

REVELATION TO JOSEPH

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GLORIOUS BIRTH OF OUR LORD

# Sunday of the Revelation to Joseph December 13th, 2020

Sun., December 13	Sunday of the Revelation to Joseph 11: 30 am for Laure & Elias Dib	Req. by the Dib Family
Mon., December 14	NO DIVINE LITURGY St. Nemtallah El-Hardini	
Tues., December 15	10 am Divine Liturgy 7 pm Christmas Novena	
Wed., December 16	10 am Divine Liturgy 7 pm Christmas Novena	
Thurs., December 17	10 am Divine Liturgy Daniel the Prophet and his Three Young Companions 7 pm Christmas Novena	
Fri., December 18	10 am Divine Liturgy for Ghassan Hana 7 pm Christmas Novena	Req. by Mr. & Mrs. Adib Houayek
Sat., December 19	10 am Divine Liturgy 7 pm Christmas Novena	
Sun., December 20	Genealogy Sunday 11: 30 am for the Intentions of the Parishioners	

## Financial Standing November 2020

### Ordinary Income

- ♦ Sundays & Holy Days Collections: **\$9,305.33**
- ♦ Cathedral Stipends from Marriages & Funerals, Lower Hall Rent, Candles, Breakfast, Luncheon, Raffle, Dues, Religious Education, Flowers .... **\$8,668.00**

**Total Ordinary Income: \$18,012.15**

### 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: \$14,343.96**

**Total Ordinary Income vs Expense: \$3,669.19**

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**Do you know? A couple of basic monthly expenses:**

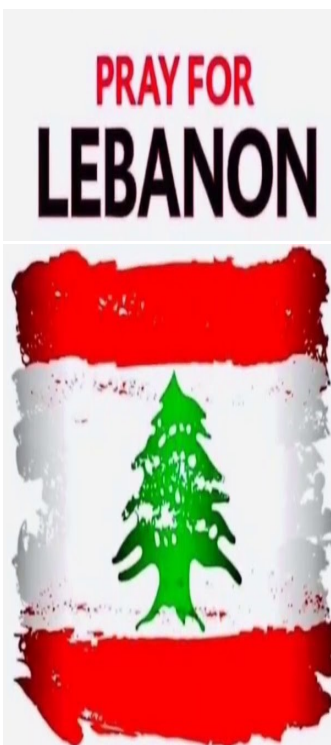
**Cathedral monthly building insurance: \$3,484.00**

**Monthly Eparchial Assessment & Bishop's Appeal: \$2,125.00**

**No income was brought in as extraordinary income. The Library did not pay the May, June, July, August, September and October rents. They vacated the Church Hall at the end of October.**

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

## HELP LEBANON!



### BY CHECK:

Make your donation to Lebanon by sending a check to the Eparchy of St. Maron of Brooklyn and in the memo designate your charity either to Caritas, Lebanon, or Saint Vincent de Paul.

### ONLINE:

You may also donate online by clicking [here](#)

## Dear Parishioners & Friends:

*This letter was sent to all parishioners who are on the Cathedral mailing list. I am emailing it now to those who are only on the Cathedral email list and did not receive it by mail.*

I join the different parish committees in wishing you and your family a blessed and joyful Christmas.

The year 2020 has been one of most difficult years in modern times. Many have passed away and our prayers are raised for them so they will be enrolled among the righteous and the just in heaven. Many others are still sick and our petitions are for God to heal them in their bodies and souls. The uncertainty of the present and the future has terrified many since the end of March.

One of the major themes that runs throughout the Season of the Glorious Birth of Our Lord that started the third Sunday in November with the Announcement to Zechariah is “DO NOT BE AFRAID.” The angel Gabriel told Zechariah the priest, “Do not be afraid for your prayer has been heard” and later on appeared to Mary to tell her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God.” In a dream, the angel said to Joseph, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife.” Then the night of Jesus’ birth, the angel stood before the shepherds and declared, “Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior.” The exhortation “DO NOT BE AFRAID” has been reverberating all through the centuries until the present time.

During this Christmas Season, I propose two ways in particular to help us overcome our fear yet be safe. To avoid large crowds especially at the Midnight Divine Liturgy on December 24<sup>th</sup> & the 11:30 am on December 25<sup>th</sup>, I highly recommend parishioners come instead to Church for the Divine Liturgy on weekdays from Tuesday to Saturday at 10 am as we approach the Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord. In addition, the Christmas Novena celebrated from December 15<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> (except Sunday) at 7 pm is also a wonderful opportunity to prepare for the glorious birth of Jesus Christ, the Ancient of Days, while not subjecting yourselves to contact with a lot of people.

Merry Christmas!

Sincerely yours,



Fr. Dominique Hanna, Rector

## MYO Virtual Christmas Event

Members of the MYO of the Cathedral will participate in a virtual Christmas Retreat with other groups of the Eparchy on December 18th at the social hall of the Cathedral. The evening begins with dinner at 6 pm followed by the Christmas Novena at 7 pm. At 8 pm, they will join the virtual retreat with other MYO groups.

## MYA Gathering

The MYA of the Cathedral will also gather on December 18th. The evening begins with the Christmas Novena at 7 pm followed by finger food, drinks and discussion in the lower hall of the Cathedral.

## Christmas Basket Raffle

In lieu of the annual Christmas bake sale, the Confraternity is sponsoring a Christmas Basket Raffle. Tickets are available from Darine Safi, Lily Elhage, Yolla El Howayek, Mirna Abi Daher and Helen Zihenni. The drawing will take place on December 20th after the 11:30 Divine Liturgy.

## Christmas Novena December 15th to 23rd

Starting on Tuesday, December 15<sup>th</sup> through Wednesday, December 23rd, the parish will pray the Christmas Novena every evening at 7:00 pm (except Sunday). The tradition of praying nine days before Christmas is a great way to be prepared to welcome God among us.

## Sloan Kettering Gift Card Drive

Instead of the usual toy drive for Christmas, a Christmas Gift Card Drive for the children (newborn and up) of Sloan Kettering Cancer Center will be in effect through December 22nd. This is the best way to keep the children at Sloan safe during the pandemic. Please bring your Amazon \$25 gift card to Church and give it to Chris Safi. For more information please see Chris Safi.

## Salaam Club Scholarship

The Salaam Club of New York has extended the deadline to apply for its scholarships to December 31st. High school graduates and college freshmen are welcome to apply. Please [click here](#) for the application.

## Altar Server Schedule

Subdeacon Norbert is putting together a schedule for the altar servers. We will only have two servers each Sunday helping on the Altar. Please register your children with Subdeacon Norbert.

## Bulletin Advertisement

Business owners, you may advertise your businesses in the Church bulletin that reaches over 600 households via email. For more information click [here](#) or call the rectory at 718-624-7228.

## Cathedral Cedar Remembrance Tree

Parishioners and friends can now remember their deceased and honor the 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 has recommended that parishioners set up their Church donation 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



## Christmas Flower Donations

Mr. & Mrs. Samir Hosri

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In memory of Youssef Abi Habib

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In memory of Michel Faisal

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In thanksgiving for the living and deceased members of their family

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In memory of the Jebaily family

Mrs. Marian Ciaccia

In memory of Ronald Ciaccia and Joseph & Helen Sahadi

Mr. & Mrs. Charly Ayoub

In memory of Salam Moussa Chakar

Mrs. Salma Vahdat

In memory of Simon and Hasna Besheer

Mr. Michael Boulos

In memory of Lynne Boulos

Mrs. Marie Schepis

In memory of Violet and Mike Owen

Marleine Aflak

In memory of Elie R. Safi

Mr. & Mrs. William Safi

In memory of Joseph and Dalal El-Hawa

Mr. & Mrs. Chaouki Eladem

In memory of George & Margret Allaham & Haneh & Josephine Eladem

Mary Lee Andronaco

In memory of Josine Pangallo

Pierre & Norma Haddad

For a special intention and all Covid-19 deceased

Mrs. Gloria Faour

In memory of Mrs. Marie Rouadi

The Merhej Family

In memory of Michel Merhej

Mr. & Mrs. Adib El Houayek

In memory of their beloved family

Mrs. Lydia Gordon

In memory of the deceased members of Nofil and Gordon families



## Sunday Readings

### قراءات الأحد

#### Sunday of the Revelation to St Joseph

##### Letter to the Ephesians 3: 1-13.

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him. I pray therefore that you may not lose heart over my sufferings for you; they are your glory.

##### The Gospel according to Saint Matthew 1:18-25

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.' All this took place to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: 'Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel', which means, 'God is with us.' When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

#### أحد البيان ليوسف

##### رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل أفسس 3: 1-13

يا إخوتي، أنا بولس، أسير المسيح يسوع من أجلكم، أيها الأمم.. إن كنتم قد سمعتم بتدبير نعمة الله التي وهبت لي من أجلكم، وهو أنني بوحي أطلعت على السر، كما كتبت إليكم بإيجاز من قبل، حينئذ يمكنكم، إذا قرأتم ذلك، أن تذكروا فهمي ليسر المسيح، هذا السر الذي لم يُعرف عند بني البشر في الأجيال الغابرة، كما أعلن الآن بالروح لرسله القديسين والأنبياء، وهو أن الأمم هم، في المسيح يسوع، شركاء لنا في الميراث والجسد والوعد، بواسطة الإنجيل، الذي صرت خادماً له، بحسب هبة نعمة الله التي وهبت لي بفعل قدرته؛ لي أنا، أصغر القديسين جميعاً، وهبت هذه النعمة، وهي أن أبشر الأمم بغنى المسيح الذي لا يُستقصى، وأن أوضح للجميع ما هو تدبير السر المكتوم منذ الدهور في الله الذي خلق كل شيء، لكي تُعرف الآن من خلال الكنيسة، لدى الرئاسات والسلطين في السماوات، حكمه الله المتوعدة، بحسب قصده الأزلي الذي حققه في المسيح يسوع ربنا، الذي لنا فيه، أي بالإيمان به، الوصول بجرأة وثقة إلى الله. لذلك أسألكم أن لا تضعف عزيمتكم بسبب الضيق التي أعانيها من أجلكم: إنها مجد لكم.

##### إنجيل القديس متى 1: 18-25

أما ميلاد يسوع المسيح فكان هكذا: لما كانت أمه مريم مخطوبة ليوسف، وقبل أن يسكنوا معاً، وجدت حاملاً من الروح القدس. ولما كان يوسف رجلها باراً، ولا يريد أن يشهر بها، قرّر أن يطلقها سراً. وما إن فكر في هذا حتى تراءى له ملاك الرب في الحلم قائلاً: «يا يوسف بن داود، لا تخف أن تأخذ مريم امرأتك، فالمولود فيها إنما هو من الروح القدس. وسوف تلد ابناً، فسّمه يسوع، لأنه هو الذي يخلص شعبه من خطاياهم». وحدث هذا كله ليتِم ما قاله الرب بالنبي: ها إن العذراء تحمّل وتلد ابناً، ويدعى اسمه عمانوئيل، أي الله معنا. ولما قام يوسف من النوم، فعل كما أمره ملاك الرب وأخذ امرأته. ولم يعرفها، فولدت ابناً، وسّماه يسوع.

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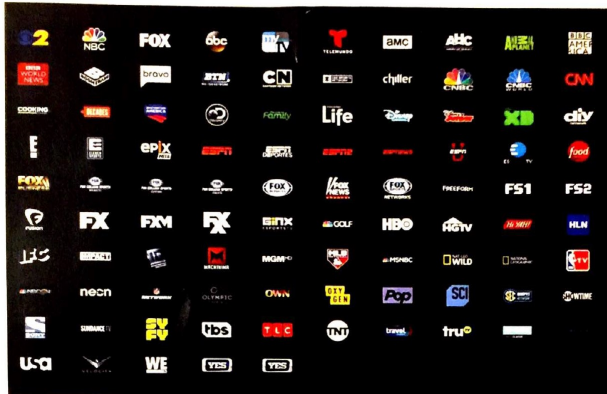
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