

# Sunday Bulletin

July 21, 2024



**ST. ANTONIOS  
ANTIOCHIAN  
ORTHODOX CHURCH**

**4th Sunday of Matthew  
Ss. John and Symeon the Fool for Christ**

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within the Church at any  
time.**



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# Parish News Highlights

**Fr. Maximos Saikali is away  
for assistance call:**

**Fr. Georges Esber: 902-210-1000  
Dn. Paisios Makhoul: 902-333-8300**

**22 - 28 July 24**   St. Antonios Antiochian Orthodox Church  
2480 Windsor St, Halifax, NS

<b>Monday Jul, 22</b>	<b>Tuesday Jul, 23</b>	<b>Wednesday Jul, 24</b> St. Christina the Great Martyr of Tyre  Matins 8 AM Divine Liturgy 9 AM	<b>Thursday Jul, 25</b>  YAM Meeting 6:30 PM
<b>Friday Jul, 26</b>	<b>Saturday Jul, 27</b> Panteleimon the Great Martyr  Matins 8 AM Divine Liturgy 9 AM  Vespers 6 PM		
<b>Sunday Jul, 28</b> 5th Sunday of Matthew  Midnight 8 AM Matins 8:50 AM Divine Liturgy 10AM			

## THIS WEEK'S OFFERINGS

### LIVING

Good health of Michel Elias Ayoub & Elias Ephrem Ayoub,  
Offered by their family Nadim, Rania & Nadine Ayoub

### REST OF SOUL

Late Naomi Abou Haidar Offered by her daughter Nada  
Haidar & family

### TRISAGION SERVICE

40 days memorial for late Riad Zakhour offered by his  
wife Nada Zakhour & family

Condolences and coffee hour after in church hall.

#### **Sunday July 28:**

40 days memorial for late Mary Lawen offered by her  
brother Mike Lawen & family.

40 days memorial for late Issac Tohmeh offered by his  
son Jacob & family.



### Weekly Message

"The Christian who reads  
the Scriptures and Fathers  
delves deeply into them,  
takes them to heart and  
makes it his life. He  
becomes a sensitive receiver  
of signals from God."

St. Porphyrios of  
Kavsokalyvia

# SUNDAY SCRIPTURES

## St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans 6: 18-23



Brethren, having been set free from sin, you have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once yielded your members to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now yield your members to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. But then what return did you get from the things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the return you get is sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO

### ST. MATTHEW 8:5-13



At that time, as Jesus entered Capernaum, a centurion came forward to him, beseeching him and saying, "Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, in terrible distress." And he said to him, "I will come and heal him." But the centurion answered him, "Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. For I am a man under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go, ' and he goes, and to another, 'Come, ' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this, ' and he does it." When Jesus heard him, he marveled, and said to those who followed him, "Truly, I say to you, not even in Israel have I found such faith. I tell you, many will come from east and west and sit at table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, while the sons of the kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth." And to the centurion Jesus said, "Go; be it done for you as you have believed." And the servant was healed at that very moment.



# CHURCH INFORMATION

## Weekly Services



### Divine Liturgy

Thursday & Saturday:

8AM - 10AM

Sunday:

Midnight 8AM, Matins 8h50 AM

Divine Liturgy: 10AM



### Paraklesis

Friday, 6PM



### Vespers

Saturday, 6PM

## Church Cemetery

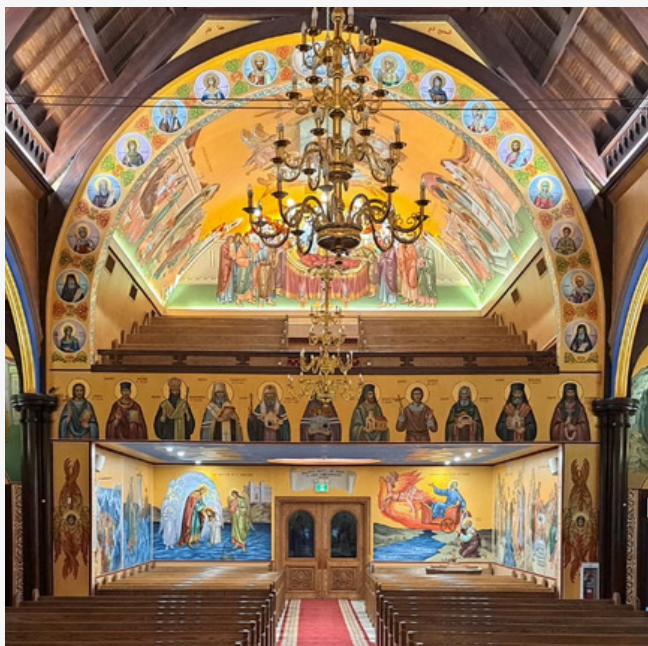
Plots are available for church members only and can be purchased in advance by emailing [info@saintantonios.ca](mailto:info@saintantonios.ca)



## Tithing

Donations can be made through the donation candle box or via **cheque** and **e-transfer** to:

**St. Antonios Antiochian Orthodox Church**  
[accounting@saintantonios.ca](mailto:accounting@saintantonios.ca)



## Contacts

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**Elie Hage**

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Parish Council Treasurer

# CHURCH ORGANIZATION NEWS

## PARISH MESSAGE

We are looking to gather footage of our community members together in the past festival weekends and preparations. If you have anything you'd like to share with us to possibly include in a short video that will be played at the festival opening ceremonies this year, please send along to [joellezhouril@gmail.com](mailto:joellezhouril@gmail.com).

Thank you and hope you have a wonderful summer!

## YOUTH ADULT MINISTRY

YAM Bible Study every Thursday at 6:30 PM

We are looking for family sponsors to support a YAM Gala in the fall (e.g food entertainment). Please contact Celine Ayoub (9028092099) or Deacon Païsius (9023338300) if interested

## ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN

## ARCHDIOCESE NEWS & MESSAGES

This week's teaching from Metropolitan Saba, in English and Arabic, titled "On the Ministry of the Diaconate, Part two." is available [online](#).

Starting Thursday, July 18, Ancient Faith Kids will launch a new podcast, "[A Joyful Noise: Exploring Byzantine Chant](#)."

Children will be taught in an age-appropriate manner about the eight modes used in Orthodox Christian Byzantine chant, learn about the parallagi scale, and sing hymns along with the host. Tune in!

# ST. ANTONIOS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH


## DONATION AMOUNTS FOR CHURCH SERVICES



### PRESENTED BY THE PARISH COUNCIL OF ST. ANTONIOS - JULY 1, 2024

This list provides the recommended donation amounts for Church Services and accompanies the ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DONATION form for active members:

- 1 Tithing Members donate ten percent of their annual household income.
- 2 Members in Good Standing donate a recommended household amount (ie, \$300 per baptised soul).
- 3 Non-members are not active members in good standing and do not donate an annual amount.

ST. ANTONIOS CHURCH SERVICES 	Tithing Member <sup>1</sup>	Member in Good Standing <sup>2</sup>	Non-Member <sup>3</sup>
Bread Offering (ie, Good Health, Name Day, etc)	\$0	\$100	\$200
Coffee Hour (Antiochian Ladies)	\$0	\$200	\$400
Memorial Service (ie, 9 days, 40 days, 1 year)	\$0	\$250	\$500
Baptism	\$0	\$400	\$800
Funeral	\$0	\$500	\$1,000
Wedding	\$0	\$1,500	\$3,000
Church Hall Rental	\$600		\$1,000
Cemetery Plot	\$3,000		N/A

- Services will not be denied to anyone who is unable to financially contribute
- Payment is respectfully requested prior to date of service
- Cost of bread for memorial services is not included within the recommended donation amounts
- Your donation to the clergy is not included within the recommended donation amounts

DONATIONS ARE TAX-DEDUCTIBLE AND CAN BE MADE VIA  
 eTransfer: [accounting@saintantonios.ca](mailto:accounting@saintantonios.ca)  
 Cash, Cheque, or Pre-Authorized Debit

We thank you for your love, generosity, prayers, and continued support.

# ST. ANTONIOS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DONATION



### ABOUT YOUR MEMBERSHIP: A COMMITMENT OF LOVE AND APPRECIATION ✝

Each year we invite every individual and family to register their church membership by filling out this form. Your generous donations enable us to continue serving our community and deliver a variety of spiritual, social, and humanitarian programs that enrich the lives of many.

**"Let each of you give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver" - 2 Corinthians, 9:7**

#### CHURCH SERVICES

Ensure your eligibility to schedule ceremonies and receive membership rates for baptisms, weddings, funerals, hall bookings, and other church services.

#### ORGANIZATIONS

Help sustain and expand our many many activities for all ages, including Sunday School, Teen SOYO, Youth Adult Ministry, Camps, Retreats, Conferences, Bible Study, and more.

#### MAILING LIST

Receive important weekly updates and communications on behalf of our parish, community churches, Archdiocese, and the greater Halifax and Lebanese community.

## 1 MEMBER INFORMATION

Contact Name  Date

Mailing Address

Phone #  City / Postal Code

E-Mail

## 2 ANNUAL DONATION

**DONATION AMOUNT** Calculation: \$  X  FAMILY SIZE = \$  TOTAL

Please note the minimum recommended amount is \$300 per baptised soul

Example: [\$300] X [4 Person Family] = \$1200

Other Amount: \$  TOTAL X

**DONATION TYPE**  
Please select one of the following donation types. All donations receive an annual tax receipt. Direct Deposit Authorization is preferred.

**DIRECT DEPOSIT AUTHORIZATION** Alternatively, please email or deliver a void cheque with this form to the church.

Withdrawal Frequency:  ANNUALLY  MONTHLY  QUARTERLY

Banking Information:  INSTITUTION # (3 DIGITS)  TRANSIT # (5 DIGITS)  ACCOUNT # (7 DIGITS)

**CASH** Please include this form with payment in an envelope and return to the church

**CHEQUE** Payable to: ST. ANTONIOS CHURCH

**E-TRANSFER** Email to: ACCOUNTING@SAINTANTONIOS.CA



# ST. ANTONIOS SCHOLARSHIP



## \$2,000

2 scholarships (\$2,000 each) will be awarded to eligible high school graduates or current university/college students.

### **Eligibility Criteria:**

- Must be 16 years of age or older.
- Must be in their last year of high school (grade 12) and pursuing post-secondary studies (university, college, or other post-secondary studies) in the upcoming year.
- Or must be enrolled to complete their diploma. Must be an active member of Saint Antonios Orthodox Church. Being an active member entails regular Sunday School attendance and involvement in Teen SOYO or YAM.

### **Required Documents.**

- Proof of enrolment into a post-secondary institution;
- Resume;
- Two (2) references, with at least one (1) being another member of St. Antonios[1];
- A Word or PDF file containing responses to the Essay Questions below.

### **Essay Questions:**

Applicants must provide detailed responses in essay format (150-300 words) to each of the following four (4) prompts:

1. Describe how you have been involved in the St. Antonios Community[2] (i.e. through participation in Teen SOYO, YAM, Sunday School, Dabke, Choir, Altar, the Lebanese Festival, the Parish Life Conference, including Creative Arts, Bible Bowl, or Oratorical, etc).
2. Provide an example of when you have taken pride in your studies and/or work. Describe why.
3. Provide an example of how you have cared for others in your community – in other words, how you have been a good “neighbour” to those in need.
4. Please share why you believe you should be awarded this scholarship.

### **Other Considerations:**

Note that in assessing applications, the Scholarship Committee will be reviewing social media profiles. Any applicants displaying content which is not in line with the values of the Orthodox Christian faith will immediately be disqualified.

[1] The St. Antonios member acting as a reference could be a Sunday School teacher, Dabke teacher, SOYO advisor, Lebanese Festival Committee member, or anyone else that could speak to the applicant’s involvement in St. Antonios.

[2] If you are new to St. Antonios, we encourage you to speak on your involvement in your previous congregation, and how you would like to get involved at St. Antonios.

**Submit your application with all necessary requirements to  
this email address:  
scholarship@saintantonios.ca**

**Deadline August 10**

