

SEASON OF PENTECOST

FOURTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

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## Fourth Sunday of Pentecost June 13th, 2021

Sun., June 13	4th Sunday of Pentecost 11:30 am for Rose Matli for Hanne Houkayem for Victims of the Aug. 4th Explosion in Beirut Seaport	St. Aquilina of Jbeil & St. Anthony of Padua Req. by the SYMA Club Req. by Mr. & Mrs. Rafic Nehme Req. by the Lebanese Forces of NY
Mon., June 14	NO LITURGY Elisha the Prophet	
Tues., June 15	10 am Divine Liturgy for Liz & Justin Leon & Family St. Basil the Great	Req. by the Leon Family
Wed., June 16	NO LITURGY St. Hosea the Prophet	
Thurs., June 17	NO LITURGY Amos the Prophet	
Fri., June 18	NO LITURGY St. Leontius of Tripoli	
Sat., June 19	NO LITURGY St. Jude Thaddeus (Mar Laba)	
Sun., June 20	5th Sunday of Pentecost 11:30 am for Edmond Stephan for Isabel De Maria Lopez for all fathers of the Cathedral	Pope St. Silverius  Req. by Mrs. Barbara Stellato Req. by Ada Luz Torres

### May 2021 Financial Standing

#### Ordinary Income

- ◆ Collections on Sundays & Holy Days: **\$12,479.86**
- ◆ Cathedral Stipends from Marriages & Funerals, Hall Rent, Candles, Breakfast, Luncheon, Raffle, Dues, Religious Education, Flowers .... **\$12,229.78**

**Total Ordinary Income: \$24,709.64**

#### Ordinary Expenses

- ◆ 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 Expenses: \$18,402.55**

**Total Ordinary Income vs Expenses: \$6,307.09**

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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**

**The Library is no longer renting the hall. The space was vacated at the end of October.**

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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, Saint Vincent de Paul or The Franciscan Sisters of the Holy Cross.

#### ONLINE:

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#### FAMILY-TO-FAMILY HELP THROUGH CARITAS LEBANON

In coordination with Caritas Lebanon, a family in the United States is now able to sponsor a family in Lebanon. The sponsorship varies from \$50 to \$100 per month depending on the size and the need of the family.

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Dear Parishioners and Friends:

In Last week's Gospel from John 14: 21-27, Judas not the Iscariot, one of the disciples, asked Jesus, "Lord, how is it that you will reveal yourself to us, and not to the world?" Right before this question, Jesus had been telling his disciples that people who keep his commandments are those who love him and his Father. And Jesus, in turn, will love them and reveal himself to them. Jesus also used almost the same wording after Judas asked this important question. Verse 24 reads, "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them." Jesus did not answer Judas directly because his revelation is not exclusive to his disciples alone. Nonetheless, John, in framing the same question between these two verses, gave us a great insight regarding divine revelation.

Divine revelation happens when the Father and the Son come and make a home in the world. Thus, the question of Judas asking why Christ reveals himself only to the disciples and not to the world is not precise. Revelation is for everyone, but not everyone sees and experiences it. With the incarnation of the Second Person of the Trinity, Jesus made his home on earth and revealed not only himself but also the Father. After the Ascension of Jesus into heaven and the descent of the Holy Spirit on the disciples on the Feast of Pentecost ten days later, home was now the Church where the power of the Holy Spirit sent by the Father in the name of the Son dwells.

Why do we sometimes feel that God's revelation has stopped? From the time of creation until now, God has never stopped reaching out to the world and communicating with his creatures. It is us who most of the time ignore God's signs and forget to upgrade our faith and knowledge. We continually need a software upgrade to be able to see God's revelation in the world.

Many of us still operate on an old version afraid of downloading the newest one. We pray and fast like we did when we were kids, and we grow to be twenty, thirty, or forty years old, but God does not grow with us and in us. God is still the same for us as when we made our First Communion at seven. The litmus test is whether or not we see changes in our behavior. If our reactions to criticism and aggravation from others have not changed for years, even if we have prayed a hundred Rosaries every day, we will not be able to see God's revelation in our lives. The Church, the home of the Trinity, has been guiding its people for ages. However, so many times the faithful ignore the Church's teachings and supply what they feel is right, what they learned about the Church from when they were kids or from other sources. I hear it all the time, "Abouna, but we did it this way for so long and now you are asking us to change." Dear friends, I said it a few weeks ago, the Church is not an organization, but an organism that is alive and breathes life into its members. Let us not ignore the new upgraded version of what the Church is offering. We have missed many of these versions and might be running slow. And like any update, we might need to learn how to navigate a few of these new features. So let us do it. "Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid" (John 14: 27).

*Abouna Dominique*

## **Confraternity & Knights Boards**

Because of the circumstances of 2020-2021, members of the Confraternity and Knights voted to extend the terms of their officers for another two years.

## **Abouna Dominique Out-of-town**

Abouna Dominique will be out of town to celebrate two weddings from June 16th to 19th and from June 25th to 27th. The daily Liturgy is canceled on these days. Bishop Gregory will be celebrating on Sunday June 27th.

## **Vaccinate Lebanon!**

Lebanese American University (LAU), the American University of Beirut (AUB), l'Université Saint-Joseph (USJ), and Saint George Hospital University Medical Center (SGHUMC) are combining their purchasing power to secure over 200,000 vaccine doses from FDA-approved manufacturers. Click [here](#) to view the video and make a donation.

## **New Movie: Roe v. Wade**

The new movie Roe v. Wade is on Amazon and iTunes. Even though it is currently number one in drama, some platforms are making it impossible to find it. Please let us support this movie to uncover the lies behind the industry of abortion. Please click here for [iTunes](#) and here for [Amazon](#)

## **Bulletin Advertisement**

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## **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 clicking [here](#).

## **Lector Ministry**

If you wish to be put on the next schedule of lectors, please see Subdeacon Adonis El-Asmar or email the Church at [cathrectory@verizon.net](mailto:cathrectory@verizon.net)

## **Postponement of the Greece Pilgrimage**

Due to the coronavirus, the planned Greece Pilgrimage in the Footsteps of St. Paul was postponed to October 10-19, 2021. It will be the same itinerary as before, but we plan to be joining another group.

## **Project Roots**

Bishop Gregory is asking that we redouble our efforts to register American citizens of Lebanese descent who would like to regain their Lebanese citizenship. Parishioners are encouraged to register their births and marriages in Lebanon. Please check Project Roots' [new website](#) and contact [Zahia Abi Habib](#) for more information.

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*The Lord is my Shepherd; There is nothing I shall want.*  
PSALM 23:1

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## Sunday Readings

### قراءات الأحد

#### Fourth Sunday of Pentecost

##### First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians 2:11-16

For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God.

Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual. Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are discerned spiritually.

Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny.

'For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?' But we have the mind of Christ.

##### The Gospel of St. Luke 10: 21-24

At that same hour Jesus rejoiced in the Holy Spirit and said, 'I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will.

All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows who the Son is except the Father, or who the Father is except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.'

Then turning to the disciples, Jesus said to them privately, 'Blessed are the eyes that see what you see!

For I tell you that many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, but did not see it, and to hear what you hear, but did not hear it.'

#### الأحد الرابع من زمن العنصرة

##### رسالة الأولى إلى أهل قورنثس 2: 11-16

يَا إِخْوَتِي، مَنْ مِنَ النَّاسِ يَعْرِفُ مَا فِي الْإِنْسَانِ إِلَّا رُوحُ الْإِنْسَانِ الَّذِي فِيهِ؟ كَذَلِكَ لَا أَحَدٌ يَعْرِفُ مَا فِي اللَّهِ إِلَّا رُوحُ اللَّهِ.

وَنَحْنُ لَمْ نَأْخُذْ رُوحَ الْعَالَمِ، بَلِ الرُّوحَ الَّذِي مِنَ اللَّهِ، حَتَّى نَعْرِفَ مَا أَنْعَمَ بِهِ اللَّهُ عَلَيْنَا مِنْ مَوَاهِبِ. وَنَحْنُ لَا نَتَكَلَّمُ عَنْ تِلْكَ الْمَوَاهِبِ بِكَلِمَاتٍ تُعَلِّمُهَا الْحِكْمَةُ الْبَشَرِيَّةُ، بَلْ بِكَلِمَاتٍ يُعَلِّمُهَا الرُّوحُ، فَتُعَبَّرُ عَنِ الْأُمُورِ الرُّوحِيَّةِ بِكَلِمَاتٍ رُوحِيَّةٍ.

فَالْإِنْسَانُ الْأَرْضِيُّ لَا يَقْبَلُ مَا هُوَ مِنْ رُوحِ اللَّهِ، لِأَنَّ ذَلِكَ عِنْدَهُ حِمَاقَةٌ، وَلَا يَسْتَطِيعُ أَنْ يَعْرِفَ مَا هُوَ مِنْ رُوحِ اللَّهِ، لِأَنَّ الْحَكْمَ فِي ذَلِكَ لَا يَكُونُ إِلَّا بِالرُّوحِ. أَمَّا الْإِنْسَانُ الرُّوحَانِيُّ فَيَحْكُمُ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ، وَلَا أَحَدٌ يَحْكُمُ عَلَيْهِ. فَمَنْ عَرَفَ فِكْرَ الرَّبِّ لِيُعَلِّمَهُ؟ أَمَا نَحْنُ فَلْنَا فِكْرَ الْمَسِيحِ

##### إنجيل القديس لوقا 10: 21-24

(بَعْدَ عَوْدَةِ الْاِثْنَيْنِ وَالسَّبْعِينَ تَلْمِيذًا بِفَرَحٍ) أَبْتَهَجَ يَسُوعُ بِالرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ، فَقَالَ: أَعْتَرَفْتُ لَكَ، يَا أَبَتِي، رَبِّ السَّمَاءِ وَالْأَرْضِ، لِأَنَّكَ أَحْفَيْتَ هَذِهِ الْأُمُورَ عَنِ الْحُكَمَاءِ الْفُهَمَاءِ، وَأَظْهَرْتَهَا لِلْأَطْفَالِ.

نَعَمْ، أَيُّهَا الْأَبِ، لِأَنَّكَ هكَذَا أَرْتَضِيْتِ. لَقَدْ سَلَّمَنِي أَبِي كُلِّ شَيْءٍ، فَمَا مِنْ أَحَدٍ يَعْرِفُ مَنْ هُوَ الْأَبْنُ إِلَّا الْأَبِ، وَلَا مَنْ هُوَ الْأَبُ إِلَّا الْأَبْنُ، وَمَنْ يُرِيدُ الْأَبْنَ أَنْ يُظَهِّرَهُ لَهُ

ثُمَّ أَلْتَقَيْتَ إِلَى تَلَامِيذِهِ، وَقَالَ لَهُمْ عَلَى أَنْفِرَادٍ:

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