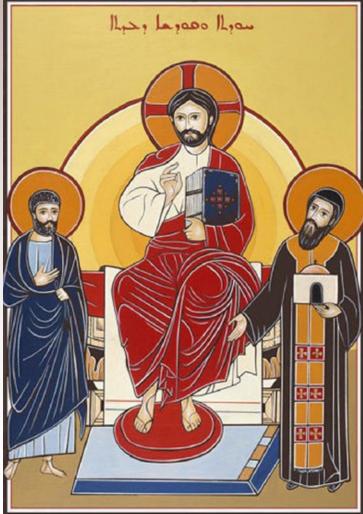
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THE CONSECRATION OF THE CHURCH



Sunday of the Consecration of the Church November 3rd, 2024					
Sun., Nov. 3The Consecration of the Church / Sts. Akepsimas, Joseph & Aithalas 9 am for the Intentions of the Parishioners 11:30 am for the Intentions of the Parishioners					
Mon., Nov. 4	NO DIVINE LITURGY Sts. Vitalis & Agricola				
Tue., Nov. 5	10 am Divine Liturgy St. Asya the Righteous				
Wed., Nov. 6	10 am Divine Liturgy St. Paul, Patriarch of Constantinople				
Thu., Nov. 7	10 am Divine Liturgy St. Hieron & his companions				
Fri., Nov. 8	10 am Divine Liturgy St. Michael the Archangel				
Sat., Nov. 9	10 am Divine Liturgy St. Matrona of Pamphylia				
Sun., Nov. 10 The Renewal of the Church / St. Maura 9 am for the Intentions of the Parishioners 11:30 am 40 day for George Mansour, the father of Bishop Gregory Req. by Gloria & Joseph Nadder					
September 2024 Financial Standing		HELP LEBANON!			
 Ordinary Income Collections on Sundays & Holy Days: \$12,516.24 Cathedral Stipends from Marriages & Funerals, Hall Rent, Candles, Breakfast, Luncheon, Raffle, Dues, Religious Education, Flowers\$2,071.00 Total Ordinary Income: \$14,587.24 Ordinary Expenses 		Caritas Lebanon: Founded in 1972, Caritas Lebanon is the official socio-pastoral arm of the Catholic Church and is under the authority of the Assembly of Catholic Patriarchs and Bishops of Lebanon. Caritas Lebanon assists both individuals and communities through direct assistance to the poor, sick, refugees, victims of sex abuse and trafficking, and others in need. Caritas Lebanon is a member of Caritas International, one of the largest humanitarian networks in the world. Donate			
 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\$24,835.43 Total Ordinary Expenses: \$24,835.43 Total Ordinary Income vs Expenses: -\$10,248.19 ************************************		here. <u>Tele-Lumiere / Noursat</u> : Tele-Lumiere / Noursat, the "Television of Light," is the first Christian Television network in Lebanon and the Middle East. It was founded in 1991 by a group of com- mitted lay people. Tele-Lumiere / Noursat has become the daily bread and hope for the Christian minorities in the Middle East, as well as a source of peace for many viewers from different denomi- nations. Donate <u>here</u> .			
			The Cathedral's Building Insurance increased 14.3% in 2023, and we paid \$46,122 for the year. It has gone up another 7% in 2024, so we pay \$49,313.00. The Cathedral monthly building insurance is now \$4,109.41.		Society of Saint Vincent de Paul : Founded in 1833 by a group of young laymen, the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is a lay Catholic organiza- tion of women and men who put their faith into action. The Society is very close to the people. Most parishes and villages have a Society that is
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CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Proposal One on the New York State Ballot

Click <u>here</u> to find an excellent letter by Bishop John O. Barres on Proposal One that is on the New York State ballot. His careful analysis of Proposal One is an excellent reason for New Yorkers to vote NO on this proposal.

MYA Bible Study

The MYA will have a Bible Study on Friday, November 8th, at 7:30 pm.

MYA & MYO Jesus Run

The MYA & MYO will have a Jesus Run on Saturday, November 9th. Everyone will meet at the Church at 6 pm to prepare the food bags and supplies to be given out in Manhattan for the less fortunate.

Urgent Appeal for Lebanon

To meet the growing demands of the healthcare system in Lebanon, people can kindly help in two ways:

Financially, by supporting a fundraising campaign that the Consulate is launching through the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) USA. With your contributions, UNICEF and partners will procure and deliver medications and medical supplies to Lebanon. Your tax-deductible donation can be made on the following link: <u>UNICEF Support for Lebanon</u>.

Donations in kind, by sending <u>medications</u>, and <u>medical supplies</u> to 3 Empire Blvd., South Hackensack, NJ, 07696, in preparation for shipping them to Lebanon. The items can be dropped off at the location on weekdays anytime between 9am and 6pm and can also be shipped to the location at any time. For any needed assistance you can reach out to Mr. Imad Hassan on (917) 754-8666.

Annual Bake Sale Sponsored by the Confraternity

The Annual Winter Bake Sale sponsored by the Confraternity will take place on December 7th & 8th. If you would like to help by baking goods or donating to the bake sale, please see Yolla Howayek, Mirna Abi Daher or Halal Maalouf.

Promoting Vocations

The Eparchy is trying to bring more awareness to the different vocations in 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.

See Fr. Chuck for more information.

To register, please click <u>here</u> or scan here

Creating a Culture of Vocations

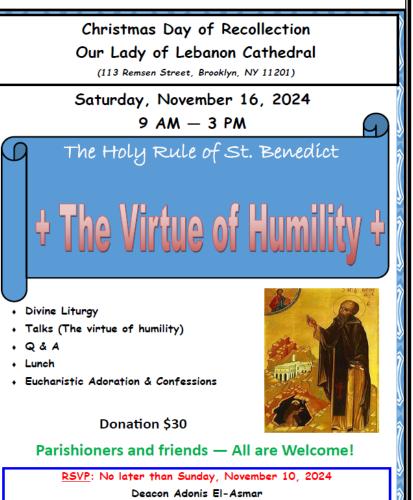
Since last year, the Vocations Team has been meeting regularly and working diligently to create different resources that we have sent you; <u>a vocation video</u>, a poster for all the parishes promoting vocations; <u>vocation prayer cards</u>, and an icon of the Holy Family mailed from the Chancery to each parish to encourage individual families to pray for vocations in their own families and parishes. The Sundays of the Consecration and the Renewal of the Church on November 3rd and 10th are designated to focus on the call to serve that all of us share.

St. Maron Gala

Please join us for our 98th Annual St. Maron Day Gala. The event will be on Saturday, February 8th, at Dyker Beach Golf Course. Cocktail hour begins at 7pm followed by dinner, dancing and a Raffle. Entertainment will be by Eddie Ossama and band. Tickets are \$200 for adults and \$100 for children under 12. Please contact Darine Safi (347) 336-5265 or Georges Elhaje (646) 691-9925 to make your reservations and submit payment. In the upcoming 2025 Jubilee Year, the Commemorative Book will feature anniversaries, birthdays, memorials and events that took place 25 years ago. Please contact Mike Naber (917) 612-4004 if you would like to take an ad.

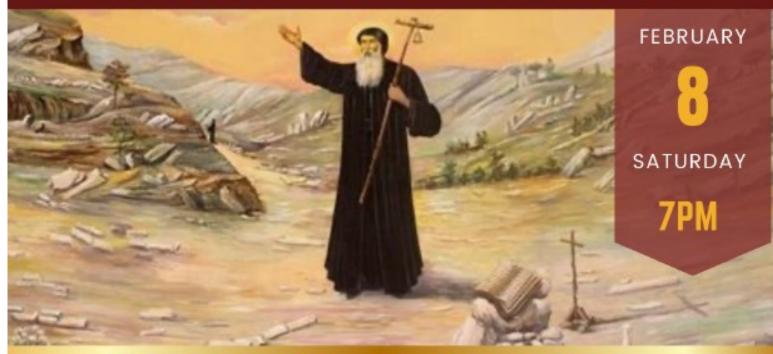
Interested in Joining the Choir?

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



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"I am the servant of the Lord." _{-Luke 1:38}

Sunday Readings قراءات الأحد

Sunday of the Consecration of the Church Letter to the Hebrews 9,1-12.

Even the first covenant had regulations for worship and an earthly sanctuary. For a tent was constructed, the first one, in which were the lampstand, the table, and the bread of the Presence; this is called the Holy Place.

Behind the second curtain was a tent called the Holy of Holies. In it stood the golden altar of incense and the ark of the covenant overlaid on all sides with gold, in which there were a golden urn holding the manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tablets of the covenant; above it were the cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy-seat. Of these things we cannot speak now in detail.

Such preparations having been made, the priests go continually into the first tent to carry out their ritual duties; but only the high priest goes into the second, and he but once a year, and not without taking the blood that he offers for himself and for the sins committed unintentionally by the people.

By this the Holy Spirit indicates that the way into the sanctuary has not yet been disclosed as long as the first tent is still standing.

This is a symbol of the present time, during which gifts and sacrifices are offered that cannot perfect the conscience of the worshipper, but deal only with food and drink and various baptisms, regulations for the body imposed until the time comes to set things right.

But when Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption.

The Gospel of according to Saint Matthew 16,13-20.

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?'

And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.'

He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?'

Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.'

And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven.

And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it.

I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.'

Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

أحد تقديس البيعة الرسالة إلى العبرانيّين 1:9-12.

با إخوَتي، كانَت للعَهْدُ الأَوَّل أَبضًا شعَائرُ عبَادَة، وبَبْتُ قُدْس ربي معنى: فَبَنِيَ الْمَسْكِنُ الأَوَّلِ، وهُوَ الَّذي يُدْعَى »القُدْس«، وكانَ فيهِ الْمَنَارَة، و الْمَائِدَة، وَخُبْزُ النَّقْدِمَة، والمعليفة، وحبر التقريف. ووَرَاءَ الحِجَابِ الثَّانِي بُنِيَ المَسْكِنُ الَّذِي بُدْعَى «قُدْسَ الأَقْدَاسِ«، ويَحْتَوِي مِجْمَرَةً ذَهَبِيَّةً لِلبَخُورِ، وتَابُوتَ العَهْدِ، مُغَشًى كُلُّهُ بِالذَهَبِ، وفِيهِ جَرَّةٌ مِن ذَهَبٍ تُحْتَوِي الْمَنّ، وعَصَا هَارُونَ الَّتِي أَفْرَخُتْ، ولوحًا العَهْد، وَفَوْقَ التَّابُوتِ كَرُوبَا المَجْدِ يُظَلِّلانِ الْخِشَاء: أَشْيَاءُ لا مَجَالَ الآنَ للكَلام عَنْهَا بِالتَّفْصِيل. وَإِذْ بُنِّيَتْ تِلِكَ الأَشَبَاءُ على هذا التَّرتِيب، كانَ الكَهَنَةُ يَدْخُلُونَ إلى الْمَسْكِنَ الأَوَّلِ في كُلِّ وَقْتَ، لِيُتِمُوا ٱلْعِبَادَة، أَمَّا الْمَسْكِنُ الثَّانِي فكانَ عَظِيمُ ٱلأَحْبَارَ يَدَخُلُ إِلَيهِ وَحْدَهُ مَرَّةً واحِدَةً في السَّنَة، ولا يَدْخُلُ إِلَيهِ إِلاَّ ومَعَهُ دَمٍّ يُقَرِّبُهُ عَنْ نَفْسِهِ وعَنْ جَهَالاتِ الشَّحْبِ. وبهذاً يُوضِحُ ٱلرُّوَّحُ القُدُسُ أَنَّ ٱلْطَرِيقَ إِلَى قَدْسِ الأَقْدَاسِ لَمْ يَكُنْ بَحْدُ قَذْ كُثِفِ، مَا دَامَ الْمَسْكِنُ الأَوَّلُ قَائِمًا. وَهَذَا رَمِزٌ إلى الوَقتِ الحَاضِرِ، وَفِيهِ تُقَرَّبُ تَقَادِمُ وذَبائِح، لا يُمْكِنُهَا أَنْ تَجْعَلَ مَنْ يُقَرّبُهَا كَامِلاً مِن جِهَةِ ٱلضَّمِيرِ. إِنَّهَا شَعَائِلُ جَسَدِيَّةٌ تَقْتَصِيرُ عِلى أَطْعِمَةٍ وأَشْرِبَة، وِأَنْواعِ شَتَى مِنَ الاَغْتِسَال، مَفْرُوضَةٍ إلى أَنُ يَأْتِيَ وَقْتُ الْاصْلَاحِ. أَمَّا المَّسِبِحُ فَقَدَ ظَهَرَ عَظِيمَ أَحْبَارِ الْخَيْرَاتِ الآتِيَةِ، والَجُتَازَ المَسْكِنَ الأَعْظَمَ والأَكْمَل، غَيرَ المَصْئُوع بِالأَيْدِي، أَيْ لَنْسَ مِن هَذِهِ الخَلَيَقَة، فَدَخَلُ إِلَى قُدْسَ الأَقْدَاس مَرَّةً واحِدَة، لا بِدَمِ التَّيُوسِ والعُجُول، بَلْ بِدَمِهِ هُوَ، فَحَقَّقَ لَنَا فِدَاءً أَبَدِيًّا.

إنجيل القديس متى 13:16-20.

جَاءَ يَسُوعُ إلى نَواحِي قَيْصَرِيَّةِ فِيْلِبُّسَ فَسَأَلَ تَلامِيْذَهُ قَائِلاً: »مَنْ يَقُولُ النَّاسُ إِنِّي آَنَا ٱبْنُ الإَنْسَان؟. « فقَالُوا: » بَعْضُهُم يَقُولُون: يُوحَنَّا المَعْمَدَان؛ وآخَرُون: إِيْلِيَّا؛ وغَيْرُ هُم: إِرْمِبَا أَو أَحَدُ الأَنْبِيَاء. « قَالَ لَهُم: » وأَنْتُم مَنْ تَقُولُونَ إِنِّي أَنَا؟. « فَأَحَابَ سِمْعَانُ بُطْرُسُ وقَال: أَنْتَ هُوَ المَسِيحُ ٱبْنُ اللهِ الحَيِّ. «! فأَجَابَ بَسُوعُ وقَالَ لَهُ: » طُوبَى لَكَ يَا سِمْعَانُ بنَ بُونَا! لأَنَّهُ لا لَحْمَ وَلا دَمَ أَظْهَرَ لَكَ ذَلِكَ، بَلْ أَبِي الَّذِي فِي السَّمَاوَات. وَلا دَمَ أَظْهَرَ لَكَ ذَلِكَ، بَلْ أَبِي الَّذِي فِي السَّمَاوَات. وَلا دَمَ أَظْهَرَ لَكَ ذَلِكَ، بَلْ أَبِي الَّذِي فِي السَّمَاوَات. وَأَنَا أَيْضَا أَقُولُ لَكَ: أَنْتَ هُوَ بُطْرُسُ، أَي الصَحْرَة، وعلى هذِهِ سَأَعْظِيكَ مَفَاتِيحَ مَلَكُوتِ السَّمَاوَات، فَكُلُّ مَا تَرَبُطُهُ على الأَرْض سَأَعْظِيكَ مَفَاتِيحَ مَلَكُوتَ السَّمَاوَات، وَكُلُ عَا يَكُونُ مَا تَرَبُطُهُ على الأَرْض في السَمَاوَات. «



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