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The Most Reverend Gregory J. Mansour, Eparchial Bishop The Very Reverend Dominique Hanna, Rector Deacon Peter Frangie Subdeacon Norbert Vogl Subdeacon Adonis El-Asmar



Divine Liturgy Schedule

at 7:30Adoration of the Blessed SacramentFirst Fi

Reconciliation

Initiation Rites (Baptism—Chrismation)

Mystery of Crowning (Marriage)

Hospital and Sick Calls

New Parishioners

Tuesday through Saturday at 10:00 am Sunday at 9:00 am and 11:30 am Holy Day at 10 am & 7:30 pm St. Sharbel the 22nd of each month at 7:30 pm except on Saturday or Sunday

First Friday of the month at 10:40 until noon

10:15 am to 10:45 am Sunday 11:00 am to 11:45 am First Friday and upon request.

Parents and Godparents must meet with the Rector for instruction and then a time will be set for the Baptism and Chrismation.

The Rector must be notified at least six months in advance to set up instruction.

Notify the Rector as soon as possible.

All are welcome at Our Lady of Lebanon Cathedral. Please notify the Office of the Rector to become a member.

Sunday of the Hemorrhaging Woman March 8, 2020

Sun. March 8	Sunday of the Healing of the Hemorrhaging Wo9:00 amIssa & Marina Nassar11:30 amLiving & Deceased (Maroun Faller)	oman Req. Subdeacon & Mrs. Norbert Vogl khoury & Henriette Al Achkar) of the Cenacle Req. Deacon & Mrs. Peter Frangieh
Mon. March 9	NO LITURGY	The Forty Martyrs
Tues. March 10	10 am Divine Liturgy The Vogl & Nassar Families	Req. Subdeacon & Mrs. Norbert Vogl
Wed. March 11	10 am Divine Liturgy The Vogl & Nassar Families	Req. Subdeacon & Mrs. Norbert Vogl
Thurs. March 12	10 am Divine Liturgy The Vogl & Nassar Families	Pope St. Gregory the Great Req. Subdeacon & Mrs. Norbert Vogl
Fri. March 13	10 am Divine Liturgy The Vogl & Nassar Families	Req. Subdeacon & Mrs. Norbert Vogl
Sat. March 14	10 am Divine Liturgy The Vogl & Nassar Families	Req. Subdeacon & Mrs. Norbert Vogl
Sun. March 15	Sunday of the Parable of the Prodigal Son9:00 amIntentions of the Parishioners11:30 amIntentions of the Parishioners	

Financial Standing February 2020

Ordinary Income

Sundays & Holy Days Collections: \$10,472.00

Cathedral Stipends from Marriages & Funerals, Lower Hall Rent, Candles, Breakfast, Luncheon, Bake Sale, Dues, Religious Education, flowers, ...: **\$21,795.70 Total Ordinary Income: \$32,267.70**

Ordinary Expense

Payroll, Gas, Electricity, Building Insurance and Medical Insurance, Leasing Equipment, TV, Phone, Internet, Church, Hall & Office Supplies, Postage, Regular Maintenance, Charity, Eparchial Appeal, Insurance,... Total Ordinary Expense: \$30,325.38

Total Ordinary Income vs Expense: \$1,942.32

We also brought in some extraordinary income in the amount of: \$42,036.67 (which included Library Rent, Donations for specific projects, and the Capital Campaign)

Thank you for your contribution in helping maintain the Church

Sunday Readings Lectors and Ushers (age 16 and up) are needed. Please <u>email</u> the church if you are interested

March 8, 2020	Sunday of the Healing of the Hemorrhaging Woman			
Reading: 2 Corinthians 7: 4-11				
Gospel: Luke 8:40-56				
Lectors: 9:00 am				
11:30 am	John Eladem - English			
11:30 am	John Eladem - English Darine Safi - Arabic			
March 15, 2020	Sunday of the Prodigal Son			
Reading: 2 Corinthians 13: 5-13				
Gospel: Luke 15:11-32				
Lectors: 9:00 am	Raymond Gill			
11:30 am	Viviane Akl - English Edward Antonios - Arabic			
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March 22, 2020	Sun. of the Healing of the Paralytic			
Reading: 1 Timothy 5				
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Dear Beloved Parishioners:

The story of the Healing of the Leper we read last Sunday during the Season of Great Lent may be read in at least three ways.

First, the encounter between Jesus and the man suffering from leprosy demonstrated the strength of Jesus' healing power and his dominion over sickness and death. Mark 1: 41-42 read, "Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him, and said to him, 'Be made clean!' Immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean." In normal circumstances, when someone comes in contact with an ill person, it is more likely for the healthy person to become ill than the other way around. Nonetheless, in this situation, the disease did not pass from the leper to the healthy person, Jesus Christ. On the contrary, it was Jesus who voluntarily touched the leper and immediately cleansed him. Not only the healing, but the immediacy of the recovery testified to the magnitude of love and care that Jesus had and still has for humanity.

Second, by including the miracle of the healing of the leper right after saying that Jesus, while it was still very dark in the morning, got up and went out to a deserted place, and he prayed there, Mark is conveying a couple of messages. When a person was infected with leprosy during Jesus' time, they were forced go and live in a



deserted place to prevent the sickness from spreading and contaminating others. Jesus, by going to pray in a deserted place where lepers were found, sent a strong message that "Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed" (Isaiah 53: 4-5).

Third, scholars see leprosy as a symbol of sin; it does to the body what sin does to the soul. Leprosy deforms the body of the person and restricts his physical interactions with his surroundings since it causes nerve damage and severe disfigurement of the body in the face, arms, and legs. Likewise, sin deforms the purity of the soul and distorts one's relationship with God, others and the self. How can we prevent sin from disfiguring the soul?

One example from what we are living through today regarding the coronavirus can be useful here. The protection of the soul can be similar to the way people are taking all available precautions to defend themselves from the coronavirus. The instructions describing provisions to avoid infection from the virus may be a reminder of the different ways of helping each other not to fall into sin. Doctors and medical experts are recommending that people wear masks to keep the coronavirus or other germs and bacteria from spreading to those around them when they sneeze or cough. The mask is actually to protect others from you.

May I also suggest during this lent that we put a virtual mask on our mouths to stop us from using bad words or spreading gossip that may infect our lent and hurt people around us. And if there is a need to utilize a stronger virtual mask like the super effective N95 used for medical employees, so do it.

Stations and Benediction of the Cross

Every Friday of Lent beginning at 7:30pm, we will pray the Stations and Benediction of the Cross. The service will be followed by a Lenten Supper.

Traditional Fasting & Abstinence Observance

Those who wish to observe the traditional Maronite practice of fasting and abstinence are invited to follow this practice. According to the Synod of Mount Lebanon of 1736, every weekday of Lent (Monday through Friday) is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat and dairy products (eggs, butter, milk etc.) Fasting involves eating and drinking nothing at all (except water and medicine) from midnight until noon. The rest of the day normal meals can be taken but without meat or dairy products. Saturdays and Sundays are exempt from fasting and abstaining as are the following feast days: St Maron on Feb, 9th if it falls during Lent, the 40 Martyrs on March 9th, and St. Joseph on March 19th.

The 2020 Eparchial Annual Lenten Appeal

A second collection for the Eparchial Charities Appeal will be taken every Sunday during the Season of Great Lent starting on Sunday March 10th. We are asked to raise \$5,500 to participate in this awesome mission of the Eparchy. Please read the Bishop's letter inside. We have collected \$741 so far. Thanks for your generosity.

Catholic Relief Services Lenten RICE BOWL

Join our faith community—and more than 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl at the end of the Divine Liturgy. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on the challenge of global hunger and how it affects our human family. <u>Read more here</u>.

Vocations Awareness Poster-Essay

Students grades K to 12 are encouraged to participate in the <u>Vocations Awareness Poster-</u> <u>Essay</u> Multimedia Contest through NAM. <u>Click here for guidelines</u> and information. Also you can see Adonis El-Asmar or Marian Ciaccia for more information. This year let us have more students take part in the contest.

Free Online NFP Session

In order to make sure that couples gain proper understanding of Natural Family Planning, per the Statutes of the Eparchy (No. 71), a free online session is offered to learn an overview of NFP methods and the introductory session to the Creighton Model Fertility*Care* System presenting the theology and the scientific aspect of NFP. The following are the dates and times: Thursday April 30, Tuesday May 19, Monday June 8 at 7:30pm. To sign up for one of the sessions please contact Marise Frangie at 914-393-8907 or <u>sanctityoflife@live.com</u>

Breakfast

Spansared by the Knights of St. Maron of Our Lady of Lebanon Cathedral

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Held in the Parish Hall of the Cathedral

<u>Sunday, March 15, 2020</u> Immediately following the Divine Liturgy

Annual St. Joseph Day

Donation of \$15/adult & \$10/child under the age of 12

<u>RSVP</u>: by Sunday, March 8, 2020 Samer Hadchiti, Edgard Abi Daher, George Elhaj & Roger Shammas

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Please join us for Saint John Paul II Maronite Catholic Church's Annual Gala

honoring Father Jean Younes

Saturday April 25, 2020 || 7:00 PM New York Athletic Club – Travers Island DETAILS TO FOLLOW



Join us for the

Eleventh Annual Benefit Dinner for The Eparchy of Saint Maron

At The Water Club, New York

Details to follow

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57th National Maronite Convention Hosted by St. Anthony of Padua CINCINNATI July 8-12, 2020



Workshops

Appearances By







Mrs. Nouhad El-Shami Mr. Raymond Nader (HEALTH PERMITTING)

Julie Taboulie

Church is a Safe Space for All Thursday, July 9 th	Panel Discussion - Sharing Best Practices for a Successful Festival Thursday, July 9 th
St. Sharbel The Wonder Worker <i>Friday July, 10</i> th	Julie Taboulie - Fresh is Best! Food, Faith, Nutrition Friday, July, 10 th
National Maronite Business Networking Saturday July 11 th	Crisis: Lebanon and the Middle East Saturday July 11 th

Entertainment

Tony Hanna Lebanese Singer

Antoine Akkary Lebanese Singer



Excursions





Hotel & Lodging Provided by Hyatt Regency Cincinnati

*Guests must be registered for the 2020 National Maronite convention to attend workshops,hospitality room and to receive the discounted hotel rate Please Call: **1-888-591-1234** or go to https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/CINCI/G-GNAM

Spiritual Eve

St. Anthony of Padua Parish Choir & The National MYA



Events

Inaugural Divine Liturgy in Syriac The Authentic Language of our Church *Thursday, Evening July 9*th

Subdiaconate Ordination Christopher Nahra *Friday, July 11th* (During Divine Liturgy)



10% of St. Anthony Parish Proceeds from the National Maronite Convention will be donated to charity. To Register: www.namnews.org

or call 914-964-3070 Information www.nam2020.com





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Lent 2020

Prot. No. 012 S / 20

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we enter into the season of preparation through prayer, fasting and almsgiving, I ask you to recall all the ways in which God has blessed you. As you reflect on that, I also ask you to consider supporting the Eparchy of Saint Maron with a donation to our 2020 Lenten Appeal, to further the Eparchy's mission of service to God's faithful people.

Your generosity towards this year's Annual Eparchial Appeal will support:

- Seminarians: We currently have five men preparing for the priesthood. Our seminarians are our future priests, and we want them to get the best education and formation possible. We need your help to invest in their education and formation. Each seminarian costs about \$45,000 per year, in the form of tuition, books, room, board, health insurance and other costs. 40% of your contribution to this year's Annual Appeal will go for Seminarians.
- Ministries: Our ministries to young people, the elderly, families, and in defense of life from conception to natural death, help people at the most critical times in their lives. Please help ensure that the Eparchy can help those in need when they need help the most. 20% of your contribution will go to support Ministries.
- Retired Priests: Collectively, the 15 retired priests of the Eparchy served the faithful for over 500 years. Now, we help them with a modest pension of \$2,000 per month. 20% of your contribution will go to support Retired Priests.
- Helping in Lebanon and the Middle East: The Eparchy assists Lebanon and the Middle East in multiple ways, for example: by applying for grants to American foundations and donors, advocating for the persecuted Christians of the Middle East with the U.S. government, and channeling and providing direct financial assistance. 10% of your contribution will go to support Christians in Lebanon and the Middle East.
- Endowment: The Eparchy's Endowment Fund provides a source of income each year for the needs of the Eparchy and ensures that the Eparchy will have resources in the future. It also provides a "rainy day fund" if needed in the future. 10% of your contribution will be deposited into the Eparchy's Endowment.

I pray that you will open your heart once again and consider giving a gift. Your participation in this Annual Appeal makes a positive difference in the lives of so many people, both inside the Eparchy, and outside of it in the Middle East. Any gift you make will help.

Thank you, and may God bless you for your generosity. I wish you a blessed Lent and Easter.

Gratefully yours in Christ,

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PS: Please also consider remembering the Eparchy and your parish in your estate plan, or as the beneficiary of an insurance policy, retirement plan or charitable gift annuity. Thank you.







Sunday Readings قراءات الأحد

Third Sunday of Great Lent: Sunday of Hemorrhaging Woman

Second Letter to the Corinthians 7:4-11

I often boast about you; I have great pride in you; I am filled with consolation; I am overjoyed in all our affliction. For even when we came into Macedonia, our bodies had no rest, but we were afflicted in every way disputes without and fears within. But God, who consoles the downcast, consoled us by the arrival of Titus, and not only by his coming, but also by the consolation with which he was consoled about you, as he told us of your longing, your mourning, your zeal for me, so that I rejoiced still more. For even if I made you sorry with my letter, I do not regret it (though I did regret it, for I see that I grieved you with that letter, though only briefly). Now I rejoice, not because you were grieved, but because your grief led to repentance; for you felt a godly grief, so that you were not harmed in any way by us. For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation and brings no regret, but worldly grief produces death. For see what earnestness this godly grief has produced in you, what eagerness to clear yourselves, what indignation, what alarm, what longing, what zeal, what punishment! At every point you have proved yourselves guiltless in the matter.

The Gospel according to Saint Luke 8:40-56

When Jesus returned, the crowd welcomed him, for they were all waiting for him. Just then there came a man named Jairus, a leader of the synagogue. He fell at Jesus' feet and begged him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years old, who was dying. As he went, the crowds pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years; and though she had spent all she had on physicians, no one could cure her. She came up behind him and touched the fringe of his clothes, and immediately her hemorrhage stopped. Then Jesus asked, 'Who touched me?' When all denied it, Peter said, 'Master, the crowds surround you and press in on you.' But Jesus said, 'Someone touched me; for I noticed that power had gone out from me.' When the woman saw that she could not remain hidden, she came trembling; and falling down before him, she declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace.' While he was still speaking, someone came from the leader's house to say, 'Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the teacher any longer.' When Jesus heard this, he replied, 'Do not fear. Only believe, and she will be saved.' When he came to the house, he did not allow anyone to enter with him, except Peter, John, and James, and the child's father and mother. They were all weeping and wailing for her; but he said, 'Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But he took her by the hand and called out, 'Child, get up!' Her spirit returned, and she got up at once. Then he directed them to give her something to eat. Her parents were astounded; but he ordered them to tell no one what had happened.

الأحد الثالث من الصوم الكبير: أحد شفاء النازفة

إنجيل القديس لوقا 56-40:8

لَمَّا عَادَ يَسُوع، أُسْتَقْبَلَهُ الْجَمْع، لأَنَّهُم جَميعَهُم كَانُوا يَنْتَظِرُونَهُ. وَإِذَا بِرَجُلٍ ٱسْمُهُ يَائِيرُسْ، وكَانَ رَئِيسَ الْمَجْمَع، جَاءَ فَٱرْثَمَى عَلَى قَدَمَى بَسُوع، وَأَخَذَ يَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْهِ أَنْ يَدْخُلَ بَيْتِهُ، لأَنَّ لَهُ ٱبْنَةً وَحِيدَة، عُمْرُ ها نُحْوُ ٱتْنَتَى عَشْرَةَ سَنَة، قَدْ أَشْرَفَتْ عَلَى الْمَوْت. وفِيمَا هُوَ ذَاهِب، كَانَ الْجُمُوعُ يَزْحَمُونَهُ. وَكَانَتِ آَمْرَ أَةً مُصَابَةً بِنَزْفَ دَمٍ مُنْذُ ٱتْنَتَى عَشْرَةَ سَنَّة، وَلَمْ يَقْدِرْ أَحَدٌ أَنْ يَشْفِيَهَا. كَنَتْ مِّنْ وَرَاءٍ يَسِفُوع، وَلَمَسَتْ طَرَفْ رَدَائِهِ، وَفَجَأَةً وَقَفْ نَرْفُ دَمِهَا. ثَقَالَ يَسُوع: »مَنْ لَمَسَنِي؟ . «وَأَنْكُرَ الْجَمِيع. فَقَالَ بُطْرُسُ وَمَنْ مَعَهُ: »يا مُعَلِّم، إَنَّ الجُمُوعَ يَزْ حَمُونَكَ وَيُضْبَابِقُونَكَ . ﴿ إِفَقَالَ يَسُوعُ: ﴾ إِنَّ وَاحِدًا قَدْ لَمَسَنِّي! فَإِنِّي وَ أَعْلَنَتْ أَمَامَ الشَّعْبِ كُلِّهِ لِماذَا لَمَسَتْهُ، وَ كَيْفَ شُفِيَتْ لِلْحَالِ . فَقَالَ لَهَا يَسُوع: »بَيا ٱبْنِيَتَى، إِيْمَائُكِ خَلَّصَتْكِ! إِذْهَبِي بِسَلام . ﴿ إَوَفَيْمَا هُوَ يَتَكَلَّمُ، وَصِّنَلَ وَاحِدٌ مِنْ دَأَرٍ رَئِيس ٱلْمَجْمَعِ يَقُولُ: «مَاتَتِ ٱبْنَتْكَ! فَلا تُزْعِج الْمُطِّمُ . «!وَسَمِعَ يَسِوعُ فَأَجَابَهُ: »لا تَخَفِ إِيَّفْفٍ أَنْ تُؤْمِنَ فَتَحْيا ٱبْنَتْكَ .«! وَلَمَّا وَ صَلَ إلى البَيْتِ، لَمْ يَدَعْ أَحَدًا يَدْخُلُ مَعَهُ سِوَى بُطْرُسَ وَيُوحِّنًا وَيَعْقُوبَ وَأَبِي الصَّبِيَّةِ وأُمِّهَا. وَكَانَ الْجَمِيعُ يَبْكُونَ عَلَيْها وَيَقْرَ عُونَ صُدُورَ هُمٍ. فَقَال: »لا تَبْكُوا إِ إِنَّهَا لَمْ تَمَتْ. لَكِنَّهَا إِنَائِمَة ((أَفَأَخَذُوا يَضْحَكُونَ مِنْهُ لِعِلْمُهُم بِأَنَّهَا مَاتَتَنَّ. أَمَّا هُوَ فَأَمْسَكَ بِيَدِها وَنَادَى قَائَلاً: »أَيَّتُهَا الصَّبِيَّة، قُومي .«إفَعَانَتْ رُوحُهَا إِلَيْهَا، وَفَجْأَةً نَهَضَتُ ثُمَّ أَمَرَ بِأَنْ يُطْعِمُوهَا. فَدَهِشَ أَبُوَاها، وَأَوْ صِنَاهُمَا يَسُوعُ أَلا يُخْبِرَ ا أَحَدًا بَمَا حَدَثَ.

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