

ST ANN CHURCH

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

THIS WEEK

STARTING TODAY

CHILDREN'S CRAFT CORNER
in the hall following 9am Liturgy

TUESDAY | 7PM

BIBLE STUDY in Arabic

NEXT WEEK

See back of bulletin for details

OCTOBER 19 | 1:30PM

COMMUNITY LUNCHEON

OCTOBER 21 | 7PM

BIBLE STUDY in Arabic

UPCOMING

NOVEMBER 2

FALL FEST

NOVEMBER 15

PARISH NIGHT

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 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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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.



The Word of God is not mere sound, it is the breath of Heaven, seeking a heart silent enough, broken enough, and thirsty enough to become womb for the divine.

O soul, let your depths be pierced by this holy seed, that Christ may be conceived in you, grow within you, and through your surrendered life, bring forth a harvest for eternity.

October 12, 2025
FATHERS OF THE SECOND COUNCIL OF NICEA

PROKIMENON *Blessed are you, O Lord, God of our fathers,
and Your name is worthy of praise and glorious forever.*

Titus 3:8-15 | Luke 8:5-15

Intentions

FATHERS OF THE SECOND COUNCIL OF NICEA

SATURDAY | OCTOBER 11 | 5:30PM

†Nellie Baram Sheber . *Birthday Remembrance* .
M/M Charles Cathcart
†Lois Lozy . *Yvonne Cantisano*
†Julie Clark Molloy . *M/M Dennis Murray*
†Louis Dahdah . *M/M Elias Hamway*

SUNDAY | OCTOBER 12 | 9:00AM

†Mary Tahan . *Her Family*
†William Siouffi . *M/M Charles Gleason*
†George & Alieh Kayal . *Basil Kayal*
†Suzan & John Kayal . *M/M George Massola*
†Isabel Fierravanti . *M/M John Colie*

SUNDAY | OCTOBER 12 | 11:30AM

†Mayla Gabriel Sabah . *Parents, Michel & Maha Gabriel*
†Youssef Kozhaya . *M/M Abboud Batikha*
†Sayer Sawaged . *Wife Badia & Family*
†Hani Haddad . *Wife Mary & Family*
†Naim Haddad . *Wife Nelli & Family*
†Amira Abouhanna Al Amir . *Her Family*
†Rana Al Amir Haddad . *Al Amir Family*
†Khalil Al Amir . *His Family*
†Badie Samy Habib . *Daughter, Evette Habib*
†Claude Fallaha Ullrich . *Marie Sara*
†Josephine Butman . *M/M Riad Homsi*
†John Baladi . *M/M George Dahdah*

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS

SATURDAY | OCTOBER 18 | 5:30PM

†Yvonne Obeji . *31 Year & Birthday Remembrance* .
M/M Michael Massood & Family
†Norman & Laurice Dikdan . *Their Daughters*
†Lois Lozy . *Dr/M George Ajjan*
†Philip Eid . *M/M Charles Cathcart*
†Julie Clark Molloy . *M/M Dennis Murray*
†Louis Dahdah . *Adrianne Kattak*

SUNDAY | OCTOBER 19 | 9:00AM

†Rt. Rev. Romanos Russo . *M/M John Colie*
†Emelie Ajia . *Birthday Remembrance . Her Family*
†Mary Tahan . *Her Family*
†William Siouffi . *M/M Joseph Rowek*
†Suzan & John Kayal . *M/M George Massola*
†Youssef Kozhaya . *M/M John Gorny*

SUNDAY | OCTOBER 19 | 11:30AM

†Albert Anthony Kayal . *Birthday Remembrance* .
Parents, George & Fadia Kayal
†Sandra Kayal Piscotta . *Parents, George & Fadia Kayal*
†Hani Haddad . *Wife Mary & Family*
†Naim Haddad . *Wife Nelli & Family*
†Amira Abouhanna Al Amir . *Her Family*
†Rana Al Amir Haddad . *Al Amir Family*
†Khalil Al Amir . *His Family*
†Claude Fallaha Ullrich . *Juliette Sara*
†Josephine Butman . *M/M Michel Gabriel*
†John Baladi . *M/M Bashar Katat*

IN OUR PRAYERS

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

Robert Baskinger
Susan Brigida

Dolores Fritz
Mark Frommer

Charles Gleason
Laurice Kayal

Mona Mardelli
Joyce Neuss

Marlene Baskinger Rodgers
Debra Payne Wierciszewski

DAILY READINGS . October 13-18, 2025

MONDAY 10/13

PHIL 1:1-7
LK 7:36-50

TUESDAY 10/14

PHIL 1:8-14
LK 8:1-3

WEDNESDAY 10/15

PHIL 1:12-19
LK 8:22-25

THURSDAY 10/16

PHIL 1:20-27
LK 9:7-11

FRIDAY 10/17

PHIL 1:27-30; 2:1-4
LK 9:12-18

SATURDAY 10/18

COL 4:5-11; 14-18
LK 10:16-22

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 THE HOLY CROSS

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

FIRST ANTIPHON pg. 15

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

1. Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth; sing praise to His name!

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

2. Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! So great is Your power that Your enemies cringe before You!"

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

3. "Let all the earth worship You and sing praises to You; let it sing praises to Your name, O Most High!"

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

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 FATHERS (Tone 8)

O Christ our God, you are infinitely glorified for You established our fathers as radiant stars on earth. Through them, you led us to the true faith. 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 (Tone 2)

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

EPISTLE: TITUS 3:8-15

Prokimenon: Blessed are you, O Lord, God of our fathers, and your name is worthy of praise and glorious forever.

Stichon: For you are just in all you have done to us, and all your works are true and your ways right.

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

GOSPEL: LUKE 8: 5-15

Parable of the Sower

THE Lord told this parable: "The Sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some seed fell by the wayside and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air ate it up. And other seed fell upon the rock, and as soon as it had sprung up it withered away, because it had no moisture. And other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it and choked it. And other seed fell upon good ground, and sprang up and yielded fruit a hundred-fold." As he said these things he cried out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear!" But his disciples then began to ask him what this parable meant. He said to them, "To you it is given to know the mystery of the kingdom of God, but to the rest in parables, that 'Seeing, they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.' Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. And those by the wayside are they who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their heart, that they may not believe and be saved. Now those upon the rock are they who, when they have heard, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, but believe for a while, and in time of temptation fall away. And that which fell among the thorns, these are they who have heard, and as they go their way are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not ripen. But that upon good ground, these are they who, with a right and good heart, having heard the word, hold it fast, and bear fruit in patience." When he had said this, he cried out "He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

HIRMOS *Hymn to the Theotokos*

It is truly right to call you blessed...

KINONIKON

I will take the chalice of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord. Alleluia!

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

We have seen the True Light...

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASLEEP IN THE LORD

Please remember in your prayers the soul of **Michael Sayeg**, who went to his eternal rest last week. He is the brother of Lillian & Elaine Sayeg. *Memory Eternal.*



HOLY MYSTERIES OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Baptism, Chrismation & Eucharist



Congratulations to **Xavier Joseph Roman**,

son of Felix & Diana (Homsi) DeJesus Roman, who received these sacraments last week.

STAY CONNECTED!

Not receiving texts or emails from us?

Text the word **FRMUSIL** to 84576 or connect with us online at: saintannmelkite.flocknote.com.

If you have stopped receiving our emails, please go to the flocknote address above or email us at: stann.woodlandpark@melkite.org.

Do you want to join the Whatsapp Group?

Text Fr. Musil 630.209.9834, Fr. Sayed 857.203.1034, Bashar Katat 480.589.8909 or Doreen Pierson 973.800.2643 to be added!

NOT A REGISTERED PARISHIONER?

Call the Parish Office at 973.785.4144 to register!

We require your name, family members, address, phone number, email, and additional information to enroll you in our offering envelope system. If you are not receiving parish envelopes, you are not registered. We encourage all families, seniors, and post-college singles attending St. Ann to register as parish members to be eligible for marriage, baptisms, and Religious Education registration.

OUR CHARITABLE SOCIETY CAN HELP

Do you or someone you know need assistance? If so, please contact Fr. Musil at 973.785.4144, Fr. Sayed at 857.203.1034 or Fr. Choukri at 914.510.4415. *All inquiries are confidential!*

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Weekend of OCTOBER 5, 2025

5:30pm	20 Envelopes	\$ 854.00
9:00am	15 Envelopes	953.00
11:30am	18 Envelopes	927.00
Online	43 Envelopes	2442.50
Mailed	7 Envelopes	525.00
Candles		60.00
Liturgy Stipends		740.00
Weekly Total		\$6,501.50
Total Envelopes Received: 103		

GIVE YOUR SUNDAY OFFERING ONLINE!

Go to saintannmelkite.com and click on online giving.

CHILDREN'S CRAFT CORNER

Beginning this week there will a Children's Craft Corner following the 9am Divine Liturgy for those children not attending Religious Ed Classes.

SECRET SANTA

The Charitable Society is seeking monetary donations to purchase Christmas gifts for needy children. Please make checks payable to St. Ann Charitable Society and mail to the rectory or contact Barbara Fierravanti at 973.626.0055.

YOUR PASTORS WANT TO VISIT YOU!

Fr. Musil and Fr. Sayed would like to meet all of their parishioners. If you would like Fr. Musil and/or Fr. Sayed to visit your homes, please call them directly. Note: due to allergies, please let them know of pets in your homes. Fr. Musil 630.209.9834; Fr. Sayed 857.203.1034

2025 MELKITE PASTORAL APPEAL

This year's Appeal (formerly the Bishop's Appeal) has been mailed to your homes. If you did not receive it, materials can be found in the Narthex. All checks and online donations dated before December 31st will receive a tax letter form for 2025. All donations dated after December 31st will receive a 2026 tax form. Thank you for your generosity and support.

THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2025 | 7PM

BIBLE STUDY in ARABIC

Fr. Sayed will hold a Bible Study class in Arabic every 2nd - 4th Tuesday.,

NEXT WEEK

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2025 | 7PM

BIBLE STUDY in ARABIC

Fr. Sayed will lead a bible study class in Arabic.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2025 | 1:30PM

COMMUNITY LUNCHEON

Mezza . Lunch . Dessert

\$20 adults . \$10 children (ages 4-10)

Scan the QR code to reserve and pay, or contact: Nellie Cathcart 973.610.8036 or Lena Batikha 973.303.5232.

RSVP no later than Sunday, October 12th.

