

# ST ANN CHURCH

A Parish Community of the Melkite  
Greek Catholic Eparchy of Newton

## THIS WEEK

ALL LITURGIES

**SECOND COLLECTION for  
WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**

TODAY | 12:30PM

**SAMY MEETING and BIBLE STUDY**

TUESDAY | 7PM

**ARABIC BIBLE STUDY in the hall**

## NEXT WEEK

*See back of bulletin for details*

NOVEMBER 2 | 4-8PM

**FALL FEST**

*Reservation information on back*

NOVEMBER 4 | 7PM

**ENGLISH BIBLE STUDY in the hall**

NOVEMBER 5 | 7PM

**VESPERS followed by PARISH  
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**

## 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

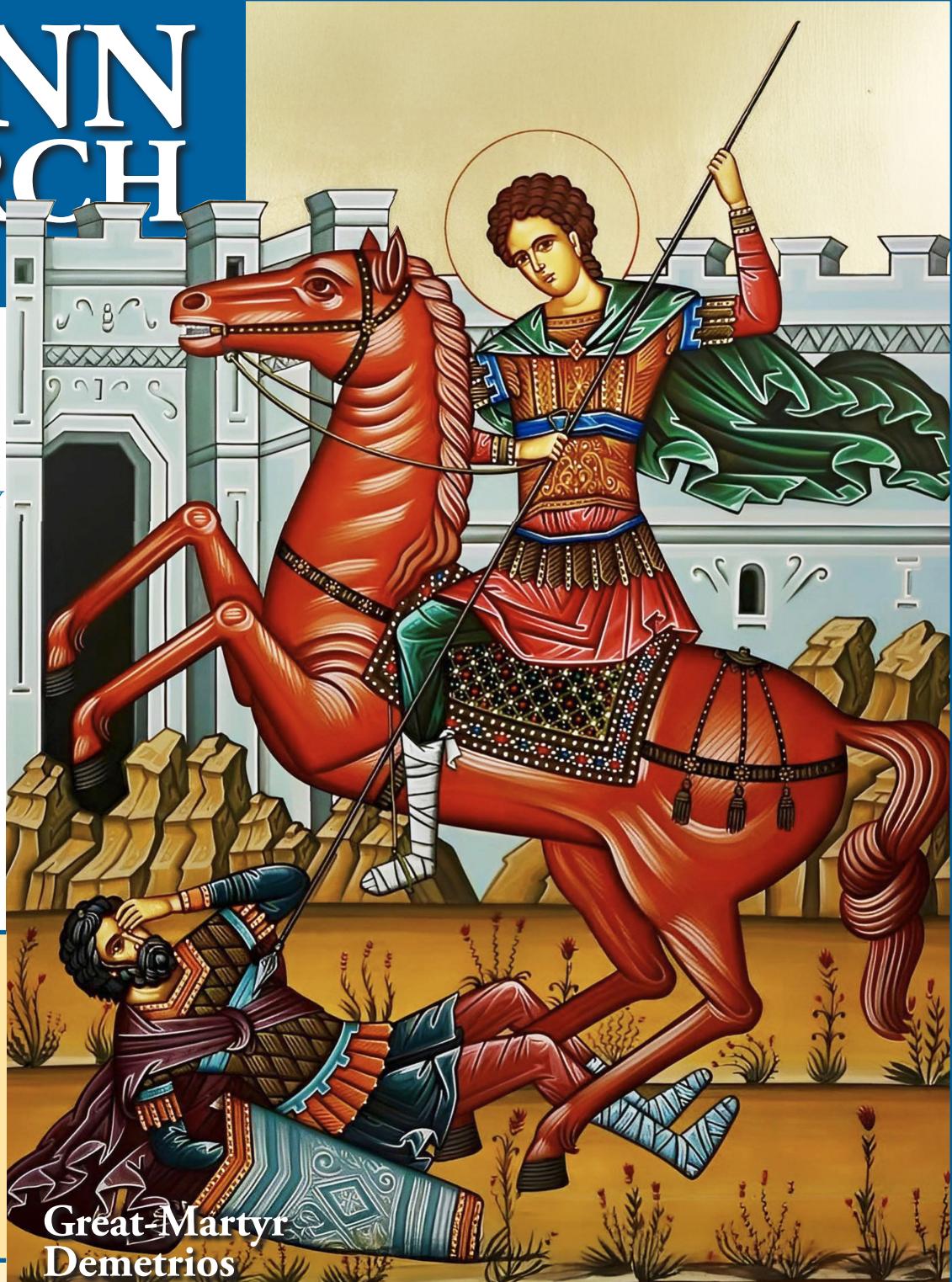
### **Our Community is Served By:**

Rev Musil Shihadeh | Pastor  
Rev Sayed Kozhaya | Parochial Vicar  
Rev Choukri Sabbagh  
Rev Archdeacon Edward Bsarany  
Rev Deacon Roland Basinski  
Rev Deacon Robert Shalhoub

802 Rifle Camp Road  
Woodland Park NJ 07424  
973.785.4144 office/rectory

email: [StAnn.WoodlandPark@melkite.org](mailto:StAnn.WoodlandPark@melkite.org)  
[saintannmelkite.com](http://saintannmelkite.com)

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.



*Even when our souls are shackled by darkness and wandering in the wilderness of sin, Christ's presence pierces the shadows, breaking every chain, restoring the garment of grace, and awakening the heart to the eternal life for which it was made.*

*Let us, with trembling trust, surrender ourselves wholly, offering every fragment of our being as a vessel for His Spirit, that through us His mercy may shine into the world, and our lives become living testimonies of His boundless love.*

**October 26, 2025**

**SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS**

**PROKIMENON** *The just shall rejoice in the Lord and place his hope in him.  
All those with an upright heart shall be praised.*

**2 Timothy: 2:1-10 | Luke 8:27-39**

# Intentions

## SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS

### SATURDAY | OCTOBER 25 | 5:30PM

†Ella Natterer . Elizabeth Kattak  
†Lois Lozy . M/M Michael Massood  
†Julie Clark Molloy . M/M Lawrence Margolis  
†Louis Dahdah . M/M Eamon Doherty

### SUNDAY | OCTOBER 26 | 9:00AM

†Edmond & Georgette Haddad . Anniversary  
George & Ginette Jalinos & Family  
†Nasri & Lily Jalinos . Anniversary  
George & Ginette Jalinos & Family  
†George Haddad . Anniversary . His Children  
†William Siouffi . Dolores Joseph  
†Valerie Balady . Husband Bruce & Family  
†Suzan & John Kayal . M/M Nabil Alain  
†Mary Tahan . Her Family  
†Youssef Kozhaya . M/M Joseph Stambuli

### SUNDAY | OCTOBER 26 | 11:30AM

†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  
†Claude Fallaha Ullrich . Marie Sara  
†Josephine Butman . M/M Joseph Zaroura  
†John Baladi . Micheline Ghanem  
†Dr. Maximos Kilo . M/M Joseph Kayal

## FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS

### SATURDAY | NOVEMBER 1 | 5:30PM

†Norman & Laurice Dikdan . Their Daughters  
†Lois Lozy . M/M Joseph Vernieri  
†Julie Clark Molloy . M/M Dennis Murray  
†Louis Dahdah . Samira Fakhoury

### SUNDAY | NOVEMBER 2 | 9:00AM

†William Siouffi . M/M Karim Kasper  
†Mary Tahan . Her Family  
†Lois Tobjy . M/M David Flower  
†Suzan & John Kayal . M/M George Massola

### SUNDAY | NOVEMBER 2 | 11:30AM

†Sayer Sawaged . Wife Badia & Family  
†Hani Haddad . Wife Mary & Family  
†Naim Haddad . Wife Nelli & Family  
†Amira Abouhanna Al Amir . Aida Azzu  
†Rana Al Amir Haddad . Aida Azzu  
†Khalil Al Amir . His Family  
†Claude Fallaha Ullrich . Juliette Sara  
†Josephine Butman . M/M John Gorny  
†John Baladi . M/M Norman Khawam

### 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!

## IN OUR PRAYERS

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

Robert Baskinger	Dolores Fritz	Charles Gleason	Mona Mardelli	Marlene Baskinger Rodgers
Susan Brigida	Mark Frommer	Laurice Kayal	Joyce Neuss	Debra Payne Wierciszewski

## DAILY READINGS . October 27-November 1, 2025

### MONDAY 10/27

PHIL 4:10-23  
LK 10:22-24

### TUESDAY 10/28

COL 1:1-11  
LK 11:1-10

### WEDNESDAY 10/29

COL 1:18-23  
LK 11:9-13

### THURSDAY 10/30

COL 1:24-29; 2:1  
LK 11:14-23

### FRIDAY 10/31

COL 2:1-7  
LK 11:23-26

### SATURDAY 11/1

1 COR 12:27-31; 13:1-7  
MT 10:1; 5-8

### 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.

# SIXTH 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 3) pg. 61

Let all in heaven rejoice, and all on earth be glad, for the Lord has exerted power with His arm, by death He has trampled upon death, and has become the first-born of the dead. He has delivered us from the bosom of Hades and has granted to the world great mercy.

### TROPARION OF EARTHQUAKE (Tone 8)

O Christ our God, who look upon the earth, and it quakes: deliver us from the dreadful menace of earthquakes, and send down upon us Your abundant mercy through the intercession of the Mother of God, for You are the only Lover of Mankind.

### TROPARION OF DEMETRIOS (Tone 3)

O victorious Demetrios, you were given to the world as a powerful protector against dangers and invincible soldier of Christ. As you inspired Nestor to overcome the pride of Lyaios, so intercede with Christ God that He may grant us His 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.

### KONAKION (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: 2 TIMOTHY 2:1-10

**Prokimenon:** The just shall rejoice in the Lord and place his hope in him. All those with an upright heart shall be praised.

*Stichon:* O God, hear my voice when I pray to you; save my life from the dreadful enemy.

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

My son Timothy, be strengthened in the grace which is in Christ Jesus; and the things you have heard from me through many witnesses, commend to trustworthy men who shall be competent in turn to teach others. Conduct yourself in work as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. No one serving as God's soldier entangles himself in worldly affairs, so that he may please the one whose approval he has obtained. And again, one who enters a contest is not crowned unless he has competed according to the rules. The farmer who toils must be the first to partake of the fruit. Take in what I tell you, for the Lord will give you understanding in all things. Remember that Jesus Christ rose from the dead and was a descendant of David; this is my Good News in which I suffer even to the point of being chained as a criminal. But God's word is not bound. This is why I bear all things for the sake of the elect, that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, together with eternal glory.

### Alleluia

The just shall bloom like the palm tree; he shall grow like the cedar of Lebanon.

*Stichon:* Those who are planted in the Lord's house shall flourish in the courts of our God.

### GOSPEL: LUKE 8:27-39

At that time when Jesus came to the country of the Gerasenes there met Him a certain man who for a long time was possessed by a devil, and wore no clothes, and lived in the tombs, not in a house. And when he saw Jesus, he fell down before Him, and crying out with a loud voice said, "What have I to do with Thee, Jesus, Son of the most high God? I pray Thee, do not torment me." For he was charging the unclean spirit to go forth from the man. For many times it had laid hold of him; and he was bound with chains and fetters, and kept under guard, but he would break the bonds asunder, and be driven by the devil into the deserts. And Jesus asked him, saying, "What is thy name?" And he said, "Legion," because many devils had entered into him. And they entreated Him not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a herd of many swine was there, feeding on the mountainside. And they kept entreating Him to give them leave to enter into them. And He gave them leave. And the devils came out from the man and entered into the swine; and the herd rushed down the cliff into the lake and were drowned. And when the swineherds saw what had happened, they fled and reported it in the town and in the country; and people came out to see what had happened. And they came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the devils had gone out sitting at His feet, clothed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. And those also who had seen it reported to them how he had been saved from Legion. And all the people of the Gerasene district besought Him to depart from them; for they were seized with great fear. And He got into a boat and went back. But the man from whom the devils had gone out prayed Him that he might remain with Him. But Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to thy house, and tell all that God has done for thee." And he departed, proclaiming throughout the whole town all that Jesus had done for him.

### HIRMOS Hymn to the Theotokos pg. 42

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

### KINONIKON (pg. 50) Praise the Lord from the Heavens...

### POST-COMMUNION (pg. 52) We have seen the True Light...

# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THIS WEEK

**TODAY** | 12:30PM . **SAMY MEETING and BIBLE STUDY**

**TUESDAY** | 7PM . **ARABIC BIBLE STUDY in the hall**

## NEXT WEEK

**NOVEMBER 2** | 4-8PM . **FALL FEST**

**NOVEMBER 4** | 7PM . **ENGLISH BIBLE STUDY in the hall**

**NOVEMBER 5** | 7PM . **VESPERS followed by the PARISH ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**

**THIS WEEKEND**  
**SECOND COLLECTION**  
*for World Mission Sunday*



## STAY CONNECTED!

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

Email us at:

**stann.woodlandpark@melkite.org**.

*Join the Whatsapp Group.*

Text Fr. Musil 630.209.9834, Fr. Sayed 857.203.1034, or Bashar Katat 480.589.8909.

## 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.

## SACRIFICIAL GIVING

### **Weekend of OCTOBER 19, 2025**

5:30pm	17 Envelopes	\$ 879.00
9:00am	22 Envelopes	1395.00
11:30am	21 Envelopes	935.00
Online	40 Envelopes	2177.00
Mailed	8 Envelopes	1550.00
Candles		133.00
Coffee Hour		200.00
<b>Weekly Total</b>		<b>\$7,269.00</b>

Total Envelopes Received: 108

## GIVE YOUR SUNDAY OFFERING ONLINE!

Go to [saintannmelkite.com](http://saintannmelkite.com) and click on online giving.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2025 | 11:30AM**  
**YOUSSEF KOZHAYA 40-DAY MEMORIAL**

Bishop François Beyrouti will celebrate the Divine Liturgy at St. Demitrius Melkite Catholic Church. We invite you to join us in prayer for the soul of Youssef Kozhaya, father of Fr. Sayed Kozhaya.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2025 | 4-8PM**  
**FALL FEST**

Adults \$25 / Children 2-10 \$15. Scan the QR code to reserve and pay, or contact: Mirna Katat 201.410.4216 or Nellie Cathcart 973.610.8036. RSVP deadline is TODAY!



**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2025 | 5PM LITURGY**  
**PARISH NIGHT**

Parish Night begins with Divine Liturgy at 5pm, followed by a General Assembly meeting, video presentation and lite supper in the church hall. There is no charge, but reservations are required. Scan the QR code to reserve your seats. For in person reservations, call Julie Thalab 929.888.0880 or Debra Gorny 973.919.4571.



**PARISH NIGHT VIDEO.** Dr. George Ajjan is creating a video for parish night. If you were married, celebrated an anniversary or had a child baptized at St. Ann in 2023-25, he is asking for photos of the events. Please email them to [ajjan501@gmail.com](mailto:ajjan501@gmail.com) by Friday, November 7th.

## CHILDREN'S CRAFT CORNER

There will a Children's Craft Corner following the 9am Divine Liturgy for those children not attending Religious Ed Class.

## 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 has been mailed to your homes or find materials in the Narthex. Checks and online donations dated before December 31st will receive a 2025 tax letter form. Donations dated after that date will receive a 2026 tax form.