



**ST. ANN MELKITE GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
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**Intentions This Weekend:**

- **Saturday Liturgy:** For the health, recovery, and well being of Amal Karam.
- **Sunday Liturgy:** For the health, recovery, and well being of Michael Flaherty.

**Please pray for:** Ron and Mary Talge, Bobby Dib, Father Ed Kakaty, Marino De La Cruz, Nick Rahal, Gail Facas, Jerry Kaufman, Daniel Conigliaro, Carol Shasha, George Abbiati, Jr; Michael Flaherty, Mary Jane Facas; Amal Karam.

This weekend	Saturday: John Jalonski	Sunday: Gerard Massad		
Next Weekend	Saturday: Joumana Hajj	Sunday: Susan Hage		
<b>February 1</b>	<b>34</b>	gave	<b>\$737.00</b>	<i>Thanks to all who always make up their missed envelope, including fuel and building fund!</i>
<b>February 2</b>	<b>30</b>	gave	<b>\$350.00</b>	
<b>In addition to the offertory: \$148 for candles. Included in the offertory was \$30 for Building Fund and \$35 for Heating. Also a \$100 check for the Bishop's Appeal, which will be sent to the Bishop this week.</b>				

**Religious Education:** 3:00 pm to 3:30 pm-Arabic Class. 3:30pm to 5:00 pm-Religious Education: Feb 29; March 7 and 21; April 4 and 18; May 2. Please contact Joumana Hajj for details.

**The winter is upon us!** As you know, from your own households, it costs a lot to heat a big area. Could you consider an extra \$5.00 per week to help heat the church! Thanks-Father Dennis

**Bishop's Appeal:** Please give to the annual Bishop's Appeal. You have until **March 31** to contribute. The money supports religious education, the Sophia magazine our Deacon Program, priest formation, and many other worthwhile programs. Our goal is \$5,000. So far, 7 people have donated for a total of \$1,025. **We have 50 parishioners who give regularly to the parish, and without their support, we would not survive. If all 50 gave \$100, or the equivalent of only \$8.35 per month, we would reach our goal. I do not like asking for money, and I know that you all give so much. Please just consider supporting these worthy programs. Thank-you! Please make your checks out to the Diocese of Newton. Please be sure to indicate that you are from St Ann, Waterford, CT. Please mail to the Office of the Economos, 802 Rifle Camp Road, Woodland Park, New Jersey, 07424. Thank you—Father Dennis.**

**Upcoming observances, events, and notes:**

- **2020 Donation Envelopes:** They are on the organ in the rear of the church. If you do not have an assigned envelope box, please see Father Dennis.
- **Pasta Dinner. *Tonight***-Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup> of February in the Hall. \$10 for adults and \$6 for children under age 12. You can pay at the door. It will be a delicious meal and a great opportunity for fellowship.
- **Great Lent** begins on February 24.
- **Liturgy:** Feb 23-2 year memorial for Georges Matar by his loving daughter Dina.
- **Liturgy:** Feb 29 for the repose of the souls of Elias and Abla Jabbour and Jacqueline Jabbour Matta by Joumana and Gabriel Hajj.
- **Baptism:** March 1, after Liturgy, Remington Brooks, the son of Robert and Melanie Brooks, will be baptized.

**Coffee Hour:** Please join us after Sunday Liturgy for coffee, goodies, conversation, and fellowship. **Please bring a snack to share.**

**200 Club:** The next drawing will not be conducted until we have enough donors for 2020. So far we have only 25 donors. We need 27 people to break even. If we do not get 27 by the end of the February, money will be refunded to those who donated already. To participate, it only costs \$50 dollars. If you want to participate in this great fund raiser, please give your \$50 to Father Dennis. Thanks!

**December winners:** \$50 Gloria Jeffords; \$25 Helen Villani; \$10 Zaria Anderson; \$10 Ed Najim; \$10 the Estate of Stephen Massad.