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## OFFICE HOURS

**Tuesday to Friday 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

## MASSES AND CELEBRATIONS

**Sunday: 10:00 AM**

**Daily Mass: 5:00 PM**

**Saturday: 5:00 PM**

**Daily Dedication Prayers: 4:30 PM**

**Wednesday: Our Lady's Confraternity: 4:00 PM**

**Every Thursday: Adoration Hour**

## SICK VISIT

**Please call 519-322-2282.**

**For Emergency call**

**Fr. Michel: 519-613-7475**

## BAPTISMS

**Please call the Church Office at least one month. prior to Baptism date and fill the "FORM" online on the church website**

## MARRIAGES

**Please call the Church office a minimum of Six months in advance of the desired date of marriage and fill the "FORM" online on the church website.**

## RECONCILIATION "CONFESSON"

**Please come to Church 45 minutes prior to the daily mass, One hour prior to the Sunday Mass. In case of an emergency, contact the Priest.**



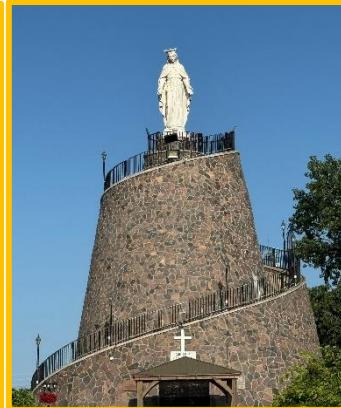
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# **St. Anthony's Parish, Leamington**

**Maronite Catholic Church**

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**WEEKLY BULLETIN**

**JANUARY 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2026**

**SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY:  
REVELATION OF THE MYSTERY OF CHRIST TO THE APOSTLES**  
**الأحد الثاني بعد الدنح: إعلان سرّ المسيح للرسل**

**G: John 1: 35-42 / Rd: Jeremiah 1: 4-10 - Corinthians 4: 5-15**

**The Gospel (John 1:35-42): John the Baptist's testimony to Jesus before his disciples is an invitation for them to follow him. Following Jesus is a personal experience, one that can only be tasted by those who follow him to where he dwells, stay with him, see and hear him, and have his secrets revealed to them. Then, in turn, they go and bear witness to Jesus, drawing new believers and disciples to him. Thus, the calling of Andrew and John remains a model of the Christian vocation.**

**As for the readings for the week, they vary according to the different callings, and within the framework of the Sunday Gospel: the calling of Philip and Nathanael in John (1:43-51); the calling of the first four disciples in Luke (5:1-11); and in Matthew (4:18-25); and the calling of the tax collector, the tax collectors, and the sinners with him by the Apostle Matthew (Matthew 9:9-13). The calling of a few laborers to a great harvest (Matthew 9:35-38); the calling of the twelve apostles and the giving of authority to perform signs and then sending them out to preach (Matthew 10:1-6).**

**The New Testament Church is founded on these twelve apostles, just as the Old Testament community was founded on the twelve sons of James.**

**SAINT ANTHONY'S MARONITE PARISH  
MASSES & CELEBRATIONS DURING THE WEEK**



**Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

**Second Sunday after Epiphany**

- 10:00 AM – Mass For Knights of Columbus

**Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

- 5:00 PM – NO MASS

**Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

- 5:00 PM – NO MASS

**Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026**

- 5:00 PM – MASS AVAILABLE

**Thursday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026**

- 5:00 PM – Mass for Nehmetallah Nehmetallah & Wife Theresa & son John & Grandson Toni Badaoui  
*(Dedicated from family)*

**Friday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2026**

- 5:00 PM – Mass for George & Annie Raffoul & his children & Sister Rafqa Raffoul & Mike Raffoul  
*(Dedicated from family)*

**Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

- 5:00 PM – Mass for Olga Sarkis Hanna  
*(Dedicated from family)*

**Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

***Sunday of the Priests***

- 10:00 AM – Two Years Memorial Mass for Youssef “Joe” Georges  
*(Dedicated from family)*

**LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION**

**CHURCH INCOME**

44 Envelopes	\$	685.00
Loose	\$	418.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,103.00</b>

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**DEAR PARISHIONERS,**

Please be advised that St. Anthony's Church  
will be closed from

**January 8 to January 20, 2026.**

During this period, all daily mass  
will be suspended, masses will be held Saturday  
at 5:00 PM and Sunday at 10 AM.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may  
cause and appreciate your understanding.

Thank you for your continued support.

In case of emergency please call  
**Fr. John Shiha at 519-981-1921.**

**Blessings,  
St. Anthony's Parish**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CONDOLENCES

Our deepest sympathy to the family of **Antonios Boula Boutros** who passed away in Venezuela, on Tuesday, January 14, 2026.

Mass of the Resurrection will be held on Saturday, January 17, 2026, at 5:00 PM at Saint Anthony's Church, Leamington.

May God rest his soul in peace and grant consolation to her family and relatives.

**Jesus Christ is risen! Truly Risen!**

## CONDOLENCES

Our deepest sympathy to the family of **Bakhos Boutros** who passed away on Sunday, January 4, 2026.

Mass of the Resurrection was held on Friday, January 9, 2026, at 11:30 AM at St. Michael's Church, Leamington.

May God rest his soul in peace and grant consolation to her family and relatives.

**Jesus Christ is risen! Truly Risen!**

## CONDOLENCES

Our deepest sympathy to the family of **Joseph Gaspard** who passed away in Leamington on Wednesday, January 11, 2026.

Mass of the Resurrection was held on Friday, January 16, 2026, at 10:00 AM at St. Michael's Church, Leamington.

May God rest her soul in peace and grant consolation to her family and relatives.

**Jesus Christ is risen! Truly Risen!**

## CONDOLENCES

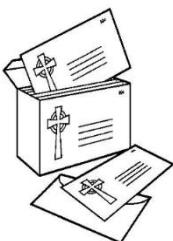
Our deepest sympathy to the family of **Mohsen "Max" Gaspard** who passed on Wednesday, December 31, 2025.

Mass of the Resurrection was held on Monday, January 4, 2026, at 10:30 AM at St. Michael's Church, Leamington.

May God rest her soul in peace and grant consolation to her family and relatives.

**Jesus Christ is risen! Truly Risen!**

## OFFERTORY ENVELOPES 2026



The Church Offertory envelopes for 2026, are available at the Church Entrance. Please, if you would like to add your name. Contact the church office @ **519-322-2282**.

Thank you for continuing your support.

## FIRST COMMUNION 2026



If your child will be receiving their First Holy Communion this year, please fill the form at the church website:

**[www.stanthonyssparish.com](http://www.stanthonyssparish.com)**

The forms are available at the church entrance.

Please fill it and return it to the Rectory.

Please note the classes will start on the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of January 2026.

## CALL FOR NEW PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

The Pastor & the Parish Council is seeking new members to serve our parish community. The Council works with the pastor to:

- Support the spiritual and pastoral life of the parish,
- Encourage participation in ministries, and
- Strengthen our mission as a faith-filled community.

We invite parishioners who are active in their faith and committed to the life of the parish to consider serving. If you feel called, please pick up a **Nomination Form** at St. Anthony's Parish, 280 Talbot Rd. E. Leamington, or contact Parish Office at 519-322-2282, for more details. Let us pray for those whom the Lord is calling to serve in this important ministry.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE**

**<http://www.stanthonyssparish.com/>**

# St. Anthony's Parish

## Maronite Catholic Church - Leamington, ON



# It's Time To Make Our Vision OUR REALITY



### Our Beloved Parishioners,

We hope this letter finds you well. We are writing to you today with a heartfelt message about a shared dream that has lived in the hearts of many in our parish, the dream of building a new church home, next to the Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon 449 Hwy 77 Leamington, ON.

After much planning, we are pleased to share that architectural drawings for our new church building have now been completed. This is a significant and exciting milestone that brings us one step closer to realizing the vision we have carried together. With this progress, we are now at a defining moment, the time has come to discern together, as a faith community, whether we are ready to move forward with this endeavor or if we will set it aside and work with the church we have.

We ask you to reflect on two essential questions:

**1. Are you personally committed to building a new church?**

The drawings are not just lines on paper, they represent the future of our parish. A new space designed to serve our growing needs and welcome future generations. Do you believe this new church should be built?

**2. Will you financially support the building of the new church?**

As we move forward in faith, it's important for us to understand the financial commitments that will make this vision possible. The estimated cost of construction is \$6,000,000, and your support will play a vital role in bringing our new church to life.

**Let us know where you stand:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you in favour of constructing a new Church, next to the Shrine?

Yes

No

Are you willing to financially support the construction of the new Church?

Yes

No

If in favour, what amount would you contribute towards construction?

\$

Cash  In kind Donation receipt will be provided for tax purposes.

We truly appreciate you taking the time to read this letter. Your thoughts and insights mean a great deal to us and will play an important role in shaping the final decision.

We kindly ask that you share your feedback before January 7th, 2026, so together we can bring this vision to life or temporarily set it aside and work with the current church facility, until the community is ready to undertake this project.

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