

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

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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

Weekday Liturgies

Mon - Thu: 9:00 AM

Saturday Liturgies:

4:00 PM Vigil (English) 6:00 PM Vigil (Arabic)

Sunday Liturgies:

9:00 AM (English) 11:00 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:

rectory@stanthonylawrence.org

MEET OUR DEACONS

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

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

أحد أ لسادس من زمن ألعنصرة -SIXTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

Sat	July 4		
	English	4:00 PM	For: In Honor of Abdoo and Jeanine Abou Raad, Daoud & Adriana Ramy, Milad & Hanane Salame, Raymond & Lilian Maroun (Anniversary)
	Arabic	6:00 PM	No Liturgy
Sun	July 5	9:00 AM	For: 40-Day Anniversary-Charles Tarness by his wife Georgette, children Matthew, Eleanor, Pauline, their spouses & family
	Church	11:00 AM	In Honor of Dr. George and Mirna Abou Ezzi (Anniversary) by their Children: Marc, Monica, Michael & Mia
	Hall	11:00 AM	For: + Albert Jean Merheb & Jamileh Merheb by Laure and Amine Bourouphael and Children
Mon	July 6	9:00 AM	For: In Honor of Botros Charabati, Jeannette El-Helou (Birthday); In Honor of Charbel & Tatiana Abou Jaoude (Anniversary)
Tue	July 7	9:00 AM	For: + Boutros & Angele Daou by Deacon Nadim & Marie-Christine Daou
Wed	July 8	7:00 PM	For: In Honor of All Our Graduates
Thu	July 9	9:00 AM	For: + Souls in Purgatory, Larry, & Dora Maria by Dora Pereira
Fri	July 10		No Liturgy
	أحد أ السابع من زمن ألعنصرة -SEVENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST		
	Feast of The Three Blessed Massabki Maronite Martyrs		
Sat	July 11		
	English	4:00 PM	For: In Honor of Frances Shibel (Birthday)
	Arabic	6:00 PM	For: Walid & Pamela Alghoul (Anniversary)
Sun	July 12	9:00 AM	For: The Good Health & Well-being of Shannon & Juan Ceballos & Children by her mother Christine Hassan
	Church	11:00 AM	For: In Honor of Fouad & Najat Elia by Deacon Nadim and Marie-Christine Daou
	Hall	11:00 AM	Private Intentions



As We Remember Those Lost...

we slowly start to transition out of quarantine and begin to resume our normal routines, to the extent possible, we don't want to forget all our loved ones that were lost during the pandemic. It was a tough time for the community, especially when we were not able to come together in person to pray for those lost. As the church is now re-opened, we encourage you to call the parish office and schedule a Liturgy to celebrate your loved one. If there is anything that St. Anthony's can support you with, please know that the Bereavement Committee is always ready and available for you. Please contact one of the below Committee Members at any time:

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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 parish, Sunday and weekly Masses, faith formation for children, youth and adults, fellowship for our welcoming community, and provides 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.

STEP UP YOUR WEEKLY / MONTHLY / ANNUAL GIVING COMMITMENT

REGISTER FOR ONLINE DONATION: TO KEEP UP WITH OUR NEEDS AND, NOT TO FALL SHORT OF OUR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP GOAL.

Apply Online:

<u>stanthonylawrence.org/donate-now/</u>

BIBLE STUDIES: ENGLISH & ARABIC

We invite you to join us even if you've never participated before. You'll be glad you did!

You can join us remotely via GotoMeeting

Monday at 6pm in Arabic

Access Code: 900-280-701

By phone (Toll Free): 1 866 899 4679

TREE OF LIFE

REMEMBER YOUR LOVED ONES BY PUTTING THEIR NAMES ON TREE OF LIFE BRASS ALUMINUM PLAQUES SIZES:

1.5" X 3" = \$75 / 3"X 6" = \$150 / 4"X8" = \$250

Please submit your request either by

phone: **978.685.7233**

E-mail: rectory@stanthonylawrence.org

First Letter to the Corinthians 12:12-13, 27-30

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body Jews or Greeks, slaves or free and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret?

Gospel: Saint Matthew 10:16-25

'See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes. 'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

AS WE PRAY ON YOUR BIRTHDAY

July 6: Botros Charabati, Jeannette El-Helou

July 7: Alexander Azzi, Danielle Nadira

July 9: Sofie Ata, Brett George, Evan Haykal,

Evelyn Ramey

July 10: Mirna Antar, Christopher Azzi,

Rozana Geha, Frances Shibel

July 11: Debra Gabriel. Kristin Kazzi, Rose Roux

AS WE PRAY ON YOUR ANNIVERSARY

July 6: Ghassan & Grace Abou Ezzi, Charbel & Tatiana Abou Jaoude, Sonia & Nassif Ata

July 7: Marwane & Grace Cherfane, Jihad & Emily Moussa

July 8: Antoine & Bassima Abou Jaoude

July 9: Walid & Pamela Alghoul,

William & Elian Dunbar

Our Families (Pope's Prayer Intention):

We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.

رسالة القديس بولس الأولى إلى أهل قورنتس 30-27 12:12 يا إخوتي، كَمَا أَنَّ الجَسَدَ هُوَ وَاحِد، ولَهُ أَعْضَاءٌ كَثِيرَة، وأَعْضَاءُ الجَسَدِ كُلُّهَا، معَ أَنَّهَا كثِيرَة، هي جَسَدٌ وَاحِد، كَذَلِكَ المَسِيحُ أَيْضًا. فَنَحْنُ جَمِيعًا، يَهُودًا ويُونَانِيِّين، عَبِيدًا وأَحْرَارًا، قَدْ تَعَمَّدْنَا في رُوحٍ وَاحِدٍ لِنَكُونَ جَسَدًا وَاحِدًا، وسُقِينَا جَمِيعًا رُوحًا وَاحِدًا. وأَحْرَارًا، قَدْ تَعَمَّدْنَا في رُوحٍ وَاحِدٍ لِنَكُونَ جَسَدًا وَاحِدًا، وسُقِينَا جَمِيعًا رُوحًا وَاحِدًا. فأَنْتُم جَسَدُ المَسِيح، وأَعْضَاءٌ فيه، كُلُّ وَاحِدٍ كَمَا قُسِمَ لَهُ. فقدْ وَضَعَ الله في الكنيسةِ الرُّسُلَ أَوَّلاً، والأَنْبِيَاءَ ثَانِيًا، والمُعَلِّمِينَ ثَالِثًا، ثُمَّ الأَعْمَالَ القَدِيرَة، ثُمَّ مَوَاهِبَ الشِّفَاء، وَإِعَانَةَ الآخَرِين، وحُسْنَ التَّدْيير، وأَنْوَاعَ الأَلْسُن. أَلَعَلَّ الجَمِيعَ رُسُل؟ أَلَعَلَّ الجَمِيعِ موَاهِبَ الشِّفَاء؟ أَلْعَلَّ الجَمِيعَ مُعَلِّمُون؟ أَلْعَلَّ الجَمِيعَ صَانِعُو أَعْمَالٍ قَدِيرَة؟ أَلْعَلَّ لِلجَمِيعِ موَاهِبَ الشِّفَاء؟ أَلْعَلَّ الجَمِيعَ مُعَلِّمُون؟ أَلْعَلَّ الجَمِيعَ صَانِعُو أَعْمَالٍ قَدِيرَة؟ أَلْعَلَّ لِلجَمِيعِ موَاهِبَ الشِّفَاء؟ أَلْعَلَّ الجَمِيعَ يَتَكَلَّمُونَ بِالأَلْسُن؟ أَلَعَلَّ الجَمِيعَ يُتَرْجِمُونَ الأَلْسُن؟

إنجيل القديس متى 25-10:16

قالَ الربُّ يَسوعُ لِتلاميذِهِ: »هَا أَنَا أُرْسِلُكُم كَالِخِرَافِ يَيْنَ الذِّنَابِ. فَكُونُوا حُكَمَاءَ كَالحَيَّات، ووُدَعَاءَ كَالحَمَام. إِحْذَرُوا النَّاس! فَإِنَّهُم سَيُسْلِمُونَكُم إلى المَجَالِس، وفي مَجَامِعِهِم يَجْلِدُونكُم، وتُسَاقُونَ إلى الوُلاةِ والمُلُوكِ مِنْ أَجْلي، شَهَادَةً لَهُم وِلِلأُمَم، وحِيْنَ يُسْلِمُونكُم، لا تَهْتَمُّوا كَيْفَ أَو بِمَاذَا تَتَكَلَّمُون، فَإِنَّكُم سَتُعْطَونَ في تِلْكَ السَّاعَةِ مَا يُسْلِمُونكُم، لا تَهْتَمُّوا كَيْفَ أَو بِمَاذَا تَتَكَلَّمُون، فَإِنَّكُم هُوَ المُتَكَلِّمُ فِيْكُم، وسَيُسْلِمُ الأَنْ السَّاعَةِ مَا تَتَكلَّمُونَ بِهِ. فَلَسْتُم أَنْتُمُ ٱلمُتَكلِّمِيْن، بَلْ رُوحُ أَيِيْكُم هُوَ المُتَكلِّمُ فِيْكُم، وسَيُسْلِمُ الأَنْ أَلْكَ السَّاعَةِ اللَّوْكَامُ إلى المُوت، والأَبُ ٱبْنَهُ، ويَتَمَرَّدُ الأَوْلادُ عَلى وَالِدِيْهِم ويَقْتُلُونَهُم، ويُبْخِضُكُم جَمِيْعُ النَّاسِ مِنْ أَجْلِ ٱسْمِي، ومَنْ يَصِيرْ إلى المُنْتَهَى يَخْلُصْ. وإذَا ٱضْطَهَدُوكُم في هذِهِ النَّاسِ مِنْ أَجْلِ ٱسْمِي، ومَنْ يَصِيرْ إلى المُنْتَهَى يَخْلُصْ. وإذَا ٱضْطَهَدُوكُم في هذِهِ المَدينَة، أُهْرُبُوا إلى غَيْرِهَا. فَالحَقَّ أَقُولُ لَكُم: لَنْ تَبُلُغُوا آخِرَ مُدُنِ إِسْرَائِيلَ حَتَّى يَأْتِي المَيْدِة، وَلِي المَيْدِ وَشُلَ سَيِّدُ الْمَنْ مُعَلِّهِ، ولا عَبْدُ مِنْ سَيِّدِهِ. حَسْبُ التَلْمِيذِ أَنْ كَانَ سَيِّدُ البَيْتِ قَدْ سَمَّوْهُ بَعْلَ زَبُول، فَكَمْ بِالأَحْرَى مِنْ مُعَلِّمِهِ، والعَبْدِ مِثْلَ سَيِّدِهِ. فَإِنْ كَانَ سَيِّدُ البَيْتِ قَدْ سَمَّوْهُ بَعْلَ زَبُول، فَكَمْ بِالأَحْرَى

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS

RIGHT & LEFT SANCTUARY LAMPS WILL BURN

In Honor of Our Graduates By Fr. Elie & Fr. Andrawos

Check out "Upon This Rock Television

Ministry Inc" on YouTube to watch

"The Maronite Trilogy - YouTube

The Glory of Lebanon."



WE WANT TO CELEBRATE YOU!

JOIN US FOR AN OUTDOOR LITURGY
IN YOUR HONOR FOLLOWED BY A
BBQ!

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 7PM

WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO WEAR YOUR CAPS & GOWNS!



Look for our weekly
"Faith At Home" emails for the
Picks of the Week!

We wish to congratulate Elie & Diane Mazraani on the birth of their baby boy, *Christiano*.





WE NEED YOUR HELP! UPDATE YOUR LOVED ONES RECORD!!

The following steps will help you access the tool:

- 1. Go to www.stanthonylawrence.org
- 2. Scroll to the bottom and click on BURIAL ONLINE SEARCH.
- 3. Type in the last/first name or in some cases just last name and click search. Please note that this is where we are having the most trouble. For some records, only a first name was documented and often it was put under the "last name" field. You might have to try a few variations before finding your loved one's record.
- 4. Click on the name.
- 5. In the middle of the page, look for "Do you know more about this person or their ancestors"? Click here.
- 6. You can then complete any or all the fields and click submit.
- 7.If desired, you may send obituary notice, special documents, letters, receipts etc. to rectory@stanthonylawrence.org and we will attach that to your loved one's record. Please make sure all emails are accurately and clearly labeled so we attach them to the correct parishioner.







We have taken needed precautions to ensure the safety of our parishioners as we open the Church for worship

Upon Arrival:

- All church doors will be opened wide to avoid touching of door handles
- <u>Masks must be worn by all, ages 5+</u>, while inside the church. No one will be admitted without a mask, unless for health reasons.
- Masks (if needed) and Hand Sanitizer are available at Church Entrance.
- A contact-less collection bin has been placed in the foyer. Please drop your

During Liturgy:

- Every other church pew is blocked off to allow for physical distancing.
- The center communion aisle has been marked with 6-ft markers to allow for physical distancing.
- Red Qurbono books have been removed. All Liturgical texts are available online and throughout the church, you can find a QR Code that directs you to the online text for your convenience.
- Communion of the Eucharist may be received on the hand or by intinction on tongue.

Between Liturgies:

All church pews and doors will be sprayed down with hospital-grade disinfectant.



PRAYING WHEN WE DON'T KNOW HOW By Ronald Rolheiser

He taught us how to pray while not knowing how to pray. That's a comment sometimes made about Henri Nouwen.

It seems almost contradictory to say that. How can someone teach us to pray when he himself doesn't know how? Well, two complexities conspired together here. Henri Nouwen was a unique mixture of weakness, honesty, complexity, and faith. That also describes prayer, this side of eternity. Nouwen simply shared, humbly and honestly, his own struggles with prayer and in seeing his struggles, the rest of us learned a lot about how prayer is precisely this strange mixture of weakness, honesty, complexity, and faith.

Prayer, as we know, has classically been defined as "the lifting of mind and heart to God", and given that our minds and hearts are pathologically complex, so too will be our prayer. It will give voice not just to our faith but also to our doubt. Moreover, in the Epistle to the Romans, St. Paul tells us that when we do not know how to pray, God's Spirit, in groans too deep for words, prays through us. I suspect that we don't always recognize all the forms that takes, how God sometimes prays through our groans and our weaknesses.

The renowned preacher Frederick Buechner, speaks of something he calls "crippled prayers that are hidden inside our minor blasphemes" and are uttered through clenched teeth: "God help us!" "Jesus Christ!" "For God's sake!" These are prayers? Why not? If prayer is lifting mind and heart to God, isn't this what's in our mind and heart at that moment? Isn't there a brutal honesty in this? Jacques Loew, one of the founders of the Worker-Priest movement in France, shares how, while working in a factory, he would sometimes be working with a group men loading heavy bags onto a truck. Occasionally one of the men would accidently drop one of the bags which would split open leaving a mess and a mini-blaspheme would spring forth from the man's lips. Loew, partly seriously and partly in jest, points out that while the man was not exactly saying the Lord's Prayer, he was invoking the name of God in real honesty.

So, is this in fact a genuine modality of prayer or is this taking the Lord's name in vain? Is this something we should be confessing as a sin rather than claiming as a prayer?

The commandment to not take the name of God in vain has little to do with those mini- blasphemes that slip out between clenched teeth when we drop a bag of groceries, jam a finger painfully, or get caught in a frustrating traffic jam. What we utter then may well be aesthetically offensive, in bad taste, and disrespectful enough of others so that some sin lies within it, but that's not taking the name of God in vain. Indeed, there's nothing false about it at all. In some ways it's the opposite of what the commandment has in mind.

We tend to think of prayer far too piously. It is rarely unadulterated altruistic praise issuing forth from a focused attention that's grounded in gratitude and in an awareness of God. Most of the time our prayer is a very adulterated reality – and all the more honest and powerful because of that.

For instance, one of our great struggles with prayer is that it's not easy to trust that prayer makes a difference. We watch the evening newscasts, see the entrenched polarization, bitterness, hatred, self-interest, and hardness of heart that are seemingly everywhere, and we lose heart. How do we find the heart to pray in the face of this? What, inside of our prayer, is going to change any of this?

While it is normal to feel this way, we need this important reminder: prayer is most important and most powerful precisely when we feel it is most hopeless – and we are most helpless.

Why is this true? It's true because it's only when we are finally empty of ourselves, empty of our own plans and our own strength that we're in fact ready to let God's vision and strength flow into the world through us. Prior to feeling this helplessness and hopelessness, we are still identifying God's power too much with the power of health, politics, and economics that we see in our world; and are identifying hope with the optimism we feel when the news looks a little better on a given night. If the news looks good, we have hope; if not, why pray? But we need to pray because we trust in God's strength and promise, not because the newscasts on a given night offer a bit more promise.

Indeed, the less promise our newscasts offer and the more they make us aware of our personal helplessness, the more urgent and honest is our prayer. We need to pray precisely because we are helpless and precisely because it does seem hopeless. Inside of that we can pray with honesty, perhaps even through clenched teeth.