### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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



PARISH OFFICE: ... 978.685.7233 ... FAX: 978-688-4475 ... rectory@stanthonylawrence.org

### **OFFICE HOURS**

**M-TH** 10:00 AM-3:00 PM **FRI** 10:00 AM-2:00 PM **SAT** By Appointment

### **MEET OUR PRIESTS:**

Fr. Elie Mikhael ...305-807-9087
... pastor@stanthonylawrence.org
Fr. Edgard (Neemtallah) Oneissy
857-390-4838
...pv@stanthonylawrence.org

### **MEET OUR DEACONS:**

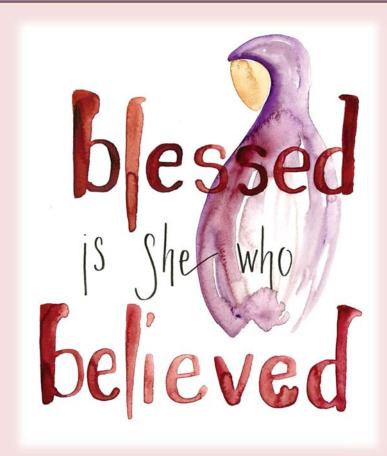
Deacons: Nadim B. Daou, James T. Demers & David Leard Sub-Deacons: Antoine Nammour

DAILY LITURGIES 9am MON & WED (Arabic) TUE & THU (English)

# WEEKEND LITURGIES SAT 4:00PM(English) SUN

8:00AM (Arabic) 9:00AM (English) 11:00AM (English & Arabic)

Holy days of obligation: Vigil Liturgy @ 7:00 PM





Saint Anthony Lawrence



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### **SACRAMENTS**

 $\textbf{Baptism \& Confirmation:} \ 1 \ month \ in \ advance \ with \ the \ Pastor, \ \textbf{Donations:} Church: \$200 - Priest: \ Free \ Will$ 

**Matrimony:** Arrangements should be made by couples 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.

### Visitation of the Virgin Mary to Elizabeth أحد زيارة العذراء الاليصابات

### VISITATION OF THE VIRGIN MARY TO ELIZABETH

Saturday, November 26 St. Peter

**4:00pm** +Patricia Hoffer, By Deacon & Mrs. James Demers.

Sunday, November 27 St. James

8:00am 40 Day Anniversary For: +Barbara Bou Khalil. By her sister, Lola, wife of Kozhaya Abou Khalil, & Family.

**9:00am** +Evon Danus, *By her Family*.

**11:00am** +Said Boutros & Chafica Azzi, By Mr. & Mrs. Pierre Azzi & Family.

+Ibrahim, Sadie, & Dalal Kassas, By their son George Kassas, & Family.

### WEEKDAY LITURGIES

**Monday, November 28** (*Ar.*) *St. Stephen Eph* 1:15-23 / *Lk* 1:46-56

**9:00am** +Jamil Abdel-Hay & Abdallah Sfeir, *By Mr. & Mrs. Beshara Sfeir.* 

Tuesday, November 29 (En.)

Sts. Saturninus and Sisinius Eph 2:1-10 / Lk 10:38-42

**9:00am** +Deceased Members of the Goulart & Pereira Families, *By Dora Pereira*.

**Wednesday, November 30** (*Ar.*) *St. Andrew Eph* 2:11-16/ *Lk* 19:1-10

**9:00am** +Nakhle, Victoria, Ghazi, John & Joseph, *By Mr. & Mrs. Kamil Hbaiter*.

Thursday, December 1(En.)

Nahum the Prophet - Eph 2:17-22 / Jn 4:39-42

**9:00am** +Private Intention.

9:30am -12 noon Eucharistic Adoration CHAPEL

Friday, December 2–No Liturgy

Habakkuk the Prophet

### BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

Saturday, December 3 St. Francis Xavier

**4:00pm** Private Intentions

Sunday, December 4 St. Barbara

**8:00 am** Private Intentions

9:00am 40 Day Anniversary For: +Alfred J. Roderigues, By his daughter, Mary-Alice "Missy", his grandchildren: Katy, & her husband, Michael, & Jacklyn.

11:00 am 1st Anniversary For: Marie Tayar El Achi, By her children, Salim El Achi & Bassima Geha, their spouses & Families.

> +Therese Bou-Mitri, By her husband, Antoine, son, Andre, daughter, Anabelle, wife of Robert Owaida, & granddaughters.

### Sanctuary Lamps

For Private Intentions.

Book your Sanctuary lamp Online:

www.stanthonylawrence.org/sanctuary-lamp/

### **CLERGY DAY OFF**

Fr Elie: **Mondays** 

Fr. Neemtallah's: Wednesdays

### PLEASE NOTE:

40 Day Liturgies are considered a priority. When necessary, they will be scheduled with other previously reserved intentions.



DECEMBER 17, 2022 7 P.M.

ST. ANTHONY CHURCH, 145 AMESBURY ST, LAWRENCE, MA

Please join us for a light dinner in the church hall following the concert.

Participate in the Christmas Recital Pot Luck Dinner! For Questions, contact Mrs. Carine Sadek. Sign up your dish at: <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/1oCo94FAAAD2CA5FBC70-christmas">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/1oCo94FAAAD2CA5FBC70-christmas</a>

### Christmas at Saint Anthony's

# Christmas Poinsettia Donation Form Poinsettias are \$15.00. Please make check payable to: *St Anthony Church*

Donated By: \_\_\_\_\_\_
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

[] In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

[] In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

[] In Thanksgiving for: \_\_\_\_\_

Poinsettias will be placed in the Sanctuary.

Number of Poinsettias:

Reminder: Please return this form to the church office by Friday December 16th, so that your dedication is included in the Christmas Bulletin. It is important that you PRINT your dedication CLEARLY in order to avoid errors. The poinsettias will adorn the sanctuary and may be picked up after New Year's Liturgies.



# **Making Spirits Bright...**

Join us for

Saint Anthony's

**Children's Christmas Party** 

Hosted by Knights of Mary and Religious Education Programs

Sponsored by the American Lebanese Awareness Association (ALAA)

Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022, following the 11 O'clock Liturgy till 2:30 PM

Crafts, gingerbread making, face painting, and... photos with Santa!!!



Saint Anthony's Parish
The Annual Men's Christmas Party
Presented By
Parish Council & Knights of Coumbus
Tuesday, December 13
7:00pm-10:00pm
\$50.00
Michael Restaurant
12 Alpha St, Haverhill, MA 01832
www.stanthonylawrence.org/upcoming-events-2/

For tickets to the Men's Party, Contact:

Fred Corey....978-835-8790

Rodney Pica....603-489-8363

Wissam Merheb....978-853-5145

Danny Azzi....978-807-0369



### **BIBLE STUDY**

**English Session-December 1** 

Thursdays 7-8:30 pm

With Deacons: Jim Demers & David Leard

Arabic Bible Study-December 6

Tuesdays 6-7pm with Fr. Neemtallah

### KNIGHTS OF MARY

Bi Weekly from 5-7PM

CANCELED Session, December 3, 2022 Christmas Recital Practice, December 8, 5-6:30PM in the Church

Calendar: www.stanthonylawrence.org/events-2/

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Upcoming Class: December 10 5PM-6:30 PM

Calendar: <u>stanthonylawrence.org/calendar-classes</u>

<u>-and-events/</u>

We are in need of substitute teachers!!! If you would like more information please contact us at <a href="mailto:lawrencereligioused@gmail.com">lawrencereligioused@gmail.com</a>

### KNIGHTS OF THE ALTAR

Next Meeting: *Saturday, Dec. 3 @ 11AM* New members are encouraged to sign up and attend!

Full Altar Server Schedule can be found: <a href="https://www.stanthonylawrence.org/kinghts-of-the-altar-calendar/">www.stanthonylawrence.org/kinghts-of-the-altar-calendar/</a>

### THE SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

As we approach the holiday's we ask you to inform us of any loved ones who are sick or shut in. Call or email the Rectory today with their information so we can add them to our visits!

### LOL BIBLE CAMP 2023

Save the dates - July 12 -15, 2023

### DAUGHTERS OF SAINT ANTHONY

Meeting on *Thursday December 8 at noon at Shadi's Restaurant* for lunch and meeting. The cost of lunch is \$25.00. RSVP is required. Please call one of the following members:

Elaine Ferris: 978-273-9772, Elaine Daher: 978-807-7509 Chris Hassan: 978-937-9913, Katy Abraham: 978-682-2571

Thank you. Hope you can all make it.

### MARONITE YOUNG ADULTS - MYA

MYA Registration is open to new members, Ages 18-35. Contact Ramona for more info: 978-350-2965

### **MARONITE YOUTH ORGANIZATION - MYO**

Saturday, December 3- Regional Retreat Sunday, December 18 - Christmas Party Full Calendar: stanthonylawrence.org/myo/



Support Saint Anthony's Church while you shop this Holiday Season!

Visit *smile.amazon.com/change*, or tap "AmazonSmile" within the Settings menu in the Amazon Shopping app on your phone and select "Change your charity". Search and Select:

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### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Nov. 26: Christina Corey, Ella Hashem, Shannon Khoury, Lilliane Maroun, Elie Sfeir, Pierre Silfani,

Nov. 27: Ronald Giantonio

Nov. 28: Elias Chaya, Anthony Chaya, Matthew Ferguson, Souad Moses, David Nehme,

Nov. 29: James Abdallah, Matthew George, Isabella Maroun, Jaden Nader, Loretta Perkins, Gaby Ramey, Corey Shepherd

Nov. 30: Claydon Daher, Elie Daou, Christopher Rizkallah

Dec. 1: Julian Bouchrouche, Najib Bourouphael, AJ Cruz, Michael Mouawad, Thomas Sader,

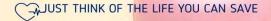
Dec. 2: Paulette Ghassibi, Rami Kattar, Raymond Maroun, Joyce Maroun, Georgjina Maroun, Roger Matar, Kristin Tarabay

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Nov. 26: Fouad & Eliane Bouraphael

Nov. 28: Alex & Jenna Smith Nov. 29: Jack & Badia Abboud Nov. 30: Bechara & Amal Rizkallah Dec. 1: Ronald & Cynthia Abraham

# MEDICAL DONATION DRIVE FOR LEBANON



ESOMEPRAZOLE - LANSOPRAZOLE - OMEPRAZOLE
PANTOPRAZOLE - MAALOX - ASPIRIN 81MG - NAPROXEN
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COUGH SYRUP KIDS AND ADULTS - COBALIN B12 - CALCIUM
VITAMIN D - KIDS VITAMINS GUMMIES- IRON- VITAMIN B
COMPLEX - VITAMIN C GLUCOSAMINE MSM - RANTIDINE
HOT & COLD PACKS - FIRST AID KITS - ACCU CHECK
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ANY MEDICATION YOU CAN DONATE IS APPRECIATED

ORGANIZER: GEORGE MATTA
MYA NEW ENGLAND COORDINATOR
GSM2296@GMAIL.COM
774-365-1934











### **St Anthony's Cemetery**

### **Grave Purchase & Burial**

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

By Phone (*During Office Hours*) 978-685-7233 Email <u>rectory@stanthonylawrence.org</u> or Visit: <u>stanthonylawrence.org/lots-sales/</u>

### **Cemetery Guidelines**

www.stanthonylawrence.org/cemetery/

### **Headstones & Cemetery Markers**

Kindly review the information provided regarding acceptable dimensions per grave/lot on our website: stanthonylawrence.org/lots-sales/.

Please note: <u>Double-Depth Graves are</u> <u>considered "One Grave Size"</u>

# Looking for a Loved one buried at St Anthony's Cemetery?

- 1. Go to www.stanthonylawrence.org
- Scroll to the bottom and click or BURIAL ONLINE SEARCH.
- 3. Type in the last/first name or in some cases just last name and click search.

# DONATE A TREE IN MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE

Enhancing the beauty of Historic Saint Anthony Maronite Catholic Cemetery.

**Plant-A-Tree A**— *For a donation of \$400.00*: memorial plaque displayed for ten years.

**Plant-A-Tree B**—*For a donation of \$250.00*: memorial plaque displayed for five years.

### Your Donation is Tax-Deductible

If you like to donate a tree, please call the office at 978.685.7233 or

email us at: rectory@stanthonylawrence.org
Tree to be planted: Kousa Dogwood

# 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** 

### 2022 MAHRAJAN REPORT

Expense
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Income	
Fund Raising	
Special Events Mahrajan	
Mahrajan Deposits	
Mahrajan Bar	33,585.00
Mahrajan Food	39,248.00
Mahrajan Sandwiches	35,489.00
Mahrajan Saj	10,760.00
Mahrajan Pastry	26,864.11
Mahrajan Hookah	14,333.00
Mahrajan Baskets	7,244.00
Mahrajan Souvenirs	6,180.00
Mahrajan Henna	1,337.00
Mahrajan Miscellaneous	1,802.00
Mahrajan Raffle	6,204.00
Total Mahrajan Deposits	183,046.11
Mahrajan Sponsorship	112,900.00
Raffle-Presale	13,740.00
Total Special Events Mahrajan	309,686.11
Total Fund Raising	309,686.11
Total Income	309,686.11
Gross Profit	309,686.11

Fund Raising Events	
Mahrajan Advertising, Public Relations	
Banners	945.46
Signs	3,002.80
Advertising, Public Relations - Other	·
Total Advertising, Public Relations	5,717.21
Bar Expense	0,7 17.21
Bar Supplies	1,741.17
Bar Liquor	10,412.41
Total Bar Expense	12,153.58
Cost of Food	
Saj	260.00
American Cuisine	395.00
Ethnic Cuisine	453.49
Bakery	7,315.56
Cost of Food - Other	4,011.41
Total Cost of Food	12,435.46
Cost of Refreshments	2,478.68
Cleaning	6,301.40
Entertainment (Singer and Band)	21,067.26
Hookah Supplies	31.72
Permits	805.00
Paper Products	10,757.94
Printing & Stationary	429.20
Baskets	179.76
Raffles	3,420.51
Rentals	
Tents	13,915.00
Propane Tanks	753.00

1,930.06

2,360.00

18,958.06

199,064.63

199,064.63



Mahrajan Detail **Police Dept** 3,168.00 Fire Dept 3,069.00 **Total Mahrajan Detail** 6,237.00 **Sundry Expenses** 2,582.61 Equipment 6,183.23 **Printed Shirts & Aprons** 882.86 Mahrajan - Other 0.00 Total Mahrajan 110,621.48

**Total Fund Raising Events** 110,621.48 110,621.48 **Total Expense** 

**Dumpster Rental & Removal** 

**Total Rentals** 

Water Closets (WCs)

**Net Ordinary Income** 

**Net Income** 

### IN THANKSGIVING TO OUR MAHRAJAN SPONSORS

Sponsors Business Name		First Name	Last Name
Metro Market	Mr. & Mrs.	Philip	Abi Rached
Zeolli	Mr.	Jean-Paul	Abi-Awad
Ezzi Property Group	Mr.	Marc	Abou Ezzi
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EZ Dental LLC	Dr.	Rachelle	Abou-Ezzi
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Shadi's Restaurant	Mr.	Shadi	Asmar
Amigos	Miss	Sahar	Ata
Elie's Bakery	Mr. & Mrs.	Ibrahim	Ata
River City Motors	Mr.	Danny	Azzi
G&E Consulting	Mr. & Mrs.	Elias	Azzi
Crown Bakeries (Bagel Boy)		Crown	Bakeries
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F&B Distributors	Mr. & Mrs.	Fadi	Bouchrouche
Breen Funeral Home			Breen Funeral Home
Butcher Boy			Butcher Boy
Cedar's Mediterranean Foods			Cedar's Mediterranean Foods
Yalla Grill Restaurant	Mr.	Elie	Chammas
Cataudella Funeral Home	Mr.	Chris	Chetsas
Cloud Lounge			Cloud Lounge
Colizzi Memorials	Mr.	Mike	Colizzi
Andover Gulf	Mr.	Bassam	Dagher
Commonwealth Motors	Mr. & Mrs.	Charles	Daher
Daher Motors	Mr.	Carlos	Daher
Hannoush	Mr.	George	Deghlaoui
Michael's Middle Eastern Pastry	Mr.	Abdo	El-Ghoul
Jeanette's Flowers	Mr. & Mrs.	Tony	El-Helou
Elie's Bakery			Elie's Bakery
Salon Maya	Mr. & Mrs.	Hadi	Fares
Levant LLC	Mr.	Carl	Faris
Farrah Funeral Home	Mr.	Louis	Farrah
North Andover BP	Mr.	Roger	Feghali
Attorney at Law- Gabriel Realty Group	Atty.	Scot	Gabriel
Sunnyside Diner	Mr. & Mrs.	Samer	Geha
Phoenician Restaurant	Mr.	Bassam	Geha
Home Inspection Associates Inc	Mr.	Chris	George
Gateway Auto Repair	Mr.	Michel	Gharios
Cedars Mediterranean Food, Inc	Mr. & Mrs.	Charles	Hanna
USA Auto Sales	Mr.	Assad	Hayek
Topline Imports	Mr.	Pierre	Hayek

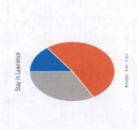
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DiPietros Pizza Inc	Mr.	Robert	Haykal
J & N Auto Sevices RTE, 114 Sunoco	Mr.	Kamil	Hbaiter
Elaine's Pizza	Mr.	Elie	Hbaiter
Dany Karam Insurance Agency	Mr.	Dany	Karam
Pita Thyme LLC	Mr. & Mrs.	Elias	Khoury
Plaistow Auto Group	Mr. & Mrs.	Steve	Khoury
Korbani's Bakery	Mrs	Ellen	Korbani
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Liberty Auto Export LLC	Mr.	Wissam	Merheb
Layalina	Mr. & Mrs.	Georges	Merheb
Najwa Miceli Real Estate	Mrs.	Najwah	Miceli
Mastermind Multi-Media Solution	Mr. & Mrs.	Simon	Mouawad
G&Z pizza	Mr.	Jihad	Moussa
Global Care Medical Group	Dr.	Karine	Nabbout
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Saint Anthony Maronite Church is thankful for YOU, our Mahrajan Donors, Sponsors, Volunteers, Basket donors, and guests. With deep gratitude, we present our devoted community of sponsors whose impact makes our Mahrajan simply extraordinary. Thank you so much!

Mr. & Mrs. Roy Rossi

Mr. & Mrs. Concheri Collin

# Do you feel the current location of the church is optimal?



52% 9 Yes

This is surprising as only a small majority want to move

Not Sure 15%

out of Lawrence.

# Ideas for new recreational activities in the church?

Women's group

More social activities Children Activities

Tutoring for High Schoolers

Social Activities for Adults

- One day retreats 5k run/walk
- A Recreation Center
- Food Pantry for the poor Elderly Club

- Field Trips to religious sites Year-round sports teams
- Spiritual meditation
- Collaborating with other parishes

What aspects of the church and the grounds do we need to improve?

More Space (inside and Outside) Better Sunday School

Kids/Youth Activities (5 voted for this)

Parking Lots (6 voted for this)

We need to stop the Lebanese and American clicks

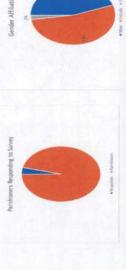
Church is good the way it is (10 voted for this)

Move out of Lawrence (25 voted for this)

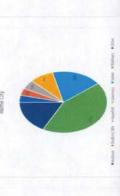
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# Survey Information









What part of the St Anthony's community is important to you?

- 1. Church & Spiritual guidance
- 2. The facilities and grounds that attract visitors, and collaboration of the people
- 3. The parishioners, the community and the culture (the activities for the kids that gives them the opportunity to have friends from church).
- 4. Bible Study is a program that I learn from and is very important to me to grow in faith.
- 5. Faith and the community outreach. The church has always been there for my family.
- 6. Church to have an open mind to change and new ideas
- 7. The parishioners and our Maronite heritage.
- 8. I always feel great comfort in church, like I am home! I have many fond memories of my deceased wife and our family in church.
- 9. The people and the clergy make the church.
- 10. Spiritual Guidance is the most important component to build a strong community. The rest will fall in place. The next generation should benefit from the spiritual aspect in their life using their faith in God to confront the challenges of the 21st century, i.e. atheism, gender crisis identity, financial struggle, cultural shock, substance use, toxic relationships, peer pressure, emotional strain, mental health issues, failure, etc...
- 11. Maronite Mass and explanation of the gospel and connection to our roots What do you consider the most important attribute to help St. Anthony's grow?
- 1. A new location outside of Lawrence. That has the potential to re-energize the base and bring both people and money back.
- 2. The clergy as they lead us to confirm and keep our faith. Also allowing females a better opportunity to serve as in an altar server.
- 3. Strong family environment, multiple clergy, more availability of clergy
- 4. Social activities that work with our spiritual ones, maybe a Lenten supper on Fridays, or a spaghetti supper or pancake breakfast involving the youth.
- 5. Blending old country with local and not showing favoritism
- 6. After mass social events i.e. breakfast etc.
- 7. I look forward to the Maharajan every year and wish we had more activities like this during the spring and summer season
- 8. food pantry recreation center/hall
- 9. Family activities that involve the parents and children.
- 10. Youth activities are important.
- 11. Recreation Center. More family activities
- 12. Need to get some of our long term parishioners back that attended the 9:00 mass inclusive be together
- 13. Building a new campus somewhere that can support all the above
- 14. Keep our traditions, culture, and traditions, stay different don't become like the Latin church.
- 15. More help for the less fortunate.

Based on your input, the Stewardship Council will advance the following strategic initiatives:

- 1. Given the uncertain economic times, we will revisit the possibility of executing a church move from Lawrence in a 24-36 months period. Today's affordability to affect such a move is simply non-existent. We need to live within our means and take up the subject of growing our real estate during more favorable economic times.
- 2. We will work with our colleagues on the Parish Council to implement as many reasonable and achievable ideas you helped us identified. This is an activity we can take up immediately.
- 3. As indicated prior to the Maharajan, we will proceed to build inside the existing church complex a recreational center worthy of our children's aspirations. Some preliminary work is already under way. We will keep you informed every step of our progress.
- 4. We will engage a real estate / investment advisory firm to help us assess the possible and most beneficial use(s) of the land that we own adjacent to the cemetery ground. This is an activity that we will embark on during 4Q2022.
- 5. Opportunistically and with a keen focus on affordability, we may pursue possible acquisitions of land to strengthen our long-term financial outlook and our generational continuity for many decades to come. Again, thank you for your participation in the survey last Spring. Although only 81 people responded, your c

Again, thank you for your participation in the survey last Spring. Although only 81 people responded, your care about and continued faith in our church will help us remain a vibrant and growing Maronite community for another 100 years.

Respectfully,

Saint Anthony Maronite Church Stewardship Council.

### Visitation of the Virgin Mary to Elizabeth

2nd book of Samuel 6,9-15.17.18b.

David was afraid of the LORD that day; he said, 'How can the ark of the LORD come into my care?' So David was unwilling to take the ark of the LORD into his care in the city of David; instead David took it to the house of Obed-edom the Gittite. The ark of the LORD remained in the house of Obed-edom the Gittite for three months; and the LORD blessed Obed-edom and all his household. It was told King David, 'The LORD has blessed the household of Obed-edom and all that belongs to him, because of the ark of God.' So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; and when those who bore the ark of the LORD had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. David danced before the LORD with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet. They brought in the ark of the LORD, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt-offerings and offerings of well-being before the LORD. When David had finished offering the burnt-offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD of hosts.

### Letter to the Ephesians 1,1-14.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, To the saints who are in Ephesus and are faithful in Christ Jesus: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

### Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke 1,39-45.

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

### WEEKLY ENVELOPE SYSTEM-Preparing for the New Year

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### أحد زيارة العذراء لإليصابات

سفر صمونيل الثاني 6: 9-15. 17 . 18b

وَخَافَ دَاوُدُ مِنَ الرَّبِّ فِي ذَلِكَ الْيَوْمِ وَقَالَ: »كَيْفَ يَنزِلُ تَابُوتُ الرَّبِّ عِنْدي؟ «وَلَمْ يَشَأْ دَاوُدُ أَنْ يُمالَ إِلَيْهِ بِتَابُوتِ الرَّبِّ إِلَى مَدِينَةِ دَاوُدُ مِنَ الْرَبِّ فِي بَيْتِ عُوبِيدَ أَدُومَ الْجَتِّيِّ تَلاَثَةَ أَشْهُرٍ، فَبَارَكَ اللَّبُ عُوبِيدَ أَدُومَ وَكُلَّ بَيْتِهِ. فَأَخْبِرَ الْمَلِكُ دَاوُدُ وقِيلَ لَه أَنَّ الرَّبَّ قَدْ بَارَكَ عُوبِيدَ أَدُومَ وَكُلَّ مَا لَهُ بِسَبَبِ تَابُوتِ اللَّهِ. فَمَضَى الرَّبُ عُوبِيدَ أَدُومَ وَكُلَّ مَا لَهُ بِسَبَبِ تَابُوتِ اللَّهِ. فَمَضَى دَاوُدُ وَقِيلَ لَه أَنَّ الرَّبَّ قَدْ بَارَكَ عُوبِيدَ أَدُومَ وَكُلَّ مَا لَهُ بِسَبَبِ تَابُوتِ اللَّهِ. فَمَضَى دَاوُدُ وَأَلْ مَا لَهُ بِشَبِ عُوبِيدَ أَدُومَ إِلَى مَدِينَةِ دَاوُدَ . وَلَمَّا خَطَا حَامِلُو تَابُوتِ الرَّبِّ سِتَّ خَطَوَاتٍ، ذَبَحَ دَاوُدُ وَ اللَّهِ بِفَرَحٍ مِنْ بَيْتِ عُوبِيدَ أَدُومَ إِلَى مَدِينَةِ دَاوُدَ . وَلَمَّا خَطَا حَامِلُو تَابُوتِ الرَّبِ سِتَّ خَطَوَاتٍ، ذَبَحَ تَابُوتَ اللَّهِ بِفَرَحٍ مِنْ بَيْتِ عُوبِيدَ أَدُومَ إِلَى مَدِينَةِ دَاوُدَ . وَلَمَّا خَطَا حَامِلُو تَابُوتِ الرَّبِ سِتَّ خَطَوَاتٍ، ذَبِحَ وَلَمْ وَكُلُ مُسْمَنَا. وَكَانَ دَاوُدُ مُرْ فَصُ ويَدُورُ على نَفْسِه بِكُلِّ قُوتِهِ أَمَامَ الرَّبِ، وَكَانَ دَاوُدُ مُتَمنَطِقًا بِأَفُودٍ مِنْ كَتَانٍ. وَأَمْ بَيْتِ إِسْرَائِيلَ تَابُوتَ الرَّبِ بِالْهُنَافِ وَصَمُوتِ الْأَبُوقِ. وَأَدُومَ الرَّبِ وَأَعَامُوهُ فِي مَكَانِهِ، فِي وَسَطِ وَالَّذَيْمَةِ النَّتِي نَصَبَهَا لَهُ دَاوُدُ، وَأَصُعُودَ دَاوُدُ مُورَقَاتٍ أَمَامَ الرَّبِ وَذَبَائِحَ سَلاَمَيَّةٍ، وبارَكَ الشَّعبَ باسِمِ رَبِّ القوّات.

رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل أفسس 1:1 - 14

يا إخوتِي، مِنْ بُولُس، رَسُولِ ٱلمَسِيحِ يَسُوعَ بِمَشِينَةِ الله، إلى القِدِّيسِينَ الَّذِينَ هُم في أَفَسُسَ والأُمۡنَاءِ في المَسِيح يَسُوعَ المَسِيحِ اللهِ أَبِينَا والرَّبِ يَسُوعَ المَسِيحِ! تَبَارَكَ اللهُ أَبُو رَبِنَا يَسُوعَ المَسِيح، الَّذي بَارَكَةً بُورَيِهِ فَي السَّمَاوَاتِ في المَسِيح؛ فإنَّهُ ٱخْتَارَنَا فيهِ قَبْلَ إِنْشَاءِ العَالَم، لِنَكُونَ في حَصْرَتِهِ قِدِّيسِين، لا عَيْبَ فينَا؛ وقَدْ سَبَقَ بِمَحَبَّتِهِ فَي السَّمَاوَاتِ في المَسِيح؛ فإنَّهُ ٱخْتَارَنَا فيهِ قَبْلَ إِنْشَاءِ العَالَم، لِنَكُونَ في حَصْرَتِهِ قِدِّيسِين، لا عَيْبَ فينَا؛ وقَدْ سَبَقَ بِمَحَبَّتِهِ فَي السَّمَاوَاتِ في المَسِيح، بِحَسَب رِضَى مَشْيئتِهِ، لِمَدْحِ مَجْدِ نِعْمَتِهِ الَّتي أَنْعَمَ بِهَا عَلَيْنَا في الحَبِيب؛ وفيه أَنْنَا في الحَبِيب؛ وفيه أَنْنَا في المَسِيح، لِعُمَتِهِ، اللّذي يَعْمَتِهِ اللّذي عَمْتِهِ اللّذي يَعْمَتِهِ وَقَدْ عَرَفَنَا في المَسِيح تَحْتَ رَأْسٍ وَاحِدٍ كُلَّ مَشِيئتِهِ، لِنَكُونَ مَدْحًا لِمَجْدِهِ، وَهُ إِلْدُقِ الْمَسِيح رِجَاءَتَا؛ وفيهِ أَنْتُم أَيْضًا، بَعْدَ أَنْ سَمِعْتُم كُلُ شَيءٍ بِقَضَاءِ مَشِيئتِهِ، لِنَكُونَ مَدْحًا لِمَجْدِهِ، نَحْنُ الَّذِينَ سَبَقَّنَا فَجَعَلْنَا في المَسِيح رِجَاءَتَا؛ وفيهِ أَنْتُم أَيْضًا، بَعْدَ أَنْ سَمِعْتُم كُلُ شَيءٍ بِقَضَاءِ مَشِيئتِهِ، لِنَكُونَ مَدْحًا لِمَجْدِهِ، نَحْنُ الَّذِينَ سَبَقَنَا فَجَعَلْنَا في المَسِيح رِجَاءَتَا؛ وفيهِ أَنْتُم أَيْضًا، بَعْدَ أَنْ سَمِعْتُم كُلُ مَجْدِهِ، وَهُو عُربُونُ مِيرَاثِنَا، لِفِدَاءِ شَعْبِهِ الذي ٱقْتَنَاه ، وَلَمْ عُربُونُ مِيرَاثِنَا، لِفِدَاءِ شَعْبِهِ الذي ٱلْقَيْنَاء في المَدَى، وَهُو عُربُونُ مِيرَاثِنَا، لِفِدَاءِ شَعْبِهِ الذي القَدْسُ وَلَوْمُ عُربُونُ مَربُونُ مِيرَاثِنَا، فِولَهُ الذي الْقَدْمُ وَلَوْمُ عُربُونُ مَالِكُونَ مَنْمُ اللّذي الْقَدَاءِ الْعَدْمِ اللّذي الْفَالُونُ مِنْ عُربُونُ مِي اللّذي الْفَائِقَ الْفَائِلُونُ مِنْ اللّذي الْفَائِهُ الْفَائِهُ الْفَائِهُ الْفَائِهُ الْفَائِهُ الْفَائِهُ الْفَائ

إنجيل القديس لوقا 1: 39- 45

في تِلْكَ الأَيَّام (بعد البشارة بيسوع)، قَامَتْ مَرْيَمُ وَذَهَبَتْ مُسْرِعَةً إلى الجَبَل، إلى مَدِينَةٍ في يَهُوذَا. ودَخَلَتْ بَيْتَ زَكَرِيًا، وسَلَّمَتْ عَلَى إليصابَات. ولَمَّا سَمِعَتْ إليصابَاتُ سَلامَ مَرْيَم، ٱرْتَكَضَ الجَنِينُ في بَطْنِها، وَٱمْتَلأَتْ مِنَ الرُّوحِ القُدُس. فَهَتَفَتْ بِأَعْلَى صَوتِها وقَالَتْ: > مُبارَكَةٌ أَنْتِ في النِّسَاء، وَمُبارَكَةٌ ثَمَرَةُ بَطْنِكِ! ومِنْ أَيْنَ لي هذَا، أَنْ تَأْتِيَ إليَّ أَمُّ ربِّي؟ فَهَا مُنْذُ وَقَعَ صَوْتُ سَلامِكِ في أَذُنيَّ، ٱرْتَكَضَ الجَنِينُ ٱبْتِهَاجًا في بَطْنِي! فَطُوبَى لِلَّتِي آمَنَتْ أَنَّهُ سَيَتِمُ ما قِيلَ لَهَا مِنْ قِبَلِ الرَّبِ". «

### LECTORS SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 26 - 4PM Lisa Abdallah
Sunday, November 27- 8AM - Huguette Sfeir
9AM - Angela Dahbour
11:00AM Eng: Elias Azzi
Ar: George Kassas

### **LECTORS SCHEDULE**

Saturday, December 3 - 4PM Lisa Abdallah
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