

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

You are welcomed and loved by St Anthony Community. We are transformed through prayer, acts of love, forgiveness, service and stewardship.

MEET OUR PRIESTS

Pastor

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SACRAMENTS

Baptism & Confirmation:

1 month in advance with the Pastor **Donations:** Church & Priest: \$200

Matrimony:

Couples should make arrangements six months prior to the wedding date

Donations: Church \$500—Priest : Free Will

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

OUR CHURCH AT PRAYER

Hours of Liturgical services changed due to COVID-19

Daily Liturgies

Mon - Thu: 9:00 AM

Weekend Liturgies:

Saturday: 4:00 PM Vigil

Sunday Liturgies:

8:00 AM -Arabic 9:00 AM - English

11:30 AM - English& Arabic

Holy days of obligation:

Vigil Liturgy @ 7 PM

OFFICE HOURS

M-TH: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM-2:00 PM Saturdays: By Appointment

PARISH SECRETARY:

Pat McKeever:

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MEET OUR DEACONS

Deacon Nadim B. Daou Visiting Deacon Michael Charchaflian Sub-Deacon James T. Demers Sub-Deacon Antoine Nammour

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

4TH SUNDAY OF RESURRECTION

ألأحد ألرابع من القيامة المجيدة

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LEBANON

عيد سيدة لبنان

Sat	May 2	4:00 PM	For: Peter & Jean Sarkis (Anniversary)		
Sun	May 3	8:00 AM	For: Foutine & Francis Daher - Hanane & Abdo AbiSamra (Anniversary)		
		9:00 AM	For: 1st Anniversary -George Mansour By his family		
		11:30 AM	For: 1st Anniversary—Maurice Geha By his Wife Leila, Children and Famil	ly	
Mon	May 4	9:00 AM	For: Mark Haddad—Claudine Raad (Birthday)		
Tue	May 5	9:00 AM	For: William Ryan (Birthday) By His wife Christine & daughter Madelyn		
Wed	May 6	9:00 AM	For: Michael & Vivian Ota (Anniversary)		
Thu	May 7 9:00 AM For: Edward Gabriel -Aliana Garcia -Rebecca Merheb (Birthday)				
Fri	May 8		NO Liturgy		
	5TH SU	NDAY OF R	ألأحد ألخامس من القيامة المجيدة		
HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY					
Sat	May 9	4:00 PM	For: +Fred & Rose Breehey- Mcarmy Syiek, Rashidy Milen, Agnes Forsley & Meralda McCann By Karen Breehey		

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Sun May 10 8:00 AM For: Haykal, Robert & Rouba (Anniversary)

9:00 AM For: Dorothy C. Gabriel By her loving family

11:30 AM For: In Honor of Living Mothers and for the Rest of the Souls of Deceased

Ones by the Pastor

UNDER YOUR PROTECTION, We fly to thy protection, O holy Mother of God. Despise not our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers O glorious and blessed Virgin.

تحت ذيل حمايتُكِ نلتجيء يا مريم يا والدة الله المباركة القديسة. فلا تغفلي عن طلباتنا في حاجاتنا, لكن نجينا من جميع الاخطار على الدوام. ايتها العذراء المجيدة المباركة.



GOING LIVE: Facebook: St Anthony Lawrence

LIVE STREAM OF LITURGIES, ADORATION AND ROSARY

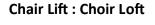
- ⇒ SATURDAY 4:00 PM LITURGY
- ⇒ SUNDAY LITURGIES 8:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:30 AM LITURGIES
- ⇒ ROSARY PRAYERS- EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 6:00 PM
- ⇒ LITURGY AND ADORATION THURSDAY AT 6:00 PM
- ⇒ ORGANIZATIONS AND MINISTRIES: VIRTUAL MEETINGS

BIBLE STUDIES

- ⇒ ENGLISH SESSION: THROUGH ZOOM -CONTACT DEACON MICHAEL TO ADD YOUR EMAIL : RECTORY@STANTHONYLAWRENCE.ORG -SUBJECT BIBLE STUDY
- ⇒ ARABIC SESSION: GotoMeeting -MONDAY AT 7AM

Parish Building Maintenance: Updates and Changes executed in the following areas:

Church Lobby : HVAC UNIT





Rectory Flatt Roof: Water Damage and Leak into the Office-Kitchen and Dining Room —In Progress





Rectory HVAC Unit- from 1974 -In Progress



Pope Francis's prayer to Mary during coronavirus pandemic

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

EPISTLE READING - Letter to the Hebrews 13,18-25

Pray for us; we are sure that we have a clear conscience, desiring to act honorably in all things. I urge you all the more to do this, so that I may be restored to you very soon. Now may the God of peace, who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make you complete in everything good so that you may do his will, working among us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory for ever and ever. Amen. I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, bear with my word of exhortation, for I have written to you briefly. I want you to know that our brother Timothy has been set free; and if he comes in time, he will be with me when I see you. Greet all your leaders and all the saints. Those from Italy send you greetings. Grace be with all of you.

GOSPEL READING - Saint John 21,1-14

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing.' They said to him, 'We will go with you.' They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, 'Children, you have no fish, have you?' They answered him, 'No.' He said to them, 'Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the lake. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.' So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, 'Who are you?' because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS

RIGHT & LEFT Sanctuary Lamps will burn: *In Loving Memory of Almaza Bou Habib* Offered by Bou Habib Family

The Pope's April Intentions for 2020 -For Deacons

We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

الرسالة إلى العبرانيين 25-18:13

يا إخوتي، صلَّوا مِن أَجْلِنَا، فَإِنَّنَا واثِقُونَ أَنَّ ضَمِيرَنَا صَالِح، ونَحْنُ ثُرِيدُ أَنْ نَسْلُكَ مَسْلُكًا حَسَنًا في كُلِّ شَيء. وأَطلُبُ إلَيكُم بالْحَاحِ أَنْ تَفْعَلُوا ذلِكَ، حَتَّى يَرُدَّنِي اللهُ إلَيْكُم سَرِيعًا! وإله السَّلام، الَّذي أَصْعَدَ مِنْ بَينِ الأَمْوَاتِ رَبَّنَا يَسُوع، رَاعِيَ الخِرَافِ العَظِيمَ سَرِيعًا! وإله السَّلام، الَّذي أَصْعَدَ مِنْ بَينِ الأَمْوَاتِ رَبَّنَا يَسُوع، رَاعِيَ الخِرَافِ العَظِيمَ بِدَمِ عَهْدٍ أَبَدِي، هُوَ يَجْعَلُكُم كَامِلِينَ في كُلِّ صَلاح، لِتَعْمَلُوا بِمَشْيئَتِه، وهُو يَعْمَلُ فينَا مَا هُو مَرْضِيٌ في عَيْنَيه، بِيَسُوع المَسِيح، لهُ المَجْدُ إلى أَبْدِ الآبِدِين. آمين. وأُنَاشِدُكُم، أَيُّهَا الإِخْوَة، أَنْ تحْتَمِلُوا كَلامَ التَّشْجِيع، فَإِنِّ يَكَتَبْتُ إلَيْكُم بايْجاز! إعْلَمُوا أَنَّ أَخَانَا طِيمُوتَاوُسَ قد أُخْلِيَ سَبِيلُهُ. فَإِنْ أَسْرَعَ في مَجِيئِه، سَأَذْهَبُ مَعَهُ وأَرَاكُم. سَلِّمُوا عَلى طِيمُوتَاوُسَ قد أُخْلِيَ سَبِيلُهُ. فَإِنْ أَسْرَعَ في مَجِيئِه، سَأَذْهبُ مَعَهُ وأَرَاكُم. سَلِّمُوا عَلى جَمِيعِ مُدَبِّرِيكُم وجَمِيعِ القِدِيسِين. يُسَلِّمُ عَلَيكُم الإِخْوَةُ الَّذِينَ في إيطالِيا. أَلنِّعْمَةُ مَعَكُم جَمِيعِ مُدَبِّرِيكُم وجَمِيعِ القِدِيسِين. يُسَلِّمُ عَلَيكُم الإِخْوَةُ الَّذِينَ في إيطالِيا. أَلنَيْعُمَةُ مَعَكُم أَحْمَعِين!

إنجيل القديس يوحنا 14-11:11

بَعْدَ ذلك، ظَهَرَ يَسُوعُ لِتَلامِيذِهِ مَرَّةً أُخْرَى عَلى بُحَيْرَةِ طَبَرَيَّة، وهكذا ظَهَر: كَانَ سِمْعَانُ بُطْرُس، وتُومَا المُلَقَّبُ بِٱلتَّوْأَم، ونَتَنَائِيلُ الَّذي مِنْ قَانَا الجَلِيل، وٱبْنَا زَبَدَى، وتِلْمِيذَانِ آخَرَانِ مِنْ تَلامِيذِ يَسُوع، مُجْتَمِعِينَ مَعًا. قَالَ لَهُم سِمْعَانُ بُطْرُس: >أَنَا ذَاهِبُ أَصْطَادُ سَمَكًا . ﴿قَالُوا لَهُ: ﴾ونَحْنُ أَيْضًا نَأْتِي مَعَكَ . ﴿فَخَرَجُوا وَرَكِبُوا السَّفِينَة، فَمَا أَصَابُوا في تِلْكَ اللَّيْلَةِ شَيْئًا. ولَمَّا طَلَعَ الفَجْرِ، وَقَفَ يَسُوعُ عَلَى الشَّاطِئ، ولكِنَّ التَّلامِيذَ لَمْ يَعْلَمُوا أَنَّهُ يَسُوع. فَقَالَ لَهُم يَسُوع: »يَا فِنْيَان، أَمَا عِنْدَكُم قَلِيلٌ مِنَ السَّمَك؟ . «أَجَابُوه: »لا! . «فَقَالَ لَهُم: »أَلْقُوا الشَّبَكةَ إلى يَمِينِ السَّفِينَةِ تَجِدُوا . «وأَلقَوْهَا، فَمَا قَدِرُوا عَلى ٱجْتِذَابِهَا مِنْ كَثْرَةِ السَّمَكِ. فَقَالَ ذلِكَ التِّلْمِيذُ الَّذي كَانَ يَسُوعُ يُحِبُّهُ لِبُطْرُس: »إنَّهُ الرَّبِّ . ﴿ فَلَمَّا سَمِعَ سِمْعَانُ بُطْرُسُ أَنَّهُ الرَّبِّ، إِتَّزَرَ بِثَوْبِهِ، لأَنَّهُ كَانَ عُرْيَانًا، وأَلْقَى بِنَفْسِهِ في البُحَيْرَة. أَمَّا التَّلامِيذُ الآخَرُونَ فَجَاؤُوا بِٱلسَّفِينَة، وهُمْ يَسْحَبُونَ الشَّبَكَةَ المَمْلُوءَة سَمَكًا، ومَا كَانُوا بَعِيدِينَ عَن البَرّ إلاَّ نَحْوَ مِئْتَى ذِرَاع. ولَمَّا نَزَلُوا إلى البَرّ، رَأُوا جَمْرًا، وسَمَكًا عَلى الجَمْر، وخُبْزًا. قَالَ لَهُم يَسُوع: > هَاتُوا مِنَ السَّمَكِ الَّذي أَصَبْتُمُوهُ الآن . « فَصنعِدَ سِمْعَانُ بُطْرُسُ إِلَى السَّفِينَة، وجَذَبَ الشَّبَكَةَ إِلَى البِّرّ، وهِيَ مَمْلُوءَةُ سَمَكًا كَبِيرًا، مِئَةً وِثَلاثًا وخَمْسِين. ومَعَ هذِهِ الكَثْرَةِ لَمْ تَتَمَزَّقِ الشَّبَكَة. قَالَ لَهُم يَسُوع: > هَلُمُّوا تَغَدُّوا . « ولَمْ يَجْرُو أَحَدٌ مِنَ التَّلامِيذِ أَنْ يَسْأَلُهُ: »مَنْ أَنْت؟ «، لأَنَّهُم عَلِمُوا أَنَّهُ الرَّبّ. وتَقَدَّمَ يَسُوعُ وأَخَذَ الخُبْزَ ونَاوَلَهُم. ثُمَّ فَعَلَ كَذلِكَ بِٱلسَّمَك. هذه مرَّةٌ ثَالِثَةٌ ظَهَرَ فيهَا يَسُوعُ لِلتَّلامِيذِ بَعْدَ أَنْ قَامَ مِنْ بَيْنِ الأَمْوَات.



MONTHLY OPERATIONAL EXPENSES

Weekly Collection Needed	
Monthly Operational Costs	\$25,260.25
Total Eparchial Dues	\$3,721.67
Total Maintenance & Utilities	\$ 6,278.58
SALARIES & INSURANCE	\$ 15,260.00



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AS WE PRAY ON YOUR ANNIVERSARY

TITHES & OFFERINGS

SAINT ANTHONY'S Parish depends on donations from our parishioners and benefactors to live and expand our Mission, "Loving as Christ Loves, Serving as Christ Serves."

Your donations fund the many ministries and activities of the parish: Sunday and weekly Masses; faith formation for children, youth and adults; fellowship for our welcoming community; and outreach to those in need.

We deeply appreciate your important role within the Church, your integral part of St Anthony's Parish, and the giving of your special gifts of time, prayer, and monetary donations.

Together we glorify God in thanksgiving for the wonderful gifts we have been given.

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AS WE PRAY ON YOUR BIRTHDAY

May 4: Mark Haddad—Claudine Raad - Samantha Ramy—Joseph Thomas

May 5: Bassam Aoun - Gisele Asmar- George Azzi-Foutine Daher - Stephanie Deveau -Judith Gurka -William Ryan

May 6: Rima Haddad -Serena Saade

May 7: Edward Gabriel -Aliana Garcia -Rebecca Merheb

May 8: Michael Azzi - Alan Pelletier- Frank Shadeed - Edward Shaheen

May 8: Chena Farhat-Robert Faris-Elias Zouein

May 6: Ota, Michael & Vivian -Solomon, Robert & Diane -May 7: Ramey, Chahine & Jamal

May 8: Haykal, Robert & Rouba - May 9: Maroon, Joseph & Lisa

Ronald Rolheiser

GOD AND THE PRINCIPLE OF NON-CONTRADICTION

It is funny where the lessons of our classrooms are sometimes understood.

I studied philosophy when I was still a bit too young for it, a nineteen year-old studying the metaphysics of Aristotle and Thomas Aquinas. But something from a metaphysics course remains indelibly stamped in my mind. We learned that there are four "transcendental" properties to God: Scholastic metaphysics tells us that God is One, True, Good, and Beautiful. My young mind then had some grasp of what is meant by True, Good, and Beautiful since we have some common sense notions of what these are; but what is Oneness? What is divine about being undivided?

The answer to that didn't come to me in a classroom or in an academic discussion, even though I have often tried to explain its meaning to students in a classroom. It came to me in a grocery store.

I had been buying groceries in the same store for twelve years when a trivial incident helped explain God's Oneness and its importance to me. The store, a large supermarket, has a fruit isle where you pick up apples, oranges, grapefruits, bananas, and the like and then bag them yourself in plastic bags the store supplies. Alongside the plastic bag dispensers there are small containers holding metal twisters you use to tie up the top of your bag. One day, I picked up some fruit, put it into a bag, but all the containers containing the twisters were empty, every one of them. As I checked out my groceries, suspecting that possibly someone that taken them as a prank, I mentioned to the cashier that all the twisters were gone. Her answer took me aback: "But, Sir, we have never had them in this store!" Thinking she might be new on the job, I said: "I've been coming here for more than 10 years and you've always had them! You can even see their containers from here!" With an assurance that comes from absolute certitude, she replied: "I've been working here for a long time, and I can assure you we've never had them!"

I pushed things no further, but, walking out of the store I thought this to myself: "If she's right, then I'm certifiably insane! If she's right then I'm completely out of touch with reality, have been for a long time, and I have no idea what sanity is!" I was certain that I had seen the twisters for ten years! Well, they had reappeared by the next time I entered the store and they are there today, but that little episodic challenge to my sanity taught me something. I now know what it means that God is One and why that is important.

That God is One (and not divided) is the very foundation for all rationality and sanity. That God is undivided and consistent within assures you that two plus two will always be four — and that you can anchor your sanity on that. That God is undivided assures you that if you saw package twisters in a store for twelve years, they were there ... and you are not insane. That God is One is the basis for our sanity. It undergirds the Principle of Non-contradiction: Something is or it is not, it cannot be both; and two plus two can never be five — and that allows us to live rational, sane lives. Because God is undivided, we can trust our sanity.

The truth of this was never jeopardized by the great epistemological debates in history. Doubts about rationality and sanity do not come from Descartes, Kant, Hegel, Locke, Hume, Wittgenstein, or Jacques Derrida; these philosophers merely argued about the structure of rationality, never about its existence. What jeopardizes our sanity (and is, no doubt, the greatest moral threat in our world today) is lying, the denial of facts, the changing of facts, and the creation of fake facts. Nothing, absolutely nothing, is as dangerous and pernicious as lying, dishonesty. It is no accident that Christianity names Satan the Prince of Lies and teaches that lying is at the root of the unforgivable sin against the Holy Spirit. When facts are no longer facts, then our very sanity is under siege because lying corrupts the basis for rationality.

God is One! That means that there is no internal contradiction within God and that assures us that there is no internal contradiction possible within the structure of reality and within a sane mind. What has happened, has forever happened, and cannot be denied. Two plus two will forever be four and because of that we can remain sane and trust reality enough to live coherent lives.

The single most dangerous thing in the whole world is lying, dishonesty, denying facts. To deny a fact is not only to play fast and loose with your own sanity and the very foundations of rationality; it is also to play fast and loose with God whose consistency undergirds all sanity and all meaning. God is one, undivided, consistent.