



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

Pastor

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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

Daily Liturgies

Mon - Thu: 9:00 AM

Weekend Liturgies:

Saturday: 4:00 PM Vigil

Sunday Liturgies:

8:00 AM -Arabic

9:00 AM - English

11:30 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:

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MEET OUR DEACONS

Deacon Nadim B. Daou

Visiting Deacon

Michael Charchaflian

Sub-Deacon James T. Demers

Sub-Deacon Antoine Nammour

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

3RD SUNDAY OF RESURRECTION

الأحد الثالث من القيامة المجيدة

Sat	APR. 25	4:00 PM	For: Bruno Martino <i>By his Children and grandchildren</i> For: Elias & Clara El-Achi (Anniversary)
Sun	APR. 26	8:00 AM	For: Beshara & Huguette Sfeir (Anniversary) <i>By Their Daughter Tia Sfeir</i>
		9:00 AM	For: + Roy Bistany <i>By his wife, children and family</i>
		11:30 AM	For: Andrew Kamari (Birthday) <i>By his Parents</i>
Mon	APR. 27	9:00 AM	Elida Ata & Charbel AbouJaoude (Birthday)
Tue	APR. 28	9:00 AM	For: Mouna Hbaiter (Birthday) <i>By Her family</i>
Wed	APR. 29	9:00 AM	For: Private Intentions <i>By The Pastor</i>
Thu	APR. 30	9:00 AM	For: Scot Gabriel (Birthday) <i>By The Pastor</i>
Fri	May 1		NO Liturgy

4TH SUNDAY OF RESURRECTION

الأحد الرابع من القيامة المجيدة

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LEBANON

عيد سيدة لبنان

Sat	May 2	4:00 PM	For: Peter & Jean Sarkis (Anniversary)
Sun	May 3	8:00 AM	For: Foutine & Francis Daher - Hanane & Abdo AbiSamra (Anniversary)
		9:00 AM	For: 1st Anniversary -George Mansour <i>By his family</i>
		11:30 AM	For: 1st Anniversary—Maurice Geha <i>By his Wife Leila, Children and Family</i>

Parish Building Maintenance : Updates and Changes executed in the following areas:

Church Lobby: Changing the HVAC Unit due to gas leak

Rectory Flatt Roof: Water Damage and Leak into the Office-Kitchen and Dining Room

Installing Chair Lift to the Choir Loft

Pictures will be shared in the next bulletin



GOING LIVE: [Facebook:](#) St Anthony Lawrence

LIVE STREAM OF LITURGIES, ADORATION AND ROSARY


- ⇒ SATURDAY 4:00 PM LITURGY
- ⇒ SUNDAY LITURGIES 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM LITURGIES
- ⇒ ROSARY PRAYERS- EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 6:00 PM
- ⇒ LITURGY AND ADORATION – THURSDAY AT 6:00 PM
- ⇒ ORGANIZATIONS AND MINISTRIES: VIRTUAL MEETINGS

BIBLE STUDIES

- ⇒ ENGLISH SESSION: THROUGH ZOOM -CONTACT DEACON MICHAEL TO ADD YOUR EMAIL :
RECTORY@STANTHONYLAWRENCE.ORG -SUBJECT BIBLE STUDY
- ⇒ ARABIC SESSION: GotoMeeting -MONDAY AT 7AM

**CHRIST IS ALIVE
AND HE WANTS YOU
TO BE ALIVE!**

FAITH, FELLOWSHIP, & FUN



**YOUNG ADULTS
GATHERING**

APRIL 27, 8:00 PM
ZOOM INFO: MEETING ID 337 922 079
PASSWORD 12345



St Anthony Maronite Church
Lawrence MA

*To our beloved parishioners at St Anthony
Don't forget to check your mailbox*

**The Lord is RISEN!
He is Truly Risen**



EPISTLE READING - Second Letter to Timothy 2,8-13.

Brothers and sisters,

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful for he cannot deny himself.

GOSPEL READING - Saint Luke 24,13-35

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place.

Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS

RIGHT & LEFT Sanctuary Lamps will burn: ***In Loving Memory of Fred and Stephanie Schiripo***
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رسالة القديس بولس الثانية إلى أهل طيموتاوس 8:2-13

يا إخواني، وأنت يا ابني، تذكّر يسوع المسيح الذي قام من بين الأموات، وهو من نسل داود، بحسب إنجيلي، الذي فيه أحتمل المشقات حتى الفيود كمجرم، لكن كلمة الله لا تُقيد. لذلك أصبر على كل شيء من أجل المختارين، ليحصلوا هم أيضاً على الخلاص في المسيح يسوع مع المجد الأبدي. صادقة هي الكلمة: إن متنا معه نحى معه، وإن صبرنا نملك معه، وإن أنكرناه يُنكرنا، وإن كنا غير أمناء فهو يبقى أميناً، لأنه لا يفدر أن ينكر نفسه!

إنجيل القديس لوقا 35-13:24

في اليوم عينه، كان اثنان من التلاميذ ذاهبين إلى قرية تدعى عماوس، تبعد نحو سبعة أميال عن اورشليم. وكانا يتحادثان بكل تلك الأمور التي حدثت. وفيما هما يتحادثان ويتساءلان، إذا يسوع نفسه قد اقترب منهما، وراح يسير معهما. ولكن أعينهما أمسكت عن معرفته. أما هو فقال لهما: «ما هذا الكلام الذي تتحادثان به، وأنتم تسييران؟». «فوقفا عابسين. وأجاب أحدهما، واسمه كليوباس، فقال له: «هل أنت وحدك غريب عن اورشليم، فلا تعلم ما حدث فيها هذه الأيام؟». «فقال لهما: «وما هي؟». «فقالا له: «ما يتعلق بيسوع الناصري، الذي كان رجلاً نبياً قوياً بالقول والفعل، فدام الله والشعب كله. وكيف أسلمه أبحارنا ورؤساؤنا ليحكم عليه بالموت، وكيف صلّبوه! وكنا نحن نرجو أن يكون هو الذي سيفدي إسرائيل. ولكن مع هذا كله، فهذا هو اليوم الثالث بعد تلك الأحداث. لكن بعض النساء من جماعتنا أدهشتنا، لأنهن ذهبن إلى القبر عند الفجر، ولم يجدن جسد يسوع، فرجعن وقلن إنهن شاهدن ملائكة ترأوا لهن وقالوا إنه حي! ومضى قوم من الذين معنا إلى القبر، فوجدوه هكذا كما قالت النساء، وأما يسوع فلم يروه». «فقال لهما يسوع: «يا عديمي الفهم، وبطيبي القلب في الإيمان بكل ما تكلم به الأنبياء! أما كان يجب على المسيح أن يعانى تلك الآلام، ثم يدخل في مجده؟». «وفسر لهما ما يتعلق به في كل الكتب المقدسة، مبتدئاً بموسى وجميع الأنبياء. واقتربا من القرية التي كانا ذاهبين إليها، فتظاهر يسوع بأنه ذاهب إلى مكان أبعد. فتمسكا به قائلين: «أمكث معنا، فقد حان المساء، ومال النهار». «فدخل ليمكث معهما. وفيما كان متكئاً معهما، أخذ الخبز، وبارك، وكسر، وناولهما. فانفتحت أعينهما، وعرفاه، فإذا هو قد توارى عنهما. فقال أحدهما للآخر: «أما كان قلبنا مضطرباً فينا، حين كان يكلمنا في الطريق، ويشرخ لنا الكتب؟». «وقاما في تلك الساعة عينها، ورجعا إلى اورشليم، فوجدنا الأحد عشر والذين معهم مجتمعين، وهم يقولون: «حقاً إن الرب قام، وترأى لسمعان!». «أما هما فكانا يُخبران بما حدث في الطريق، وكيف عرفا يسوع عند كسر الخبز.

The Pope's April Intentions for 2020 -Freedom from Addiction

We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied.

MONTHLY OPERATIONAL EXPENSES

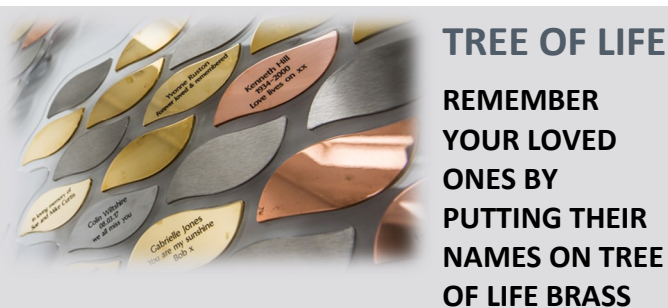
SALARIES & INSURANCE	\$ 15,260.00
Total Maintenance & Utilities	\$ 6,278.58
Total Eparchial Dues	\$3,721.67
Monthly Operational Costs	\$25,260.25
Weekly Collection Needed	\$6,250.00

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



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AS WE PRAY ON YOUR ANNIVERSARY

April 28: Abi Samra, Abdo & Hanan

April 29: Daher, Francis & Foutine

May 1: Sarkis, Peter & Jean

May 2: Collins, Jeremiah & Maryann -Touma, Bruce & Lisa

May 3: Azzi, Sharbel & Kimberly

AS WE PRAY ON YOUR BIRTHDAY

April 27: Charbel Abou Jaoude -Elida Ata

April 28: Adel AbouHamad -Amanda Asmar -Victor Azzi -Girias Charabati -Lynne Deinnocentis -Mark Harb—Mouna Hbaiter -Eugenie Sahyouni

April 29: Edward Gabriel -Mia Hassan -Lara Kossaifi Anthony Merheb

April 30: Scot Gabriel

May 1 : Fred Corey -Lina Daher -Sophia Georges Donna Yameen

May 2: Michael Haddad -Antonio Hbaiter -Jason Jermamy -Amara Khalife

May 3: Jennifer Ata -Jessica Raad -Paul Tridenti

Ronald Rolheiser**CHURCHES AS FIELD HOSPITALS**

Most of us are familiar with Pope Francis' comment that today the church needs to be a field hospital. What's implied here?

First, that right now the church is not a field hospital, or at least not much of one. Too many churches of all denominations see the world more as an opponent to be fought than as a battlefield strewn with wounded persons to whom they are called to minister. The churches today, in the words of Pope Francis, have often reversed an image in the Book of Revelation where Jesus stands outside the door knocking, trying to come in, to a situation where Jesus is knocking on the door from inside the church, trying to get out.

So how might our churches, our ecclesial communities, become field hospitals?

In a wonderfully provocative article in a recent issue of *America Magazine*, Czech spiritual writer, Tomas Halik, suggests that for our ecclesial communities to become "field hospitals" they must assume three roles: A Diagnostic one – wherein they identify the signs of the times; a Preventive one – wherein they create an immune system in a world within which malignant viruses of fear, hatred, populism, and nationalism are tearing communities apart; and a Convalescent one – wherein they help the world overcome the traumas of the past through forgiveness.

How, concretely, might each of these be envisaged?

Our churches need to be diagnostic; they need to name the present moment in a prophetic way. But that calls for a courage that, right now, seems lacking, derailed by fear and ideology. Liberals and conservatives diagnose the present moment in radically different ways, not because the facts aren't the same for both, but because each of them is seeing things through its own ideology. As well, at the end of the day, both camps seem too frightened to look at the hard issues square on, both afraid of what they might see.

To name just one issue that both seem afraid to look at with unblinking eyes: our rapidly emptying churches and the fact that so many of our own children are no longer going to church or identifying with a church. Conservatives simplistically blame secularism, without ever really being willing to openly debate the various critiques of the churches coming from almost every part of society. Liberals, for their part, tend to simplistically blame conservative rigidity without really being open to courageously look at some of places within secularity where faith in a transcendent God and an incarnate Christ run antithetical to some of the cultural ethos and ideologies within secularity. Both sides, as is evident from their excessive defensiveness, seem afraid to look at all the issues.

What must we do preventatively to turn our churches into field hospitals? The image Halik proposes here is rich but is intelligible only within an understanding of the Body of Christ and an acceptance of the deep connection we have with each other inside the family of humanity. We are all one, one living organism, parts of a single body, so that, as with any living body, what any one part does, for disease or health, affects every other part. And the health of a body is contingent upon its immune system, upon those enzymes that roam throughout the body and kill off cancerous cells. Today our world is beset with cancerous cells of bitterness, hatred, lying, self-protecting fear, and tribalism of every kind. Our world is mortally ill; suffering from a cancer that's destroying community.

Hence our ecclesial communities must become places that generate the healthy enzymes that are needed to kill off those cancer cells. We must create an immune system robust enough to do this. And for that to happen, we must first, ourselves, stop being part of the cancer of hatred, lying, fear, opposition, and tribalism. Too often, we ourselves are the cancerous cells. The single biggest religious challenge facing us as ecclesial communities today is that of creating an immune system that's healthy and vigorous enough to help kill off the cancerous cells of hatred, fear, lying, and tribalism that float freely throughout the world.

Finally, our convalescent role: Our ecclesial communities need to help the world come to a deeper reconciliation vis-a-vis the traumas of the past. Happily, this is one of our strengths. Our churches are sanctuaries of forgiveness. In the words of Cardinal Francis George: "In society everything is permitted, but nothing is forgiven; in the church much is prohibited, but everything is forgiven." But where we need to be more proactive as sanctuaries of forgiveness today is in relation to a number of salient "traumas of the past". In brief, a deeper forgiveness, healing, and atonement still needs to take place apposite the world's history with colonization, slavery, the status of women, the torture and disappearance of peoples, the mistreatment of refugees, the perennial support of unjust regimes, and the atonement owed to mother earth herself. Our churches must lead this effort.

Our ecclesial communities as field hospitals can be the Galilee of today.