

St. Anthony Maronite Church

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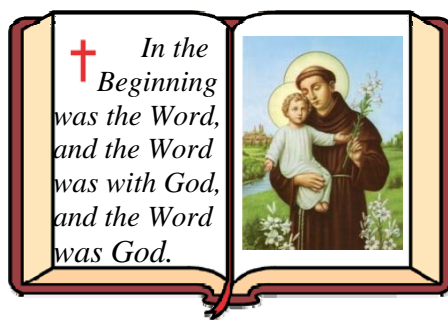
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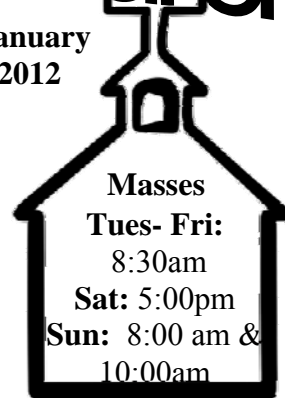
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Sunday of The priests

List of the Priests who served St Anthony Maronite Church

Fr. Ignatius Sayegh 1932-1934 , Chorbishop Louis Zouain 1934-1935, Chorbishop George Zouain 1935-1952, Fr. George Saad 1952, Fr. Edward Zibell 1952-1953, 1954-1956, Msgr. Semaan Farris 1956-1970, Msgr. Sami Hayek 1970-1977, Msgr. Michael Kail 1977-1981, Msgr. Ronald Beshara 1981-1990, Msgr. Moussa Joseph 1990-1998, Fr. Larry Jensen 1998-2006, Fr. Paul Mooradd 2006 – 2009, Fr Jean Younes 2009-Present

Loving Savior, we bring to your gracious heart all our beloved priests, those who have gone before us, those who are diligently serving your people in the parishes, those on mission and those who are retired. Bless all our priests in their ministry and grant them a greater fervor to love and serve you.

Abouna Jean Younes Corner: on the Priests

This Sunday, the Maronite Church begins a series of three Sundays dedicated to prayer for the dead. This first Sunday is set aside as a commemoration of all the deceased priests of the Church.

Christ has established the priesthood for his Church and entrusted it with great responsibilities. The priest is given the task of caring for the spiritual needs of the people of his parish. The bishop, however, is responsible for not only all the people of the diocese, but also for his priest and other ministers. The more the Lord gives to the Church, the more he asks from it.

The gift of the priesthood calls the people of God, the Church, to pray for those who were entrusted with the divine mysteries and carried on the salvific work of Christ. The bishop and priest are called to be the salt of the earth and the light in the world by being configured to Christ. All these responsibilities have been given to men who possess human weakness and frailty. The gospel of this Sunday speaks about the “faithful servant” which is, of course, the role of priests. They are to be like the wise virgins always ready to serve the Lord and like the faithful servant, eager to multiply the talents God has given them. Because priests have been given so much responsibility over the Church of God,

they must know, not only God’s will, but must also constantly strive to be examples of fidelity and prudent action. The Church’s ministers always must seek to be

strong in virtue persevering in willingness and humble and constant in action, if not they may delay the Master’s coming. Because of the dangers and temptation that assail the bishop and priest, we must pray for them. This is our Christian duty and it arises out of our gratitude for the service they have rendered God in his Church. We pray that all God’s priests may enter into the house of the Lord and reap the rewards of the faithful servant, May the Lord entrust them with even greater things.

Check it out!

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To get all the information and the activities of our Church*

2-Your Offerings to your Parish

January 21 & 22, 2012: \$ 3,127.00



Second Collection

The Second Collection taken last weekend, for the U.S. Catholic Bishops' Worldwide Charities, was forwarded to the Eparchy in the amount of **\$124.00**.

Thank you for your contributions.

3-Super bowl Sunday breakfast

On Sunday February 5, is Super bowl Sunday when our MYO teens will host their annual Super bowl Breakfast immediately after our 10am Liturgy. Tickets will be sold that day at the breakfast for \$10 per person, with children under 5 free, or after Mass by contacting either Ferris Nasser. Sign up to win cash with our Super bowl Raffle (\$25). All proceeds will be used to fund our teens' activities. Support our MYO.

4- St Maron's Feast Day

St. Maron's Feast day, on Thursday February 9th has been designated a Holy Day of Obligation for all Maronites, which means if you are a Maronite you must attend Mass on That specific day. **Masses will be offered here at St. Anthony's on Wednesday Feb. 8 at 7pm and on Thursday Feb 9 at 10 am. A Lebanese brunch will follow after 1am Mass on Thursday.**

5-St. Maron's Scholarship Dinner

In celebration of our Forefather St. Maron we will hold a scholarship Dinner here at St. Anthony's Church Hall on Saturday, February 11, 2012 following the 5pm Mass from 6pm to Midnight. Snow date: Sunday February 12 at 12 pm after 10 am mass. Tickets will be \$20 per person and all the proceeds will be used for our Scholarship Fund to benefit St. Anthony's graduating MYO seniors who will be going on to college. For more information contact Ferris Nasser 203-300-1288.

6-Club 50 News

The Club 50 will have double drawing for Jan and Feb 2012 on Sunday February 26 after the 8:00 am Liturgy. Again, we look forward to the continued support of the current members and look forward to the support of new members. All interested in Club 50 please contact your captain or Sandy Urban (203)743-1911. The captains are as follows: Pat Cypher, Elaine Lahoud, Palm Saba and Carole Pettibone

7-COLLECTIONS AND ENVELOPES: ST. ANTHONY

In the autumn of 1932, together with 72 families Fr. Ignastius Sayegh founded the parish of St. Anthony's on News Street in Danbury. Since then all of our parishioners have contributed to the growth of what it is today. On November 2, 1958 a new church was built on Granville Avenue. The tradition is for our parish to continue to grow through your generous contributions each week in the envelopes you place in our collections. You should be proud of what you have given which makes us a success. It is hoped that the envelopes which you receive are returned with your donations each week. Thank you for all your support St. Anthony Maronite Church.

We pray

- For our military; that the Lord may give them strength and courage. May the Lord help them protect and defend the rights of the innocent. Watch over their loved ones while they are far from home. When they are in harm's way, protect them from injury; **We pray to the Lord.**
- That we might put our faith in the Lord when we ourselves or family members are confronted with an unexpected pregnancy; **We pray to the Lord.**
- That this church community may not judge women who have had abortions but rather encourage to seek forgiveness and healing ; **We pray to the Lord.**
- That we may live out our vocation to be ambassadors for Christ by spreading the message that each human life is sacred; **We pray to the Lord.**
- For the sick, the suffering and the elderly of our community, **We pray to the Lord.**