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The Three Hundred Fifty Martyrs Disciples of St. Maron

## Celebration of the Three Hundred Fifty Martyrs & Tenth Sunday of Pentecost August 2, 2020

Sun., August 2 Celebration of the Three Hundred Fifty Martyrs & 10th Sunday of Pentecost & 10 am Divine Liturgy for Salam Moussa El Chakar (Jihane Ayoub's Mother)

Req. by Mr. & Mrs. Charly Ayoub

Mon., August 3 NO LITURGY

David the Prophet

Tues., August 4 10 am Divine Liturgy

St. John Vianney, the Curé d'Ars

Wed., August 5 10 am Divine Liturgy

Moses the Prophet

Thurs., August 6 10 am Divine Liturgy of the Transfiguration of Our Lord

Fri., August 7 10 am Divine Liturgy

St. Doumit

Sat., August 8 10 am Divine Liturgy for Salam Moussa El Chakar Req. by Deacon & Mrs. Peter Frangie

St. Dominic & Pope St. Sixtus II

Sun., August 9 Transfiguration of Our Lord & 11th Sunday of Pentecost St. Matthias

10 am Forty Day Divine Liturgy for Hanne Houkayem Nehme Req. by the Nehme Family

#### **Financial Standing July 2020**

#### **Ordinary Income**

Sundays & Holy Days Collections: \$10,294.81

Cathedral Stipends from Marriages & Funerals, Lower Hall Rent, Candles, Breakfast, Luncheon, Bake Sale, Dues, Religious Education, flowers, ...: \$2,585.51

**Total Ordinary Income: \$12,880.32** 

**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: \$18,228.49** 

**Total Ordinary Income vs Expense: -\$5,384.17** 

No income was brought in as extraordinary income. The Library did not pay the May, June & July rent.

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July 23, 2020 Feast of Saint Sharbel

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The world is going through a difficult time due to the coronavirus pandemic, civil unrest, and political divisiveness which impact the various aspects of our lives. The Church, like a mother, loves her children and cares for each one of them. We realize many are facing hardships and economic uncertainty. We assure you of our spiritual closeness with each one of you. We call on every person to support the less fortunate and suffering, and we stand in solidarity, as did the early Christian community.

The situation of our brothers and sisters in Lebanon is critical and getting worse. Governmental corruption, hegemony of the political system, financial hardships from the banking crisis, the devaluation of the Lebanese pound, government debt, high unemployment, and financial sanctions threaten to bring more than half of the population under the poverty line. Moving forward will bring Lebanon to the brink of a failed state that threatens the lives and hopes of people, the fragile stability of the region, and the face of the Lebanon we know and love.

We actively support the positions of our beloved Patriarch, His Eminence and Beatitude Bechara Peter Rai, in his call to safeguard Lebanon as independent state, sovereign over all its territory, free from any political hegemony and corruption, neutral in order to build proper relationships with the world, and initiate a constructive dialogue among the various factions. We hear the cry of the people who are demonstrating peacefully for justice, for fundamental rights. We applaud the efforts of the Church and many nonprofit organizations that provide the basic needs of those less fortunate and in need of help on a daily basis.

In view of this crisis, we have redoubled our efforts in support of our brothers and sisters in Lebanon. We work with different organizations to lobby the U.S. government in support of the sovereignty of Lebanon, and to provide much needed humanitarian aid. We also work closely with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops so that our voices will be stronger and more efficient.

We thus appeal for your help and support in these different areas:

- · Let us increase our financial aid to our own families and relatives. They truly need this help now.
- We are in an election year. Bring the plight of Lebanon to all government leaders, and to all
  candidates for public office so that they can support the sovereignty and continued strength of
  Lebanon and help its people and Catholic institutions.
- Support Caritas Lebanon and other Church organizations. You can go directly to their website and Facebook pages make your donation online:
  - o Caritas Lebanon: www.caritaslebanon.org

You can also visit our respective Eparchy websites and Facebook to make an online donation with the memo: charity/support Lebanon:

- Eparchy of St. Maron of Brooklyn: www.stmaron.org/donate-1 and @eparchyofstmaron
- Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles: www.eparchy.org/donate and @OLOLEparchy.

You can also make your donations through your local Churches.

 Pray for peace in Lebanon and the region, asking our loving God to provide the necessary needs for the suffering and less fortunate.

We thank you for your heartfelt support and all your endeavors. We remember the words of Christ in Matthew 25:40 "Whatever you do to the least of my brothers and sisters, you have done to me."

Yours in Christ,

+ Bishop Gregory J. Mansour Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn + A. E. Zaidan

+ Bishop A. Elias Zaidan Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles (Isaiah 29:17)

#### The 2020 Eparchial Annual Lenten Appeal

A Second Collection for the Eparchial Charities Appeal will be taken every Sunday until August 16. We are asked to



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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.

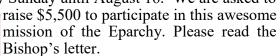
Thank you, and may God bless you for your generosity. I wish you a blessed Lent and Easter.

Gratefully yours in Christ,

+ Gregory

+ Gregory J. Mansour

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.













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#### **Sunday Readings** قر اءات الأحد

#### Feast of the 350 Martyrs, Disciples of St Maron

#### The Letter of Paul to the Romans 16:17-20

I urge you, brothers and sisters, to keep an eye on those who cause dissensions and offences, in opposition to the teaching that you have learned; avoid them.

For such people do not serve our Lord Christ, but their own appetites, and by smooth talk and flattery they deceive the hearts of the simple-minded. For while your obedience is known to all, so that I rejoice over you, I want you to be wise in what is good, and guileless in what is evil.

The God of peace will shortly crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

#### The Gospel according to St Luke 11: 49-54

Therefore also the Wisdom of God said, "I will send them prophets and apostles, some of whom they will kill and persecute", so that this generation may be charged with the blood of all the prophets shed since the foundation of the world, from the blood of Abel to the blood of Zechariah, who perished between the altar and the sanctuary. Yes, I tell you, it will be charged against this generation.

Woe to you lawyers! For you have taken away the key of knowledge; you did not enter yourselves, and you hindered those who were entering.' When he went outside, the scribes and the Pharisees began to be very hostile towards him and to cross-examine him about many things, lying in wait for him, to catch him in something he might say.

#### عيد الشهداء 350 من رهبان دير ما مارون

رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل رومة 17:16-20 يا إخوتي، أَنَا تَحْذَرُوا الَّذِينَ يُبْرِرُونَ الْأَنْقِسَامَاتِ وِالشَّكُوكَ، خِلاَفًا لِلتَّعليمِ الَّذِي يُبْيِرُونَ الْأَنْقِسَامَاتِ وِالشَّكُوكَ، خِلاَفًا لِلتَّعليمِ الَّذِي

تَّغَلَّمُتُمُوهُ. فَٱبْتَعِدُوا عَنْهُم. فَأَمْتَعِدُوا عَنْهُم. فَأَمْتَالُ هؤلاءِ لا يَخْدُمُونَ رَبَّنَا المَسِيح، بَلْ بُطُونَهُم، وَإِللَّهُ المَعْسُولَة، يَخْدَعُونَ وَبِالْكَالِمَاتِ الْحُلُوةِ والأَقْوَالِ المَعْسُولَة، يَخْدَعُونَ

وبالتبماب الخَبْرياء. قُلُوبَ الأَبْرياء. فإنَّ طَاعَتَكُم قَدِ السَّنَهَرَتْ لَدَى الجَمِيع. فأَنَا إِذًا أَفْرَحُ بِكُم، ولكِنْ أُريدُ أَنْ تَكُونُوا حُكَمَاءَ في الخَيْر، وبسَطَاءَ في الشَرِّ. وَإِلهُ السَّلاَمِ يَسْحَقُ الشَّيْطَانَ عَاجِلاً تَحْتَ أَقْدَامِكُم. نِعْمَةُ رَبِّنَا يَسُوعَ المَسِيحِ تَكُونُ مَعَكُم!

إنجيل القديس لوقا 49:11 54-54 قالَ الرِّبُّ يَسُوع: »لِهذَا قَالَتْ حِكْمَةُ الله: أُرْسِلُ الَّذِهِم أَنْبِياءَ وَرُسُلاً، فَيْقْتُلُونَ مِنْهُم وَيَضِطُهِدُونِ، لِلْيُهِم أَنْبِيَاء، أَلَذي لِكَي يُطْلَبَ مِنْ هذا الجِيلِ دَمُ جَمِيعِ الأَنْبِيَاء، أَلَذي سَفِكَ مُنْذُ إِنْشَاءِ العَالَم، مِنْ دَمِ هَابيلَ إِلَى دَمِ زِكَرِيًا، الَّذي فَتِلَ بَيْنَ المَذْبَحِ وَالهَيكَل. نَعَم، أَقُولُ لَكُمْ، إِنَّهُ سَيُطْلَبُ مِنْ هَذَا الْجِيلِ. أَلُوَيْلُ لَكُم، يَا عُلَمَاءَ التَّوْرَاة! لأَنَّكُم حَمَلْتُم مِفْتَاحَ المَعْرِفَة، فَأَنْتُم مَا دَخَلْتُم، وَمَنَعْتُمُ الَّذِينَ يَدْخُلُون. « وَلَمَّا خَرَجَ يَسُوعُ مِنْ هُنَاك، بَدَأَ الكَتَبَةُ وَ الْفَرِّ يُسِيُّونَ يُضْمِرُونَ لَهُ حِقْدًا شَدِيدًا، وَيَسْتُذْرَ جُونَهُ إِلَى الكَلامِ عَلَى أُمُورٍ كَثِيرَة، وَيَسْتُذُر جُونَهُ لِيَصْطادُوهُ بِكَلِمَةٍ مِنْ فَمِهِ.

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