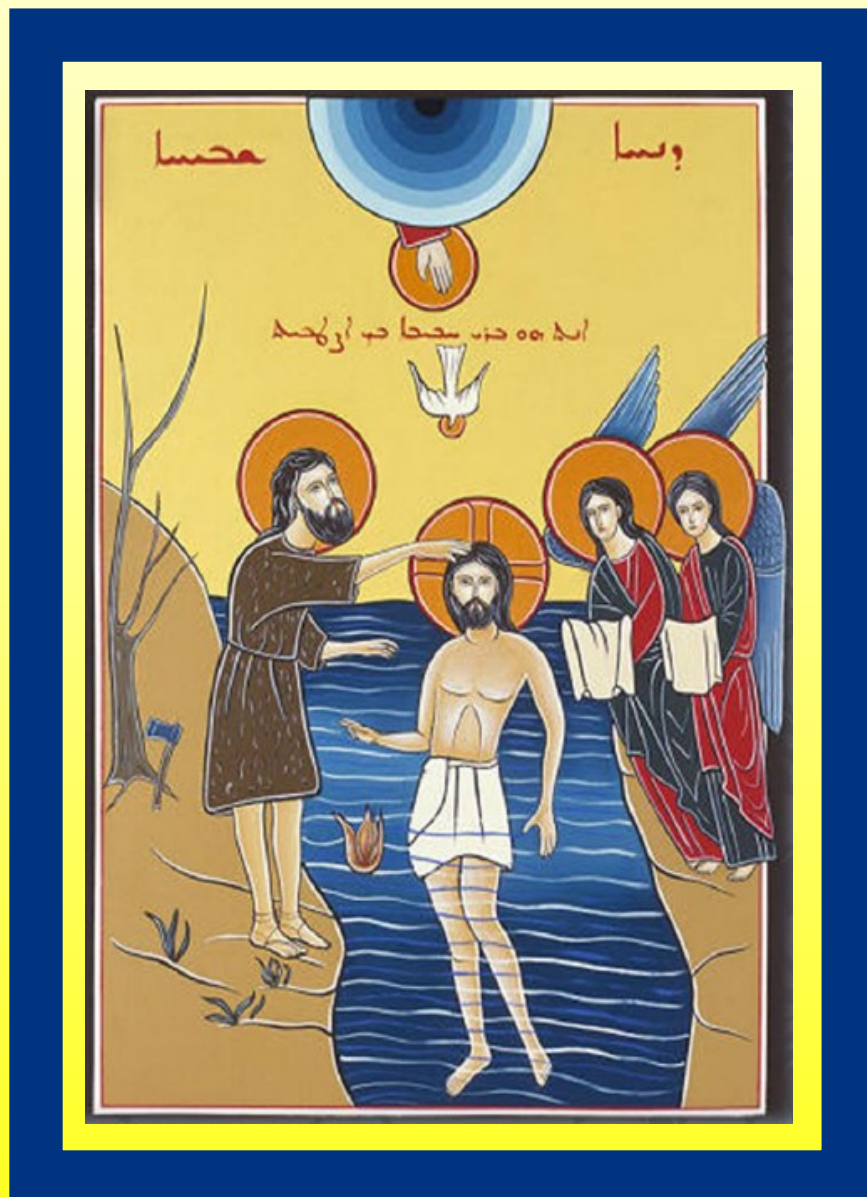


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SEASON
OF
EPIPHANY

Second Sunday after Epiphany January 16th, 2022

Sun., January 16	Second Sunday after Epiphany / Memorial of the Chains of St. Peter 9 am for the Intentions of the Parishioners 11: 30 am for the Nader and Metrey families for Philipe Malha	Req. by Marilyn Nader Req. by Line Malha
Mon., January 17	NO DIVINE LITURGY St. Anthony the Great	
Tues., January 18	10 am Divine Liturgy Establishment of the Chair of St. Peter in Rome / St. Athanasius of Alexandria	
Wed., January 19	10 am Divine Liturgy St. Macarius of Egypt	
Thurs., January 20	10 am DIVINE LITURGY IS CANCELED (There is a Funeral at 12 noon) St. Euthymius the Great	
Fri., January 21	10 am Divine Liturgy St. Sebastian	
Sat., January 22	10 am Divine Liturgy for Justin, Liz and Family St. Timothy	Req. by Mr. & Mrs. Jorge Leon
Sun., January 23	Third Sunday after Epiphany / Pope St. Sergius I / St. Marianne Cope 9 am for the Intentions of the Parishioners 11: 30 am for Lorraine & Carl Ingrassia & Marilyn Nader	Req. by Marilyn Nader

2021 Financial Standing

Ordinary Income

- ◆ Collections on Sundays & Holy Days: **\$193,852.12**
- ◆ Cathedral Stipends from Marriages & Funerals, Hall Rent, Candles, Breakfast, Luncheon, Raffle, Dues, Religious Education, Flowers **\$171,833.93**

Total Ordinary Income: \$365,686.05

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: \$277,510.86

Total Ordinary Income vs Expenses: \$88,175.19

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 2020. \$90,000 was paid in settlement.

**Thank you for your contribution
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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:

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

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.

Please click [here](#) to sponsor a family and for additional information.

Dear Parishioners & Friends:

The past two weeks I wrote about the Synod on Synodality. This week I continue with the logo of the Synod which summarizes the idea behind it. The website of the Synod on Synodality gives this explanation about the logo.



A large, majestic tree, full of wisdom and light, reaches for the sky. A sign of deep vitality and hope which expresses the cross of Christ. It carries the Eucharist, which shines like the sun. The horizontal branches, opened like hands or wings, suggest, at the same time, the Holy Spirit.

The people of God are not static: they are on the move, in direct reference to the etymology of the word synod, which means "walking together." The people are united by the same common dynamic that this Tree of Life breathes into them, from which they begin their walk.

These 15 silhouettes sum up our entire humanity in its diversity of life situations of generations and origins. This aspect is reinforced by the multiplicity of bright colors which are themselves signs of joy. There is no hierarchy between these people who are all on the same footing: young, old, men, women, teenagers, children, lay people, religious, parents, couples, singles; the bishop and the nun are not in front of them, but among them. Quite naturally, children and then adolescents begin their walk.

Let us pray

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, for ever and ever. Amen.

Abouna Dominque

MYA Bible Study

The MYA will have a Bible Study with Abouna on Saturday January 15th at 7 pm in the main hall.

Letter for Annual Donations

Parishioners who for tax purposes would like a letter stating their annual contribution, please email cathrectory@verizon.net or call the rectory at 718-624-7228.

Vocations Awareness Poster-Essay

Students grades K to 12 are encouraged to participate in the [Vocations Awareness Poster-Essay](#) Multimedia Contest through NAM. [Click here for guidelines](#) and information. Also, you can see Subdeacon Adonis El-Asmar or Marian Ciaccia for more information. This year let us have more students take part in the contest.

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.

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](#). During the last meeting, it was determined that \$125.00 per household a month will help meet the Church's budget.

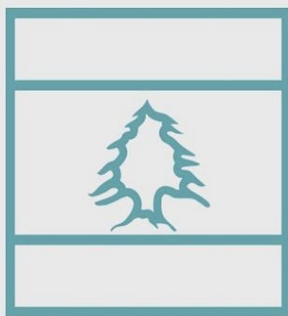
Women's Health & Fertility Care Education

Our world needs authentic women's health and fertility care that is consistent with Church teaching. The primary way towards this is through continuing education for women, couples and medical professionals. The **Gianna Creighton Model Education Program** Phase One, a modern, scientific and natural approach to family planning, will be held at the Notre Dame Retreat House in Canandaigua, NY. Please click [here](#) for more details.

Pilgrimage: [In The Footsteps of Paul](#)

A 10-day/8-night trip to **Greece** including a **3-day cruise** to the **Greek Islands** and **Turkey**, visiting Athens, Corinth, Mykonos, Ephesus, Patmos, Crete, Santorini, Meteora, Veria, Vergina, Salonica, and Philippi. Departing **September 25th, 2022** - **\$3,498** per person/double occupancy from New York, including fuel surcharge and port taxes, if they register with \$500 by July 29th and save \$100. [For more information](#) please call Marleine Aflak at 1-917-608-2996 or Tony Tannousis at 1-718-987-3900.

Lebanon needs our help!
Lebanon is experiencing a shortage of medication due to ongoing crisis within the nation.



The MYA & MYO of Brooklyn are starting a medication drive to be delivered to Lebanon.

Needed: pain relievers, allergy relief, vitamins, cardiovascular support, cold and flu, first aid supplies, or any other OTC medication.

Please reach out to the MYA/MYO board members to donate. Your generosity would be greatly appreciated by those who very much need it.

Note: Medications are needed for adults and kids, expiration date must be valid for at least 6 months.

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



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Enroll online at www.orderstsharbel.org or in your Parish.

For more information about the Order, contact the Order of Saint Sharbel Vice President, Charlene Hiffa at mchiffa@bellsouth.net or ask your Parish Priest.

If you are interested in becoming a Priest, Religious Sister, or Deacon, contact Vocations Director Father Dominique Hanna at (718) 624-7228 or cathrectory@verizon.net.

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Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Second Letter to the Corinthians 4: 5-15.

For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake.

For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair;

persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you. But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture 'I believed, and so I spoke' we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

The Gospel according to Saint John 1: 35-42.

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' He said to them, 'Come and see.' They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

الأحد الثاني بعد الدنح

رسالة بولس الثانية إلى أهل كورنثس 4: 5-15
يا إخواني، نحن لا نبشّر بأنفسنا، بل نبشّر بيسوع المسيح رباً، وبأنفسنا عبيداً لكم من أجل يسوع؛ لأن الله الذي قال: «ليشرق من الظلمة نور!»، هو الذي أشرق في قلوبنا، لنستبصر فنعرف مجد الله المتجلي في وجه المسيح. ولكننا نحمل هذا الكنز في أنية من خرف، ليظهر أن تلك القدرة الفائقة هي من الله لا منا. يضيق علينا من كل جهة ولكننا لا نسحق، نختار في أمرنا ولكننا لا نياس، نضطهد ولكننا لا نهمل، ننبذ ولكننا لا نهلك، ونحمل في جسدنا كل حين موت يسوع، لكي تظهر حياة يسوع أيضاً في جسدنا؛ فإننا نحن الأحياء نسلّم دوماً إلى الموت، من أجل يسوع، لكي تظهر حياة يسوع أيضاً في جسدنا المائت. فالموت يعمل فينا، والحياة تعمل فيكم. ولكن بما أن لنا روح الإيمان عينه، كما هو مكتوب: «أمنت، ولذلك تكلمت»، فنحن أيضاً نؤمن، ولذلك نتكلم. ونحن نعلم أن ذلك الذي أقام الرب يسوع، سيقيمنا نحن أيضاً مع يسوع، ويجعلنا وإياكم في حضرته. فكل شيء هو من أجلكم، لكي تكثر النعمة، فيفيض الشكر في قلوب الكثيرين لمجد الله.

إنجيل القديس يوحنا 1: 35-42
في الغد أيضاً كان يوحنا واقفاً هو واثنان من تلاميذه. ورأى يسوع ماراً فحدّق إليه وقال: «ها هو حمل الله.» وسمع التلميذان كلامه، فنبعا يسوع. وألتفت يسوع، فرأهما يتبعانه، فقال لهما: «ماذا تطلبان؟» قالا له: «رأيتي، أي يا معلم، أين نقيم؟» قال لهما: «تعاليا وأنظرا.» فذهبا ونظرا أين يقيم. وأقاما عنده ذلك اليوم، وكانت الساعة نحو الرابعة بعد الظهر. وكان أندراؤس أخو سمعان بطرس أحد التلميذين، اللذين سمعا كلام يوحنا واقفاً وتبعوا يسوع. ولقي أولاً أخاه سمعان، فقال له: «وجدنا مשיحا، أي المسيح.» وجاء به إلى يسوع، فحدّق يسوع إليه وقال: «أنت هو سمعان بن يونا، أنت ستدعى كيفا، أي بطرس الصخرة.»

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