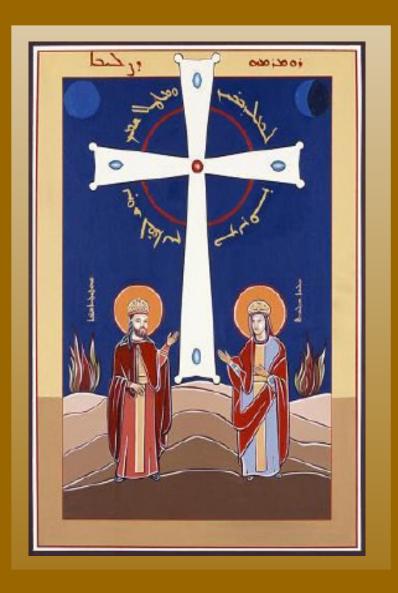
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Seventh Sunday after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross Sunday of Christ the King October 31st, 2021

Sun., October 31	Sunday of Christ the King	St. Epimachus	
	9 am for the Intentions of the Parishioners 11:30 am 40 Day for Bechara Abi Daher	Req. by Mr. & Mrs. Edgard Abi Daher	
	for Hanne & Khalil Mansour & Louisette Ma	ansour (recently passed away in Lebanon) Req. by Mr. & Mrs. William Abou Chrouch	
Mon., November 1	7:30 pm ALL SAINTS	1 5	
Tues., November 2	10 am ALL SOULS		
	7:30 pm ALL SOULS		
Wed., November 3	10 am Divine Liturgy		
	Sts. Akepsimas, Joseph & Aithalas		
Thurs., November 4	10 am Divine Liturgy		
	Sts. Vitalis & Agricola		
Fri., November 5	10 am Divine Liturgy		
	St. Asya the Righteous		
Sat., November 6	10 am Divine Liturgy St. Paul, Bishop of Jerusalem		
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Sun., November 7	Sunday of the Consecration of the Church 9 am for the Intentions of the Parishioners	St. Heiron & his Companions	
	11:30 am 40 Day for Jean Barsoum & Annahid Tingheran Barsoum		
		Req. by Mr & Mrs. Ziad Nasr	

September 2021 Financial Standing

Ordinary Income

- Collections on Sundays & Holy Days: \$11,866.41
- Cathedral Stipends from Marriages & Funerals, Hall Rent, Candles, Breakfast, Luncheon, Raffle, Dues, Religious Education, Flowers \$5,611.00 Total Ordinary Income: \$17,477.41

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: \$17,425.84

Total Ordinary Income vs Expenses: \$51.57

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Dear Parishioners and Friends,

I took the subway last week to attend an event in Manhattan. This was not the first time for me on the train and not the first time I read the different ads and notices on the walls of the cars. But this time, one sign spoke to me on a deeper level and made me think about the nature of the Church in connection with the Season of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross that is now coming to an end.

Starting this Saturday evening, the Maronite Church begins the last week of the Season of the Holy Cross before the first Sunday of the liturgical year, the Sunday of the Consecration of the Church. The Gospel of this Sunday is the judgment of the nations passage from Matthew 25: 31-45. It evokes the concept of service in a more practical, but also direct way: "I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me" (Matthew 25: 35-36). The corporal works of mercy that people do for each other are actually done to Christ himself. "And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me' " (Matthew 25:40). In this passage the Church as the body of Christ appears clearly in the forefront, but in retrospect various models of the Church were running throughout the Sunday Gospels as the narratives of the end of the world and the second coming of Christ were told.

In the Gospel of the Feast of the Holy Cross from John 12, verse 24 reads, "Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit." The Church is the "much fruit" of the grain of wheat, Jesus Christ, who died for us to grow and ripen ready for his second coming. The following Sunday when two of Jesus' disciples, James and John, wanted to sit at his right and left when he came into his glory, he concluded his encounter with them saying, "For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many" (Mark 10:45). Who would the many be if it

Registration for the Lebanese Parliamentary Election

Registration for the 2022 Lebanese Elections will take place from October 1, 2021 to November 20, 2021. One is eligible to register as a non-resident voter if one holds the Lebanese citizenship and was born before March 30, 2001. Eligible voters will be able to register online <u>here</u> or in person at the Lebanese Embassy or New York Consulate General. For more information go <u>here</u> or <u>here</u>.

Maronite Seminary's 60th Anniversary

Bishop Gregory would like to invite you to join a special online celebration in honor of Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Seminary's 60th Anniversary on Saturday, November 13, 2021 at 3 pm. This virtual event will be held on Zoom. If you are interested, please register here: <u>Inter-Eparchial</u> Virtual Gathering RSVP (google.com).

Interested in Joining the Choir?

The choir of the Cathedral would like to welcome anyone interested in joining them to praise the Lord in a more dedicated way. We are also looking for someone who knows the Maronite music to play the organ. Please make sure to see Christiane Merhej after the 11:30 Divine Liturgy.

New Year's Gathering

A few families from the Cathedral will be gathering to celebrate New Year's Eve in the Church hall. If you would like to join them, please see Charly & Jihane Ayoub. More information to follow.

Win Two Airline Tickets

Royal Jordanian Airlines is offering two airline tickets for the parishioners of Our Lady of Lebanon Cathedral to be awarded in a raffle. In order to participate, parishioners would have to fill in a form with their name, address and email on the following link. The winner and his/her companion, who will be announced on 5th November 2021, will be awarded free economy class round-trip tickets on "E" class from New York, Chicago, or Detroit to Amman and Beirut. The tickets will be valid for a year from the date of issue. While the fare of the tickets will be complementary, the taxes and fees must be paid by the winners.

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were not the Church whom Christ would redeem and restore to be his unblemished bride? The next Sunday, "As Jesus came out of the temple and was going away, his disciples came to point out to him the buildings of the temple. Then he asked them, 'You see all these, do you not? Truly I tell you, not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down' " (Matthew 24:1-2). It is true that Jesus was talking about the crucifixion and resurrection of his own

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body. Nonetheless, these verses may be interpreted to mean that the Church would replace the temple that would be destroyed and it would be present not only in Jerusalem, but throughout the world. To summarize the rest of the Sundays of the Season, the Church is also: all the tribes of the earth who will mourn when they see the Son of Man coming on the

clouds of heaven with power and great glory (Matthew 24:30-31); all the possessions of the servant who was faithful to give the allowance of food to others at the proper time; the ten bridesmaids who would come out to meet Christ, the bridegroom (Matthew 25: 6-7); and the three servants who received the five, two and one talent (Matthew 25:14-15).

The sign on the subway reads, "Priority Seating for persons with disabilities" and this made me think of the entire Church whose priority seating is reserved for the disabled which is all of us. So welcome to the end of the year celebration, you have a reserved seat.



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Sunday Readings قراءات الأحد

The Seventh Sunday after The Cross The Letter to the Romans 12: 9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.' No, 'if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.' Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Gospel according to Saint Matthew 25: 31-46

'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."

Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

الأحد السابع بعد عيد الصليب رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل رومة 21-9:12 يا إخوَتِي، لِتَكُنْ مَحَبَّتُكُم بِلا رِيَاء: تَجَنَّبُوا الشَّرّ، ولاز مُوا ٱلْخَبْرِ ۖ أَجِبُوا بَعْضُكُم بَعْضَاً مَحَبَّةً أَخَو بَّة، وبَادِرُوا بَعْضُكُم بَعْضًا بِالإَكْرَامِ. كُونُوا في الأجْتِهَادِ غَيّْرَ مُتَّكَاسِلِّينَ، وبالرُّوحِ حَارِّين، ولِلرَّبِّ عَابِدِين، وبالرَّجَاءِ فَرَحِين، وفي الْضِيقَ ثَابِتِينَ، وعَلى الصَّلاةِ مُوَاظِبِين، وفي حَاجَاتِ الِقَدِّيسِيَنَ مُشْارِكِين، وإلى ضِيَافَة الغُرَبَاءِ سَآعِين. بَارِكُوا الَّذِيْنَ يَضْطَهِدُونَكُم، بَارَكُوا وَلا تَلْعَنُوا بِ إِفْرَحُوا مَعَ الفَرْحِيْنِ، وَٱبْكُوا مَعَ البَّاكِينِ. كُونُوا مُتَّقِقِينَ بَعْضُكُم مَعَ بَعُضَ، مُتَوَاضِعِينَ لا مُتَكَبِّرِينَ. كُونُو، حَتَى بُحَتَى مَعُ مُعَ بَعْضَ، مُتَوَاضِعِينَ لا مُتَكَبِّرِينَ. لا تَكُونُوا حُكَمَاءَ في عُيُونِ أَنَّفُسِكُم. ولا تَبَادِلُوا أَحَدًا شَرًّا بِشَرّ، وٱعْتَنُوا بِعَمَلِ الْخَيْرِ أَمَامَ جَمِيعِ النَّاسِ. سَائِمُوا جَمِيعَ النَّاسِ، إِنْ أَمْكَن، عَلَى قَدْرِ طَاقَتِكُم. لَا تَنْتَقِمُوا لأَنْفُسِكُم، أَبُّهَا الأَحِبَّاءُ، بَلِ ٱتْرُكُوا مَكَانًا إِخَضَبِ الله، لأَنَّهُ مَكْثُوب: »ليَ الأَنْتِقَامُ، يَقُولُ الرَّبَّ، وَأَنَا أُجِازِيَ .<دولكِنْ »إنْ جَاعَ عَدُوُكَ فَأَطْعِمْهُ، وإنْ عَطِشَ فَأَسْقِهِ، فإِنَّكَ بُفِعْلِكَ هَذَا تَرْكُمُ عَلَى رأْسُهِ جَمْرٌ نَار. ﴿ لا تَدَع الشَّرَّ يَغْلِبُكَ، بَل ٱغْلِبُ الشَّرَّ بِالخَيْرِ. إنجيل القديس متى 31:25-46 قالَ الربُّ يَسوع: "مَتَى جَاءَ ٱبْنُ الإِنْسَانِ في مَجْدِهِ، وجَمِيعُ المَلائِكَةِ مَعَهُ، يَجْلِسُ على عَرْشَ مَجْدِهِ. وتُجْمَعُ لَدَيْهِ جَمِيعُ الأَمَم، فَيُمَيِّزُ بَعْضنَهُم مِنْ بَعْض، كَمَا يُمَيِّزُ الرَّاعِي الخِرَافَ مِنَ الجداء. ويُقِيمُ الْخِرَافَ عَنَّ يَمِينِهِ وَالْجِدَاءَ عَنْ شِمَالِهِ. حِبْنَنِذٍ يَقُولُ المَلِكُ لِلَّذِينَ عَنْ يَمِينِهِ: تَعَالُوا، يَا مُبَارَكي أَبِي، رَثُواً الْمَلْكُوتَ الْمُعَدَّ لَكُم مُنْذُ إِنَّشَاءِ العَالَمِ؛ لَأَنِّي جُعْتُ فَأَطْعَمْتُمُونِي، وعَطِسْتُ فَسَقَيْتُمُونِي، وكُنْتُ غَرِيبًا فَآوَيْتُمُونِي، و عُرْ يَانًا فَكَسَوْ تُمُّونِي، ومَر يضًا فَزُرْ تُمُونِي، ومَحْبُوسًا فَأَتَيْتُم حِيْنَذِ يُجِيبُهُ الأَبْرَ إِنْ قَائِلِين: يَا رَبّ، مَتَى رَأَيْنَاكَ جَائِعًا فَأَطْعَمْنَاكَ، أَو عَطْشَانَ فَسَقَبْنَاكَ؟ و مَتَى رَ أَيْنَاكَ غَر بِبًا فَآوَ يْنَاك، أَو عُرْ بَانًا فَكَسَوْ نَاك؟ وحتى رأَيْنَاكَ مَرِيضًا أَو مَحْبُوسًا فَأَتَيْنَا إِلَيْك؟ ومَتَى رَأَيْنَاكَ مَرِيضًا أَو مَحْبُوسًا فَأَتَيْنَا إِلَيْك؟ فَيُجِيبُ المَلِكُ ويَقُولُ لَهُم: أَلحَقَ أَقُولُ لِكُم: كُلُّ مَا عَمِلْتُمُوهُ لِأَحَدِ إِخْوَتِي هُؤُلاءِ الصِّغَارِ، فَلِي عَمِلْتُمُوه! ثُمَّ يَقُولُ لِلَّذَيَّنَ عَنْ شِمَالِهِ: إِذْهَبُوا آَعَنِّي، يَا مَلاعِين، إلى النَّار الأَبَدِيَّةِ الْمُعَدَّةِ لِإِنْلِيسَ وَجُنُودِهِ؛ الأَبَدِيَّةِ الْمُعَدَّةِ لِإِنْلِيسَ وَجُنُودِهِ؛ وكُنْتُ غَرِيبًا فَمَا آوَيْتُمُونِي، وعُرْيَانًا فَمَا كَسَوْتُمُونِي، ومَرِيضًا ومَحْبُوسًا فَمَا زُرّْ تُمُونِي! حِينَنُذٍ يُجِينُهُ هؤُلاءِ أَيْضًا قَائِلِينَ: يَا رَبّ، مَتَى رَأَيْنَاكَ جاَئِعًا أَوْ عَطْشَانَ أَوْ غَرِيبًا أَو مَرِيضًا أَو مَجْبُوسًا وِمَا جَدَمَنَاكِ؟ حِينَئِذٍ يُجِيبُهُم قِائِلاً: أَلَحَقَّ أَقُولُ لَكُم: كُلُّ مَا لَمْ تَعْمَلُوهُ لأَحَدِ هُؤُلاًءِ ٱلْصِيْغَارِ، فلِي لَمْ تَعْمَلُوٍ. ويَذْهَبُ هؤُلاء إلى الْعَذَٰابِ الأَبَدِيّ، والأَبْرَارُ إلى الحَيَاةِ الأبَدِبَّة«



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