

FOR YOU ARE  
**DUST** &  
TO **DUST**  
YOU SHALL RETURN

**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](mailto:rectory@stanthonylawrence.org)**

**MEET OUR PRIESTS:**

*Fr. Elie Mikhael ....**305-807-9087**.... [pastor@stanthonylawrence.org](mailto:pastor@stanthonylawrence.org)*

*Fr. Manuel Rahmeh ...978-873-5363...[pv@stanthonylawrence.org](mailto:pv@stanthonylawrence.org)*

**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.



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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 @ 7:00 PM

**OFFICE HOURS**

**M-TH:** 9:00 AM-4:00 PM

**Friday:** 9:00 AM-2:00 PM

**Saturdays:** By Appointment

## SUNDAYS & WEEKLY LITURGIES

### First Sunday of Great Lent - أحد مدخل الصوم الكبير Cana Sunday - أحد آية عرس قانا

**Sat** **Feb. 13** **For: + Sister Alexandrine** *By her niece Micheline Bijjani Dabrowski*  
4:00 PM *English* **For: + Nasib Ramy** *By his Wife and Children*

**Sun** **Feb. 14** **For: + Mary George & + Suzanne Eyssi**  
9:00 AM *English* *By Josephine Mcdougall, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Witkiewicz and Family*

11:00 AM *Ara/Eng* **For: + George, Nemra, Peter, Brandon & Matthew Hachem**  
*Church* *By their family*

### Ash Monday - الإثنين الرماد

**Mon**  
9:00 AM  
7:00 PM **Feb. 15** **For: A Blessed and Holy Journey of Lent** *By Fr. Elie & Fr. Manuel*

**Tue** **Feb. 16** **For: + Victor and Grace Hatem** *By Mrs. Therese Solomon and Family*  
9:00 AM

**Wed** **Feb. 17** **For: Good Health of Graziela Alphonse Saroufim**  
9:00 AM *By her sister Guita Bou Habib and Family*  
**For: The intentions and donors of Catholic Extension**

**Thu** **Feb. 18** **For: + Carolyn Walling** *By Fr. Elie Mikhael*  
9:00 AM **For: The intentions and donors of Catholic Extension**  
9:30 AM-12:00 Noon: ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**Fri** **Feb. 19** **Stations of the Cross**  
7:00 PM

### Sunday of the Man with Leprosy - أحد شفاء الأبرص Second Sunday of Great Lent - الأحد الثاني من الصوم الكبير

**Sat** **Feb. 20** **For: + Alice Rodrigues** *By her husband Alfred Rodrigues*  
4:00 PM *English*

**Sun** **Feb. 21** **For: Private intention**  
9:00 AM *English*

11:00 AM *Ara/Eng* **For: 1st Year Anniversary - Antonio Pastore**  
*Church* *By his sister Teresa wife of Jamil Kamari and Family*  
**For: 40 Day Anniversary - Ramona Hashem** *By her loving family*

## LENT SEASON

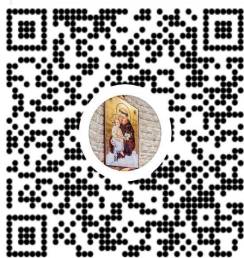
### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- A. ASH MONDAY: FEBRUARY 15  
Ashes will be distributed during the Liturgies at 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM. Also, Church will be open during the day for the distribution of the blessed Ashes. Kindly call the office upon arrival to church.
- B. STATIONS OF THE CROSS:  
Every Friday during Lent @ 7:00 PM. Service will be live streamed on our Facebook page.

## TITHES & OFFERINGS WEEKLY / MONTHLY / ANNUAL GIVING COMMITMENT

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REGISTER ONLINE



[stanthonylawrence.org/donate-now/](http://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" X 8" = \$250

Please submit your request either by

Phone: 978.685.7233

or by E-mail:

[rectory@stanthonylawrence.org](mailto: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](mailto:rectory@stanthonylawrence.org)

Or by visiting: [www.stanthonylawrence.org/lots-sales/](http://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.

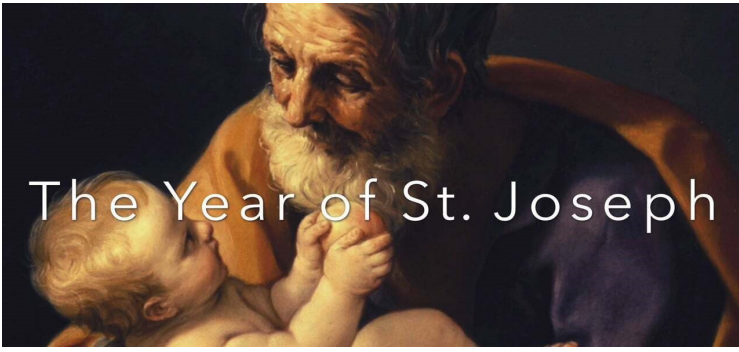
Pre-Arrangement Funds are placed in a separate account and are withdrawn at the time of the interment. An interest free Time-Payment Plan is available for your convenience.

## ONLINE BURIAL SEARCH

UPDATE YOUR LOVED ONES RECORD !!

The following steps will help you access the tool:

1. Go to [www.stanthonylawrence.org](http://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](mailto:rectory@stanthonylawrence.org) and we will attach that to your loved one's record.



Prayer to Saint Joseph:

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

نرفع إليه هذه الصلاة:

السلام عليك يا حامي المخلص، وخطيب العذراء  
مريم.

لقد ائتمنك الله على ابنه؛ وبك وضعت مريم  
ثقتها؛ ومعك صار يسوع رجلاً.

أيها الطوباوي يوسف، كن أباً لنا نحن أيضاً،  
وأرشدنا في درب الحياة.

التمس لنا النعمة والرحمة والشجاعة، واحمنا من  
كل شر. آمين.

(Prayer by Pope Francis at the conclusion of his Letter  
“[Patris corde](#)” (“With a Father’s Heart”) proclaiming a  
“Year of Saint Joseph” from 8 December 2020 to 8  
December 2021.)

### BIBLE STUDY

Arabic and English Sessions are taking place every Wednesday. For more info send an email to: [rectory@stanthonylawrence.org](mailto:rectory@stanthonylawrence.org)

### MYA

Upcoming Meeting :

**March 18, 2021 @ 8:00 PM**

Subject of Discussion : **Lent**

Location: **Parish Hall**

### MYO

Upcoming Meeting

February 21, 2021 @ 6:00 PM

Subject of Discussion:

**Lent preparation / Passion of Christ**

Location: **Parish Hall**

### Religious Education

We are so excited to consistently see the children in person for Religious Education!!!! Our next class will be held on **Saturday, February 20 @ 5:15 PM.**

We will be sending home Lenten rice bowls as we have done in the past.

Any contributions made are appreciated.

If your child is making First Communion in May, please note the following important dates and times. **We will be having only one liturgy this year.**

**Saturday, March 6, 2021 @ 5:15 PM**

#### **Reconciliation**

Your child should be able to recite The Our Father, The Hail Mary, and the Act of Contrition. These have been provided and are reviewed in class, but your practice with your child is necessary.

**Saturday, May 1, 2021 @ 1:300 PM**

#### **First Communion liturgy**

See your guidelines for further information on communion dress and expectations.

### **Knights of the Altar**

Next meeting : March 6

Dear Parishioners:

2020 has been a tremendous challenge for everyone, our parish is no exception. The church has endured closing due to state mandate and civil unrest. We have had to implement many precautions for safety, which we did without hesitation, because the well being and protection of the parishioners is paramount. We have done funerals closed to the public and canceled many of our joyous celebrations. Last year will be a year our children will remember forever.

The good news is we are starting to see light at the end of the tunnel. A vaccine is coming out and for the first time, in almost a year, we can at least start to think about getting back to normal. So with that, I am starting to look at what it will take to get St Anthony back on its feet and financially I am very troubled. We canceled all fundraisers that benefit the church, we did do some fundraising for the tragedies in Lebanon, which was the right decision where our focus needed to be, but nothing internally. The revenue for 2020 was down -34% from 2019, also the predicted revenue for 2021 is unknown but is very concerning.

I sat down with the Mahrajan Committee members to brainstorm what we can do to bridge the gap until we get back to pre-pandemic activities. We came up with a raffle. Not the usual raffle, one with much fewer tickets and with a much greater prize. I am appealing to you today to purchase one or more tickets at \$100 each to defray the expenses of our

**Building Insurance of \$18,68.00 and Diocesan Appeal of \$23,000.00** in addition to the existing salaries. A ticket can be split with friends or family members too.

The drawing will be held Easter weekend and the prizes will be **\$5000 first place, \$2500 second place and \$1000 for third place.**

Please consider buying whatever you can afford, and let's take the first steps towards recovery.

Gratefully yours in Christ,  
Fr. Elie Mikhael



**ST ANTHONY RAFFLE  
COVID 19 RELIEF**

**CASH PRIZES**  
Prize 1: \$5000  
Prize 2: \$2500  
Prize 3: \$1000

CASH, CHECKS, CC & VENMO ACCEPTED!

**RAFFLE DRAWING  
SUNDAY APRIL 4, 2021 @ NOON**

**\$100.00**

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Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

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## Guidelines For Public Liturgies During Pandemic –Capacity %25

### ***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](http://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 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 present one hand resting on the palm of the other. Moving in front of one of the side alter the communicant pulls their mask or other facial covering below their chin and reverently places the Eucharist in his or her mouth and immediately replaces their mask or other facial covering and returns to their place.

### ***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 six feet of distance from others. You will not be permitted to congregate in the foyer, and no receptions or social gathering following Liturgy can be held.

## MENTAL HEALTH & SEVERE AUTISTIC HOMES

DEIR eI SALEEB –HOLY CROSS MENTAL HEALTH INSTITUTION

# FOOD & MEDICINE DRIVE

**Items Listed Below!**

**Keep Checking back to remain updated on what is still needed**

**Drop off location**

**St Anthony Church: 145 Amesbury Street, Lawrence MA**

**Drop off Dates / Times: Everyday Starting 1/11/21**

**Until further notice**

**Contact the rectory with any questions @ 978.685.7233 or  
rectory@stanthonylawrence.org**

## FOOD DRIVE MOST NEEDED ITEMS

**RAISINS**

**TABLE SALT**

**SUGAR**

**LENTILS**

**RED BEANS**

**BURGHOL**

**JELLY**

**HOMMUS**

**CANILLA RICE**

**PASTA**

**SPAGETTI SAUCE**

**MACARONI & CHEESE**

**INSTNAT POTATOES**

**RICE**

**CANNED  
VEGETABLES**

**CANNED MEAT:  
CHICKEN, BEEF,  
TUNA, SARDINES**

**TEA**

**FLOUR**

**HONEY**

**DRY MILK**

**TOOTH BRUSHES**

**TOOTH PASTE**

**SHAMPOOS**

**DISH DETERGENT**

**ADULT DIAPERS**

**BAR SOAP**

**BODY WASH**

**SPORT SOCKS**

**TOWELS**

**Epistle: Letter to the Romans 14: 14-23**

**Brothers and sisters,** I know and am persuaded in the Lord Jesus that nothing is unclean in itself; but it is unclean for anyone who thinks it unclean. If your brother or sister is being injured by what you eat, you are no longer walking in love. Do not let what you eat cause the ruin of one for whom Christ died. So do not let your good be spoken of as evil. For the kingdom of God is not food and drink but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. The one who thus serves Christ is acceptable to God and has human approval. Let us then pursue what makes for peace and for mutual edification. Do not, for the sake of food, destroy the work of God. Everything is indeed clean, but it is wrong for you to make others fall by what you eat; it is good not to eat meat or drink wine or do anything that makes your brother or sister stumble. The faith that you have, have as your own conviction before God. Blessed are those who have no reason to condemn themselves because of what they approve. But those who have doubts are condemned if they eat, because they do not act from faith; for whatever does not proceed from faith is sin.

**Gospel: Saint John 2: 1-11**

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, ‘They have no wine.’ And Jesus said to her, ‘Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.’ His mother said to the servants, ‘Do whatever he tells you.’ Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, ‘Fill the jars with water.’ And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, ‘Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.’ So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, ‘Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.’ Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

- Feb 14:** Gabriel & Tania Farhat  
David & Alyce Merlino
- Feb 18:** Shadi & Josiane Asmar  
Etienne & Amara Khalife
- Feb 20:** Joshua & Alaina Pelletier

**IN REMEMBRANCE OF OUR LOVED ONES**

- Feb 16:** Edward J. Nassif - Nabihah Kassis
- Feb 17:** Margaret T. Jowdy
- Feb 18:** Clara A. Gabriel - Emily Solomon
- Feb 19:** Nellie A. William - Phili Gallant
- Feb 20:** Norman W. DeVeau - Mary A. Solomon

**THE SANCTUARY LAMPS**

**WILL BURN IN HONOR OF BEVERLY SCHIRIPO FOR HER BIRTHDAY**

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

**To Georges Jobeily and Celestie Shaheen**  
Congratulations on your wedding and may your marriage be crowned with love, joy and God’s presence.

**Congratulations**

To William and Elian (Azzi) Dunbar  
On the birth of their son  
**Noah William Dunbar**



## رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل رومة 14: 23-14

يا إخوتي، إني عالمٌ وواثقٌ، في الربِّ يسوع، أن لا شيء نجسٌ في ذاته، إلا لمن يحسبه نجسًا، فله يكون نجسًا. فإن كنت من أجل الطعام تحزن أخاك، فلا تكون سالكًا في المحبة. فلا تهلك بطعامك ذلك الذي مات المسيح من أجله! إذا فلا تسمحوا بأن يصير الخير فيكم سببًا للتجديف. فليس ملكوت الله أكلاً وشربًا، بل برٌ وسلامٌ وفرحٌ في الروح القدس. فمن يخدم المسيح هكذا فهو مرضي لدى الله، ومقبول لدى الناس. فلنسنع إذا إلى ما هو للسّلام، وما هو لبنيان بعضنا بعضًا. فلا تنفض عمل الله من أجل الطعام؛ لأن كل شيء طاهر، ولكنه ينفلب شرًا على الإنسان الذي يأكل ويكون سبب عثرة لأخيه. فخير لك أن لا تأكل لحمًا، ولا تشرب خمرا، ولا تتناول شيئا يكون سبب عثرة لأخيك. واحتفظ برأيك لنفسك أمام الله. وطوبى لمن لا يدين نفسه في ما يقرره! أما المرتاب في قراره، فإن أكل يدان، لأن عمله غير صادر عن يقين وإيمان. وكل عمل لا يصدر عن يقين وإيمان فهو خطيئة.

## إنجيل القديس يوحنا 2: 11-1

في اليوم الثالث، كان عرسٌ في قانا الجليل، وكانت أم يسوع هناك. ودعي أيضا يسوع وتلاميذه إلى العرس. ونفذ الخمر،

فقال لیسوع أمه: "ليس لديهم خمر." فقال لها يسوع: "ما لي ولك، يا امرأة؟ لم تأت ساعتي بعد!." فقالت أمه للخادم: "مهما يقل لكم فافعلوه!." وكان هناك ستة أجران من حجر، معدة لتطهير اليهود، يسع كل منها من ثمانين إلى مئة وعشرين ليترا، فقال يسوع للخادم: "املأوا الأجران ماء." فملأوها إلى فوق. قال لهم: "اسنقوا الآن، وقدموا لرئيس الوليمة." فقدموا. وذاق الرئيس الماء، الذي صار خمرا - وكان لا يعلم من أين هو، والخادم الذين اسنقوا يعلمون - فدعا إليه العريس وقال له: "كل إنسان يقدم الخمر الجيد أولا، حتى إذا سكر المدعوون، قدم الأقل جودة، أما أنت فقد أبقيت الخمر الجيد إلى الآن!." تلك كانت أولى آيات يسوع، صنعها في قانا الجليل، فأظهر مجده، وآمن به تلاميذه.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**Feb 14:** Joseph Azzi, Elio Zaarour

**Feb 15:** Danny Abourjeili, Marie Clement,  
Aivah Cruz, Linda Gabriel,  
Michael Lalo, Molly Rizk

**Feb 16:** Rita Akl, Alexa Ata, Mark Bejjani,  
Elizabeth Ganem, Mason Jesionowski,  
Danielle Taylor

**Feb 17:** Kathleen Gabriel, Noah Hassan,  
Pierre Maroun, Elanor Shea

**Feb 18:** John Bonanno, Lisa Germanos,  
Nicholas Nazarro

**Feb 19:** Christopher Azzi, Rebecca Azzi,

Larry Bejjani, Gabriel Bourouphael,  
Charbel Daher, Caleb Hassan,  
Tuffic Hatem, Matthew Haydar,  
George Kazanjian, Mikayla Plouffe,  
Mariana Sadek

**Feb 20:** George Azzi, Adrian Eid,

Isabelle Karam, Edward Karam,  
Daoud Ramy