



ST. ANN MELKITE GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH
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- **Intentions This Week:**
- **Saturday Liturgy:** Cancelled due to Corona Virus.
- **Sunday Liturgy:** Celebrated by live stream, in memory for the repose of the souls of Elias Jabbour, Abla Jabbour, and Jacqueline Jabbour Matta by Joumana and Gabriel Hajj.

Please pray for: Ron and Mary Talge, Marino De La Cruz, Nick Rahal, Gail Facas, Jerry Kaufman, Daniel Conigliaro, Carol Shasha, George Abbiati, Jr, Michael Flaherty, Sandy Flaherty, Mary Jane Facas, Amal Karam, Anna Villani, Father Saba Shofany.

This Weekend	Saturday: Cancelled	Sunday: Cancelled	<i>Thanks to all who always make up their missed envelope, including fuel and building fund!</i>
Next Weekend	Saturday: Cancelled	Sunday: Cancelled	
May 24, 2020		\$250.00 In addition to the offertory: \$90 for candles and \$100 for the 200 Club. Also, a donor, who wishes to remain anonymous, gave \$1,500 this week.	

Religious Education: Cancelled due to the Corona Virus.

Upcoming observances, events, and notes:

- Helen Villani passed away last Friday. There is a wake at Impelleteri-Malia Funeral Home on May 29 from 6-8pm. Funeral at the Church is at 11am, Saturday, May 30. Service at the grave at St Mary's Cemetery in New London. The service at the church is open to family members only. May Her Memory Be Eternal!

NOTE: We will cautiously begin to open the church for services. Starting June 6 and 7, we will celebrate the Divine Liturgy at 5pm on Saturday, June 6 and Sunday, June 7, at 10 am. In addition to Father Dennis and the cantors, 15 parishioners will be permitted to come to each Liturgy. Please contact Father Dennis, if you would like to come, so that we can maintain these numbers. If the list becomes full, you can then come to the next week's Liturgy. This virus is very deadly. Anytime you gather, you are at risk of

contracting it. You still do not need to come to church at this time. In fact, I still discourage attendance, as I am very worried about transmission of this disease to our parishioners. Places have opened up and the disease is then transmitted. You, also, do not need to receive Communion, if you attend. The risk of transmission receiving communion is heightened. If you attend: You must wear a mask during the entire service, except if you receive communion, take it off just before you receive, then immediately put it back on. Immediate families may sit together. Every other pew will be blocked off. Sit as far from each other as possible, at least 6 feet. People may have this virus and not know it and infect other people. This will be a cautious start and we will evaluate this policy in July. Again, you do not have to come to Church at this time. I cannot emphasize this enough. You can contract this virus in Church as easily as you can contract it anywhere.

- Parish Council. We will meet after Liturgy on June 6. We will meet in the church hall to enable proper social distancing. **Please wear a mask.**
- Sanctuary Lamp: The lamp will be lighted in June in loving memory of Gloria Massad, sponsored by her best friend, Gloria Jeffords, and her husband John Jeffords.
- Sanctuary Lamp: The lamp will be lighted in July in loving memory of Geraldine Kozmon, by her devoted husband Frank Kozmon.
- Liturgy: June 21, in loving memory of Mary H. Murray (June 20, 1968) by her loving nephew Edward Weyant.
- Liturgy: July 19, in loving memory of Geraldine Kozmon (July 19, 2001) by her devoted husband Frank Kozmon.
- Ordination: Deacon George Haddad will be ordained to the Holy Priesthood on Saturday, July 25. Details are being developed and will be communicated.

Thank you! Thank you to all who are mailing your donations, asking me to pick them up at their houses, delivering them to our door, dropping them off in the mailbox, and the St. Jude Shrine collection box. I know many have lost their jobs, and it is so wonderful to see the devotion that you have to keep the church functioning. We are receiving donations from friends of the church, who do not normally attend, but are concerned that our finances will be stable. **If you have not donated, since we cancelled services, please mail them to the church.** Our bills continue, despite the lockdown. Father Dennis

To Our Anonymous Donor: Again, many thanks to our anonymous donor who again gave \$1,500 to the parish. Without this generous donor, our collection for last Sunday was only \$250.

Remember: We are live streaming the Divine Liturgy every Sunday at 10am. This is on both Facebook and our Website. If you miss the Liturgy, it is being recorded, so that you can see it anytime after 11:30 am on Sundays.

Confession: If you want to receive this Holy Sacrament, contact Father Dennis and we can conduct it in a safe manner at the Church.