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MELKITE GREEK-CATHOLIC EPARCHY OF NEWTON

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Dear Pastor/Youth Advisor:

Christ is among us!

The annual N.A.M.Y. conference is coming up! The conference will begin on Wednesday, July 20 and end on Sunday, July 24. It will be held at the St. Anselm College, 100 St. Anselm Dr., Manchester, NH. You can visit their website at www.anselm.edu. The cost of the conference is \$225 for double occupancy rooms. Some single rooms are available at \$270 and will be reserved for advisors on a first come first served basis.

- **The deadline for registration is June 27, 2022. Please take the time to read this carefully, so that your paperwork is properly filled out and will be received in a timely manner.**
- Only one “group cover sheet” per group needs to be filled out.
- Youth participants must be at least 13 years old by December 31, 2021, under 19 years of age by July 24, 2022, and not yet started college. Please don't ask for exceptions.
- All advisors attending the conference must be over 25 years of age. In addition, a criminal records check must be completed on each advisor through the procedures established by our eparchy. If the eparchy does not have a criminal background check on file, please complete the provided form and **send to Fr. Jame Koury**, 3 VFW Parkway, West Roxbury, MA 02132, or fax it to 603-644-2371.
- Please remember that you should have an appropriate number of male and female advisors to provide adequate supervision for your own group. If you have male and female youths attending, your group should have male and female advisors.
- Make your travel arrangements to and from Manchester-Boston Regional Airport (MHT).
- Please send me an email at oloc.church@comcast.net with the information about when you are arriving, flight #, airline, and number of passengers. **Please send this information as soon as possible, so that arrangements can be made to provide your transportation to and from the airport.**
- The theme chosen for this year's N.A.M.Y. conference is ***“Do not be anxious about tomorrow”*** taken from Jesus words: “Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the Gentiles seek all these things; and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things shall be yours as well. Therefore **do not be anxious about tomorrow**, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Let the day's own trouble be sufficient for the day.” (Matthew 6: 33-34).

- I have attached a variety of forms, which will also be made available for downloading at the website for the eparchy (www.melkite.org). **Registration forms, permission forms, and conference rules must be filled out for each youth attending the conference.** Please make copies of the completed forms to bring with you while you travel. **Send me the original signed forms.**
- I have also attached the guidelines for N.A.M.Y. advisors, as established by the diocese. Please review them. Advisors are expected to be supervising their groups during talks, meals, and other functions.
- There is no pool facility but have the kids bring a bathing suit in case we sneak in a trip to the beach!

God bless all of you for your dedication to our youth. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. See you all in Granite State!

Yours in Christ:



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