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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)

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 PRIESTS

Pastor: Fr. Elie Mikhael

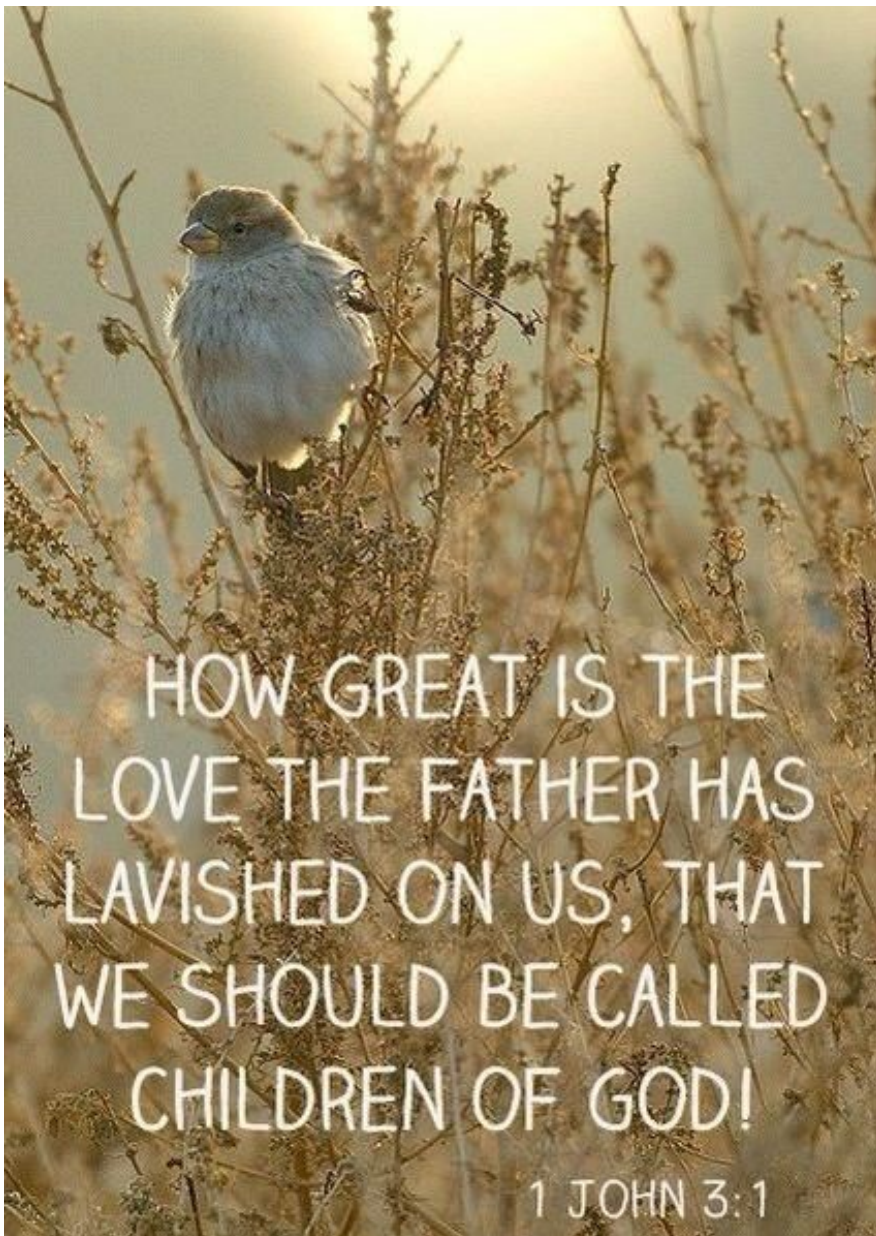
305-807-9087

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Parochial Vicar: Fr. Andrawos El Tabchi

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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 DEACONS

Deacon Nadim B. Daou / Deacon Michael Charchaflian

Sub-Deacon James T. Demers / Sub-Deacon Antoine Nammour

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.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST - أحد الثالث عشر من زمن العنصرة

Sat August 22

English 4:00 PM For: +Elham Alphonse by the Bou Habib Family

Sun August 23

English 9:00 AM For: In Honor of James & Maureen Demers (24 years Anniversary)

Ara/Eng Church 11:00 AM For: In Honor of Jamil & Teresa Kamari (33 years Anniversary)

Hall 11:00 AM **if needed for over-flow

Mon August 24 9:00 AM For: + Peter Bejjani By Lily Bejjani & Family

Tue August 25 9:00 AM For: In Honor of Deacon Nadim and Marie Christine Daou (30 Years Anniversary)

Wed August 26 9:00 AM For: + Souls in Purgatory By Lily Bejjani & Family

Thu August 27 9:00 AM For: In Honor of Reine and Zeidan Ata (Anniversary)

9:30AM-12Noon ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Fri August 28 No Liturgy

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST - أحد الرابع عشر من زمن العنصرة

Sat August 29

English 4:00 PM For: + Deacon Allan Ramey by Dr. Allan Ramey

Sun August 30

English 9:00 AM For: + Abdallah Sfeir by his son Beshara Sfeir & Family

Ara/Eng Church 11:00 AM For: In Honor of Michael Abou Ezzi (Birthday)
By his Parents & Siblings

Hall 11:00 AM **if needed for over-flow

"If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one."

St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta



FUNDRAISING EVENT TO SUPPORT LEBANON

We share together in prayers for our beloved country as it goes through this crisis for our families and loved ones.

Our Parish will support our beloved ones in Lebanon :

Clothes and Household items Drive is ongoing . Half a container will be shipped by the 29th of August. Please drop your donation of the new items no later than 25 of August. Drop off time during office hours or by calling Fr. Elie at 305 807-9087 or Fr. Andrawos at 978 241-2977.

A Fundraising event, sponsored by St Anthony Church and Parish, will take place Saturday and Sunday—Labor Weekend to help the victims in Beirut . More info to come!!!

Meanwhile our Eparchy opened the door for immediate donations:

First Letter to the Corinthians 3: 1-11

I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarrelling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? For when one says, 'I belong to Paul', and another, 'I belong to Apollos', are you not merely human? What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth.

The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labour of each. For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ.

Gospel: Saint Luke 8: 1-15

Jesus went on through cities and villages, proclaiming and bringing the good news of the kingdom of God. The twelve were with him, as well as some women who had been cured of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out, and Joanna, the wife of Herod's steward Chuza, and Susanna, and many others, who provided for them out of their resources.

When a great crowd gathered and people from town after town came to him, he said in a parable: 'A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell on the path and was trampled on, and the birds of the air ate it up. Some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered for lack of moisture. Some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew with it and choked it. Some fell into good soil, and when it grew, it produced a hundredfold.' As he said this, he called out, 'Let anyone with ears to hear listen!'

Then his disciples asked him what this parable meant. He said, 'To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but to others I speak in parables, so that "looking they may not perceive, and listening they may not understand." 'Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones on the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved. The ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe only for a while and in a time of testing fall away. As for what fell among the thorns, these are the ones who hear; but as they go on their way, they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. But as for that in the good soil, these are the ones who, when they hear the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patient endurance.

PUBLICATION OF BANNS

THIRD WEEK:

Zakherie Perrault & Lauren Puglisi

FIRST WEEK:

Danny Abourjeili & Marla Maroun



رسالة القديس بولس الأولى إلى أهل قورنتس 3: 1-11

يا إخوتي، أنا، لم أستطع أن أكلّمكم كأنا رُوحانيّين بل كأنا جسديّين، كأطفالٍ في المسيح. قد غدوّتكم بالحليب لا بالطعام، لأنكم لم تكونوا بعد قادرين، ولا حتى الآن أنتم قادرون. فإنتم لا تزالون أناساً جسديّين: فما دام بينكم حسدٌ وخصام، أفلا تكونون جسديّين، وسلوكاً جسديّاً تسلكون؟ فإذا كان أحدكم يقول: أنا لبّوس! وآخر: أنا لبّوس! أفلا تكونون جسديّين؟ فما هو لبّوس؟ وما هو بولس؟ هما خادمان آمنتم على أيديهما، على قدر ما أعطى الربُّ كلًّا منهما. أنا غرست، وأبّوس سقى، ولكن الله هو الذي كان يُنمي. فلا الغارسُ بشيءٍ ولا الساقِي، بل الله الذي يُنمي! لكن الغارسُ والساقِي واحد، وكلُّ منهما يأخذ أجره على قدر تَعْبِهِ. فنحنُ معاونان الله، وأنتم حفلةُ الله وبناءُ الله. وأنا بنعمة الله التي وهبت لي، وضعتُ الأساسَ كبناءٍ حكيم، لكن آخر يبني عليه: فليُنظر كلُّ واحدٍ كيف يبني عليه! فما من أحدٍ يمكنه أن يضع أساساً آخرَ غيرَ الأساسِ الموضوع، وهو يسوع المسيح.

إنجيل القديس لوقا 8: 1-15

أخذ يسوع يطوفُ المُدنَ والقُرى، يُنادي وَيُبشِّرُ بمَلَكوتِ الله، ومعه الأثنا عشر، وبعضُ النِّساءِ اللواتي شفاهن من أرواحٍ شرييرةٍ وأمراض، هن: مريمُ المدعوّةُ بالمجدليّة، التي كان قد خرج منها سبعةُ شياطين، وحنةُ امرأةُ خوزى وكيل هيرودس، وسوسنة، وغيرهن كثيراتٍ كنَّ يبذلن من أموالهن في خدمتهم.

ولما احتشدَ جمعٌ كثير، وأقبلَ الناسُ إليه من كلِّ مدينة، خاطبهم بمثل: "خرج الزارع ليزرع زرعاً. وفيما هو يزرع، وقع بعضُ الحبِّ على جانبِ الطريق، فداسته الأقدام، وأكلته طيورُ السماء. ووقع بعضُه الآخرُ على الصخرة، وما إن نبت حتى يبس، لأنه لم يكن له رطوبة. ووقع بعضُه الآخرُ في وسطِ الشوك، ونبت الشوكُ معه فخنقه. ووقع بعضُه الآخرُ في الأرضِ الصالحة، ونبت قائمٌ منتهٍ ضعف. قال يسوعُ هذا، ونادى: "من له أذنان سامعتان فليسمع!"

وسأله تلاميذه: "ما ثراه يعني هذا المثل؟" فقال: "قد أعطيتُ لكم أنتم أن تعرفوا أسرارَ ملكوتِ الله. أما الباقون فأكلّمهم بالأمثال، لكي ينظروا فلا يبصروا، ويسمعوا فلا يفهموا. وهذا هو معنى المثل: الزرعُ هو كلمةُ الله. والذين على جانبِ الطريق هم الذين يسمعون، ثم يأتي إبليسُ فينتزعُ الكلمةَ من قلوبهم، لئلا يؤمنوا فيخلصوا. والذين على الصخرة هم الذين يسمعون الكلمةَ ويقبلونها بفرح؛ هؤلاء لا أصلَ لهم، فهم يؤمنون إلى حين، وفي وقتِ التجربة يتراجعون. والذي وقع في الشوك هم الذين يسمعون ويمضون، فنحنقهم الهُمومُ والغنى وملذاتُ الحياة، فلا ينضج لهم ثمر. أما الذي وقع في الأرضِ الجيدة فهم الذين يسمعون الكلمةَ بقلبٍ جيّدٍ صالحٍ فيحفظونها، ويتبنون فيثمرون.

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS

RIGHT & LEFT SANCTUARY LAMP WILL BURN IN LOVING MEMORY OF:
In Honor of Deacon Nadim and Marie Christine Daou By the Pastor

St. Anthony Knights of Mary ONLINE REGISTRATION FORM:

<https://www.stanthonylawrence.org/registration-form-4/>

Dear Parents, advisors and volunteers,

We are looking forward to being back instilling the Maronite faith, Lebanese heritage and culture for the 2020-2021 year. In order to do this safely, we need to follow the state and local safety guidelines. Sessions will take place on a **monthly basis** and calendar is attached for your reference. Sessions will start at **5:15 p.m.** and end at **7:00 p.m.**

Information regarding the goal of the program and procedures are included below. As the situation evolves we will continue to meet and review the plan and make necessary changes. Children, advisors and volunteer safety is and always will be at the forefront of our decision making process.

It is important that we continue to work together as a community. Our priority is a safe and welcoming environment for all of your children and volunteers. Children are perceptive and will react according to the cues they receive from trusted adults. Please keep this in mind when discussing the start of our program with your loved ones.

Program Goals:

Deliver group instruction on a regular basis in a healthy and safe environment for children, advisors and volunteers while maintaining flexibility to implement contingency plans or reconsider health and safety protocols as circumstances change.

Health and Safety Protocols:

COVID-19 underscores the importance of good health and hygiene in our church environment. As a community it is imperative that we all work together to keep each other healthy and prevent the spread of the virus. **The most critical element of this plan is the following, children, advisors or volunteers must stay home if sick or not feeling well.**

Important precautions that will be taken include the following protocols:

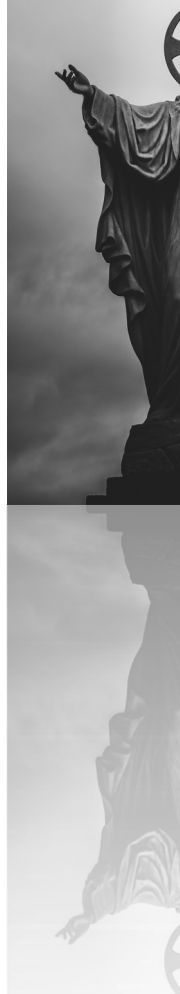
- Frequent hand washing and hand sanitization will be facilitated
- Cleaning and disinfection practices will be consistent
- Advisors, volunteers and children will be **required** to wear a mask for the duration of the session
- Safe spacing will be practiced within each group
- Children will be split up in groups and stay with their groups, failure to comply will result in actions taken.
 - o Kindergarten: maximum 5/group – Mask not required while in group
 - o 1st & 2nd grade: 10 max - Mask not required but recommended while in group
 - o 3rd & 4th grade: 10 max – mask will be required at all times
 - o 5th & 6th grade: 10 max – mask will be required at all times
 - o 7th and 8th grade: 10 max – mask will be required at all times
- Parents/guardians are responsible for the drop off and pick up of their children

Flow of Each Session:

- Children will arrive and will need to sanitize their hands on the way into the hall.
- All children, advisors, and volunteers will wear a mask entering the church/church hall.
- Advisors and volunteers will open and close doors.
- Children will be asked to bring their own supplies just like school, pencils, colored crayons or colors pencils , if you are unable to provide please let us know and we will accommodate.
- Children will be asked this year to bring water and small snack with them, it will not be provided like other years due to COVID safety.
- Children dismissal will be done group by group with their advisor, we ask parents to be patient with us.

State Ordered Closures and Transition to Remote

If there is a spike in local cases of COVID-19, health or government officials may require us to no



Knights of Mary Program Calendar 2020-2021

Date	Type of Event Time	Topic
Saturday, September 26 th , 2020:	<u>Kick Off 5:15 PM – 7:00 PM</u>	<i>Feast of the Glorious Cross</i>
Saturday, October 10 th , 2020:	<u>Regular Session 5:15 PM – 7:00 PM</u>	<i>Saint Charbel</i>
Saturday, November 7 th , 2020:	<u>Regular Session 5:15 PM – 7:00 PM</u>	<i>The Feast of the Presentation of the Virgin Mary in the Temple</i>
Saturday, November 28 th , 2020	<u>Regular Session 5:15 PM – 7:00 PM</u>	<i>St Barbara</i>
Saturday, December 12 th , 2020	<u>Christmas Event 5:15 PM – 7:00 PM</u>	<i>The Birth of Our Lord</i>
Saturday, January 16 th , 2021	<u>Regular Session 5:15 PM – 7:00 PM</u>	<i>The Epiphany</i>
Saturday, February 27 th , 2021	<u>Regular Session 5:15 PM – 7:00 PM</u>	<i>St Maroun</i>
Saturday, March 13 th , 2021	<u>Regular Session 5:15 PM – 7:00 PM</u>	<i>St Rafqa</i>
Saturday, April 10 th , 2021	<u>Regular Session 5:15 PM – 7:00 PM</u>	<i>Easter/Holy Week</i>
Saturday, May 15 th , 2021	<u>Farewell Session 5:15 PM – 7:00 PM</u>	<i>Celebrating the Virgin Mary</i>

Saint Anthony Kids Choir

Dear parents, as September approaches, we are looking forward to resume our kids choir practice sessions for the year 2020-2021.

As you all know, the goal of our choir is to teach our kids, who represent the future of our church, some of our beautiful *Maronite hymns* to glorify God. Providing a children's choir in which they can learn, grow, move and serve as well.

We will try, as a small group within the church to serve masses, faith concerts and special occasions.

Due to COVID-19, we need to make some changes in our rules and procedures, to ensure a healthy environment in our practices, for the kids and the advisors.

In order to do so, it is very important to follow the safety and legal requirements and guidelines made by the church and the state.

As a community, we all need to work together to keep each other safe, and to prevent the spread of the virus.

Safety actions:

- Everyone (parents, kids, advisors) must wear masks while inside, enter or exit the church building.
- **The practice will be held in the "Nave "of the church, not on the balcony. Trying to promote social distancing, the children will sit on the pews, more than 6 ft apart, without masks, so they can sing.**
- Each kid will have his own folder with his name on it, holding all the hymns lyrics.
- The kids need to sanitize their hands before, during and after the practice.
- During breaks, individual prepackaged items will be provided (water, juice, snacks,..)
- We need to notify everyone who is sick, or who have had close contact with a person with COVID-19 to *stay home*.
- Any kid who may present any symptoms of sickness, will be separated from the group, and we will contact the parents immediately to pick him up. No exceptions will be made.

A children choir is a valuable tool to train children up to be lifelong worshippers, to be our next church generation.

Wissam Merheb, Director

PARISH MINISTRIES

Religious Education

It is with great excitement, we ask you to check the following link:

<https://www.stanthonylawrence.org/religious-education/>

in regard to Religious Education this year. You will also see attached the calendar and guidelines for First Communion.

We hope you will take careful consideration of the information we are sending out, in regard to safely running classes, for the children, this upcoming school year. We have taken much care and thought into our plan, and we hope you will take the time to read, digest and think about what we are offering our families. If you have any questions about the plan itself, we will be having an informational meeting, at the church, on Wednesday, August 26, at 7:00 p.m.

If you plan to attend this meeting, please follow the safety protocol of the church including wearing a mask. We will socially distance in the hall and will be more than happy to listen and respond to any questions you may have. We believe with the planning we have done this summer, we can have a safe return this fall.

If you wish to register your child for Religious Ed, you may do so by printing the attached registration form (please read COVID disclaimer) or register on line at the parish website. There is no rush. If you prefer to wait until after the meeting, that is fine. We will take registrations until Wednesday, September 10.

We understand and respect this decision needs to be good for your family. We also want to support the spiritual development of our children.

“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.” -- Matthew 28:19-20

We are looking forward to seeing you soon!!!

The Religious Ed Team

A Message from Arabic School:

Arabic School at St. Anthony's will be returning, starting this September. The registration fee will be \$150 for child per school year. Siblings will have 30% discount. Please check the bulletin and your email, for more information soon.



Our Lady of Lebanon Sodality group is putting together a Parish Cookbook! If you are interested in having a recipe featured (open to all!), please contact Bassima Aboujaoude (603-571-3003) or the Parish Office **by September 15** to submit your name and the dish you want to share!



Every Thursday 9:30am-12pm

Please contact the Rectory

@ 978.685.7233

to reserve an hour so that the Blessed Sacrament is not left alone.

AS WE PRAY ON YOUR ANNIVERSARY

August 22: Jamil & Teresa Kamari / Issam & Gill Ramey

August 23: Rami & Mariana Ata
Richard & Noreen Mallen

August 24: Walid & Silvana Awad
Robert & Maya Faris / Chadi & Sandy Ramey

August 26: Vincent & Winifred Di Tommaso

August 28: Zeidan & Reine Ata
Josh & Elizabeth Frias / Joseph & Gina Nassar

AS WE PRAY ON YOUR BIRTHDAY

August 22: Kallie Blanchet, Yara El Hayek, Emma Faris, Eva Khoury, Lucia Sadek

August 23: Anthony Azzi, Georges Bou Saada, Anthony El Hachem, Lara Geha, Larry Kalil, Aboud Kassarji, Bassil Zaza

August 24: Reine Ata, Nabil Bou-Mitri, Marcus Dahbour

August 25: Vita Abdo, Ryan Bouchrouche, Robine Hachem

August 26: Wallace Hatem, Jean Kossaifi

August 28: Michael Abou-Ezzi, Anthony Antar,

TITHES & OFFERINGS

SAINT ANTHONY'S PARISH depends on donations from our parishioners and benefactors to live and expand our Mission. 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 provides outreach to those in need.

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:
stanthonylawrence.org/donate-now/

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



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.
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.



DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, THIS YEAR'S ANNUAL LEBANESE MAHRAJAN HAS BEEN CANCELLED. THE MAHRAJAN COMMITTEE HAS BEEN MEETING & PLANNING ALTERNATIVE FUNDRAISING. STAY TUNED FOR NEWS SOON!



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
- **Masks must be worn by all, ages 5+**, 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 offering right into the bin.

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.**

