

SAINT ANTHONY

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12th Sunday of Pentecost

8-9 August 2026



SUNDAY READINGS

EPISTLE - Ephesians 3:1-13

Because of this, I, Paul, a prisoner of Christ [Jesus] for you Gentiles— if, as I suppose, you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, [namely, that] the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have written briefly earlier. When you read this you can understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, which was not made known to human beings in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit, that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this I became a minister by the gift of God's grace that was granted me in accord with the exercise of his power. To me, the very least of all the holy ones, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the inscrutable riches of Christ, and to bring to light [for all] what is the plan of the mystery hidden from ages past in God who created all things, so that the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known through the church to the principalities and authorities in the heavens. This was according to the eternal purpose that he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have boldness of speech and confidence of access through faith in him. So I ask you not to lose heart over my afflictions for you; this is your glory.

GOSPEL - Matthew 15:21-28

Then Jesus went from that place and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman of that district came and called out, "Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not say a word in answer to her. His disciples came and asked him, "Send her away, for she keeps calling out after us." He said in reply, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But the woman came and did him homage, saying, "Lord, help me." He said in reply, "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed from that hour.

PARISH LIFE

Safro (Morning Prayer)
Monday—Friday – 7:30am

Eucharistic Adoration
10:00am—7:00pm whenever
Liturgy is not celebrated

Reconciliation (Confession)
Saturday 9:30am – 10:15am
and by appointment

Mystery of Crowning
Contact the pastor 6 months
in advance

Baptism and Chrismation
Make arrangements as soon
after birth as possible

Parish Calendar. Please see stanthonymaronitechurch.org for the parish calendar.

Liturgical Hours. Monday through Saturday 9:00am daily Divine Liturgy in the chapel.

Sunday 8:30am and 11am Divine Liturgies. Summer Hours: Sat 5:30 pm, Sun 10 am

First Saturday of the Month. Marian devotions at 9:30am.

St. Sharbel Devotions. Third Sunday of the month at 11:00am Divine Liturgy

POINTS OF INTEREST

There will be no 9:00 am Divine Liturgies on Saturday, 8 August

The Feast of the Transfiguration on Thursday, 6 August, is not a holy day of obligation. There will be only one morning liturgy.

MYA Party and Grill Out will be at the pool on Saturday, 8 August at 6 pm.

Council #395 is holding a blood drive on Saturday, August 8, at the Columbian Center, from 8 am till noon. Donors wishing to give may go to redcrossblood.org and sign up, and look for the blood drive on August 8 and select an available time to donate. The American Red Cross indicates that every donation saves 3 lives.

MYA Cornhole Tournament on Sunday, 9 August. All ages are welcome. \$40/team to register. Sign up to play using the QR code in the bulletin or the link in Flocknote. The 1st place team will win a prize. Young adults are welcome.

Feast of the Assumption (Holy Day of Obligation). The Divine Liturgy will be at 9 am on Saturday, 15 August.

MYO Liturgy and Pool Party. MYO will sit together at the 5:30 Divine Liturgy on Saturday, 15 August, followed by a pool party and movie night. All youth 7th through 12th grades are invited.

Festival Sweets Preparation. The first day of sweets preparation is Thursday, 20 August at 4 pm. Everyone's help is appreciated.

Sign Up to Volunteer at the Food Festival. Please sign up by Sunday, August 30:
<https://forms.gle/utT9v5idosTRm4yA7>

Maronite Christian Formation classes. Sunday School begins on Sunday, 27 September. Please register each child, aged 3 to 18, by Tuesday, 1 September: [MCF Sign Up Form](#)

St. Anthony 32nd Annual Golf Tournament. Register your teams for Saturday, 10 October at 1 pm at Hunting Hawk Golf Club. <https://stanthonysgolftournament.com/>

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Saturday, 8 August at 6 pm. The MYA Pool Party and Grill Out

Sunday, 9 August at 2 pm. MYA Cornhole Tournament

Tuesday, 11 August at 6 pm. Festival Dance Practice

Wednesday, 12 August at 6 pm. Festival Dance Practice

Thursday, 13 August at 6 pm. Festival Dance Practice

Saturday, 15 August at 5:30 pm. MYO Liturgy, Pool Party and Movie Night

Sunday, 16 August at 11 am. Festival Leads Meeting

Thursday, 20 August at 4 pm. Festival Sweets preparation

LITURGY SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

12th Sunday of Pentecost, St. Matthias

Saturday, 8 August

5:30 pm

In memory of Frank Greco, Sr., requested by Theresa and Danny Shibley
For the living and deceased members of the Saad Family

Sunday, 9 August

10:00 am

In memory of Wayne Sawyer, Sr., requested by the Beasley Family
In memory of Laurice Khoury Jabbour, requested by Alicia Azar

Monday, 10 August St. Lawrence

In memory of Gloria Schroder, requested by her Family

Tuesday, 11 August St. Clare of Assisi

In memory of Father Naji Kiwan

Wednesday, 12 August St. Shaina

For the intention of Mary Norton, requested by the Spivey Family

Thursday, 13 August St. Hippolytus of Rome, Bl. Michael McGivney (USA)

For the intention of Doug Norton, requested by the Spivey Family

Friday, 14 August Micah the Prophet

In memory of Francis Miller Pfof, requested by the Spivey Family

Saturday, 15 August The Assumption of the Virgin Mary

In memory of Sandra Netherwood Ellenberger, requested by Rebecca Anthony

13th Sunday of Pentecost, St. Roch

Saturday, 15 August

5:30 pm

In memory of Barbara Joseph, requested by Eva and John Fadool
In memory of Laurice Khoury Jabbour, requested by Sam and Maral Haboush

Sunday, 16 August

10:00 am

In memory of Stuart Beasley, Sr., requested by the Beasley Family
In memory of Ray Herro (Day of Passing, 15 years), requested by his Family

USHERS SCHEDULE

Dates	Saturday 5:30 pm Divine Liturgy	Sunday 10:00 am Divine Liturgy
8/9 Aug	Danny Shibley, Sr., Anthony Shibley, Dennis Shibley, Joseph Shibley, Jr., Stephen Shibley, Jr	Peter George, Daniel Dailey, Tony Azzi, Joseph Kakish
15/16 Aug	Tom Dailey, Ed Yesbeck, Jr., John Zeheb, Harry McIvor	Alex Fabiato, Justin Shulleeta, Anthony Shulleeta, Will Shulleeta

ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

We encourage all Acolytes to serve Saturday/Sunday Liturgies. If you would like your child to serve summer liturgies, please bring them 10 minutes early

TRANSFER OF GIFTS

If you would like your child to participate in summer liturgies, please send them up at the Creed.

LECTORS SCHEDULE

Dates	Saturday 5:30 pm Divine Liturgy	Sunday 10:00 am Divine Liturgy
8/9 Aug	Claudia Bouhaidar	Tia Azzi
15/16 Aug	Kelly Edwards	Mary Shaia

STEWARDSHIP

2 August will be
reported next week

COLLECTION COUNTERS

August: David Walton and Paul Shibley
September: Joe George and Anthony Shibley
October: George Yesbeck

41st LEBANESE FOOD FESTIVAL

DANCE GROUP INFORMATION & PRACTICE SCHEDULE

PRACTICE SCHEDULE



AUGUST 4-6

- Tuesday, August 4
- Wednesday, August 5
- Thursday, August 6



AUGUST 11-13

- Tuesday, August 11
- Wednesday, August 12
- Thursday, August 13



ADDITIONAL PRACTICES

- Thursday, August 20
- Thursday, August 27 (The band will be there for practice.)
- Thursday, September 3 (The band will be there for practice.)
- Tuesday, September 8



POTENTIAL EXTRA PRACTICES (IF NEEDED)

- Tuesday, August 18
- Tuesday, August 25
- Tuesday, September 1



START TIME: 6:00 PM

END TIME:

Will depend on the age
of the group.

DANCE GROUP EXPECTATIONS

We are a church community, and that means we act with love and respect during practices and during performances.

- ♥ We must move past any drama of previous years.
- ♥ All decisions about dance should come from Tanya.
If you have any questions, please talk to her.
- ♥ If you cannot control yourselves, then don't dance.
- ♥ If parents can't abide by any decisions, then don't dance.

TO MAINTAIN A SAFE AND HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT



No rumors.



No bad language.



No putting people down
in person or by texting.



No fighting, especially
in front of the community.



No playing around in
the dressing rooms.



No rough housing.
Keep hands to yourself.



Boys and girls have
separate rooms to dress in.



Any guests are to wait outside
the dressing room. If they are
minors they may come in and
wait in the hallway. No visitors
will be permitted in the rooms
where groups are changing.



When you are not dancing during
the festival, come see Cathy in
the hall and give us a hand.



THANK YOU!



Let's work together to make the 41st Lebanese Food Festival
a fun, successful, and respectful experience for everyone.

FIFTH ANNUAL *Cornhole Tournament*

AUGUST 9 • 2:00PM

- ALL AGES
- \$40 PER TEAM
- REGISTER HERE

FOOD & DRINKS
AVAILABLE!



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