

ST ANN CHURCH

A Parish Community of the
Melkite Greek Catholic Eparchy of Newton

THIS WEEK

ALL LITURGIES
SECOND COLLECTION for
ST. ANN CHARITABLE SOCIETY

Welcome
FR. MUSIL SHIHADEH

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5 | 7PM
TRANSFIGURATION of our LORD
Vespers and Divine Liturgy

UPCOMING

THURSDAY, AUGUST 14 | 7PM
DORMITION of the
MOTHER of GOD
Vespers and Divine Liturgy

SEPTEMBER 5-7
ST ANN FESTIVAL

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 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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volunteers in the Diocese of Newton, please call the
Victim Assistance Coordinator at 1-800-479-5910.



Fathers Isaac, Dalmatus and Faustus

Do not hesitate to lay your trembling soul in the hands of Christ. Though it may seem small and fragile, entrust your nothingness to Him. He receives you with tender care, blesses you with boundless mercy, and enfolds you in a love beyond all measure. In that sacred moment, your weakness is transformed into His strength, your emptiness becomes His vessel, until your heart is filled, your wounds are healed, and through you, the world tastes the boundless compassion of God.

August 3, 2025
EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PROKIMENON *The Lord will give strength to His people;
the Lord will bless His people with peace.*

1 Corinthians 1:10-17 | Matthew 14:14-22

Intentions

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SATURDAY | AUGUST 2 | 5:30PM

†Julie Clark Molloy . *M/M Dennis Murray*
 †Emil Garlewicz . *M/M Gregg Kattine*
 †Lois Lozy . *Karen Tahan & Family*
 †Michael Kayal . *Basil Kayal*

SUNDAY | AUGUST 3 | 10:00AM

†William Kattak . *30 Year Remembrance*
Wife Adrienne & Family
 †Suzan & John Kayal . *M/M Michel Gabriel*
 †William Siouffi . *M/M Raymond Yabroudy Jr.*
 †Josephine Butman . *Her Family*
 †Amira Abouhanna Al Amir . *Her Family*
 †Khalil Al Amir . *His Family*
 †Sayer Sawaged . *Wife Badia & Family*
 †Hani Haddad . *Wife Mary & Family*
 †Naim Haddad . *Wife Nelli & Family*
 †Joseph Kassis . *M/M Khamis Khamis*
 †Claude Fallaha Ullrich . *Marie Malki*
 †Elvira Tijerina . *M/M John Gorny*

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SATURDAY | AUGUST 9 | 5:30PM

†Gloria Raad . *51 Year Remembrance . The Raad Family*
 †Norman & Laurice Dikdan . *Their Daughters*
 †Valerie Balady . *Husband Bruce & Family*
 †Michael Kayal . *Wife Nadia & Family*
 †Albert & Gitta Kayal . *Nadia Kayal*
 †George & Alieh Kayal . *Nadia Kayal*
 †Lois Lozy . *M/M George Bahar*
 †Julie Clark Molloy . *Patti Tahan*

SUNDAY | AUGUST 10 | 10:00AM

George & Ghada Fallaha . *50th Wedding Anniversary . Their Family*
 †Amira Abouhanna Al Amir . *40 Day Memorial . Her Family*
 †Khalil Al Amir . *His Family*
 †Josephine Butman . *Her Family*
 †Elvira Tijerina . *M/M John Colie*
 †Georget Barousou . *Her Family*
 †William Siouffi . *M/M George Fakhoury*
 †Suzan & John Kayal . *M/M Riad Homs*
 †Sayer Sawaged . *Wife Badia & Family*
 †Hani Haddad . *Wife Mary & Family*
 †Naim Haddad . *Wife Nelli & Family*
 †Claude Fallaha Ullrich . *Micheline Ghanem*

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

DAILY READINGS . August 4-9, 2025

Transfiguration of Our Lord

MONDAY 8/4	TUESDAY 8/5	WEDNESDAY 8/6	THURSDAY 8/7	FRIDAY 8/8	SATURDAY 8/9
1 COR 11:31-34; 12:1-6 MT 18:1-11	1 COR 12:12-26 MT 18:18-22; 19:1-2; 13-15	LK 9:28-36 2 PT 1:10-19 MT 17:1-9	1 COR 14:6-19 MT 20:17-28	1 COR 14:26-40 MT 21:12-14; 17-20	ROM 14:6-9 MT 15:32-39

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.

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

FATHERS ISAAC, DALMATUS AND FAUSTUS

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 7) pg. 65

You destroyed Death by Your Cross, You opened paradise to the thief. You changed the weeping of the Myrrh-bearers, and commanded Your Apostles to proclaim that You, O Christ God, have risen granting to the world great mercy.

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

On the Mountain, You were transfigured, O Christ God; and Your disciples saw as much of Your glory as they could hold, so that when they should see You crucified, they would know that You suffered willingly and would proclaim to the world that You are verily the Splendor of the Father.

TRISAGION

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

EPISTLE: 1 CORINTHIANS 1:10-17

Prokimenon: The Lord will give strength to His people; the Lord will bless His people with peace.

Stichon: Give to the Lord, you sons of God, give to the Lord glory and praise.

A Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians:

Brethren, I beseech you, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all say the same thing, and that there be no dissensions among you, but that you be perfectly united in

one mind and one purpose. For I have been informed about you, my brethren, by those of the house of Chloe, that there are quarrels among you. Now this is what I mean: each of you says, "I am of Paul," or "I am of Apollos," or "I am of Cephas," or "I am of Christ."

Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in Paul's name? I thank God that I baptized none of you but Crispus and Caius, lest anyone should say that you were baptized in my name. I baptized also the household of Stephanas. I am not aware of having baptized anyone else. For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the Good News, not with the skill of eloquence, lest the cross of Christ be made useless.

Alleluia

It is good to give thanks to the Lord; to sing praises to your name, O Most High! .

Stichon: To proclaim your kindness at dawn and your faithfulness throughout the night.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 14:14-22

Feeding the five thousand

At that time when Jesus saw a large crowd, out of compassion for them he cured their sick. Now when it was evening, his disciples came to him, saying, "This is a desert place and the hour is already late; send the crowds away, so that they may go into the villages and buy themselves food." But Jesus said to them, "They do not need to go away; you yourselves give them some food." They answered him, "We have here only five loaves and two fishes." He said to them, "Bring them here to me." And when he had ordered the crowd to sit down on the grass, he took the five loaves and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to his disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowd. And all ate and were satisfied; and they gathered up what was left over, twelve baskets full of fragments. Now the number of those who had eaten was five thousand men, not counting women and children. And immediately afterwards he made his disciples get into the boat and cross ahead of him, while he dismissed the crowd.

HIRMOS *Hymn to the Theotokos*

It is truly right to call you blessed...

KINONIKON

Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. Alleluia!

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

We have seen the True Light...

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



We are pleased to welcome Rev. Musil Shihadeh as the new Pastor of our Community of St. Ann! We offer our gratitude to **Rev. Rezkallah Samaan**, who has served our community as *Administrator Pro Tempore* for the past seven months. We extend our best wishes to both Fr. Musil here at St. Ann and Fr. Rezkallah as he embarks on his new journey at Our Lady of Mercy Mission in Allentown, PA. **May they both find great success and fulfillment in their new roles!**

ASLEEP IN THE LORD

Please remember in your prayers the souls of **Elvira Tijerina**, mother of Teresa Colie, and **Louis Dahdah** of our parish, who went to their eternal rest recently. *May their memories be eternal.*



TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

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Vespers and Divine Liturgy.

DORMITION OF THE MOTHER OF GOD

Thursday . August 14 | 7PM

Vespers and Divine Liturgy.

TRIP UPDATE

SIGHT & SOUND THEATER TO SEE NOAH

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

For those who have paid the \$50 deposit, the final cost will be \$110 per person. For all others, the cost is \$160 per person which includes theater tickets, bus transportation and lunch. *Please send in your payment as soon as possible.* **There are still 2 seats available.**

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.

SYRIA RELIEF FUND

Bishop François is asking to assist our brothers and sisters who are suffering and in need due to the current situation in Syria. You may donate online at melkite.org/syria-relief-fund or via the parish weekly collection. Please make your checks payable to Syria Relief Fund and place it in the collection basket. *Thank you.*

THIS WEEKEND SECOND COLLECTION for St. Ann Charitable Society



SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Weekend of JULY 27, 2025

5:30pm	7 Envelopes	\$ 425.00
10:00am	42 Envelopes	1731.00
Online	39 Envelopes	1157.50
Mailed	4 Envelopes	375.00
Candles		42.00
Liturgy Stipends		855.00
Weekly Total		\$4,585.50

Total Envelopes Received: 92

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. Musil 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.**



Friday . **SEPTEMBER 5** . 6pm-10pm

SAJ (tonight only) + our *Full Menu*

Saturday . **SEPTEMBER 6** . 12pm-10pm

Sunday . **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!