



ST. ANN MELKITE GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH 41 Cross Rd, Waterford, CT 06385 http://www.stannmelkitechurch.org 860-442-2211	
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Welcome Father Marwan El Khoury!

Father Marwan is covering for Father Dennis, while he is on vacation.

Intentions this Sunday: For the repose of the soul of Jacqueline Jabbour Matta, on the occasion of what would have been her 64th birthday on August 5. This is requested by her loving sister, Joumana Hajj. May Jacqueline’s memory be eternal!

NOTES AND UPCOMING EVENTS:

Holy Rosary: In August, we will pray on Wednesday, August 14, at 5:30 pm, and on Wednesday, August 28, at 5:30 pm.

200 Club: The next drawing is on Sunday, August 18, at Coffee Hour.

Remember Me in Your Kingdom Memorial: This will occur at the end of Liturgy on Aug.11.

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. Father Thomas Moses will be celebrating the Divine Liturgy, while Father Dennis is on vacation, Welcome Abouna Thomas!

Dormition of the Mother of God: The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on Thursday, August 15, 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. We have 35 people who have signed up. The list is in the back of the church on the table. Please pay what you owe no later than Sunday August 11, if not sooner. If you signed up and are not going, we still need the money, as we have committed to that number of people. You can put your money in the regular collection, but please mark it as “Enders Island”, so it does not get counted as a regular Sunday donation.

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!

Coffee Hour: The list to provide snacks for Sunday coffee hour after Liturgy is on the table in the rear of the church. Joumana Hajj will be doing it today. Please sign up, as we have no one to do it for the next few weeks.

Alcoholics Anonymous: One of the four groups that our parish hosts in our church hall is having its picnic on Saturday, August 10, from 1:00 to 5:00 PM. They will be using our back field and Hall and have a band. They did this last year. So, if you see people here next Saturday, that is what is happening.

Financial update; bills paid last week:

- Father Marwan: \$175.00 for covering Father Dennis, on August 4, while he is on vacation.
- Father Thomas: \$175.00 for covering Father Dennis, on August 6 (Feast of the Transfiguration), while he is on vacation.
- Altar, Household, and Maintenance expenses: \$352.00
- Father Dennis’ Salary for July: \$2,382.23
- Property Insurance: \$1,500.00
- Copier Rental: \$230.98
- Bartol HVAC: \$500.00 for second installment on new air conditioner for the Rectory.
- Overhead Door: \$435.00 for preventive maintenance, key pad, and 3 remote control units
- Connecticut Business Systems: \$18.94 for copies that exceeded our contracted quantity limit.

We spent \$5,769.15 last week.. Our deficit for the fiscal year, which began on 9/1/2023, is: \$4,766.92 in 48 weeks.

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 28	\$1,663.00 donated	28 adults and 3 children attended	Included in the collection were: \$114.00 from candles, \$675.00 from Hall Rental, and \$120.00 refund from Waterford Parks and Recreation for our canceled picnic. 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.	