ST ANN CHURCH

A Parish Community of the Melkite Greek Catholic Eparchy of Newton

THIS WEEK

Sunday . November 8
MAYA MEETING

Monday . November 9 | 7pm
CHARITABLE SOCIETY MEETING

Tuesday . November 10 | 7pm
ARABIC BIBLE STUDY

Thursday . November 12 | 7pm
DIVINE LITURGY IN ENGLISH

Saturday . November 14
PARISH NIGHT
Divine Liturgy is at 5pm

NEXT WEEK

Sunday . November 15
SAMY BIBLE STUDY/MEETING

Monday . November 16 | 7pm
ENGLISH BIBLE STUDY
The Liturgy of the Word

Friday . November 20 | 6pm
Feast of the Presentation
VESPERS/DIVINE LITURGY
Followed by Family Fun Night
See back of bulletin for details

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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Archangels Michael and Gabriel

The mystery of divine grace is revealed in Christ, who enters the depths of our brokenness, not to be overcome by our impurity, but to transfigure us through His holiness. His presence restores the divine image disfigured by sin and awakens the soul from the death of sin to the fullness of life in God. Thus, the greatest miracle is not merely the healing of our wounds, but the transformation of our entire being into a dwelling place of divine grace. For Christ does not simply restore what sin has destroyed; He leads us beyond our former selves, fulfilling in us the very purpose for which we were created: communion with God and participation in His divine life.

November 8, 2026

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS

Hebrews 2:2-10 | Luke 8:41-56

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 THE HOLY CROSS

Saturday | NOVEMBER 7 | 5:30pm

†Patricia Galizio . *40 Day Memorial* . *Her Family*
†Fr. Martin Hyatt B.S.O. . *Paul Harraka*
†Alex Tickey . *Wife Joan & Family*
†Lois Lozy . *M/M Eugene Wawrzyniak*
†Tony Najjar . *M/M Charles McAuley*
†Fr. Edward Kakaty . *St. Ann Community*

Sunday | NOVEMBER 8 | 9:00am

†Lorice Zelhof . *3 Year Remembrance* . *Her Family*
†Michael Barbary . *His Family*
†Peter & Kathleen Carlisle . *M/M Mark Stuczynski*
†Mary Tahan . *M/M Gabe Raad*
†Shirley Bluemer . *Samira Fakhoury*
†Henry Raad . *M/M Steven Sous*
†Fr. Edward Kakaty . *St. Ann Community*

Sunday | NOVEMBER 8 | 11:30am

†Elias Sawaf . *Nadia Kayal*
†Sayer Sawaged . *Wife Badia & Family*
†Hani Haddad . *Wife Mary & Family*
†Bassima Khalifah Antun . *Dr/M Hani Khoury*
†Georget Barouisou . *Her Family*
†Fr. Edward Kakaty . *St. Ann Community*

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS

Saturday | NOVEMBER 14 | 5:00pm

†Lucille Bsales . *5 Year Remembrance* . *Husband Raymond*
†John & Gloria Focazio . *Their Children*
†Norman & Laurice Dikdan . *Their Daughters*
†Lois Lozy . *Cathcart Family*
†Alex Tickey . *Wife Joan & Family*
†Tony Najjar . *M/M Ramez Awad*

Sunday | NOVEMBER 15 | 9:00am

†Nassri & Lily Jalinos . *M/M George Jalinos*
†Edmond & Georgette Haddad . *M/M George Jalinos*
†George Haddad . *M/M George Jalinos*
†Michael Barbary . *His Family*
†Mary Tahan . *William Hayek & Family*
†Kathleen Carlisle . *M/M Boutros Haddad*
†Shirley Bluemer . *M/M Joseph Piros*
†Henry Raad . *M/M Joe Rowek*

Sunday | NOVEMBER 15 | 11:30am

†Albert Anthony Kayal . *Anniversary* . *Parents, George & Fadia Kayal*
†Sandra Piscotta . *Parents, George & Fadia Kayal*
†Nadia Hayek . *The Rosario Family*
†Elias Sawaf . *Barbara Berlin*
†Sayer Sawaged . *Wife Badia & Family*
†Hani Haddad . *Wife Mary & Family*
†Bassima Khalifah Antun . *M/M Michel Gabriel*

IN OUR PRAYERS

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

Robert Baskinger	Andrew Friedman	Charles Gleason	Mona Mardelli	Zaki John Saoud	Debra Payne Wierciszewski
William Bsarany	Dolores Fritz	Robert Gorayeb	Joyce Neuss	Gabriel Sinki	Donna Yuppa
Andre Fakhoury	Mark Frommer	Kelly Jackson	Matthew Orsinsi	Injured of St. George Church Attack	

DAILY READINGS . November 9-14, 2026

MONDAY 11/9	TUESDAY 11/10	WEDNESDAY 11/11	THURSDAY 11/12	FRIDAY 11/13	SATURDAY 11/14
2 THES 1:1-10 LK 12:13-15; 22-31	2 THES 1:10-12; 2:1-2 LK 12:42-48	2 THES 2:1-12 LK 12:48-59	2 THES 2:13-17; 3:1-5 LK 13:1-9	JN 10:1-9 HEB 7:26-28; 8:1-2 JN 10:9-16	ACTS 8:26-39 JN 1:43-51

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 THE HOLY CROSS

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

FIRST ANTIPHON *pg. 15*

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 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 THE HOLY ARCHANGELS *Tone 4*

Captains and Leaders of the armies of heaven, unworthy as we are, we beseech you without cease to surround us with your intercessions and cover us beneath the shelter of the glory of your ethereal wings. We bend out knee and cry out with perseverance: "Deliver us from danger, O Princes of the Powers on high!"

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 OF THE PRESENTATION *Tone 4, pg. 153*

The most pure Temple of our Holy Savior, and the most precious and bright bridal chamber, the Virgin, sacred treasury of the glory of God openly appears today in the Temple of the Lord, bringing with her the grace of the Most Holy Spirit. Wherefore the angels of God are singing: "This is the heavenly tabernacle!"

TRISAGION *pg. 25*

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

EPISTLE: Hebrews 2:2-10

Prokimenon: You make spirits your messengers and flaming fires you attendants.

Stichon: Bless the Lord, O my soul! May all that is in me bless his holy name!

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

BRETHREN, if the word spoken by angels proved to be valid, and every transgression and disobedience a just punishment, how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation? For it was first announced by the Lord and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him; God also, according to His own will, bearing them witness by signs and wonders, and by manifold powers, and by imparting of the Holy Spirit. For He has not subjected to angels the world to come, of which we speak. Rather, someone has testified somewhere, saying: What is man that You are mindful of him, or the son of man that You visit him. You have made him a little lower than the angels, You have crowned him with glory and honor, and have set him over the works of Your hands, You have put all things under his feet (Ps. 8: 5-8). For in subjecting all things to men, He left nothing that is not subject to Him. But now we do not see as yet all things subject to Him. But we do see Him who was made a little lower than the angels, namely, Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of His having suffered death, that by the grace of God He might taste death for all. For it was fitting of the One for Whose sake all things were made and through Whom all things exist, Who had brought many sons into glory, that He perfect through sufferings the very author of their salvation.

Alleluia

Give praise to the Lord from the heavens, give praise to Him in the heights!

Stichon: Praise Him, all you His angels, praise Him, all you, His powers!

GOSPEL: Luke 8:41-56

AT that time behold, there came a man named Jairus to Jesus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at the feet of Jesus, he entreated him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter about twelve years of age, and she was dying. And it happened as he went that he was pressed upon by the crowds. And a certain woman who for twelve years had had a hemorrhage, and had spent all her means on physicians, but could not be cured by anyone, came up behind him and touched the tassel of his cloak; and at once her hemorrhage ceased. And Jesus said, "Who touched me? But as all were denying it, Peter, and those who were with him, said, "Master, the crowds surround you and press in on you, and you ask 'Who touched me?" But Jesus said, "Someone touched me; for I perceived that power had gone forth from me." But the woman, seeing that she had not escaped notice, came up trembling, and falling down at his feet, declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been healed instantly. And he said to her, "Daughter, thy faith has saved thee; go in peace." While he was yet speaking, there came one from the house of the ruler of the synagogue, saying to him, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble him." But Jesus on hearing this word answered the father of the girl, "Do not be afraid; only have faith and she shall be saved." And when he came to the house, he allowed no one to enter with him, except Peter and James and John, and the girl's father and mother. And all were weeping and mourning for her. But he said, "Do not weep; she is asleep, not dead." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But he, taking her by the hand, cried out, saying, "Girl, arise! "And her spirit returned, and she rose up immediately. And he directed that something be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed, but he charged them to tell no one what had happened.

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

HOLY MYSTERIES OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION



Baptism, Chrismation & Eucharist

Congratulations to **Westley Daniel Suseck**, son of Daniel & Jessica (Batinjane) Suseck, who received these sacraments last week.

HOLY MYSTERY OF CROWNING



Congratulations to **Stiven & Joyce (Feliciano Cruz) Romhin**, 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.

PARISH NIGHT

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2026

Join us for Divine Liturgy at 5pm, followed by a General Assembly, video presentation and light supper. Free admission. **Reservations required by Sunday, November 8 at 3pm.** Scan the QR code or call Lena Batikha at 973.303.5232 or Julie Thalab at 929.888.0880 to reserve.

PARISH NIGHT Q&A

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2026

Parish Night begins with Divine Liturgy at 5pm. Have a question about our parish? Scan the QR code to submit it in advance of the General Assembly. Questions will be addressed by our Clergy or appropriate Parish Council. ***Questions must be submitted by Wednesday, November 11th.***

TURKEY DRIVE

Frozen turkeys are being collected for Catholic Charities and should be placed in the freezer any Sunday. **November 22nd after the 9am liturgy is the final day of collection.**

CLOTHING DRIVE

Please drop off new and gently worn clothing for Catholic Charities outside of the Sunday School office. **Sunday, November 22nd after the 9am liturgy is the final day of collection.**

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Weekend of NOVEMBER 1, 2026

5:30pm	9 Envelopes	$ 215.00
9:00am	31 Envelopes	2054.00
11:30am	33 Envelopes	1278.00
Mailed	7 Envelopes	585.00
Online	56 Envelopes	2510.00
Candles		74.00
Maintenance Repairs		252.00
Weekly Total		**$6,968.00**

Total Envelopes Received: 136

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

GIVE YOUR SUNDAY OFFERING ONLINE!

Go to saintannmelkite.com and click on online giving.

PASTORAL APPEAL PREPARING THOSE CALLED TO SERVE

"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few..." (Matthew 9:37

When a man answers God's call to the priesthood or diaconate, he begins a journey that requires years of preparation. Through the Pastoral Appeal, we share in that responsibility, helping prepare the men who will one day serve our parishes. **MELKITE.ORG**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FUN AT TUMBLENASIUM GYM

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2026

Located in Totowa, NJ, this event is open to all registered PreK-3rd Grade Students. Space is limited. Scan the QR code for times and to register.

ENTRANCE OF THE MOTHER OF GOD *followed by* FAMILY FUN NIGHT

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20 | 6PM

Vespers/Divine Liturgy as we celebrate the Entrance of the Mother of God into the Temple followed by Family Fun Night. **$5 per person.** Let us know you are coming, **call Mirna Katat 201-410-4216 or Bashar Katat 480-589-8909.**

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 contract Barbara Fierravanti at 973.626.0055.

NEW YEAR'S EVE GALA

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31 | 8:30PM

Music provided by Kalem Issa & Band, and DJ AJ. Tickets are $125 per adult and $85 per child ages 4-10 and will include Mazza, Dinner, Dessert. Cash Bar (No BYOB). **For reservations call Nabil Alain 973.930.9794, Bashar Katat 480.589.8909 or Maya Bittar 862.226.8979.**

ARE YOU A REGISTERED PARISHIONER?

If you are not currently receiving parish envelopes, you are not registered as a parishioner. Call the Parish Office at 973.785.4144 to register or confirm your registration.

OUR CHARITABLE SOCIETY CAN HELP

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