

SIXTH SUNDAY

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GLORIOSO DOMINICUS

Sixth Sunday of Pentecost *July 5, 2020*

Sun., July 5	6th Sunday of Pentecost 10 am Forty Day Memorial Divine Liturgy for Jeanette Hosri Req. by the Hosri Family
Mon., July 6	NO LITURGY St. Maria Goretti
Tues., July 7	10 am Divine Liturgy for Salim Najem Req. by Mr. & Mrs. Bassam Ayoub
Wed., July 8	10 am Divine Liturgy
Thurs., July 9	10 am Divine Liturgy
Fri., July 10	10 am Divine Liturgy The Three Blessed Massabki, Maronite Martyrs
Sat., July 11	10 am Divine Liturgy St. Benedict, Abbot
Sun., July 12	Divine Liturgy of the Consecration of Holy Oils / 7th Sunday of Pentecost 10 am Intentions of the Parishioners

Financial Standing June 2020

Ordinary Income

Sundays & Holy Days Collections: **\$10,988.18**

Cathedral Stipends from Marriages & Funerals, Lower Hall Rent, Candles, Breakfast, Luncheon, Bake Sale, Dues, Religious Education, flowers, ...: **\$1,130.00**

Total Ordinary Income: \$12,118.18

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: \$15,742.81

Total Ordinary Income vs Expense: -\$3,624.63

**No income was brought in as extraordinary income.
The Library did not paid rent for May or June.**

**Thank you for your contribution
in helping maintain the Church
and in planning different activities**

Dignity Despite Everything !!

Born without arms, John Foppe speaks to a way of life beyond independence, namely interdependence: Together we are more. Assisted suicide sells everyone short, so in times of illness or disability, John encourages us to “step into life!”

Check out his story on [our Sanctity of Life Page](#) by clicking [on Assisted Suicide](#)

Learn more about how you can grow in your relationship with others by checking SPICE [here](#).

For more information about our ministry Check [here and watch the video](#).

Dear Beloved Parishioners:

The day after the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul, celebrated on June 29, the Church honors the Twelve Apostles. Exalting the Twelve as a group is very appropriate after remembering the two great pillars of the Church.

The passage for that day from Matthew 9:36-38 talks about Jesus reflecting on the need for leaders: *When he [Jesus] saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."*

Indirectly, Jesus blames the miserable situation of the people on the lack of shepherds or laborers to lead. The people were harassed and helpless because the laborers were few. Being a leader in the Church means accepting the gift of discipleship and the call from God to follow him. The problem is that most times people reject this gift because it entails big responsibilities and because of fear of failing Christ. These days society, especially in the United States, is not helping to form leaders. It is making potential leaders more and more afraid of assuming a leadership position. In the eyes of the culture today, a leader must be perfect. One wrong word or deed and the leader is doomed forever. But it is only GOD WHO IS PERFECT.

Looking at a list of the twelve Apostles, not one of them, according to our current standards, seemed able to carry the responsibilities of being an Apostle, a leader. I talked about Peter, the head of the Apostles, last week. His denial and lack of trust in his Lord should have disqualified him. James and John, sons of Zebedee, were following Christ because they wanted to sit one at his right hand and one at his left when he came into his kingdom. They were only looking for glory at first. Philip also failed the Lord's test when, at the feeding of the multitude, Jesus asked him: *Where are we to buy bread for all these people?* Philip naively replied, *Eight months' wages would not buy enough bread for each one to have a bite.* He did not realize that Christ is the bread of life and would feed the crowd. Thomas doubted him, Matthew was a tax collector and Judas Iscariot betrayed him. Seeing how Jesus' disciples acted during their time with him, we feel that they were not worthy of being called Apostles. However, Christ called them his friends and the Church is built upon their teaching, their preaching and their leadership.

Cardinal Dolan, in a *Wall Street Journal* article entitled "Even the Bible Is Full of Flawed Characters," recalled the story of a parishioner who opposed his dedication of a new parish to Saint Peter, citing the first pope's three-fold denial of Christ. Knowing the lady and what parish she was from, the Cardinal replied, "But you're a proud parishioner at St. Mary Magdalene Church. She was sure not a model of virtue for a chunk of her life. Yet, by God's grace, she became a radiant, inspirational saint. If we can't name churches after sinners, the only titles we'd have left would be Jesus and His Mother!"

My friends, destroying and toppling statues of saints and leaders in the United States and around the world will have a crippling influence on future generations. Any dream of becoming a leader today would be shattered by the fear and anxiety of not being able to be perfect from birth until death. If this is so, without a leader, we will be harassed and helpless like sheep without a shepherd.

Abgona Dominique

The 2020 Eparchial Charities Appeal

The Eparchial Charities Appeal will continue to be collected until August 15. We are asked to raise \$5,500 to participate in this awesome mission of the Eparchy. We have collected \$2,277 so far. You may donate [here](#). Thanks for your generosity.

Covid-19 SALAM Club Fundraising

The club decided to undertake a fundraising campaign in view of the Covid-19 pandemic. We wanted to recognize and support the healthcare workers and first responders on the front lines as well as seniors and others in need during these trying times. Any support will be highly appreciated and will be used to help our heroes and our community. You may make your donation [by clicking here](#). Thank you in advance for your contribution and together we can make a difference for our community.

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Cathedral Cedar Remembrance Tree

Parishioners and friends can now remember their deceased and honor their living with their names on the commemorative tree located in our Cathedral Chapel vestibule. Please [click here](#) for more details.

Finance Council Recommendation

The Finance Council recommends that parishioners set their Church donation up as an automatic payment. This is the best way to keep supporting your spiritual home while on vacation or out of town. You may also make your contribution online [by clicking here](#).

Postponement of the Greece Pilgrimage

Due to the coronavirus, the planned Greece Pilgrimage in the Footsteps of St. Paul was postponed to October 11. It will be the same itinerary as before, but we will be joining another group and hopefully by then this situation will be under control.

Order of Saint Sharbel Matching Grant

Good news: Catholic Extension Society recently announced that it will make a \$25,000 grant to our Eparchy in 2020 for our Seminarian Endowments – if certain conditions are met!

Each Eparchy can earn the \$25,000 grant if they enroll at least 15 new Perpetual Members in the Order of Saint Sharbel by December 31. Membership dues and donations must be received by December 31, 2020 to qualify.

This is not the first time that the Eparchies have received matching grants from Catholic Extension. Similar grants were made in 2012, 2013, 2015 and 2016 after the Order of Saint Sharbel met similar challenges. The Eparchies were selected after a competitive application process each time.

Order of Saint Sharbel President Jim Abdo of Minneapolis immediately put out a call to Members of the Order to invite their friends, family members and fellow parishioners to join or to recruit new Members or to make a gift of Membership, saying, “We do not want to waste this great opportunity!”

Perpetual Membership in the Order requires a donation of \$5,000. The payment can be made in one lump sum, or in four quarterly installments over the course of a year. Information on enrolling in the Order can be found on the Order of St. Sharbel’s website, www.orderstsharbel.org, or obtained by contacting any of the following people:

- James Abdo, President of the Order (jabdo@abdobooks.com)
- Charlene Hiffa, Vice President, Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn (mchiffa@bellsouth.net)
- John Kurey, Stewardship Director, Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn and the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon (718-237-9913 / 314-231-1021; or saintmaron@yahoo.com / maroniteswest@yahoo.com).

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Meet this year's Seminarists for the Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn



Sunday Readings

قراءات الأحد

Sixth Sunday of Pentecost

First Letter to the Corinthians 12,12-13.27-30.

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.

For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body Jews or Greeks, slaves or free and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues.

Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles?

Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret?

Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Saint

The Gospel of St. Matthew 10,16-25.

‘See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves.

Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles.

When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.

Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes. ‘A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

الأحد السادس من زمن العنصرة

رسالة الأولى إلى أهل قورنتس -30-27.13-12:12

يا إخواني، كَمَا أَنَّ الْجَسَدَ هُوَ وَاحِدٌ، وَلَهُ أَعْضَاءٌ كَثِيرَةٌ، وَأَعْضَاءُ الْجَسَدِ كُلُّهَا، مَعَ أَنَّهَا كَثِيرَةٌ، هِيَ جَسَدٌ وَاحِدٌ، كَذَلِكَ الْمَسِيحُ أَيْضًا.

فَنَحْنُ جَمِيعًا، يَهُودًا وَيُونَانِيِّينَ، عِبِيدًا وَأَحْرَارًا، قَدْ تَعَمَّدْنَا فِي رُوحٍ وَاحِدٍ لِنَكُونَ جَسَدًا وَاحِدًا، وَسُقِينَا جَمِيعًا رُوحًا وَاحِدًا.

فَأَنْتُمْ جَسَدُ الْمَسِيحِ، وَأَعْضَاءٌ فِيهِ، كُلُّ وَاحِدٍ كَمَا قُسِمَ لَهُ. فَقَدْ وَضَعَ اللَّهُ فِي الْكَنِيسَةِ الرَّسُلَ أَوْلَى، وَالْأَنْبِيَاءَ ثَانِيًا، وَالْمُعَلِّمِينَ ثَالِثًا، ثُمَّ الْأَعْمَالَ الْقَدِيرَةَ، ثُمَّ مَوَاهِبَ الشِّفَاءِ، وَإِعَانَةَ الْأَخْرَيْنَ، وَحُسْنَ التَّدْبِيرِ، وَأَنْوَاعِ الْأَلْسُنِ.

أَلَعَلَّ الْجَمِيعَ رُسُلًا؟ أَلَعَلَّ الْجَمِيعَ أَنْبِيَاءَ؟ أَلَعَلَّ الْجَمِيعَ مُعَلِّمُونَ؟ أَلَعَلَّ الْجَمِيعَ صَانِعُو أَعْمَالٍ قَدِيرَةٍ؟ أَلَعَلَّ لِلْجَمِيعِ مَوَاهِبَ الشِّفَاءِ؟ أَلَعَلَّ الْجَمِيعَ يَتَكَلَّمُونَ بِاللُّسُنِ؟ أَلَعَلَّ الْجَمِيعَ يُبْرِجُونَ الْأَلْسُنَ؟

إنجيل القديس متى 25-16:10

قَالَ الرَّبُّ يَسُوعُ لِتَلَامِيذِهِ: «هَا أَنَا أُرْسِلُكُمْ كَالْحِرَافِ بَيْنَ الذِّئَابِ. فَكُونُوا حُكَمَاءَ كَالْحَيَّاتِ، وَوَدَعَاءَ كَالْحَمَامِ. إِحْذَرُوا النَّاسَ! فَإِنَّهُمْ سَيُسَلِّمُونَكُمْ إِلَى الْمَجَالِسِ، وَفِي مَجَامِعِهِمْ يَجْلِدُونَكُمْ.

وَسَتَأْتُونَ إِلَى الْوَلَاةِ وَالْمُلُوكِ مِنْ أَجْلِي، شَهَادَةً لَهُمْ وَلِلْأُمَّمِ. وَجَبْنَ يُسَلِّمُونَكُمْ، لَا تَهْتَمُّوا كَيْفَ أَوْ بِمَاذَا تَتَكَلَّمُونَ، فَإِنَّكُمْ سَتَعْطُونَ فِي تِلْكَ السَّاعَةِ مَا تَتَكَلَّمُونَ بِهِ. فَلَسْتُمْ أَنْتُمْ الْمُتَكَلِّمِينَ، بَلْ رُوحُ أَبِيكُمْ هُوَ الْمُتَكَلِّمُ فِيكُمْ. وَسَيُسَلِّمُ الْأَخُ أَحَاهُ إِلَى الْمَوْتِ، وَالْأَبُ ابْنَهُ، وَيَتَمَرَّدُ الْأَوْلَادُ عَلَى وَالِدِيهِمْ وَيَقْتُلُونَهُمْ.

وَيُبَغِضُكُمْ جَمِيعُ النَّاسِ مِنْ أَجْلِ اسْمِي، وَمَنْ يَصْبِرْ إِلَى الْمُنْتَهَى يَخْلُصَ.

وَإِذَا اضْطَهَدُوكُمْ فِي هَذِهِ الْمَدِينَةِ، أَهْرُبُوا إِلَى غَيْرِهَا. فَالْحَقُّ أَقُولُ لَكُمْ: لَنْ تَبْلُغُوا آخِرَ مَدُنِ إِسْرَائِيلَ حَتَّى يَأْتِيَ ابْنُ الْإِنْسَانِ.

لَيْسَ تَلْمِيزٌ أَفْضَلُ مِنْ مُعَلِّمِهِ، وَلَا عَبْدٌ مِنْ سَيِّدِهِ.

حَسَبُ التَّلْمِيزِ أَنْ يَصِيرَ مِثْلَ مُعَلِّمِهِ، وَالْعَبْدُ مِثْلَ سَيِّدِهِ. فَإِنْ كَانَ سَيِّدُ الْبَيْتِ قَدْ سَمَّوهُ بَعْلَ رَبُّوْلٍ، فَكَمْ بِالْأَحْرَى أَهْلُ بَيْتِهِ؟

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