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Pentecost Sunday June 5th, 2022		
Sun., June 5	Pentecost Sunday / St. Conan and his Son 9 am for the Intentions of the Parishioners 11:30 am 40 Day for Jacques Abdo (the father of Amal Saade)	by Mr. & Mrs. Tony Saade
Mon., June 6	NO DIVINE LITURGY St. Dorotheus, Bishop of Tyre & St. Marcellin Champagnat	
Tues., June 7	10 am Divine Liturgy for Josephine Circello for Rosemary & Thomas Perun St. Susanna the Judean	by Mrs Salma Vahdat by Mr. & Mrs. Jorge Leon
Wed., June 8	10 am Divine Liturgy for Joseph Docherty Discovery of the Nails of Christ / St. Cyrilla	by Salam Zimmerman
Thurs., June 9	10 am Divine Liturgy St. Pelagia of Antioch	
Fri., June 10	10 am Divine Liturgy for Sophia & Charlotte on their graduation St. Barnabas, one of the 72 Disciples	by Mrs. Julie Aguilera
Sat., June 11	10 am Divine Liturgy St. Bartholomew, one of the 12 Disciples	
Sun., June 12	Sunday of the Most Holy Trinity / St. Onuphrius 9 am for the Intentions of the Parishioners 11:30 am for the Intentions of the Parishioners	

May 2022 Financial Standing

Ordinary Income

- Collections on Sundays & Holy Days: \$12,771.05
- Cathedral Stipends from Marriages & Funerals, Hall Rent, Candles, Breakfast, Luncheon, Raffle, Dues, Religious Education, Flowers \$19,309.00 Total Ordinary Income: \$32,080.05

Ordinary Expenses

 Payroll, Gas, Electricity, Building Insurance and Medical Insurance, Leasing Equipment, TV, Phone, Internet, Supplies for Church, Hall & Office, Postage, Regular Maintenance, Charity, Eparchial Appeal, Insurance.... \$20,468.40 Total Ordinary Expenses: \$20,468.40

Total Ordinary Income vs Expenses: \$11,611.65

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.

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

HELP LEBANON!

PRAY FOR LEBANON



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.

BY CHECK:

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 <u>here</u> to sponsor a family and for additional information.



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Reverend and Dear Monsignors and Fathers, Deacons and Subdeacons, Brothers and Sisters,

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, including all of its Eastern Catholic Bishop Members, have launched an initiative to foster a greater awareness of the true presence of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in the Holy Eucharist.

They have chosen to call this effort a *National Eucharistic Revival*, which has as its official kickoff date June 19, 2022, the Feast of the Body of Christ (in the Latin Church in the USA). The general idea is to re-catechize the faithful in the essence of the Eucharist, not as a medieval magical source, and not as a mere symbolic sign, but as a real gift given to us by Jesus, ensuring his actual physical presence among us on this earth until the end of time.

This Eucharistic Revival will come to its culmination two years from now, with the celebration of a *National Eucharistic Congress*, which will take place in Indianapolis, IN, from July 17-21, 2024.

The national office of the USCCB, which is coordinating this Revival, has asked that every parish/mission participate in this kickoff by having a Eucharistic Procession on the Feast of the Body of Christ. In our Maronite Church, this feast is celebrated this year on Thursday, June 16. Bishop Gregory is strongly encouraging each parish/mission to join in these efforts by having a Eucharistic Procession either before or after the celebration of the Divine Liturgy on Thursday evening, June 16, or on Sunday June 19.

During these two years, you are being asked to gear several Sunday homilies toward the true meaning of the Eucharist, and to share with the faithful the many writings of the early Church Fathers on this matter. Also, in a special way during these two years, continue to make exposition and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament available to the faithful at least once per month.

Should you like more information on this Revival or would like more resources, please contact me, as I am the liaison of our Eparchy to this committee.

I will conclude this letter with an excerpt of one of Saint Ephrem's Homilies which may be of some assistance to you (Lamy, Vol 1, pp. 399-566: *Sermones in hebdomadam sanctam, diem resurrectionis et dominicam novam*):

Our Lord Jesus took in his hands what in the beginning was only bread; and he blessed it and signed it, and made it holy in the name of the Father and in the name of the Spirit... He called the bread his living Body... He gave them (his disciples) the bread which his right hand had made holy: "... Do not now regard as bread that which I have given you; but take, eat this bread, and do not scatter the crumbs; for what I have called my Body, that it is indeed. One particle from its crumbs is able to sanctify thousands and thousands, and is sufficient to afford life to those who eat of it."

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Chorbishop Michael G. Thomas, JCD Vicar General

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

High School & College Scholarships

Students who are graduating from middle school to high school and from high school to college are eligible to apply for either the <u>Confraternity of the Immaculate Conception</u>, <u>Knights of St. Maron</u>, or the <u>Joulwan Family</u> scholarship. Please find the applications <u>here</u>. We will give out the scholarships at the graduation liturgy on June 12th. Please send an email to <u>Lily El Hage</u> if you or your child is graduating so they can be introduced at the Liturgy.

Salaam Club Scholarship

The Salaam Club of New York is offering scholarships for high school graduates and college freshmen. Please click <u>here</u> for the application.

Ave Maria Scholarship

Ave Maria University is offering the Eastern Catholic Brilliant Jewel Scholarship. Please click <u>here</u> for more information.

New Officers for the Confraternity of the Immaculate Conception

Join please in congratulating the new board of the Confraternity: Darine Safi, President, Mirna Abi Dagher, Vice President; Mirna Ayoub, Treasurer; Mirielle Saikali, Secretary. The New Officers will take their positions at the September meeting. We would like to thank the current officers for their dedication and to congratulate the new board.

Maronite Catholic Formation (Sunday School)

Any parishioner who would like to help with Maronite Catholic Formation (Sunday School) as a teacher or substitute, please contact Norma Haddad on her <u>email</u>.

Baby Bottle Campaign

Expectant Mother Care Pregnancy Centers are having their yearly Baby Bottle Campaign to fundraise from Mother's Day to Father's Day. EMC provides testing, counseling and a support system for mothers in need. Please make sure to take a bottle from the Church and bring it back with your contribution on Father's Day. Give your change for change and save a life. Please pick up a bottle in the Church's vestibule.

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 departs September 25th, 2022 - \$3,498 per person/double occupancy from New York, including fuel surcharge and port taxes. If you register with \$500 by July 29th, you save \$100. For more information please call Marleine Aflak at 917-608-2996 or Tony Tannousis at 718-987-3900.

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 <u>here</u>. It was determined that a minimum of \$125.00 per household a month will help meet the Church's budget.

Bulletin Advertisements

Business owners, you may advertise your businesses in the Church bulletin that reaches over 600 households via email. For more information click <u>here</u> or call the rectory at 718-624-7228.

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 <u>here</u> for more details.

Lector Ministry

If you wish to be put on the next schedule of lectors, please see Subdeacon Adonis El-Asmar or email the Church <u>here</u>.







Proudly announces Scholarship Program for 2022-2023

High School Graduate Scholarships

MYO -- John A. Solomon Two for High School Seniors \$2000 Massabki Brothers One for High School Seniors \$2000

Naomi & Paul Kassouf Two for High School Seniors \$2000 Bouna sharbel One for High School Seniors \$2000

Undergraduate Scholarships

Gilbert Chagoury Undergraduate One for College Student \$2000 Thomas & Jennie Ayoub One for College Students \$2000

Grad & Professional Scholarship

Gilbert Chagoury Graduate One for Graduate Student \$2000

Study Abroad in Lebanon Opportunities

Notre Dame University-Louaize Up to 10 scholarships total for Fall 2022 or Spring 2023

The Holy Spirit University of Kaslik Up to 12 students for Summer 2023 Semester

For more information and applications visit www.namnews.org, namscholarships@gmail.com, or call NAM at 330-212-9207 <u>Application Deadline: May 31, 2022</u>

Sunday Readings قراءات الأحد

Sunday Pentecost

Acts of the Apostles 2: 1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

The Gospel according to Saint John 14: 15-20

'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. 'I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.

أحد العنصرة

سفر أعمال الرسل 1:2-21 يا إِخْوَتِي، فِي تَمَامِ ٱلْبَوْمِ الْخَمْسِينِ، كَانَ الرُ سُلُ مَعًا في مَكَأَن وَآحِدٍ. فَجَدَثَ بَغْنَةً دَوِيٌّ مِنَ ٱلسَّمَاءِ كَأَنَّهُ دَوِيُّ رِيَّح عَاصَفَةٌ، ومَلأَ كُلَّ ٱلبَيْتِ حَيَّثُ كَانُوا جَالِسِينٍ وظَهَرَ تَ لَهُم أَلْسِنَةٌ مُنْقَسِمَةٌ كَأَنَّهَا مَنْ نَارَ، وٱسْتَقَرَّ عَلَى ݣُلِّ وَاحِدٍ مِنْهُم لِسِبَان . وِآمْتَلأُوا كُلُّهُم مِنَ ٱلرُّوح ٱلْقُدُسِ، وبَدَأُوا يَتَكَلَّمُونَ بِٱلْسِنَةِ أُخْرَى، كَمَا كَانَ ٱلرُّوحُ يُؤْتِيهِم أَنْ يَنْطِقُوا. وكَانَ يُقِيمُ فِي أُورَ شَلِيمَ يَهُود، رِجَالُ أَثْقِيَاءُ مِنْ كُلِّ أُمَّةٍ تَحْتَ ٱلسَّمَاءَ. فَلَمَّا حَدَثَ ذَلِكَ ٱلْصَّوت، ٱحْتَشَدَ ٱلجَمْعُ وَأَخَذَتْهُمُ ٱلْحَبْرَةِ، لأَنَّ كُلَّ وَاجَدٍ مِنْهُم كَانَ بَسْمَعُهُم يَتَكَلَّمُونَ بِلْغَتِهِ فَدَهِشُوا وتَعَجَبُوا وقَأَلُوا: ﴾ألَيْسَ هؤُلاءٍ إلمُتَكَلِّمُونَ جَمِيعُهُم جَلِيلَتِين؟ فَكَيْفَ يَسْمَعُهُم كُلُّ وَاحِدٍ مِنًّا بِٱللُّغَةِ ٱلَّتِي وُلِدَ فِيهَا؟ ونَحْنُ فَرْتِيُّون، ومَادِيُّون، وعَيْلاَمِيُّون، وسُكَّانُ آَمَا بَينَ ٱلنَّهْرَ بْن، و ٱلبَهُو دِبَّة، و كَبَّدُو كَبَة، و بُنْطُس، و آسبَا، و فِرْ يُجْيَة، و بَمْفِيلِيَة، و مِصْرٍ ، و نَوَ احِي لِيبِيَةُ ٱلقَرْبِبَةِ مِنْ قَيْرَوَانَ، ورُومَانِيُّونَ نُزَلاء، يَهُودُ ومُهْتَدُون، وكُريتِيُّون، و عَرَب، نَسْمَعُهُم يَتَكَلَّمُونَ بِأَلْسِنَتِنَا عَنْ أَعْمَال ٱللهِ ٱلْعَظِيمَة . ﴿ كَانُوا كُلَّهُم مَدْهُو شِينَ حَائِرِينَ يَقُولُ بَعْضُهُم لِبَعْض: » مَا مَعْنَى هذاً؟ . «لَكِنَّ آخَرِينَ كَانُوا يَقُولُونَ سَأَخِرِين: »إِنَّهُم قَدِ ٱَمْتَلأُوا سُلاَفَة . <</> عَثْمَر، وَرَفَعَ صَوْتَهُ وَجَاطَبَهُم قَائِلاً: «أَيُّهَا ٱلرِّجَالُ ٱلبَهُود، وِيَا جَمِيعَ ٱلْمُقِيمِينَ في أورَشْلِيْم، لِيَكُنْ هُذَا مَغْلُومًا عِنْدَكُم، وأَصْغُوا إلى كَلامِي. لا، لَيْسَ هؤُلاءِ بِسُكَارَى، كَمَا تَظْنُونِ فَأَلسَّاعَةُ هِيَ ٱلتَّاسِعَةُ صَبَاحًا. بَلْ هذَا هُوَ مَا قِيلَ بِيُوئِيلَ ٱلنَّبِيِّ: ويَكُونُ في ٱلأَيَّامِ ٱلأَخِيرَةِ، يَقُولُ ٱللهُ، أَنَّى أَفِيضُ مِنْ رُوحِي عَلَى كُلِّ بَشَرًا، فَيَتَنَبُّأُ بَنُوكُم وبَنَاتُكُم، وَيَرَى شُبَّانُكُم رُؤًّى، وِيَحْلُمُ شُيُوخُكُم أَحْلامًا ﴿ وَعَلِي عَبِيدِي وإِمَائِي أَيْضًا أُفَيضُ مِنْ رُوحِي في تِلْكَ ٱلأَيَّامِ فيَتَنبَّأُون أَوْمَلُ عَجَائِبَ في ٱلسَّمَاءِ مِنْ فَوْق، وآيَاتٍ عَلَى ٱلْأَرْضِ مِنْ أَسْفَل، دَمًا وَنَارًا وأَعْمِدَةً مِنْ دُخَان. وتَنْقَلِبُ ٱلشَّمْسُ ظَلامًا وٱلْقَمَرُ دِمًا قِبْلَ أَنْ يَأْتِيَ يَوْمُ ٱلرَّبّ، ٱلْبَوْمُ ٱلْعَظِيمُ ٱلْمَجِيدِ . فَيَكُونُ أَنَّ كُلَّ مِّنْ يَدْعُو بِٱسْمِ ٱلرَّبِ

إنجيل القديس يوحنًا 15:14-20

قَالَ الربُّ يَسُوعُ لِتَلامِدِهِ: »إِنْ تُحِبُونِي تَحْفَظُوا وَصَابَاي. وأَنَا أَسْأَلُ الآبَ فَيُعْطِيكُم بَرَ قَلِيطًا آخَرَ مُؤَيِّدًا يَكُونُ مَعَكُم إلى الأَبَد. هُوَ رُوحُ أَلحَقٌ الذي لا يَقْدِرُ الْعَالَمُ أَنْ يَقْبَلَهُ، لأَنَّهُ لا يَرَاه، ولا يَعْرِفُهُ. أَمَّا أَنْتُم فَتَعْرِ فُونَهُ، لأَنَّهُ مُقِيمٌ عِنْدَكُم، وهُوَ فِيكُم. لَنْ أَنَّرُكَكُم يَتَامَى. إِنِّي آتِي إلَيْكُم. عَمَّا قَلِيلِ لَنْ يَرانِيَ الْعَالَم، أَمَّا أَنْتُم فَتَرَونَنِي، لاَنِّي أَنَا حَيٍّ وأَنْتُمُ سَتَحْيون. في ذلِكَ اليَوم تَعْرِفُونَ أَنِّي أَنَا في أَبِي، وأَنْتُم فِيَّ، وأَنَا فيكُم.



