

## SAINT ANTHONY MARONITE CHURCH

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

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email: rectory@stanthonylawrence.org \*Website: www.stanthonylawrence.org

#### **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**

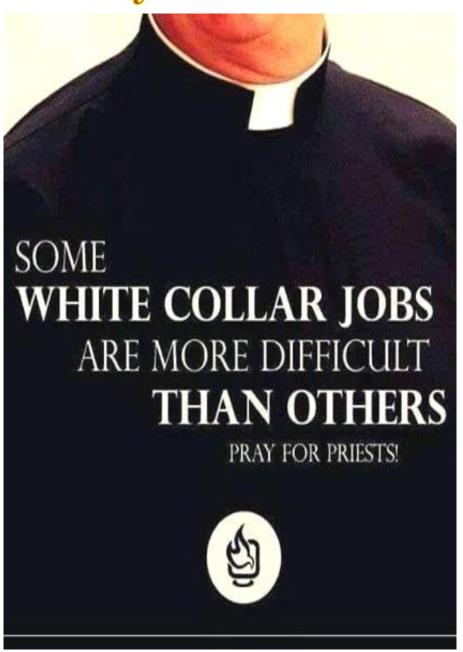
One hour Before Thursday & Saturday Liturgies, or by appointment

## **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

# Sunday of the Priests



Facebook: Saint Anthony Maronite Church Lawrence, MA



## Meet our staff:

Clergy

Father Elie Mikhael, Pastor pastor@stanthonylawrence.org

> Father Tony Youssef, Parochial Vicar

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#### Secretary:

Mrs. Susan Fuccillo 978.685-7233

rectory@stanthonylawrence.org

#### Parish Ministries

- Religious Education ccd@stanthonylawrence.org
- 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)

## Liturgies Intentions

# PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

### **Sunday of the Priests**

أحد الكهنة

Saturday, January 20	4:00 PM	For: Private Intentions	
	8:30AM	For: Private Intentions  For The Deceased Priests who served the Altar at St Anthony	
Sunday January 21	9:30AM		
	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	

#### **Week of the Priests**

أسبوع ألكهنة

Monday, January 22 @ 9 AM St. Timothy	Private Intentions.	
Tuesday, January 23 @ 7 PM Pope St. Sergius I, C	For+ Janet Syriani, By Tony and Hitaf Nammour.	
Wednesday, January 24 @9AM St. Francis de Sales, Doctor of the Church	Private Intentions.	
Thursday, January 25 @ 7PM The Conversion of St. Paul, Ap	Private Intentions	
Friday, January 26	No Liturgies—Office Closed	

Sunday of the Righteous & Just

أحد ألابرار والصديقين

Saturday, January 27	4:00 PM	Private Intentions.	
Sunday, January 28	8:30AM	Private Intentions.	
	9:30AM	Private Intentions.	
	11:30 AM	For: 40 Day Anniversary-Mary F. Coury Adams, By Sheryl Coury and Family.	



#### January 14, 2018

Sunday Collection	\$ 3,754.50
Fuel	\$ 520.00
Candles	\$ 127.00
Donation	\$ 300.00
Total Deposit	\$ 4,7`01.50

## 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**

In Loving Memory of May El-Hachem, Offered by her daughter, Nazha Khoury, and family

## **Right Sanctuary Lamp**

In Loving Memory of Edmond El-Hachem, Offered by his daughter, Nazha Khoury, and family

## ALTAR SERVERS

<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	

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>
Saturday, January 27	4:00 PM	Fadi Chahine Youssef Chahine
Sunday, January 28	8:30 AM	Volunteers
Sunday, January 28	9:30 AM	Caleb Hassan Noah Hassan
Sunday, January 28 11:30 AM	Anthony Chamoun, Ryan ElKhoury Christopher Bou Sadda, Giorgio Abounasr	



## Lectors

<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	ССД
Sunday, January 21 11:30 AM	English: Mansour Chaya Arabic: Gretta Merheb	

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Lectors</u>
Saturday, January 27	4:00 PM	Alexa Ata
Sunday, January 28	8:30 AM	Hugette Sfeir
Sunday, January 28	9:30 AM	Jean Sarkis
Sunday, January 28 <i>11:30 AM</i>	English: George Saab Arabic: Selim Matta	

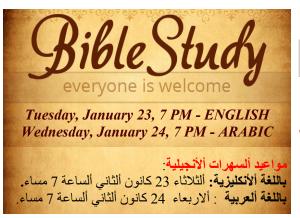
## Parish Ministries & News

## **Religious Education - Sunday School**

There will be a meeting on Sunday, February 4, at 10:30, for parents of children making their First Communion. Please make every effort to have at least one parent present at this meeting to receive information regarding reconciliation and First Communion.

We are looking for adults that would like to volunteer to help with the Children's gospel at the liturgy. If you are interested in learning more about this and what it entails, please contact me through the CCD email.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Susan Veilleux, <a href="ccd@stanthonylawrence.org">ccd@stanthonylawrence.org</a>





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.

## Children's Choir

January 27th & February 10th
Practices are 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 الساسة مساء

## **Daughters' Meeting**

Monthly Meeting on *Monday, February 5th* 

at 12:00 NOON at Saint Anthony's Church Hall. Contact Elaine Ferris at 978-682-2112 with any questions.



Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 13th

# MYO

## **Schedule of Events**

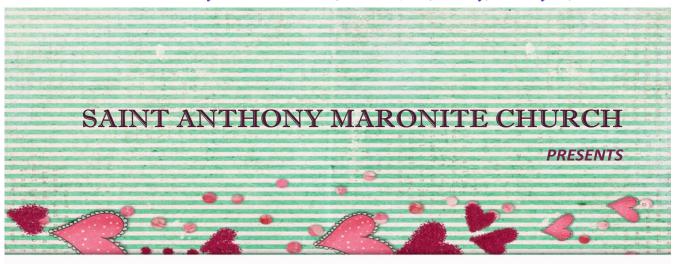


Friday, January 19 <sup>th</sup>	Faith Formation	
Friday, Feb. 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Saturday, Feb. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lock-In Retreat	
Sunday, February 18 <sup>th</sup>	Community Service	
Sunday, March 4 <sup>th</sup>	MYO Youth Liturgy	
	Faith Formation	
Saturday, March 17 <sup>th</sup>	Merrimack Valley Catholic	
	Youth Conference*	
Friday, April 13 <sup>th</sup>	MYO Youth Liturgy	
	Faith Formation	
Saturday, April 28 <sup>th</sup>	Regional MYO/MYA Retreat*	
Friday, May 11 <sup>th</sup>	Faith Formation	
Saturday, May 26 <sup>th</sup>	Social Outing	

#### www.facebook.com/stanthonysmyo

Faith Formation	5:15pm-7:30pm		
Community Service	5:00pm-7:30pm		
Special Events	Details To Be Provided		

\*These events may involve additional cost not included in the Registration Fee



# VALENTINE DARTY ST MARON CELEBRATION

DATE:

## SATURDAY FEBRUARY 10, 2018

DOORS OPEN: 7PM

LOCATION:

ST ANTHONY BANQUET HALL



FEATURING: DORIS & ENSEMBLE



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

## 1 Timothy 4:6-16

## **Sunday of the Priests**

1 طيم 6:4-16

If you put these instructions before the brothers and sisters, you will be a good servant of Christ Jesus, nourished on the words of the faith and of the sound teaching that you have followed. Have nothing to do with profane myths and old wives' tales. Train yourself in godliness, for, while physical training is of some value, godliness is valuable in every way, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance. For to this end we toil and struggle, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Saviour of all people, especially of those who believe. These are the things you must insist on and teach. Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Until I arrive, give attention to the public reading of scripture, to exhorting, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you through prophecy with the laying on of hands by the council of elders. Put these things into practice, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress. Pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching; continue in these things, for in doing this you will save both yourself and your hearers.

إِذَا عَرَضْتَ ذَلِكَ لِلإَخْوَة، تَكُونُ خَادِمًا صَالِحًا للمسييح يسنوع، مُتَغَدِّيًا بِكَلامِ الإِيْمَانِ والتَّعْلِيمِ الْحَسَنِ الَّذِي تَبِعْتَهُ مُمَّا الخُرِ افَاتُ التَّافِهَة، حِكَابَاتُ الْعَجَائِزِ ، فَأَعْرِضْ عَنْهَا. وَرَوِّضْ نَفْسَكَ عَلَى التَّقْوَى. فَإِنَّ الرِّيَاضَة الجَسَدِيَّة نَافِعة بعْضَ الشَّيء، أمَّا التَّقْوَى فَهِيَ نَافِعَةُ لَكُلِّ شَيء، لأنَّ لَهَا وَعْدَ الْحَيَاةِ الْحَاضِرَةِ والْأَتِيَةِ. صادِقَةُ هَيَ الكَلِمَةُ وجَدِيرَةٌ بِكُلِّ قَبُول: إنْ كُنَّا نَتْعَبُ وِنْجَاهِدِ، قَذلِكَ لأنَّنَا جَعَلْنَا رِجَاءَنا في اللهِ الحَيّ، الذي هُوَ مُخلّصُ النَّاسِ أَجْمَعِين، ولا سِيَّمَا المُؤْمِنِينِ فأوْصِ بِذلكَ وعَلَّمْهُ ولا تَدَعْ أَحَدًا بَسْتَهِينُ بِحَداثَةِ سِنِّكَ، بَلْ كُنْ مِثَالاً للمُوْمِنِين، بِالْكُلام، و السِّيرَة، و المَحَبَّة، و الإيْمَان، و الْعَفَافِ وَاظِبْ عَلَى إعْلانِ الكَلِمَةِ والوَعْظِ والتَّعْلِيم، إلى أنْ أجيء. لا تُهْمِل المَوْهِبَة الَّتِي فِيك، وقد وُهِبَتْ لكَ بِالنُّبُوءَةِ معَ وَضْعِ أَيْدِي الشُّيُّوخِ عَلَيك. إهْتَمَّ بِتِلْكَ الأُمُورِ ، وكُنْ مُو اطْيًا عَلْبِهَا، لِيَكُونَ تَقَدُّمُكَ و اضِحًا لِلجَمِيعِ. إِنْتَبِهُ لِنَفْسِكَ وَلِتَعْلِيمِكَ، وَٱتْبُتْ في ذلك فإذا فَعَلْتَ خَلُصْتَ نَفسَكَ و الذينَ يَسْمَعُو نَكَ

## لوقا 42:12 48 أحد ألكهنة 48-42:12

'Who then is the faithful and prudent manager whom his master will put in charge of his slaves, to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? Blessed is that slave whom his master will find at work when he arrives. Truly I tell you, he will put that one in charge of all his possessions. But if that slave says to himself, "My master is delayed in coming", and if he begins to beat the other slaves, men and women, and to eat and drink and get drunk, the master of that slave will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour that he does not know, and will cut him in pieces, and put him with the unfaithful. That slave who knew what his master wanted, but did not prepare himself or do what was wanted, will receive a severe beating. But one who did not know and did what deserved a beating will receive a light beating. From everyone to whom much has been given, much will be required; and from one to whom much has been entrusted, even more will be demanded.

»مَنْ ثُرَاهُ ٱلوَكِيلُ ٱلأمِينُ ٱلحَكِيمُ الذي يُقِيمُهُ سَيِّدُهُ عَلَى خَدَمِهِ لِيُعْطِيَهُم حِصَّتَهُم مِنَ الطَّعَامِ في حِينِهَا؟ طُوبَى لَالْكَ العَبْدِ الذي، متَى جَاءَ سَيِّدُهُ، يَجِدُهُ فَاعِلاً هكذَا إِذَا الْعَبْدُ الْذَي، متَى جَاءَ سَيِّدُهُ، يَجِدُهُ فَاعِلاً هكذَا إِخَا الْقَبْدُ الْكَمِ: إِنَّهُ يُقِيمُهُ عَلَى جَمِيعِ مُقْتَنَياتِهِ أَمَّا إِذَا قَالَ ذَلِكَ العَبْدُ في قُلْبِهِ: سَيَتَأَخَّرُ سَيِّدِي في مَجِيئِهِ، وبَدأ يَضْربُ الغِلْمَانَ والجَوري، يَأْكُلُ ويَشْربُ ويَشْربُ ويَسْكَر، يَخِرُ فُها، فَيقُصلِهُ، ويَجْعِلُ نَصِيبَهُ مَعَ الكَافِرينِ فَذَلِكَ يَجِيءُ سَيِّدُ اللّذي عَرفَ مَشْيئة سَيِّدِهِ، ومَا أَعَدَّ شَيْئًا، ولا عَمِلَ العَبْدُ الذي عَرفَ مَشْيئة سَيِّدِهِ، ومَا أَعَدَّ شَيْئًا، ولا عَمِلَ عَرفَ مَشْيئة سَيِّدِهِ، وعَملَ مَا يَسْتُوجِبُ الضَّرْبُ مِنْ الْعَبْدُ الَّذي مَا عَرفَ مَشْيئة سَيِّدِهِ، وعَملَ مَا يَسْتُوجِبُ الضَّرْبُ مِنْ أَعْطِي كَثِيرًا لِيُطْلَبُ مِنْهُ فَيُصْربُ عَلَى الْكَثِيرِ يُطالْبُ بُأَكْثِر. ومَن ٱنتُمِنَ عَلَى الْكَثِيرِ يُطالْبُ بِأَكْثَر.



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

2017 Tax Statements Those would

statement of their 2017 contributions, please call the office and we will be happy to forward it to you so you can claim it on your tax return. Keep in mind, if you have not used your weekly envelopes or have not contributed by checks, it is impossible for us to generate a record or statement with your donations and offerings.

## **ALAA Scholarships are now Available**

www.americanlebaneseawarenes sassociation.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 <u>info@sjrcs.com</u> 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

## 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/

#### **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

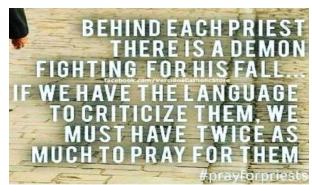
#### http://stanthonylawrence.org/lots-sales/

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.



## THE PARADOX OF PRIESTHOOD BY RONALD ROLHEISER

Recently I celebrated the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of my ordination. Ten years as a priest! A time for some reflection! I can say it out loud: They've been good years, full enough of giving and receiving. I have enjoyed the ministry and have been able to help some even as I have been helped by others. There have been too some incredibly special moments, depth moments clearly touched with transcendence, and I have also tasted sufficient agony. I've no regrets. My initial fears upon entering the seminary had centered around loneliness and boredom. Those two issues have been non-issues. The specters of pressure, over-intensity and burnout cast a much more threatening shadow. But I've survived, and survived with enough enthusiasm to hoist a few beers to celebrate the event and to look forward to the future. As I look ahead, I would like to offer a reflection to the Catholic community vis-à-vis its priests. Put quite simply it is this: Stop pressuring your priests to be less than full human. Let me explain:

Roman Catholics still understand a priest too much in terms of his cultic role. There is undue significance given to the cultic powers a priest has to preside at Eucharist and other sacraments. Partly because of this the priest is too easily cast in the role of the tribal medicine man, the guy who can do magic and who has a ritual ('hocus-pocus'') power which we do not understand and somehow fear. Like the medicine man he is respected and revered because he is, ultimately, feared. He is never genuinely loved, nor understood, because he is never perceived and accepted as being fully like us. Too frequently, with all but our very closest friends, we are made to feel out-of-the-ordinary, medicine men! More serious still is the Catholic community's understanding of the priest as a relational sexual being. Bottom line, a priest is expected to act as if he were not a sexed male being full of erotic impulse and sexual complexity. Please do not misunderstand me here: What I am pleading for is not that the Catholic community invites or condones erotic weakness and irresponsibility in its priests. Nor should it invite its priest to be "simply one of the boys." The issue is one of accepting a priest's full humanity, including his sexuality and the necessary complexity that follows from this. The priest need not be handed a license to be irresponsible, but he desperately needs to be handed the feeling that he is understood and accepted fully as he is, including his complexities and sexuality.

Unfortunately that is rarely afforded to us and, consequently, we must pretend....pretend that we are eunuchs. No eunuch can preach effectively to the full-blooded. That is why we are politely listened to even as it is taken for granted that we have nothing vital to say. In this area, a priest often finds himself in a no-win situation. If he seemingly understands life too clearly, including its earthier aspects of sex, eros and sin, then he draws the wrath and suspicion of the Catholic community (witness Andrew Greeley). Conversely, if he radiates the innocence and naiveté that the community demands, he is relegated to the realm of the insignificant; still allowed to do his hocus-pocus, but no full-blooded person turns to him for a genuine understanding or guidance. It is an interesting speculation as to why the Catholic community wants its priests to radiate naiveté and non-complexity. I suspect that is because, deep down, we are all afraid of our own darker side, our complexity (our shadow, in the Jungian sense). We deny this darker side in us and, somehow, if father goes through life pretending that no shadow exists, we can also more easily pretend it does not exist in us.

Finally, we tend to leave no room for our priests to be weak. I am not speaking here of weak in the moral sense, but weak in the way Jesus was weak and in the way any truly compassionate person is: vulnerable, not always together, emotionally wounded, over-extended and prone to cry very needy tears at times. We demand instead someone who projects that all is well at all times and who bleeds only ichor. If a priest shows emotional weakness, shows his own needs, or gets too involved in the lives and loves of those he is friends with and ministers to, he is suspect. And so my plea is this: Please don't, consciously or unconsciously, ask your priest to dress in medieval clothes, to stay in the sanctuary, and to be so timorous so as to be unable to dare the perilous task of living. Let him be himself...complex, weak, sexed, masculine, involved, needy, and free not to pretend. Priests are tired of dressing in the clothing (psychological and physical) of senility while everyone is crying to be young; tired of living as eunuchs with no blood, sinew and passion. Small wonder nobody wants to join us!

We need, priests and community together, to risk some new directions. There are dangers involved, but, as Goethe once put it: "The dangers of life are infinite and safety is among them."



The Knights of Columbus would like to thank those who helped and supported our breakfast this past Sunday.

We will be painting the CCD classes! The proceeds of this event will be used towards the cost of supplies.

Thank You again for your continued support!





# Online Donation Contribute to Our Parish Growth Apply Online:

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### 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 One Time Annually Semi-Annually Trimesterly Quarterly	Bi-Monthly Monthly Bi-Weekly Ist and 15th Weekly	Fund to apply donation \$\$\$\$
Routing Number  Account Number  I authorize my church and myEoffering to process debit entries from my account.  Signature Date			
□ <u>Debit/Credit Card</u> □ Visa □ Master Card □ American Express □ Discover			
Debit/Credit Card #:			Expiration Date:
Name on Card:			
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