



ST. ANN MELKITE GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH 41 Cross Rd, Waterford, CT 06385 http://www.stannmelkitechurch.org 860-442-2211	
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Intentions this weekend:

Sunday 10:00 AM Liturgy: For the peace, health, and salvation of Irene and Kathleen McCarthy, the mother and sister, respectively, of Father Dennis. This is requested by Father Dennis and Lisa

NOTES AND UPCOMING EVENTS:

Holy Rosary: In July, we will pray on Wednesday July 31, at 5:30 pm.

Remember Me in Your Kingdom Memorial: This will occur at the end of Liturgy on Aug 4th.

Dormition Fast: It begins August 1 and ends August 14. This fast prepares us for the falling asleep of the Virgin Mary. Next to Great Lent, this is probably the most kept fast. That tells us how dear the Theotokos remains to the hearts of the Christian people. At her death, the Mother of God is the First Fruit of the bodily resurrection. Jesus gathers her soul and then her most pure body. The apostles put her body in a tomb. Later, at the nostalgic instigation of Saint Thomas, who wanted to see her face one more time, the Apostles found the tomb empty and filled with fragrance and flowers. For guidance on fasting and abstinence, please refer to your 2024 Diocese of Newton calendar or talk to Father Dennis.

Feast of the Transfiguration: This is a major Feast. Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on August 6, at 5:30 PM.

Enders Island Divine Liturgy and Picnic: This will occur on Tuesday, August 13. Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 5:00 PM, with the picnic immediately afterward. The price for an individual is \$20.00. The maximum cost for a family is \$50.00. **Deadline for sign up is has been extended to today.** Remaining seats will be offered to others parishes. We have 24 people who have signed up so far.

Dormition of the Mother of God: The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on Thursday, August 15, at 5:30 PM.

Sanctuary Lamp: It will be lighted in August for the repose of the soul of David Facas. This is requested by John and Gloria Jeffords. May his memory be eternal!

Quote of the Day: “If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives to all men generously and without reproaching, and it will be given him”.---Saint James

Meditation of the Day: “The name by which this most blessed spiritual being is honored, Michael, means ‘who is like God?’ for when Lucifer, impelled by pride and envy against God, wished to become like Him, this most powerful archangel, burning with ardent zeal and indignant at the offense given to the Most High, exclaimed, ‘Who is like God?’ By this he meant, ‘Who is so arrogant and bold that he should dare to compare himself to God?’ By asking this rhetorical question, he expressed the manifest and holy truth that there is no created being, either in heaven or anywhere else in the entire universe, who can rival the one, supreme God.”---From the book: *Meditations on the Holy Angels*, page 46, by Saint Aloysius Gonzaga

Bible Verse of the Day: “Because he cleaves to me in love, I will deliver him; I will protect him, because he knows my name. When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will rescue him and honor him.”---Psalm 91: 14-15

Financial update; bills paid last week: Eversource: \$951.59

This Weekend			Sunday Reader: Volunteer	Thanks to all who always make up their missed envelope, including Fuel and Building Fund.
Next Weekend			Sunday Reader: Volunteer	
July 21	\$7,096.00 donated	46 adults and 2 children attended	Included in the collection were: \$189.00 from candles and \$80.00 from Hall Rental. Donations for Memorial Liturgies, Baptisms, Weddings, Priest Stole Offerings, Blessing of Homes, and Funerals are included in the collection total, as these are private matters.	