

Epiphany.

Darkness shall cover the earth
and thick darkness the peoples;

But, the Lord will rise upon you
and his glory will be seen.

Nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness
of your rising.

- Isaiah 60:1-3



EPARCHY OF SAINT MARON CANADA



SAINT ANTHONY'S PARISH

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Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday 10:00 AM. – 2:00 PM.

MASSES AND CELEBRATIONS

Sunday: 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM.

English Mass, Sunday: 5:00 PM.

Daily Mass: 6:00 PM.

Daily dedication Prayers: 5:30 PM.

Tuesday: Rosary & Litany: 5:30 PM.

Wednesday: Our Lady's Confraternity: 5:00 PM.

Thursday: Adoration: 5:00 PM.

First Sunday of each month:

English Youth Mass: 5:00 PM.

CONFESSIONS:

15 Minutes before daily Mass at 5:45 PM.

SICK / SHUT-IN VISIT:

Please call 519-322-2282

BAPTISMS:

**Please call the Church Office at least one
month prior to Baptism date.**

MARRIAGES:

**Please contact the Parish Priest a
minimum of six months in advance of
the desired date of marriage.**

Weekly Bulletin

Sunday January 7th, 2018



First Sunday after the Epiphany of the Lord

الأحد الأول بعد عيد الدنح

January 7th, 2018

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Our Parish Mission Statement
*The Faith Community of Saint Anthony's Parish,
Leamington, open to the Spirit as disciples of Jesus
Christ, envision our mission as proclaiming,
witnessing and celebrating the Kingdom of God
and keeping alive the Maronite Tradition among us
through SERVICE, HEALING and
RECONCILING LOVE.*

***St. Anthony's is a Registered, Charitable,
non-profit organization.***

Our weekly bulletin is available online at: www.stanthonyparish.com

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Parish Information

THANK YOU: Father Charles Saad would like to cordially thank the parishioners and friends for their generous donations towards the New Saint Anthony's Church, Leamington.

EACH FAMILY IS KINDLY INVITED TO MAKE A YEARLY DONATION IN ORDER TO BUILD THE NEW CHURCH.

Every Sunday we share in the Bulletin the last 12 donations:

- 1- Anonymous: \$ 400.00 (Cash)
- 2- Donations in Memory of Adla Nohra: \$ 240.00
- 3- Donations in Memory of Theresa El-Raheb: \$ 805.00
- 4- Anonymous: \$ 1,100.00 (Cheque)
- 5- SAJ Luncheon: \$ 1,000.00
- 6- Lina Nahid: \$ 50.00
- 7- Anonymous: \$ 50.00 (Saj Luncheon)
- 8- In Memory of Alia Raffoul: \$ 450.00
- 9- Anonymous: \$ 80.00
- 10- Anonymous: \$ 500.00
- 11- Nouhad HADDAD: \$ 300.00
- 12- Anonymous \$ 350.00

TOTAL: \$ 520,339.52

CONDOLENCES: Our deepest Sympathy to the family of Sister Rafka George Raffoul, who passed away in Leamington on Thursday January 4th, 2018 at the age of 67. The visitations will take place on Sunday January 7th from 2:00 PM till 5:00 PM and from 7:00 PM till 9:00 PM, with Parish Prayers at 8:00 PM at Reid Funeral Home, 14 Russel, Leamington, Ontario.

Her Funeral Mass will be held on Monday January 8th, 2018 at 10:00 AM at Saint Anthony's Maronite Church, Leamington. The 40 Day Memorial Mass will take place on Sunday February 11th, 2018 at 9:30 AM at Saint Anthony's Maronite Church, Leamington.

May God Rest her Soul in Peace and grant consolation to her Family and Relatives.

BAPTISM: Congratulations to Joey & Mona Jraige whose daughter Sarina Rose Jraige received the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation on Saturday December 30th, 2017 at Saint Anthony's Church. May God bless their family.

PRAYER GROUP: Every First Friday of each month. Next meeting will take place on Friday February 2nd, 2018 at 7:00 PM. For more information, please contact Noel Tawil.

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Father Charles Saad will be visiting the sick and elderly at homes and at hospitals. Please notify the office if you know anyone wishing to receive the Holy Communion.

UPCOMING MEMORIAL MASSES

INTENTION	DATE	TIME
1- Sister Mantoura Francis (6 Month Memorial Mass)	Sunday, January 28 th , 2018	9:30 AM
2- Juliette Elmsann (6 Month Memorial Mass)	Sunday, January 28 th , 2018	11:00 AM
3- Sister Rafka Raffoul (40 Day Memorial Mass)	Sunday, February 11 th , 2018	9:30 AM
4- Salime Kantati (1 Year Memorial Mass)	Sunday, February 11 th , 2018	11:00 AM

NEXT SAJ LUNCHEONS

1-	Saint Anthony the Great	Sunday January 14 th , 2018	SAJ and FALAFEL Luncheon after 11:00 AM Mass
2-	Saint Anthony Of Padua	Sunday June 10 th , 2018	SAJ and FALAFEL Luncheon after 11:00 AM Mass
3-	First Sunday after Festival	Sunday August 19 th , 2018	Free SAJ and FALAFEL Luncheon after 11:00 AM Mass
4-	Jesus the King	Sunday October 28, 2018	Free SAJ and FALAFEL Luncheon after 11:00 AM Mass

All proceeds go to the New Saint Anthony's Church

Last Week's Collection

75 Envelopes	\$	1,240.00
Loose	\$	347.00
Candles	\$	97.00
Calendars	\$	33.00
House Rental	\$	1,000.00
Total	\$	2,717.00

Income of the Shrine – November 2017

Canadian	\$	1,734.00
US	\$	2,989.00
Total	\$	4,723.00

MONTHLY AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWAL

Fourteen Parishioners are donating to date:

1- \$ 50	2- \$ 35	3- \$ 15	4- \$ 30	5- \$ 50	TOTAL
6- \$ 25	7- \$ 30	8- \$ 100	9- \$ 25	10- \$ 50	
11- \$ 25	12- \$ 60	13- \$ 50	14- \$ 30		\$ 575.00

2018 CALENDARS: Calendars are now available in church lobby: English Calendars you can get them by donation and \$ 15.00 for Saint Charbel's Calendar.

OPEN HEART SURGERIES: Three parishioners from Saint Anthony had open-heart surgeries at University Hospital in London, Ontario. Father Charles Saad and Father Nohra Seif visited them in London. Father Charles Saad on behalf of Saint Anthony's parishioners, wish them a speedy recovery. God bless.

SUNDAY JANUARY 21st, 2018: Marie Obeid, Hind Boutros, Foule Tannous and Theresa Nohra will be making Zlebye for all parishioners on Sunday January 21st, 2018 after Masses. May God bless them and their families.

THANK YOU: Father Charles Saad would like to cordially thank Anthony Sarkis Jabbour, son of Sarkis & Sharife Jabbour, who donated \$ 25000.00 (twenty-five thousand dollars) towards the New Saint Anthony's Church. He will also donate the cost of the two doors at Our Lady of Lebanon Shrine. May God bless him and his family.

THANK YOU: Father Charles Saad would like to cordially thank Marie Obeid, Hind Boutros, Foule Tannous, Rima Jabbour, Tony Hadchiti, Michel Nohra and Joe Youssef for installing the Nativity Scene and Christmas Tree at Saint Anthony's Church. May God bless them and their families.

THANK YOU: Father Charles Saad would like to cordially thank Micheline Antoun Obeid for the Christmas Poinsettia Flowers. May God bless her and her family.

THANK YOU: Father Charles Saad would like to cordially thank Tony Tawil for shoveling the snow from the Church parking lot. May God bless him and his family.

2018 ENVELOPES: The 2018 donation envelopes are ready in the church lobby.

LEBANESE CLUB: Wednesday to Friday, 11:00 AM till 2:00 PM, all you can eat Buffet at the Leamington Lebanese Club for just \$ 12.00 tax included. Different menu everyday.

WEEKLY BULLETIN: If you would like to receive the weekly Bulletin by e-mail, please contact the church office at: 519 322 2282, or send your e-mail address to stanthony.leamington@maronites.ca



Sunday, January 7th, 2018

First Sunday after The Epiphany of the Lord

الأحد الأول بعد عيد الدنح المجيد

- 9:30 AM – Mass for the intention of Hind Zeiter (2 Year Memorial Mass) / Rite of Incense
Blessing of the Water / رتبة تبريك المياه
- 11:00 AM – Mass for the intention of Sarkis Obeid (8 Year Memorial Mass)
& Elias Sarkis (*Theresa Obeid & Family*)
Blessing of the Water / رتبة تبريك المياه
- 2:00 PM – Showing of Sister Rafka Raffoul at Reid Funeral Home till 5:00 PM
- 5:15 PM – Mass for the intention of Tawil Deceased Family Members (*Family*)
- 7:00 PM – Showing till 9:00 PM with Parish Prayer at 8:00 PM

Monday, January 8th, 2018

الشهيد لوسيان (+300) / Lucien, Martyr

- 10:00 AM – Funeral Mass of Sister Rafka George Raffoul

Tuesday, January 9th, 2018

القديس أدريان (+710) / Saint Adrian

- 5:30 PM – Rosary, Litany & Ya Omm-Allah Trip and Spiritual Retreat For the Maronite Priests in Ontario

Wednesday, January 10th, 2018

مار غريغوريوس أسقف نيسص (+394) / Saint Gregory, Bishop of Nisse

- 5:00 PM – Prayers of Our Lady's Confraternity Trip and Spiritual Retreat For the Maronite Priests in Ontario

Thursday, January 11th, 2018

الراهب تاولوسوس (+528) / Saint Theodosius

- 5:00 PM – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- 6:00 PM – Mass for Wadih Nohra, Wife Julia & Deceased Family Members (*Saidie Jraige*) And for Warde Tannous (*Joe Sarkis*) SAINT ANTHONY'S NOVENA

Friday, January 12th, 2018

القديسة مرغريت بوجوا (+1700) / Saint Marguerite Bourgeois

- 5:30 PM – Prayers
- 6:00 PM – Mass for Joe Hanna Youssef (*Mahboube Aziz*) And for Bakhos Aziz (*Marie Peters*) SAINT ANTHONY'S NOVENA

Saturday, January 13th, 2018

- 10:00 AM – Arabic School (2 Hours)
- 7:00 PM – 40th Anniversary of Saint Ignatius Orthodox Church in Windsor, Father Charles Saad is attending.

Sunday, January 14th, 2018

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

الأحد الثاني بعد عيد الدنح

Feast of Saint Anthony the Great

عيد مار أنطونيوس الكبير شفيع الرعية

- 11:00 AM – MASS AVAILABLE FOLLOWED BY A SAJ & FALAFEL LUNCHEON

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الأحد الأول بعد عيد الدنح

في هذا الأحد المبارك، نتعرف إلى يسوع بقم يوحنا المعمدان: "هذا هو حمل الله، أنا رأيت وشهدت أن هذا هو ابن الله." وهذا الحمل جاء بحمل آثام الكثيرين ليبررهم. عندما قال يوحنا إنه لا يعرف يسوع كان يشير إلى حقيقة أزلية يسوع. ومع ذلك ها هو يؤدي شهادة خاصة لأن الروح القدس كان حاضراً لديه، والروح أفهمه من هو هذا الآتي ليعتمد. اعتماد يسوع فاعتر إنساناً. نزل مع النازلين التائبين عن خطاياهم، مع أنه بلا خطية. أراد أن يكون مع الخطاة ليرفعهم إلى القداسة. نزل معهم في الماء بانتظار أن ينزل معنا بالموت والقبر، ما أراد أن يتميز عنا. اعتماد يسوع في الأردن فأعلنه الآب: "هذا هو ابني الحبيب"، ونحن نعتمد اليوم ونؤمن بأننا أبناء الله وبناته. فنبغي علينا بحسب كلام الرسول أن نتشبهه بالله كالأبناء الأحباء، ونسير بالمحبة سيرة المسيح الذي أحبنا وضحى بنفسه من أجلنا، ولا نكتفي أن نشهد، بل نكون مستعدين لأن نموت من أجل من مات لأجلنا، فالموث معه ليس فقط موتاً بل هو قيامة ومجد.

Gospel: John 1: 29 - 34

Reading: Corinthians 10: 1 – 11

This Sunday, John the Baptist bore witness to Jesus: "Here is the Lamb of God" which signifies the mission of Jesus as the One who redeems us from our sins. When John says he did not know Jesus he was referring to the hidden reality of Jesus' divinity, but the Holy Spirit in that hour revealed to John the true nature of Jesus. Jesus, the One with no sin submits himself to the baptism by John. He allowed Himself to be numbered among sinners to deliver us from sin. In this humble submission we see a foreshadowing of the "baptism" of His bloody death upon the cross. Jesus was baptized in Jordan River, the Father proclaimed his entire delight in His Son and spoke audibly for all to hear: "You are my Son, the Beloved" The Baptism of Jesus is the acceptance and the beginning of His mission as the suffering Servant of God. Like John the Baptist, we are called to give testimony to the light and truth of Jesus Christ. The Lord wants His love and truth to shine through us so that others may see the goodness and truth of the salvation of God. "Let us be buried with Christ by Baptism to rise with Him; let us go down with Him to be raised with Him; and let us rise with Him to be glorified with Him."

Next Sunday:

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

الأحد الثاني بعد عيد الدنح

Gospel: John 1: 35 - 42

Reading: 2 Corinthians 4: 5 - 15