

ST. ANN MELKITE GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH 41 Cross Rd, Waterford, CT 06385 http://www.stannmelkitechurch.org 860-442-2211	
Pastor: Father Dennis McCarthy Email: abounadennis@gmail.com Cell phone: 860 287 0677	September 29, 2024 2nd Sunday After the Holy Cross

Intentions:

Saturday: For peace in the Middle East and Ukraine

Sunday: For the repose of the souls of David Massad (26 years), the father of Gerard Massad and also for Linda Abbiati, the mother of Laura Massad (2 years). Requested by Gerard and Laura Massad. May their memories be eternal!

NOTES AND UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sanctuary Lamp: The Lamp, for the month of October, is lighted for the repose of the soul of Mary Jane Facas, as requested by Gloria and John Jeffords.

200 Club: Our new year for the 200 Club begins in October. If you wish to participate please give your money to Pierre Hage or Father Dennis. It is \$60.00 for the year. We will need 21 people to sign up to break even. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the rear of the church. Please sign up by September 30.

Remember Me in Your Kingdom Memorial: This will occur at the end of Liturgy on Sunday, October 6.

Religious Education for the youth: It will begin on Saturday, September 28, at 3:30. Please contact Joumana Hajj, if you have questions.

Religious Education for adults: Beginning in November, we will have religious education for adults. This will be one hour beginning at 5:30 PM, and it will be held on the Wednesdays that we do not have the Rosary. The Rosary is prayed on the second and last Wednesday of each Month at 5:30 PM. Please sign up on the sheet on the table in the back of the church, if you will attend these classes.

Coffee Hour: The list to provide snacks for Sunday coffee hour, after Liturgy, is on the table in the rear of the church.

Bishop’s Appeal: The 2024 Bishop’s Appeal drive has begun. Our goal this year is \$7,500.00. In 2022, our goal was \$6,000.00. We exceeded our goal by giving \$6,328.00. In 2023, we never received our goal. We collected \$720.00. Our goal for 2024 is \$7,500.00. Father Dennis and Lisa have already mailed their check for \$500.00 to the Eparchy. That leaves us with needing to collect another \$7,000.00. We have 40 people in the parish who donate on the weekend on a regular or semi-regular basis. If those people donated \$175.00, we would achieve our goal. The appeal ends on December 31, 2024. If you give \$43.75 in September, October, November, and December, we will reach our goal. Weekly, that would amount to \$12.50 per week over the 14 week period. You will soon receive a letter from the Bishop, which explains all. When you send money, make sure you put in the memo portion of your check: Saint Ann, Waterford, CT.

Financial update; bills paid last week:

- Eparchy: \$3,163.15 for assessment, retirement, medical insurance, and Flocknote.
- Sewer Bill: \$210.00 for the period 5/ 30/ 2024 to 9/2 2024.
- Frontier Communications: \$154.76 for cable, internet, and landline.

We spent \$3,527.91 last week. Total income was \$ 1,958.00 That leaves us with a deficit for the week of \$1,569.91. We now have for the new fiscal, which began on September 1, 2024, a deficit of \$1,980.24.

Last fiscal year, which began on 9/1/2023 and ended on 8/31/2024, left us with a deficit of \$5,931.98. We spent more money than we collected.

This Weekend	Saturday Reader: Volunteer		Sunday Reader: Volunteer	Thanks to all who always make up their missed envelope, including Fuel and Building Fund.
Next Weekend	Saturday Reader: Volunteer		Sunday Reader: Volunteer	
Sept 21 and 22	\$1,958.00 donated at the two Liturgies	51 adults and 2 children attended.	We also collected: \$98.00 from candles and \$50.00 for a Fuel Donation. 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.	

