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✠ Sacramental Guidelines ✠

HOLY MYSTERY OF CONFESSION: Before or after any service, or by appointment.
HOLY MYSTERIES OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION: Please contact the clergy in advance to arrange for the required baptismal instructions.
HOLY MYSTERY OF CROWNING (Marriage): Please contact the clergy to arrange for the required interview and instructions.
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Sunday, Nov. 24, 2024
 13th Sunday After the Holy Cross
 الأحد الثالث عشر بعد رفع الصليب





Liturgy Intentions

Sun. Nov. 24, 2024. 13th Sunday after the Holy Cross

9:30 AM:

PHS Joseph Botaish by Fr. Thomas Moses & Family.

+Jeanette Demerjian by Linda Hurst & Family.

+Jeannette Balian.

+David Tracy by Gregory Tracy.

+Sidney Hajjar by William & Lorraine McGrath.

+Sami Azzi by Antoine & Della Skaf.

+Maria Skaf by Antoine & Della Skaf.

+Marie Jdey by Antoine & Della Skaf.

+Fr. Nicholas Ruh. OSB (1926-2024)

+Rev. Basil Samra by his Family.

+Fr. Edmond Ghazal.

11:30 AM:

+Jamileh Abujudeh.

+Thérèse ElKhoury by Ralph & Chloe Francis.

+Btlm Astlianids & +Costy Khoukaz by Mona Bekandi.

+Dn. Thomas Burke.

+Fr. Joseph Francavilla.

Wed. Nov. 27, 2024.

7:00 PM: Divine Liturgy for Thanksgiving.

Sat. Nov. 30, 2024.

5:00 PM: Vespers.

Sun. Dec. 1, 2024. 14th Sunday after the Holy Cross

9:30 AM:

PHS Joseph Botaish by Fr. Thomas Moses & Family.

+Jeanette Demerjian by M/M Art Abdel-Ahad.

+Sidney Hajjar by Joseph Shaker & Family.

+Rev. Basil Samra by his Family.

+Fr. Ignatius Gebara.

11:30 AM:

+Ghazi Wadih Samaha (40 Day) Memorial Service by his

brother Ghassan Samaha & family.

+Jamileh Abujudeh.

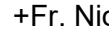
+Jeannette Balian.

+Abdul-Karim Rafeq (6 months) by his Family.

+Thérèse ElKhoury by Tony & Dr. Aida Hanna.

+Btlm Astlianids & +Costy Khoukaz by Mona Bekandi.

+Fr. Nicholas Ruh. OSB (1926-2024)



Glory to God for all things. In order to initiate fundraising appeals in a parish, mission, or outreach of the Diocese of Newton, explicit permission from the bishop is required. Our brothers and sisters in Lebanon are suffering, as are many of our brethren in the Middle East and throughout the world. Thank you for your compassion and open hearts. Bishop François would like our diocese to cooperate to collect donations in a "Lebanon Relief Fund." If you are already collecting donations for another organization, kindly convert your efforts toward the diocesan "Lebanon Relief Fund." If you are not yet collecting donations, prayerfully consider participating in this effort. Each week, deposit donations intended for the "Lebanon Relief Fund" in your parish/mission/outreach's operating fund and send a check in the same amount to the "Diocese of Newton" with "Lebanon Relief Fund" in the memo. If anyone makes a direct donation to the "Diocese of Newton" through your community, kindly forward it to 3 V.F.W. Parkway, West Roxbury, MA 02132. In the coming days, we will create a link on the melkite.org website to collect donations for the "Lebanon Relief Fund" online. In the future, we plan to provide a report to you of how much is raised and how the monies are allocated. God bless the work of your hands.

Sunday Readings: Eph. 6:10-17; Lk. 18:18-27

Please pray for the health and divine protection of

Tony Abdi, Michele Domaney, Elizabeth Higgins, Saleem

Ghazaleh, Daniel Jabbour, Harry McKannon, Teresa Mattar,

Theresa Quinn, Edward Rezek, Maggie Rosenthal.

Parish Financial Support Nov. 17, 2024

(Weekly donations needed for budget: \$3,000)

Candles: \$ 101.00

9:30 AM: \$ 766.50

11:30 AM: \$ 617.00

Mail. In: \$ 440.00

Funeral : \$ 300.00

Memorials & Lit. Int. : \$ 130.00

Total: \$ 2,253.50

Many thanks to all of you for your weekly contributions. We depend greatly on your steady stewardship. God bless you for your generous support.



The Sanctuary Lamp
Keeps vigil this week for
Cease Fire in the Middle East
Please remember this in your prayers.



+Ghazi Wadih Samaha,

brother of our parishioner Ghassan Samaha, passed away in Lebanon on Oct. 22, 2024. Our Condolences are extended to his Family. His 40 Day Memorial Service will be on Dec. 1, 2024 here in the Cathedral.

May His Memory Be Eternal.

Dec. 15
the Best Christmas Pageant Ever

After a combined Liturgy at 10:30 AM, please plan to come.

Weekly Liturgy Schedule

Sunday:

Orthros 8:45 a.m.

Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday:

Divine Liturgy 7:00 p.m.

Saturday:

Vespers 5:00 p.m.

Feast Days:

Great Vespers: 7:00 p.m. Evening before Feast

Divine Liturgy: 7:00 p.m. Day of the Feast .

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Homemade Middle Eastern
Food - Mezza & Dessert



Christmas Giving Tree: Fr. Philip grants for each unfortunate family on Christmas, 5 gifts out of our Generous Christmas Tree, Please collect your tag and stick it on your wrapped gift to make it easy to choose. May God bless all our families.

Shattuck Shelter is seeking donations to keep their community most vulnerable warm this season. The wish list for Christmas is: Coats, sweaters, hoodies, warm hats, and gloves. Most needed sizes are Large and XL, with a few 2X and 4X also appreciated. Cold & hot water containers for their beverages. Your generosity can make a difference! Please contact Dn. Abe or Laila Zeinieh to arrange a drop off

Remember Me In Your Kingdom: The Liturgy & Memorial Service for the departed is on the third Wednesday of the month (Dec. 18) at 7 PM.

Keep in touch with us!

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THE BISHOP'S APPEAL 2024

Many thanks to all who sent already their offering to the Bishop's Appeal, if by any change you did not receive your envelop, you can now get one from the Narthex at the main entrance of the Church. We appreciate your generosity.

The "camel" through the eye of a needle" refers to Jerusalem in Jesus' time. The main gates were locked at eventide. The only possible entrance to the city for safety at night was a narrow side gate. You could enter, but your camels, possessions, etc. would not be able to enter. Your choice: enter alone and be safe or stay outside with your possessions at the mercy of thieves and criminals. Where is safety: the city or the possessions? If we seek God first above all and in all, we shall have all needed. The Bishop's Appeal helps us to see our priorities as a Church and center and conduct our lives accordingly. ****Our parish has raised \$17,097.73 dollars and our goal is \$40,000.-.** Appeal envelopes and reply cards are available in our parish. Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish and to the Diocese of Newton. You may also donate online at: melkite.org/appeal or scan the QR code below:



We wish all of our parishioners a blessed and Happy Thanksgiving. Do not forget to thank and praise God before you eat. If you travel, be careful and safe.

AABA—American Arabic benevolent Association, Inc.

Save the date for the

AABA 50th Anniversary Celebration

Friday November 29, 2024

Our Lady of the Cedars of Lebanon Church Hall

Ticket cost includes Mazza and Dessert

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TheBuilding Committee is working on a master plan for the maintenance of the parish plant. If you notice anything to repair, or think one project should take precedence over another, please let them know. The members are: Jeffrey Bashara, Alan Crede, Neil Foley and Ron Kfoury, email rk4e@aol.com

PRAY FOR OUR PARISH: A successful parish is the parish that prays, not just at formal church services, but at home as well. Prayer keeps us connected to God and each other. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for people to pray for the parish. You sign up for the same date each month. If you sign-up for the 10th, then on Jan 10, Feb. 10 & March 10 etc... you would pray for the parish. You pray at home and remember the clergy, parishioners, parish activities, and groups. We all need each other's spiritual support. Please sign up so that not a day goes by when our parish is without prayer.