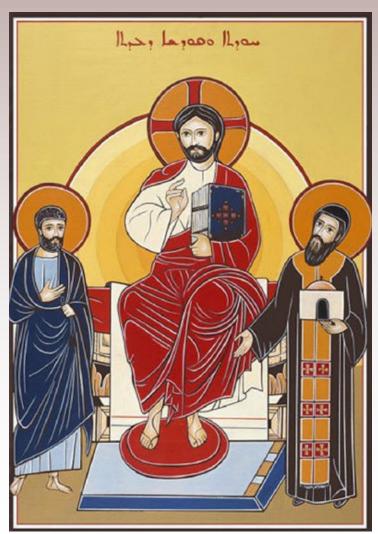
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THE RENEWAL OF THE CHURCH



Sunday of the Renewal of the Church November 10th, 2024

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

Mon., Nov. 11 NO DIVINE LITURGY

St. Mamas & his companions / St. Martin

Tue., Nov. 12 10 am Divine Liturgy

St. Theodore the Studite

Wed., Nov. 13 10 am Divine Liturgy

St. John Chrysostom / St. Frances Cabrini

Thu., Nov. 14 10 am Divine Liturgy

St. Philip

Fri., Nov. 15 10 am Divine Liturgy

Sts. Gurias, Samonas & Habib the Deacon

Sat., Nov. 16 10 am Divine Liturgy

St. Matthew the Evangelist

Sun., Nov. 17 The Announcement to Zechariah / St. Gregory the Wonderworker

9 am for Salma Dahdah Azizi Req. by Salma Vahdat

11:30 am for the Deceased Members of the Knights of St. Maron

October 2024 Financial Standing

Ordinary Income

• Collections on Sundays & Holy Days: \$8,152.71

◆ Cathedral Stipends from Marriages & Funerals, Hall Rent, Candles, Breakfast, Luncheon, Raffle, Dues, Religious Education, Flowers\$16,176.00

Total Ordinary Income: \$24,328.71

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....\$22,565.66

Total Ordinary Expenses: \$22,565.66

◆ Total Ordinary Income vs Expenses: 1,763.05

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 7% 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

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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 here.

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CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 5 pm to prepare the food bags and supplies to be given out in Manhattan for the less fortunate.

Luncheon in Westchester in Support of Lebanon

The Chargé d'Affaires Majdi Ramadan, the Lebanese American University (LAU), the Holy Spirit University of Kaslik (USEK), and the Lebanese Westchester Community invite you to a special luncheon on Sunday 17 November, 1:00 – 4:00 PM at Harrison Meadows Country Club, 123 North St, Harrison, NY, 10528. Proceeds from the luncheon ticket sales will go to equipping LAU's mobile clinics to carry out their humanitarian mission. Tickets are available here.

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 Hala Maalouf. For now, you can buy fresh spinach pies.

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; a vocation video, a poster for all the parishes promoting vocations; vocation prayer cards, 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. For 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.

Finance Council Recommendation

The Finance Council has recommended that parishioners set up their Church donation as an automatic payment. 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

<u>The Man of God Is a Man for Others</u> 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.

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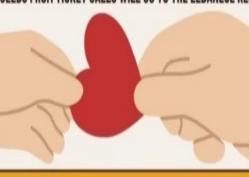
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Sunday Readings قر اءات الأحد

Sunday of the Renewal of the Church Letter to the Hebrews 9:11-15.

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.

For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified,

how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God! For this reason he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, because a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions under the first covenant.

The Gospel according to Saint John 10:22-42.

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me;

but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand.

What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.' The Jews took up stones again to stone him. Jesus replied, 'I have shown you many good works from the Father. For which of these are you going to stone me?' The Jews answered, 'It is not for a good work that we are going to stone you, but for blasphemy, because you, though only a human being, are making yourself God.' Jesus answered, 'Is it not written in your law, "I said, you are gods"? If those to whom the word of God came were called "gods" and the scripture cannot be annulled, can you say that the one whom the Father has sanctified and sent into the world is blaspheming because I said, "I am God's Son"?

If I am not doing the works of my Father, then do not believe me. But if I do them, even though you do not believe me, believe the works, so that you may know and understand that the Father is in me and I am in the Father.'

Then they tried to arrest him again, but he escaped from their hands. He went away again across the Jordan to the place where John had been baptizing earlier, and he remained there. Many came to him, and they were saying, 'John performed no sign, but everything that John said about this man was true.' And many believed in him there.

أحد تجديد البيعة الرسالة إلى العبرانيين 11:9-15.

يا إخوَتِي، أَمَّا المَسِيحُ فَقَدْ ظَهَرَ عَظِيمَ أَحْبَارِ الخَيْرَاتِ الآتِيَة، وَ ٱجُٰتَازَ ۚ الْمَسْكِنَ الأَعْظَمَ والأَكْمَل، غَيْرَ الْمَصْنُوعَ بِالأَيْدِيُّ، أَيْ لَبْسَ من هذه الخَلبقَة،

. فَدَخَلَ إِلَى قُدْسِ الأَقْدَاسِ مَرَّةً واحِدَة، لا بِدَمِ النَّيُوسِ والعُجُول، بَلْ بِدَمِهِ هُوَ، فَحَقَّقَ لنَا فِدَاءً أَبِدِيًّا.

فَإِذَا كَانَ رَشُّ دَمِ التُّيُوسِ وَ التَّيْزَانِ ورَمَادِ العِجْلَةِ على المُنجَّسِين، يُقَدِّسُ أَجْسَادَهُم فَيُطَهِرُ هُم،

يَجِيسُ جَسُنَهُ مِنْ الْمُسِيحِ، الَّذِي قَرَّبَ نَفْسَهُ للهِ بِالرُّوحِ الْأَزَلِيِّ قُرْبَانًا لا عَيْبَ فِيهُ، يُطِّهِرُ ضَمِّيرَنَا مَّنَ الْإَعْمَالِ المَنْيَّةَ، لِنَعْبُدَ اللهُ الْحَيِّ! وَلِذِلْكَ فَهُوَّ الوَسِيْطُ لِعَهُدٍ جَدِيد، وقَدْ صَالَ مَوْثَهُ فِدَاءً لِتَعَدِّيَاتِ الْعَهْدِ الْأَوْل، حَتَّى يَنَالَ بِهِ المَدْعُوُونَ وَعْدَ الْمِيْرَاثِ الْأَبْدِيِّ.

إنجيل القديس يوحنا 22:10-42.

حَانَ عِيدُ الْتَجْدِيدِ في أُورَ شَلِيمٍ، وكَانَ فَصِيْلُ الشِّتَاءِ.

حال عِيدَ التَّجِيدِ فِي الْمَيْكُلِ، فِي رَوَاقِ سُلُيْمَانَ. وَكَانَ بَسُوعُ يَتَمَشَّى فِي الْهَيْكُلِ، في رَوَاقِ سُلُيْمَانَ. فَأَحَاطَ بِهِ النَّهُودُ وأَخَذُوا يَقُولُونَ لَهُ: ﴾إلى مَتَى تُبْقِي نُفُوسَنَا حَائِرَة؟ إِنْ كُنْتَ أَنْتَ المَسِيحِ، فَقُلْهُ لَنَا صَرَاحَةً. « أَجَابَهُم يَسُوع: ﴾قُلْتُهُ لَكُم، لكِنَّكُم لا تُؤْمِنُون. أَلاَّعْمَالُ الَّتِي أَعْمَلُهَا

الجابهم يسوح. "حسه هم الحسم الترويري. التا باسم أبي هِي تَشْهَدُ لِي. الكِنْكُم لا تُؤْمِنُون، لأَنْكُم لسنتُم مِنْ خِرَافِي. لكِنْكُم لا تُؤْمِنُون، لأَنْكُم لسنتُم مِنْ خِرَافِي. خِرَافِي تَسْمُعُ صَوْتِي، وأَنَا أَعْرِفُهَا، وهِي تَسْبُعُنِي. وَأَنَا أَعْرِفُهَا، وهِي تَسْبُعُنِي. وَإِنَّا أَعْرِفُهَا وَلِنْ يَخْطَفُهَا أَحَدٌ مِنْ يَدِي. وَإِنَّا أَعْطِيهٍا حَيَاةً أَبْدِيَّة، فَلَنْ تَهْلِكَ أَبْدًا، وَلَنْ يَخْطَفُهَا أَحَدٌ مِنْ يَدِي. لُّبِي الَّذِيِّ أَعْطَانِي إِيَّاهَا هُو أَعْظَمُ مِنَ الكُلِّ، ولا يَقْدِرُ أَحَدٌ أَنَّ

أَنَا والآبُ وَاحِد.«

فَأَخَذَ الَّيَهُوذُّ، مِنْ جَدِيدٍ، حِجَارَةً لِيَرْجُمُوه. قَالَ لَهُم يَسُوع: »أَعْمَالاً حَسَنَةً كَثِيرَةً أَرَيْتُكُم مِنْ عِنْدِ الآب، فَلأَيِّ

عَمَلٍ مِنْهَا تَرْجُمُونِي؟. « أَجَابَهُ اليَهُود: »لا لِعَمَلٍ حَسَنٍ نَرْجُمُكَ، بَلْ لِتَجْدِيف. لأَنَّكَ، وَأَنْتَ إِنْسَان، تَجْعَلُ نَفْسَكَ إِلَهًا. ﴿

اللكان، تَجَعَلُ تَحْسَتُ إِنِّهُ .رر أَجَابَهُم يَسُوع: »أَمَا كُتِبَ في تَوْرَاتِكُم: أَنَا قُلْتُ إِنَّكُم آلِهَة؟ فَإِذَا كَانَتِ التَّوْرَاةُ تَدْعُو آلِهَةً أُولَئِكَ الَّذِينَ صَارَتْ الِّيْهِم كَلِمَةُ الله،

ولا يُمْكِنُ أَنْ يُنْقَضَ الكِتَاب، فَكَيْفَ تَقُولُونَ لِي، أَنِا الَّذِي قَدَّسَهُ الآبُ وأَرْسَلَهُ إلى العَالَم: أَنْتَ

وأَتَىٰ إِلَيْهِ كَثِيرُونَ وكَانُوا يَقُولُون: »لَمْ يَصْنَعْ يُوحَنَّا أَيَّ آيَة، ولكِنْ، كُلُّ مَا قَالَهُ في هذَا الرَّجُلِ كَانَ حَقًّا.﴿ فَآمَنَ بِهِ هُنَاكَ كَثِيرُون.

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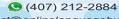
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