



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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

PARISH SECRETARY: 978.685.7233 ... rectory@stanthonylawrence.org

MEET OUR PRIESTS:

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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*



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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

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

GENEALOGY SUNDAY - أحد النسبة

Sat Dec. 19
English 4:00 PM **For: + Joseph Nammour** By his son George Nammour

Sun Dec. 20
English 9:00 AM **For: + Rose L. Yameen** By *The Family*

Ara/Eng
Church 11:00 AM **For: 40 Day - Mtanos Aad** (*died in Lebanon*) By his daughter Salam
Wife of Mr. Joseph Abou Rizk
+ **Georges & Berthe Cherfane** By their Children and families
+ **Antoine Karam Asmar** By his wife Nada Asmar

Tue Dec. 21 9:00 AM **For: + Antoine Karam Asmar** By his wife Nada Asmar

Tue Dec. 22 9:00 AM **For: + Stephaine Ota** By her loving family
+ **Antoine Karam Asmar** By his wife Nada Asmar

Wed Dec. 23 9:00 AM **For: + Antoine Karam Asmar** By his wife Nada Asmar

Thu Dec. 24 **VIGIL OF THE GLORIOUS BIRTH - ميلاد الرب يسوع**
4:00 PM: Main Sanctuary & Parish Hall (*English*)
6:00 PM: Main Sanctuary

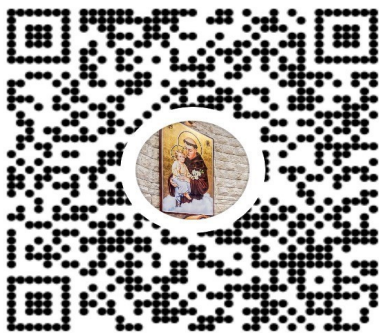
Fri Dec. 25 **THE GLORIOUS BIRTH OF OUR LORD - ميلاد الرب يسوع**
9:00 AM: Main Sanctuary (*Arabic*)
11:00 AM: Main Sanctuary & Parish Hall (*Arabic & English*)

SUNDAY AFTER THE BIRTH OF OUR LORD - أحد بعد ميلاد الرب
FELECITATION OF THE VIRGIN MARY - تهنئة العذراء مريم أم الله

Sat Dec. 26
English 4:00 PM **For: + Bomar Kramer** By Barbara Kramer

Sun Dec. 27
English 9:00 AM **For: + Antoine Karam Asmar** By his wife Nada Asmar

Ara/Eng
Church 11:00 AM **For: + Jamile Barbar Zaarour** (*died in Lebanon*) By her daughters:
Joumana, wife of Edgar Feghali, Gerogina wife of Jihad Maroun, and
their children



Venmo your Parish

- 1- Scan the QR code.
- 2- Choose the amount
- 3- Use the Memo to indicate which account the contribution is made towards. (e.g. Weekly Contribution, Energy needs...)

TITHES & OFFERINGS STEP UP YOUR WEEKLY / MONTHLY / ANNUAL

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

or by E-mail:

rectory@stanthonylawrence.org

CEMETERY LOT SALES AND AVAILABILITY

Saint Anthony Cemetery offers affordable payment plans to fit any family's budget. For more information:

By Phone (During Office Hours) 978-685-7233

or email rectory@stanthonylawrence.org

Or by visiting: www.stanthonylawrence.org/lots-sales/

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.

ONLINE BURIAL SEARCH

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.

THANK YOU

SAMIA COMPANIES

The continuous and generous support of Mr. Lenny Samia and his family has been an outstanding support to our Parish here at St Anthony.

We extend our immense gratitude for your kindness and your unconditional support especially during this Pandemic Season.

Your Donation of **\$25,000** in honor of your family and in Loving memory of your beloved parents Berth and Mary Samia will be honored and remembered here at the Altar of St Anthony



COMMONWEALTH MOTORS

The Family of Charles Daher, President and Owner of the Commonwealth Motors has continuously supported St Anthony Church and Parish.

Our heartfelt gratitude for your kind and generous Donation of **\$10,000** in September was a tremendous help to our Church who relies and depends on kind and generous people like you.

May God bless and protect you and your loving family . Be assured of our continuous prayers for your good health and prosperity.



An immense gratitude to **Dr. George and Mrs. Mirna About Ezzi** for their generous donation by adorning our church with a an exquisite entrance door.

Your donation of **\$6,500** in honor of your loving children: Marc, Monica, Michael and Mia and your devotion are heartily appreciated.

May the Lord reward you with all blessings and shower you with His Love and Mercy



BUTCHER BOY MARKET

Saint Anthony Church and Parish are grateful for responding to our requests always with a smile and an outstanding generosity.

Your support during the Mahrajan, the Hafliis and around the year are a pillar to our continuity and to keep our doors open and our ministries running.

Our heartfelt gratitude for your kind and generous Donation of **\$3,000** to defray the cost of the fuel.

May God enrich you with all blessings and prosperity



CONGRATULATION TO:

Christian Anthony Joseph Chedid

Son of Anthony and Christina Chedid who received th Sacrament of Baptism and Confirmation on Sunday December 13, 2020

OUR SYMPATHIES TO:

Antoine Bou Mitri, his children Andre and Anabelle wife of Mr. Robert Owaida on the loss of their beloved wife and mother Therese Bou Mitri

Elaine Brousseau, her children Robert and David Brousseau and family for the loss of the husband and the father Robert Brousseau

Joumana, wife of Edgar Feghali, Georgina wife of Jihad Maroun, and their children for the loss of their mother Jamile Barbar Zaarour (*died in Lebanon*)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- Dec 20:** Jose-Antoinette Chantiri, Jesse Ramey, George Feghali, August Switala
- Dec 21:** Rebecca Naamani, Eliane Yammine
- Dec 24:** John Abraham, Jean Noel Merheb, Jeannette Vincent
- Dec 25:** Milad Chamoun, Joseph Saade
- Dec 26:** Rana Ata, Gabriela Fiato

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- Dec 20:** Kurt & Cindy Bistany
- Dec 23:** Adel & Raymonda Abouhamad
Adam & Brittney Souza
Hussein & Marie Youssef
- Dec 26:** Nicholas & Alyssa Nazarro

IN REMEBRANCE OF OUR LOVED ONES

- Dec 22:** Samuel John Maroun
Shelley M. Constantineau
- Dec 23:** Vivian R. Ganem - Mary Savastano
George J. Mansour
- Dec 24:** May Gabriel - Ferris J. Hajjar
Helen M. Johns - Anna R. Abdallah
Haseeba M. Hamman
- Dec 26:** John G. Thomas - Saadallah Azzi
Bomar Kramer

Religious Education

Hello Religious Ed Families.

We will hold **remote** Religious Education classes on **Saturday, December 19, beginning at 5:00 pm.** Teachers will be sending links this week.

We are so grateful for the support we have received with classroom attendance. The Religious Education staff works hard to ensure a well prepared class for the children. If you have not participated in a class remotely, we strongly encourage you to try this week.

From the entire Religious Education team we wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and Happy healthy and safe New Year!!!!

Religious Ed Team

Saint Anthony Kids Choir

Registrations are open either by Contacting **Mr. Wissam Merheb @ 978. 853.5145** or by emailing the parish at **rectory@stanthonylawrence.org**

Weekly Spiritual Mezza

Presented by Deacon Nadim Daou

Details sent by text message and on Facebook

St. Anthony Knights of Mary

The Upcoming session for December have been canceled due to the increase of COVID cases. Your safety is our priority

ONLINE REGISTRATION FORM:

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

For Calendar and Health and Safety Protocols, Please Check our Website:

<https://www.stanthonylawrence.org/events-2/>

Knights of the Altar

Next meeting : February 6



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.**



Guidelines For Public Liturgies During Pandemic

Should I come to Liturgy?

Anyone who is ill, symptomatic, or has been exposed to someone else with the coronavirus within 14 days cannot enter the church. This is in accord with national, state, and local health directives. We also ask everyone to check their temperature at home before deciding if you are coming to Liturgy. You can find the current symptoms of the coronavirus at the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's website www.cdc.gov.

Those who are at risk because of an underlying health issue or who are over 60 are strongly encouraged, for their own health, to avoid the risk of attending public celebrations of the Liturgy.

What should I do if I cannot come to Liturgy?

We will continue to livestream our Liturgies on our [Facebook page](#). Monday through Thursday Liturgy will be at 9:00 am. Saturday Liturgy will be at 4:00 pm and Sunday liturgies will be at 9:00 am & 11:00am .

Parishioners who would like to have Holy Communion brought to their homes should contact the office @ 978.685.7233 during normal business hours. The frequency of our visits for Holy Communion will depend upon the number of requests.

How will we be kept safe when we come to Liturgy?

All pews are wiped down with disinfectant; and all Qurbono Books are removed; and all surfaces used frequently (restroom facilities, door handles, etc.) are sanitized before each service.

Everyone attending Liturgy is obligated to wear a mask or other facial covering. The only exception during Liturgy is when we are seated in the pew and when receiving Holy Communion.

You'll be asked to observe social distancing – staying at least six feet from people not in your household. Only certain pews are available for seating. When you arrive, please use your good judgment about where to sit. Be respectful and accommodating towards others as they arrive and look for seating.

You'll find the holy water fonts are empty and that there is hand sanitizer available. You'll notice there will be no offertory procession, no sign of peace, and no passing of the collection basket.

You can drop your donation in a stationary basket, or continue to use the online provided by your parish.

Can we receive Holy Communion?

Yes, but only the Most Precious Body and only by hand. Floor markings shall be placed six feet apart in the aisles in which the congregation approaches the sanctuary for Holy Communion to facilitate proper social distancing.

When approaching the Communion minister, the communicant is to pull their mask or other facial covering below their chin and present one hand resting on the palm of the other. After responding "Amen," the communicant reverently places the Eucharist in his or her mouth and immediately replaces their mask or other facial covering.

What do we need to keep in mind as we leave Liturgy?

Please leave Liturgy together as a household, wearing your masks or other facial covering and observing

Epistle: Letter to the Romans 1:1-12

Brothers and sisters, Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed throughout the world. For God, whom I serve with my spirit by announcing the gospel of his Son, is my witness that without ceasing I remember you always in my prayers, asking that by God's will I may somehow at last succeed in coming to you. For I am longing to see you so that I may share with you some spiritual gift to strengthen you or rather so that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine.

Gospel: Saint Matthew 1:1-17

An account of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham.

Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Aram, and Aram the father of Aminadab, and Aminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon, and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab, and Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse, and Jesse the father of King David.

And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah, and Solomon the father of Rehoboam, and Rehoboam the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father of Asaph, and Asaph the father of Jehoshaphat, and Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of Uzziah, and Uzziah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah, and Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, and Manasseh the father of Amos, and Amos the father of Josiah, and Josiah the father of Jechoniah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon.

And after the deportation to Babylon: Jechoniah was the father of Salathiel, and Salathiel the father of Zerubbabel, and Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, and Abiud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of Azor, and Azor the father of Zadok, and Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eliud, and Eliud the father of Eleazar, and Eleazar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called the Messiah.

So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; and from David to the deportation to Babylon, fourteen generations; and from the deportation to Babylon to the Messiah, fourteen generations.



الرسالة إلى أهل رومة 1: 12-1

يا إخوتي، من بولس عبد المسيح يسوع، الذي دُعي ليكون رسولاً، وفررَ لإنجيل الله، هذا الإنجيل الذي وعد به الله من قبل، بأنبيائه في الكتب المقدسة، في شأن ابنه الذي ولد بحسب الجسد من نسل داود، وجعل بحسب روح القداسة ابن الله بقوة أي بالقيامة من بين الأموات، وهو يسوع المسيح ربنا؛ به نلنا النعمة والرسالة لكي نهدى إلى طاعة الإيمان جميع الأمم، لمجد اسمه؛ ومن بينهم أنتم أيضاً مدعوون لتكونوا ليسوع المسيح؛ إلى جميع الذين في روما، إلى أحبباء الله، المدعوين ليكونوا قديسين: النعمة لكم والسلام من الله أبينا والرب يسوع المسيح! قبل كل شيء، أشكر إلهي بيسوع المسيح من أجلكم جميعاً، لأن إيمانكم يُنادى به في العالم كله. يشهد علي الله، الذي أعبدته بروحي، بحسب إنجيل ابنه، أنني أذكركم بغير انقطاع، ضارعاً في صلواتي على الدوام أن يتيسر لي يوماً، بمشيئة الله، أن آتي إليكم. فإني أتسوق أن أراكم، لأشركم في موهبة روحية وأسددكم، أي لأتعرى معكم وبينكم بإيماني وإيمانكم المشترك.

كتاب ميلاد يسوع المسيح، ابن داود، ابن إبراهيم:

إنجيل القديس متى 1: 17-1

إبراهيم ولد إسحق، إسحق ولد يعقوب، يعقوب ولد يهوذا وإخوته، يهوذا ولد فارص وزارح من تمار، فارص ولد حصرون، حصرون ولد آرام، آرام ولد عميناداب، عميناداب ولد نحشون، نحشون ولد سلمون، سلمون ولد بوعر من راحاب، بوعر ولد عوبيد من راعوت، عوبيد ولد يسي، يسي ولد داود الملك. داود ولد سليمان من امرأة أوريا، سليمان ولد رحبعام، رحبعام ولد أبيا، أبيا ولد آسا، آسا ولد يوشافاط، يوشافاط ولد يورام، يورام ولد عوزيا، عوزيا ولد يوتام، يوتام ولد آحاز، آحاز ولد حزقيا، حزقيا ولد منسى، منسى ولد أمون، أمون ولد يوشيا، يوشيا ولد يوكنيا وإخوته، وكان السبي إلى بابل.

بعد السبي إلى بابل، يوكنيا ولد شلتينيل، شلتينيل ولد زربابل، زربابل ولد أبيهود، أبيهود ولد إلياقيم، إلياقيم ولد عازور، عازور ولد صادوق، صادوق ولد أخيم، أخيم ولد إليهود، إليهود ولد إيعازر، إيعازر ولد متان، متان ولد يعقوب، يعقوب ولد يوسف رجل مريم، التي منها ولد يسوع، وهو الذي يدعى المسيح.

فجميع الأجيال من إبراهيم إلى داود أربعة عشر جيلاً، ومن داود إلى سبي بابل أربعة عشر جيلاً، ومن سبي بابل إلى المسيح أربعة عشر جيلاً.

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS

WILL BURN IN LOVING MEMORY OF BOMAR KRAMER

BY HIS WIFE BARBARA KRAMER