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FOURTH

SUNDAY OF

THE RESURRECTION

Fourth Sunday of the Resurrection April 21st, 2024

Sun., April 21	Fourth Sunday of the Resurrection / St. Anselm 9 am for the Intentions of the Parishioners 11: 30 am for Michel Merhej	by the Merhej Family
Mon., April 22	7:30 pm Divine Liturgy Honoring St. Sharbel St. Theodore of Sykeon	
Tues., April 23	10 am Divine Liturgy St. George	
Wed., April 24	10 am Divine Liturgy St. Saba the Commander	
Thurs., April 25	10 am Divine Liturgy St. Mark the Evangelist	
Fri., April 26	10 am Divine Liturgy Pope St. Anacletus	
Sat., April 27	10 am Divine Liturgy St. Simon, the Brother of the Lord	
Sun., April 28	Fifth Sunday of the Resurrection / St. Jason, One of the 72 Disciples 9 am for the Intentions of the Parishioners 11: 30 am for a Special Intention	

March 2024 Financial Standing

Ordinary Income

- ◆ Collections on Sundays & Holy Days: **\$13,970.44**
- ◆ Cathedral Stipends from Marriages & Funerals, Hall Rent, Candles, Breakfast, Luncheon, Raffle, Dues, Religious Education, Flowers**\$51,597.11**

Total Ordinary Income: \$65,567.55

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....**\$44,874.35**

Total Ordinary Expenses: \$44,874.35

Total Ordinary Income vs Expenses: \$20,693.20

Do you know? A couple of basic monthly expenses:

The Monthly Eparchial Assessment & Bishop's Appeal has increased from \$2,125 to \$2,670 a month starting January 2024.

The Cathedral's Building Insurance increased 14.3% in 2023, and we paid \$46,122 for the year. It has gone up another 8% in 2024, so we pay \$49,313.00 . The Cathedral monthly building insurance is now \$4,109.41

**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, 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.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Confraternity & Knights Meeting

The Confraternity and Knights will have their monthly meeting this Sunday after the 11:30 am Divine Liturgy.

Promoting Vocations

The Eparchy is trying to bring more awareness to the different vocations in life: priesthood, consecrated life, diaconate, married life and generous single life. For this reason, an icon of the Holy Family along with a prayer will be given to a different family each week for prayer every night so God may guide us to discern and promote the various vocations. Please register [here](#) and see Fr. Chuck for more information.

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. Members of the Choir meet on Zoom every Wednesday to plan for Sunday. Please make sure to see Christiane Merhej after the 11:30 Divine Liturgy if you would like to join.

Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl

It is time for all those who joined our faith community and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States in a life-changing Lenten journey to bring their CRS Rice Bowl back. Please deposit your family's Rice Bowl in the sacristy or give it to one of the ushers.

Save the Date for the Annual MYA Gala

The MYA will hold their annual Gala on Friday, June 14th, at the Cathedral. More information to follow.

Beatification of Estephan El Douaihy

His Holiness Pope Francis has authorized the Dicastery for the Causes of Saints to promulgate the decree regarding the miracle attributed to the intercession of the Venerable Servant of God Estephan El Douaihy, Patriarch of Antioch of the Maronite Church (1670-1704). This decree will pave the way for his beatification which will be held in Lebanon on August 2nd.

NAM's Scholarship Program & Vocation Awareness Contest

NAM's Scholarship Program is for high schoolers, undergraduates, graduates, professionals and those desiring to stay in Lebanon. Please click [here](#) for the various applications and requirements. Also, students grades K to 12 are encouraged to participate in the Vocation Awareness Poster Essay Multimedia Contest through NAM. Please click [here](#) for guidelines and information. The deadline is May 31st, 2024.

Reception for the Friends of the Lebanese Franciscan Sisters of the Cross

The Chargé d'Affaires Majdi Ramadan has the pleasure of inviting you to a reception for the Friends of the Lebanese Franciscan Sisters of the Cross on May 9th, 2024, from 6pm to 8pm. The keynote speaker is Dr. Francois Nader, Chairman of the BenevolentAI and Jersa Foundation, as well as board director of Moderna. He will share insights into the intersection of innovation, compassion, and support for humanitarian efforts.

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](#). It was determined that a minimum of \$150.00 per household a month will help meet the Church's budget.

Sixth Pastoral Letter of Bishop Gregory Mansour

[*The Man of God Is a Man for Others*](#) is the most recent pastoral letter of Bishop Gregory. The Bishop said, "The words were born in my heart out of love from one man to another. But I hope my words will also be helpful to women as well." Please click [here](#) to read the letter.

Cedar Remembrance Tree

Parishioners and friends can now remember their deceased and honor their living with their names on the commemorative tree located in our Cathedral Chapel vestibule. Please click [here](#) for more details.

Eparchial Vocation Video

A vocation is a gift and an opportunity to make a positive impact in the world. It is a calling, a unique path that God has designed for each one of us. It can manifest in various forms—as a priest, a religious sister, a monk, or as lay faithful. To listen to the whisper of one's heart which might be calling one towards a special life of service, love, and purpose, Bishop Gregory is inviting you to view and share [this video](#) produced by Nadim Khalid, one of our seminarians, with the help of our eparchy vocation team, and to discover and nurture the vocation that God has placed within you, and be faithful to his call no matter where it leads.

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Sunday Readings

قراءات الأحد

The Fourth Sunday of the Resurrection

Letter to the Hebrews 13: 18-25

Pray for us; we are sure that we have a clear conscience, desiring to act honorably in all things. I urge you all the more to do this, so that I may be restored to you very soon. Now may the God of peace, who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make you complete in everything good so that you may do his will, working among us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory for ever and ever. Amen. I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, bear with my word of exhortation, for I have written to you briefly. I want you to know that our brother Timothy has been set free; and if he comes in time, he will be with me when I see you. Greet all your leaders and all the saints. Those from Italy send you greetings. Grace be with all of you.

The Gospel according to Saint John 21: 1-14

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing.' They said to him, 'We will go with you.' They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, 'Children, you have no fish, have you?' They answered him, 'No.' He said to them, 'Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the lake. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.' So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, 'Who are you?' because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

الأحد الرابع من زمن القيامة

لرسالة إلى العبرانيين 13: 18-25

يا إخوتي، صلوا من أجلنا، فإننا واثقون أن ضميرنا صالح، ونحن نريد أن نسللك مسلكاً حسناً في كل شيء. وأطلب إليكم بالحاح أن تفعلوا ذلك، حتى يردني الله إليكم سريعاً! وإله السلام، الذي أضع من بين الأموات ربنا يسوع، زاعي الخراف العظيم بدم عهد أبدي، هو يجعلكم كاملين في كل صلاح، لتعملوا بمشيئته، وهو يعمل فينا ما هو مرضي في عينيه، بيسوع المسيح، له المجد إلى أبد الأبد. آمين. وأناشدكم، أيها الإخوة، أن تحتملوا كلام التشجيع، فأني كتبت إليكم بإيجاز! إعلموا أن أخانا طيموثاؤس قد أحل سبيله، فإن أسرع في مجيئه، سأذهب معه وأراكم. سلّموا على جميع مدبريكم وجميع القديسين. يسلم عليكم الإخوة الذين في إيطاليا. النعمة معكم أجمعين!

إنجيل القديس يوحنا 21: 1-14

بعد ذلك، ظهر يسوع لتلاميذه مرة أخرى على بحيرة طبرية، وهكذا ظهر: كان سمعان بطرس، وثوما الملقب بالثوم، وثناييل الذي من قانا الجليل، وأبنا زبدي، وتلميذان آخران من تلاميذ يسوع، مجتمعين معاً. قال لهم سمعان بطرس: «أنا ذاهب اصطاد سمكاً». قالوا له: «نحن أيضاً نأتي معك». فخرجوا وركبوا السفينة، فما أصابوا في تلك الليلة شيئاً. ولما طلع الفجر، وقفت يسوع على الشاطئ، ولكن التلاميذ لم يعلموا أنه يسوع. فقال لهم يسوع: «يا فتية، أما عندكم قليل من السمك؟». أجابوه: «لا». فقال لهم: «ألقوا الشبكة إلى يمين السفينة تجدوا». وألقوها، فما قدروا على اجتذابها من كثرة السمك. فقال ذلك التلميذ الذي كان يسوع يحبه لبطرس: «إنه الرب». فلما سمع سمعان بطرس أنه الرب، انزف بثوبه، لأنه كان عرياناً، وألقى بنفسه في البحيرة. أما التلاميذ الآخرون فجاؤوا بالسفينة، وهم يسحبون الشبكة المملوءة سمكاً، وما كانوا بعيدين عن البر إلا نحو مئتي ذراع. ولما نزلوا إلى البر، رأوا جمراً، وسمكاً على الجمر، وخبزاً. قال لهم يسوع: «هاتوا من السمك الذي أصبتموه الآن». فصعد سمعان بطرس إلى السفينة، وجذب الشبكة إلى البر، وهي مملوءة سمكاً كبيراً، منه وثلاثاً وخمسين. وضع هذه الكثرة لم تتمزق الشبكة. قال لهم يسوع: «هلموا نعدوا». ولم يجزوا أحد من التلاميذ أن يسأله: «من أنت؟»، لأنهم علموا أنه الرب. وتقدم يسوع وأخذ الخبز وناولهم. ثم فعل كذلك بالسمك. هذه مرة ثالثة ظهر فيها يسوع للتلاميذ بعد أن قام من بين الأموات.

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