



SAINT ANTHONY MARONITE CHURCH

A Parish Family of the Eparchy of St. Maron of Brooklyn, NY

كنيسة مار أنطونيوس المارونية

January 14, 2018

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OFFICE HOURS

M-TH: 9 AM - 4PM

Friday: Office is Closed

Saturdays: By Appointment

LITURGIES

Daily Liturgies:

M & W: 9 AM

T & TH: 7 PM

Weekend Liturgies:

Saturday

Vigil Liturgy @ 4 PM

Sunday Liturgies:

8:30 AM - Arabic

9:30 AM - English

11:30 AM - English & Arabic

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Vigil Liturgy @ 7 PM

Feast Day @ 9 AM

Sacraments of

Baptism & Confirmation

1 month in advance with the Pastor

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples should make arrangements
six months prior to the wedding date

Sacrament of

Reconciliation

One hour Before Thursday &

Saturday Liturgies,

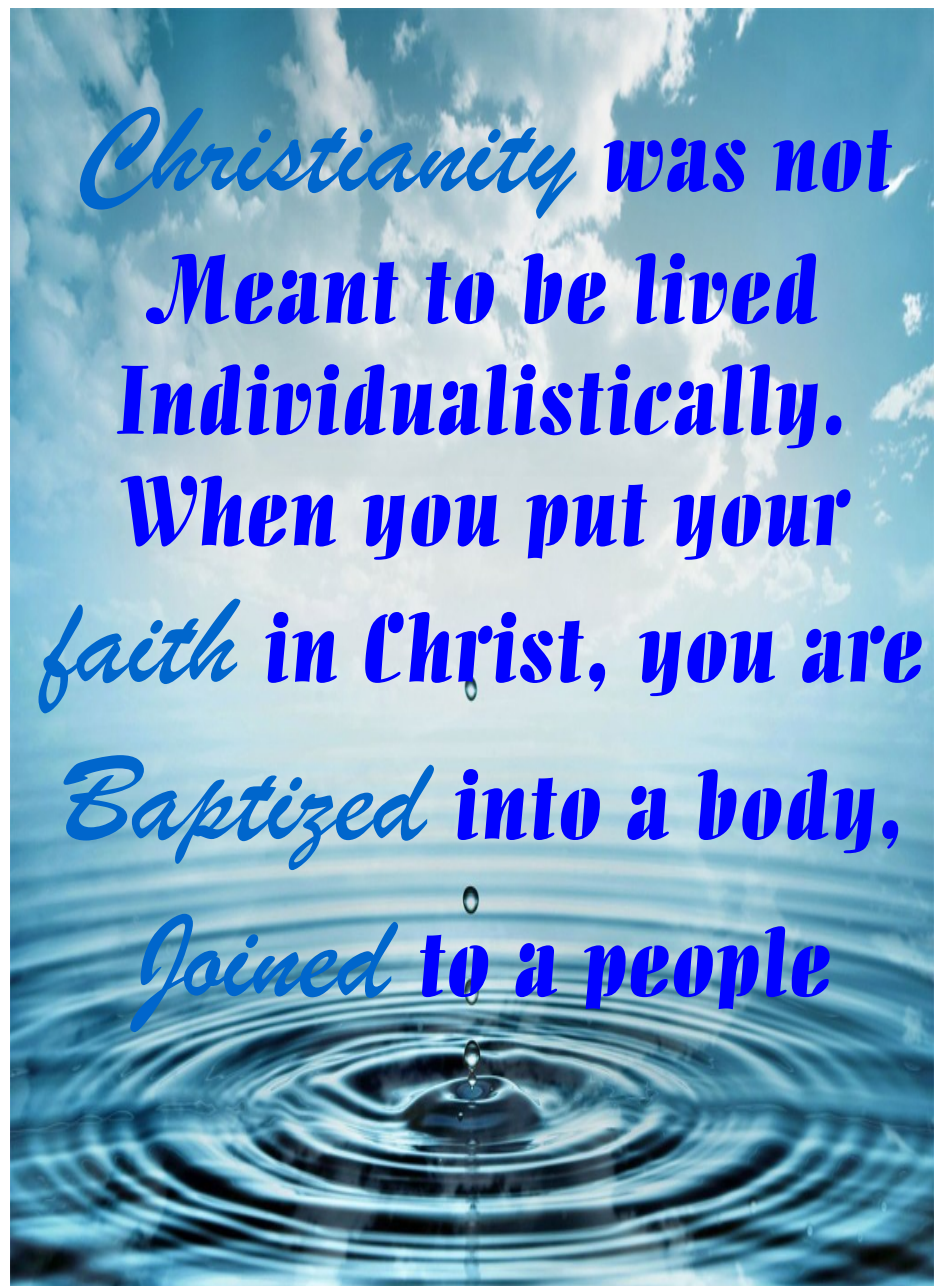
or by appointment

Anointing of the Sick

Please notify the Rectory if a
member of your family is ill,
hospitalized, or unable to come to
Church and would like to receive
communion at home

Please refer to our website for more
Sacrament Celebrations Guidelines

Epiphany of Our Lord !!!!



Facebook: Saint Anthony Maronite Church Lawrence, MA



Liturgies Intentions



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Parish Ministries

♦ Religious Education

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♦ Publishing: Bulletin

bulletin@stanthonylawrence.org

♦ Choirs (English, Arabic & Syriac)

♦ Kids Choir

♦ Knights of the Altar

♦ Knights of Mary

♦ Maronite Youth : MYO

♦ Maronite Young Adults

♦ Bereavement Ministry

♦ Cenacle of the Rosary
(Thursdays @ 6PM)

♦ Cenacle of Divine Mercy
(Sundays Before the Liturgies)

♦ Sacristan (s)

2nd Sunday of Epiphany

الأحد الثاني - ألدنح المجد

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|---------------------------------|-----------------|---|
| Saturday, January 13 | 4:00 PM | Private Intentions |
| Sunday, January 14 | 8:30AM | For: 1st Anniversary—Chukri Awil, his wife, Nadia, and Salma Awil By their daughter, Mona, wife of Mr. Youssef Khoder and Family |
| | 9:30AM | Private Intentions |
| | 11:30 AM | For: 1st Anniversary-Sayde Alghoul By Her Sons, Walid and Tony, and their Families |

2nd Week of Epiphany

الأسبوع الثاني - ألدنح المجد

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| Monday, January 15 @ 9 AM <i>Our Lady of the Sowing</i> | For: + Nicholas Patrick Leahy, his parents, Patrick Leo and Ann Rita Leahy, By Samuel Yazbeck |
| Tuesday, January 16 @ 7 PM <i>In Honor of St Peter in Chains</i> | Private Intentions |
| Wednesday, January 17 @ 9AM <i>St Anthony the Great</i> | Private Intentions. |
| Thursday, January 18 @ 7PM <i>St Athanasius</i> | Private Intentions |
| Friday, January 19 <i>St Macarius the Egyptian</i> | No Liturgies—Office Closed |

Sunday of the Priests

الأحد الأول - ألدنح المجد

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|---------------------------------|-----------------|---|
| Saturday, January 20 | 4:00 PM | For: Private Intentions |
| Sunday January 21 | 8:30AM | For: Private Intentions |
| | 9:30AM | For The Deceased Priests who served the Altar at St Anthony |
| | 11:30 AM | For: + 40 Day Anniversary-Farid Wanis Ata By His Parents Wanis & Eugenie Ata, His Sister Rola Wife of Todd Yates, His Brother Robert and Nephews., Zackary and Ryder Yates. For: Tanous Ata By His Wife Leila, His Children and Their Families |



January 7, 2018

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| Sunday Collection | \$ 2,721.00 |
| New Year's Day | \$ 80.00 |
| Fuel | \$ 755.00 |
| Candles | \$ 84.00 |
| Epiphany | \$ 835.00 |
| Donation | \$ 300.00 |
| Christmas Offering | \$ 145.00 |
| 2018 Calendars | \$ 93.00 |
| <i>Total Deposit</i> | <i>\$ 5,013.00</i> |

2nd Collection –January 28

United States Catholic Bishops
Worldwide Charities

Online Donation—Contribute to Our
Parish Growth. Apply Online:

<http://stanthonylawrence.org/donate-now/>

Refer to Page 9 For more info



Weekly offering envelopes for 2018 will be mailed to your home on a quarterly basis. You will receive envelopes every 3 months. For those who have signed up for online donations, you may disregard them or drop your empty envelope in the collection basket.



Left Sanctuary Lamp

*For the souls of Chukri and Nadia Awil,
Offered by their loving family.*

Right Sanctuary Lamp

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Offered by their loving family.*

ALTAR SERVERS

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Altar Servers</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------|---|
| Saturday, January 13 | 4:00 PM | Jacob Godfrey Youssef Chahine |
| Sunday, January 14 | 8:30 AM | Volunteers |
| Sunday, January 14 | 9:30 AM | Jason Demers Logan Gabriel |
| Sunday, January 14 11:30 AM | | Anthony Chaya, Anthony ElHachem Charbel Yammine, George ElHachem |

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Altar Servers</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------|---|
| Saturday, January 20 | 4:00 PM | Elias Saab Sharbel Saab |
| Sunday, January 21 | 8:30 AM | Volunteers |
| Sunday, January 21 | 9:30 AM | Anthony Hassan Mark Bejjani |
| Sunday, January 21 11:30 AM | | Elie Daou, Geryes Geha Samir Maroun, Steven Maroun |



Lectors

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Lectors</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Saturday, January 13 | 4:00 PM | Dianne Dewan |
| Sunday, January 14 | 8:30 AM | Carla Khoder |
| Sunday, January 14 | 9:30 AM | CCD—Grade 6 |
| Sunday, January 14 11:30 AM | | English: Mounira Daher Arabic: Marcel Saade |

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Lectors</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------|---|
| Saturday, January 20 | 4:00 PM | Lisa Abdallah |
| Sunday, January 21 | 8:30 AM | Zizi Francis |
| Sunday, January 21 | 9:30 AM | Michael Faris |
| Sunday, January 21 11:30 AM | | English: Mansour Chaya Arabic: Gretta Merheb |

PARISH MINISTRIES & NEWS

Religious Education - Sunday School

Sunday January 20th, Kindergarten and grade 6 will serve the 9:30 liturgy. Assignments for the children will be done during the CCD class on Sunday, January 13.

Sunday February 4, there will be the first meeting for parents of the children making their first Communion. This meeting will be at 10:30 immediately following the 9:30 liturgy. Please make every effort to attend this meeting.

*If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Susan Veilleux,
ccd@stanthonylawrence.org*

Children's Choir

January 13th & 27th: Practices will be held from 5:00PM - 6:30PM



Knights of Mary Schedule

Upcoming Meetings: January 20 & February 3

All Events run from 5PM - 7PM After 4PM Liturgy

Dates are Subject to change

MYA -Maronite Young Adults

Stay Tuned for our 2018 Calendar of Events

Rosary Group Every Wednesday @ 6PM

صلاة المسبحة الوردية: الأربعاء من كل أسبوع الساعة السادسة مساء

Thursday, January 18th

- ♦ 6:30 PM - Rosary of Saint Charbel
- ♦ 7:00 PM - Divine Liturgy
- ♦ 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM - Sharing the Word of God



عائلة مار شربل: الخميس 18 كانون الثاني:

The Family of Saint Charbel

6:30 مساء: صلاة المسبحة

7:00 مساء: القداس الإلهي

7:30 مساء: مشاركة روحية

Congrats on your Baptism!!!

We join with the parish family of Saint Anthony to offer our sincere congratulations to the families of:

- ♦ Maribelle Alice El Achi, Child of Elias El Achi and Clara Saade
- ♦ Noor Hayek, Child of Jad and Mariane Hayek

who received the Blessed Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. Our best wishes to the parents and godparents. May Christ continue to bless these children whom we welcome into the flock.

We join with the parish of Saint Anthony to offer our condolences to the families of the late:

Our Sympathy!!!

- ♦ Saadallah Azzi, our sympathies are expressed to his wife, Nabihah, His Daughter Rita, His Grand Children and His Sister, Wadad, and to the Azzi's Family

May their souls rest in peace & their loved ones be comforted.

Bible Study

everyone is welcome

Tuesday, January 23, 7 PM - ENGLISH
Wednesday, January 24, 7 PM - ARABIC

مواعيد السهرات الإنجيلية:

باللغة الإنكليزية: الثلاثاء 23 كانون الثاني الساعة 7 مساء.
باللغة العربية: الأربعاء 24 كانون الثاني الساعة 7 مساء.

1st Thursday of Every Month

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saint Anthony will be launching a new group to face the new evangelization....

MINE

"Maronites in the New Evangelization."

This group will be about empowering women to work within their God-given gifts as women to nurture, heal and build up the body of Christ.

MINE is the answer for busy women who found themselves on fire to lead other women in the Catholic faith, and running a flourishing women's ministry in their parish.

SAINT ANTHONY MARONITE CHURCH

PRESENTS

VALENTINE PARTY ST MARON CELEBRATION



FEATURING:
DORIS & ENSEMBLE

DATE:
**SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 10, 2018**

DOORS OPEN: 7PM

LOCATION:
ST ANTHONY BANQUET HALL

FOR RESERVATION:

Wissam Merheb@
978.853.5145

Mounira Daher@
603.235.0801

TICKETS are available FOR SALE:

Adults \$50 (\$75 after January 22)
Students: \$30 (\$50 after January 22)

Dinner Included - Cash Bar Only

ONLINE RESERVATION—SPECIAL EVENT DONATION: <http://stanthonylawrence.org/donate-now/>

BOOK YOUR TICKET BEFORE JANUARY 22 & PAY \$50 (per person) - \$75 AFTER JANUARY 22

2Cor. 4:5-15

Second Sunday of Epiphany

2 قورنثس 4:5-15

Brothers and Sisters: We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you. But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture — "I believed, and so I spoke" — we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God

يا إخوتي، نحن لا نبشّر بأنفسنا، بل نبشّر بيسوع المسيح رباً، وبأنفسنا عبيداً لكم من أجل يسوع؛ لأن الله الذي قال: «ليشرق من الظلمة نور!»، هو الذي أشرق في قلوبنا، لنستنير فنعرف مجد الله المتجلى في وجه المسيح. ولكننا نحمل هذا الكنز في آنية من خزف، ليظهر أن تلك القدرة الفائقة هي من الله لا منا. يضيق علينا من كل جهة ولكننا لا نسحق، نحترق في أمرنا ولكننا لا نياس، نضطهد ولكننا لا نهمل، ننبذ ولكننا لا نهلك، ونحمل في جسدنا كل حين موت يسوع، لكي تظهر حياته يسوع أيضاً في جسدنا؛ فإننا نحن الأحياء نسلم دوماً إلى الموت، من أجل يسوع، لكي تظهر حياته يسوع أيضاً في جسدنا المائت. فالموت يعمل فينا، والحياة تعمل فيكم. ولكن بما أن لنا روح الإيمان عينه، كما هو مكتوب: «أمنت، ولذلك تكلمت»، فنحن أيضاً نؤمن، ولذلك نتكلم. ونحن نعلم أن ذلك الذي أقام الرب يسوع، سيقيمنا نحن أيضاً مع يسوع، ويجعلنا وإياكم في حضرة. فكل شيء هو من أجلكم، لكي تكثر النعمة، فيفيض الشكر في قلوب الكثيرين لمجد الله.

John 1:35-42

الأحد الثاني - الدنح المجيد

يوحنا 1:35-42

The Apostle said: The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi", "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah". He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas".

في الغد أيضاً كان يوحنا واقفاً هو وأثنان من تلاميذه. ورأى يسوع ماراً فحدّق إليه وقال: «ها هو حمل الله». وسمع التلميذان كلامه، فتبعاً يسوع. وألقت يسوع، فرأهما يتبعانه، فقال لهما: «ماذا تطلبان؟» «قالا له: «رأبّي، أي يا معلم، أين نقيم؟». «قال لهما: «تعاليا وأنظرا». فذهبا ونظرا أين يقيم. وأقاما عنده ذلك اليوم، وكانت الساعة نحو الرابعة بعد الظهر. وكان أندراؤس أخو سمعان بطرس أحد التلميذين، اللذين سمعا كلام يوحنا وتبعاً يسوع. ولقي أولاً أخاه سمعان، فقال له: «وجدنا مسيحاً، أي المسيح». وجاء به إلى يسوع، فحدّق يسوع إليه وقال: «أنت هو سمعان بن يونا، أنت ستدعى كيفا، أي بطرس الصخرة».



POPE PRAYER INTENTIONS -January 2018 Evangelization: Religious Minorities in Asia

That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practice their faith in full freedom

Maronite Calendars



now available in the
Church foyer
Donation of \$5 per calendar

ALAA Scholarships are now Available

www.americanlebaneseawarenessassociation.org/scholarships

Open House @ St. Joe's:

Sunday, 1/28/18, noon-2pm

The St. Joseph Regional Catholic School in Salem invites you to their Open House for coffee and donuts **1/28/18 at noon**.

Questions? Contact info@sjres.com or 603-893-6811 x 19.

Guidelines:

Baptismal Guidelines: *(Check our Website)*

♦ Guidelines & Registration Form

Marriage Guidelines: *(Check our Website)*

♦ Guidelines & Check List Forms

Banquet Hall Guidelines:

♦ Contract Form *(Check our Website)*

♦ Banquet Hall Usage Donations:

1. \$500 (For 6 Hours)

2. \$250 For Registered & Active parishioners *(with contribution history)*

3. Security Deposit \$250 *(Returned after the event, if no Damages)*

4. Cleaning Donations: \$100

Saint Anthony Burial Guidelines

Burial Charges and Fees:

<http://stanthonylawrence.org/charges-and-fees/>

The following charges for cemetery services are in effect January 1, 2017 at St. Anthony Cemetery and are subject to change without notice.

- Adult Opening – Graveside (Summer) \$875.00
- Adult Opening – Graveside (Winter) \$875.00
- Child Opening – (one to eight years) \$100.00
- Infant Opening – NO CHARGE
- Saturday & Holiday Overtime \$75.00
- Burial of Cremated Remains \$550.00
- Cremation Burial Unit \$350.00

When arrangements are made with a family and they wish to purchase a lot, we ask that you call the cemetery office (978) 985-7233 and arrange an appointment for them. Financial arrangements for new lot sales will be handled directly with the family.

Cemetery charges for grave openings are due and payable to the cemetery the morning of the funeral, unless charged to the funeral director's account. Cemetery charges billed to the funeral director's account are due and payable to the cemetery in 10 days

Lot Sales

<http://stanthonylawrence.org/lots-sales/>

Saint Anthony Cemetery offers affordable payment plans to fit any family's budget. Please call us at 978-685-7233 or email rectory@stanthonylawrence.org for more information about availability.

Burial Pre-Arrangements

Making arrangements for a burial in advance should be no more difficult than providing insurance or having a will. It is a sensible thing to do. By pre-arranging your burial, you can avoid the unnecessary confusion plus the financial and emotional stress that death often brings.

Funeral pre-arrangements are available and recommended with guarantees of no increase in cemetery charges at the time of interment. Pre-Arrangement Funds are placed in a separate account and are withdrawn at the time of the interment. An interest free Time-Payment Plan is available for your convenience.

THEREFORE WE ARE BURIED WITH HIM BY BAPTISM INTO DEATH: THAT LIKE AS CHRIST WAS RAISED UP FROM THE DEAD BY THE GLORY OF THE FATHER, EVEN SO WE ALSO SHOULD WALK IN NEWNESS OF LIFE.

ROMANS 6:4

BE IN TOUCH!! STAY CONNECTED !!

Membership Registration:

<http://stanthonylawrence.org/member-information-form/>

Online Donation:

<http://stanthonylawrence.org/donate-now/>

Upcoming Events:

<http://stanthonylawrence.org/upcoming-events/>

Monthly Calendar:

<http://stanthonylawrence.org/upcoming-events/calendar/>

THE CHRIST-CHILD OF THE YEAR *By Ronald Rolheiser*

Every year Time magazine recognizes someone as “Person of the Year”. The recognition isn’t necessarily an honor; it’s given to the person whom Time judges to have been the newsmaker of the year – for good or for bad. This year, instead of choosing an individual to recognize as newsmaker of the year, it recognized instead a category of persons, the Silence Breakers, namely, women who have spoken out about having experienced sexual harassment and sexual violence.

Part of the challenge of Christmas is to recognize where Christ is being born in our world today, where two thousand years after the birth of Jesus we can again visit the stable in Bethlehem, see the new-born child, and have our hearts moved by the power of divine innocence and powerlessness.

For Christmas this year, I suggest we honor refugee children as the “Christ-Child of the Year”. They bring as close to the original crib in Bethlehem as we can get within our world today because for them, as for Jesus two thousand years ago, there is no room at the inn.

Jesus’ birth, like his death, comes wrapped in paradox: He came as God’s answer to our deepest desire, badly wanted, and yet, both in birth and in death, the outsider. Notice that Jesus is born outside the city and he dies outside the city. That’s no accident. He wasn’t born a “wanted” child and he wasn’t an accepted child. Granted, his mother, Mary, and those with genuine religious hearts wanted him, but the world didn’t, at least not on the terms on which he came, as a powerless child. Had he come as a superstar, powerful, a figure so dominant that knees would automatically bend in his presence, a messiah tailored to our imagination, every inn door would have opened to him, not just at birth but throughout his whole life.

But Christ wasn’t the messiah of our expectations. He came as an infant, powerless, hidden in anonymity, without status, invited, unwanted. And so Thomas Merton describes his birth this way: Into this world, this demented inn, in which there is absolutely no room for Him at all, Christ has come uninvited. But because He cannot be at home in it, because He is out of place in it, and yet He must be in it, His place is with those others for whom there is no room.

There was no room for him at the inn! Biblical scholars tell us that our homilies and imaginings about the heartlessness of the innkeepers who turned Mary and Joseph away on Christmas Eve miss the point of that narrative. The point that the Gospels want to make here is not that the innkeepers in Bethlehem were cruel and calloused and this singular, poor, peasant couple, Joseph and Mary, were treated unfairly. The motif of “no room at the inn” wants rather to make a much larger point, the one Thomas Merton just highlighted, namely, that there’s never room in our world for the real Christ, the one who doesn’t fit comfortably into our expectations and imaginings. The real Christ generally shocks our imagination, is a disappointment to our expectations, comes uninvited, is perennially here, but is forever on the outside, on the periphery, excluded by our imaginations and sent packing from our doors. The real Christ is forever seeking a home in a world within which there’s no room for him.

So who best fits that description best today? I suggest the following: Millions of refugee children. The Christ-Child can be seen most clearly today in the countless refugee children who, with their families, are being driven from their homes by violence, war, starvation, ethnic cleansing, poverty, tribalism, racism, and religious persecution. They, and their families, best fit the picture of Joseph and Mary, searching for a room, outsiders, powerless, uninvited, no home, no one to take them in, on the periphery, strangers, labeled as “aliens”. But they are the present-day Holy Family and their children are the Christ-Child for us and our world. Where is the crib of Bethlehem today? Where might we find the infant Christ to worship? In many places, admittedly in every delivery room and nursery in the world, but “preferentially” in refugee camps; in boats making perilous journeys across the Mediterranean; in migrants trekking endless miles in hunger, thirst, and dangerous conditions; in people waiting in endless lines to be processed in hope of being accepted somewhere, in persons arriving at various borders after a long journey only to be sent back; in mothers in detention centers, holding their young and hoping; and most especially, preferentially, in the faces of countless refugee children. The face of God at Christmas is seen more in the helplessness of children than in all the earthly and charismatic power in our world. And so today, if we want, like the shepherds and wise men, to find our way to the crib in Bethlehem we need to look at where, in this demented inn, the most helpless of the children dwell.



**Online Donation—
Contribute to Our Parish Growth**

Apply Online:

<http://stanthonylawrence.org/donate-now/>

Electronic Consent Form Or Print Form:

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| Last Name | | First Name | |
| Envelope # | | Email | |
| Address | | Phone | |
| City | State | Zip | |
| Date of First Donation ____/____/____ mm/dd/yyyy Number of Donations: _____ | Donation Frequency <input type="checkbox"/> One Time <input type="checkbox"/> Annually <input type="checkbox"/> Semi-Annually <input type="checkbox"/> Trimesterly <input type="checkbox"/> Quarterly <input type="checkbox"/> Bi-Monthly <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly <input type="checkbox"/> Bi-Weekly <input type="checkbox"/> 1st and 15th <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly | Fund to apply donation _____ \$ _____ \$ _____ \$ | |
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| Debit/Credit Card #: | | Expiration Date: | |
| Name on Card: | | | |
| Billing Address: | | | |
| I authorize my church and myEoffering to process debit/credit card entries from my information above. Signature _____ Date _____ | | | |