *Alamir Family*

†Elias Mohsen . *Micheline Ghanem*

†Basil Fattell . *His Family*

SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE FIRST SIX ECUMENICAL COUNCILS

SATURDAY | JULY 18 | 5:00PM

†Rev. Basil Samra . *3 Year Remembrance . His Family*

†Mary Borsina . *11 Year Remembrance . M/M John Nagel*

†Joseph Borsina . *60 Year Remembrance . M/M John Nagel*

†Lois Lozy . *M/M David Flower & Family*

†Tony Najjar . *Rola Hannoush*

†Shirley Bluemer . *George Raad*

SUNDAY | JULY 19 | 10:00AM

†Paul & Jaqueline Jeanbart . *M/M George Jalinos*

†Sayer Sawaged . *Wife Badia & Family*

†John Baladi . *M/M Joseph Khoneisser*

†Mary Tahan . *M/M Joseph Vernieri*

†Kathleen Carlisle . *M/M Sam Haddad*

†Laurice Kayal . *Gary Kayal*

†Elias Sawaf . *M/M Walid Najem*

†Amira & Kahlil Alamir . *Their Family*

†Rana Alamir Haddad . *Alamir Family*

†Elias Mohsen . *Micheline Ghanem*

†Basil Fattell . *His Family*

IN OUR PRAYERS

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

Robert Baskinger
William Bsarany
Andre Fakhoury

Andrew Friedman
Dolores Fritz

Mark Frommer
Charles Gleason

Mona Mardelli
Joyce Neuss

Matthew Orsini
Debra Payne Wierciszewski

Henry Raad
Donna Yuppa

DAILY READINGS . July 13-18, 2026

MONDAY 7/13

1 COR 9:13-18
MT 16:1-6

TUESDAY 7/14

1 COR 10:5-12
MT 16:6-12

WEDNESDAY 7/15

1 COR 10:12-22
MT 16:20-24

THURSDAY 7/16

1 COR 10:28-33; 11:1-8
MT 16:24-28

FRIDAY 7/17

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

SATURDAY 7/18

ROM 13:1-10
MT 12:30-37

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.

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

SECOND ANTIPHON *pg. 16*

1. Be gracious to us, O God, and bless us; let Your face shine upon us, and have mercy on us!

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

2. That Your name may be known upon earth, among all nations Your salvation.

O Son of God who are risen from the dead...

3. Let the peoples praise You, O God, let all the peoples praise You!

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 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 MARTYRS *Tone 4*

Your martyrs, O Lord, received the crown of immortality from you O our God, on account of their struggles. Armed with your strength, they have vanquished their persecutors and crushed the powerless arrogance of demons. Through their supplications. O Christ God save our souls.

TROPARION OF SAINT ANN *Tone 4, 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.

KONTAKION *Tone 2, pg. 23*

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 *pg. 25*

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

EPISTLE: ROMANS 15:1-7

Prokimenon: O Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance!

Stichon: To You, O Lord, I have called: O my Rock, be not deaf to me!

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

Now, we the strong should bear the infirmities of the weak, instead of catering to ourselves. Let every one of you please his neighbor by doing good for his edification: for Christ did not seek His own pleasure, but as it is written, *the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.* (Ps.6: 10) For whatever has been written has been written for our instruction, that through the patience and consolation afforded by the Scriptures, we may have hope. May then the God of patience and comfort grant you to be of one mind towards one another according to Jesus Christ, so that being one in spirit you may with one mouth glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Wherefore receive one another as Christ has received you, in a manner that gives honor to God

Alleluia

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High abides in the shadow of the God of heaven.

Stichon: : He will say to the Lord, "My wall, my refuge, my God in whom I will trust!"

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 9:27-35

At that time as Jesus was passing on, two blind men followed Him, crying out and saying "Have pity on us, Son of David" And when He had reached the house, the blind men came to Him. And Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I can do this to you?" They answered Him, "Yes, Lord." Then He touched their eyes, saying, "Let it be done to you according to your faith." And their eyes were opened. And Jesus strictly charged them, saying, "See that no one knows of this!" But they went out and spread His fame abroad throughout all that district. Now as they were going out, behold, there was brought to Him a dumb man possessed by a devil. And when the devil had been cast out, the dumb man spoke; and the crowds marveled, saying, "Never has the like of this been seen in Israel." But the Pharises said, "By the prince of devils He casts out devils." And Jesus was going about all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the Good News of the kingdom, and curing every kind of disease and infirmity in the people.

HIRMOS *Hymn to the Theotokos pg. 42*

It is truly meet to bless you, O Theotokos...

KINONIKON *Tone 8, pg. 50*

Praise the Lord from the Heavens...

POST-COMMUNION *pg. 52*

We have seen the True Light...

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

FATHER SAYED ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Fr. Sayed will celebrate the **29th Anniversary of his Priestly Ordination** on Monday, July 20. Our parish family will celebrate this special milestone today, Sunday, July 12, immediately following the 10am Divine Liturgy.

Please join us as we congratulate Fr. Sayed and thank God for his 29 years of faithful priestly ministry. May the Lord continue to bless him with many years of health, joy, and service to His Church.

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.

GIVE YOUR SUNDAY OFFERING ONLINE!

Go to saintannmelkite.com and click on online giving.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Weekend of JULY 5, 2026

5:00pm	13 Envelopes	\$ 772.00
10:00am	28 Envelopes	1003.00
Mailed	5 Envelopes	650.00
Online	55 Envelopes	2412.00
Candles		46.00
Stole Offering		500.00
Liturgy Stipends		675.00

Weekly Total **\$6,058.00**

Total Envelopes Received: 101

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



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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

50/50 RAFFLE

Only 1000 tickets are being sold!

3 prizes given out: 1st prize 25% of gross, 2nd prize 15% of gross, 3rd prize 10% of gross. Only \$10 per ticket. Drawing Sunday, September 13th at 4pm (*winner need not be present*).

**For tickets call Joann Fakhoury 973.782.3535 or
Lena Batikha 973.303.5232.**

FESTIVAL SPONSORSHIP

Please consider supporting the festival by purchasing a booth or memorial banner that will be displayed the 3 days of the festival. Sponsorship forms are available in the Narthax or contact **Lena Batikha 973.303.5232 or Nabil Alain 973.930.9794** for additional information.

VENDOR TABLES

Do you have a small business that you would like to promote? A product you would like to sell? Know of someone that does? Consider a vendor table at our upcoming festival. *Vendor tables are for Saturday and Sunday only.* Forms are available in the Narthax or **contact Julie Thalab at 929.888.0880** for more information. **Please note: Only non-food, non-competing, church-appropriate merchandise may be sold.**

Sunday, July 12, 2026

HOLY MARTYRS PROCLUS AND HILARION

The Holy Martyrs Proclus and Hilarion were natives of the village of Kallippi, near Ancyra, and suffered during the persecution of Emperor Trajan (98-117). Saint Proclus was arrested first and fearlessly confessed his faith in Christ before the governor Maximus, refusing to sacrifice to the pagan gods. During his torture, Proclus foretold that Maximus himself would one day confess Christ as the true God. They forced the martyr to run after the chariot of the governor, heading towards the village Kallippi. Exhausted, Saint Proclus prayed that the Lord would halt the chariot. By the power of God the chariot halted, and no force could move it from the spot. The martyr told him that he would remain unmoving until he would sign a document with a confession of Christ.

Enraged and humiliated, the governor ordered Proclus to be taken outside the city, tied to a pillar, and executed by arrows. The soldiers, leading Saint Proclus to execution, told him to give in and save his life, but the saint said that they should follow their orders. Along the way, his nephew Hilarion embraced him, openly declared himself a Christian, and was immediately arrested. Saint Proclus prayed for his persecutors before surrendering his soul to God.

Saint Hilarion was brought to trial and, with the same courage as Saint Proclus, confessed himself a Christian. They tied the martyr's hands and dragged him by his feet through the city, wounded and bloody, and three days after his uncle's martyrdom, he was beheaded. Christians buried Saints Proclus and Hilarion together in a single grave.