

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY-FRIDAY 10AM-3PM

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26 February 2023 2nd Sunday of Lent Healing of the Leper





SUNDAY READINGS

Epistle - Romans 6:12-23

12 Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires. 13 Do not offer any part of yourself to sin as an instrument of wickedness, but rather offer yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer every part of yourself to him as an instrument of righteousness. 14 For sin shall no longer be your master, because you are not under the law, but under grace.

15 What then? Shall we sin because we are not under the law but under grace? By no means! 16 Don't you know that when you offer yourselves to someone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one you obey—whether you are slaves to sin, which leads to death, or to obedience, which leads to righteousness? 17 But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you have come to obey from your heart the pattern of teaching that has now claimed your allegiance. 18 You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness.

19 I am using an example from everyday life because of your human limitations. Just as you used to offer yourselves as slaves to impurity and to ever-increasing wickedness, so now offer yourselves as slaves to righteousness leading to holiness. 20 When you were slaves to sin, you were free from the control of righteousness. 21 What benefit did you reap at that time from the things you are now ashamed of? Those things result in death! 22 But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life. 23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in[a] Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel - Mark 1:35-45

35 Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed. 36 Simon and those who were with him pursued him 37 and on finding him said, "Everyone is looking for you." 38 He told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come." 39 So he went into their synagogues, preaching and driving out demons throughout the whole of Galilee.

40 A leper came to him [and kneeling down] begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." 41 Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." 42 The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean. 43 Then, warning him sternly, he dismissed him at once. 44 Then he said to him, "See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them." 45 The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter. He spread the report abroad so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly. He remained outside in deserted places, and people kept coming to him from everywhere.



PARISH LIFE

Safro (Morning Prayer)

Monday—Friday - 7:30am

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday —9:30am - 10:30am

Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 9:30am - 10:15am and by appointment

Baptism and Chrismation

Make arrangements as soon after birth as possible

Mystery of Crowning

Contact the pastor 6 months

Parish Calendar. Please see <u>stanthonymaronitechurch.org</u> for the parish calendar.

Liturgical Hours. Monday through Saturday 9:00 am daily Divine Liturgy in the chapel

Sunday 8:30 am and 11am Divine Liturgies

First Saturday of the Month. Marian devotions at 9:30 am.

St. Sharbel Devotions. Third Sunday of the month at 11:00 am Divine Liturgy

POINTS OF INTEREST

Condolences. We mourn the passing of Donald Moreland, grandfather of Ben and Danielle Moreland. A memorial service was held on 18 February. May God give rest to him and consolation to the family and loved ones.

Congratulations. We congratulate the parents and family of Ruth Quinn Honerman who was baptized and chrismated on 18 February. May her journey of faith and life be filled with abundant blessings.

Beginning this Friday, **Stations and Benediction of the Holy Cross will be at 6:30 pm**, on each Friday of Lent. Confessions will be available at that time as well.

Cooking for the Festival. We need volunteers on Tuesdays from 9:30 am to 3:30 and on Thursday evenings from 4:00 to 8:00 pm. Even an hour or two makes a difference!

The Eparchy is sponsoring a woman's Lenten retreat, "Celebrating the Feminine Genius," on Saturday, 4 March from 10:00 to 11:30 by Zoom. See flier for the link.

The MYA is having its first Spiritual Saturday Discussion on 11 March at 4 pm in the hall. All young adults are welcome. See the flier for more information.

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Saturday, 25 February at 11 am. Liturgy Committee Meeting

Tuesday, 28 February from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm. Festival Cooking

Wednesday, 1 March at 6:30 pm. Adoration for Vocations

Thursday, 2 March from 4 to 8:00 pm. Festival Cooking

Friday, 3 March at 6:30 pm. Stations and Benediction of the Holy Cross

Saturday, 11 March at 4:00 pm. MYA Spiritual Saturday

Sunday, 12 March at 12pm. Maronite Women's Fellowship meeting in the hall.



LITURGY SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Sunday, 26 February Second Sunday of Great Lent, The Healing of the Leper, St. Alexander 8:30 (Father Peter)

For the intention of Edward M. Shibley, Sr., requested by his children In memory of Connie Yesbeck, requested by George Yesbeck, Sr.

11:00 (Father Peter)

In memory of Evelyn Joyce Mazloom (40 days), requested by her children and grandchildren

Monday, 27 February St. Thalaleus, Disciple of St. Maron

In memory of Maroun Tanios Azzi, requested by Noha Azzi

Tuesday, 28 February Sts. Koura and Marana, Disciples of St. Maron,

For the intention of Anh Mai Tran (birthday), requested by Anh Mai Tran

Wednesday, 1 March St. Domnina, St. Eudokia

In memory of Violet Herro (day of passing), requested by her children

Thursday, 2 March St. John Maron

In memory of Evelyn Joyce Mazloom, requested by Mr. and Mrs. John Smolock & family

Friday, 3 March St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Katharine Drexel

In memory of Evelyn Joyce and Peter Mazloom, Sr., requested by their children and grandchildren

Saturday, 4 March St. Paul and His Sister, St. Juliana

In memory of Msgr. Bechara Salwan, requested by Rebecca Anthony

Sunday, 5 March Third Sunday of Great Lent, Healing of the Hemorrhaging Woman, St. Albert the Great

8:30 (Father John)

In memory of Vicky Jacob (40 day observance), requested by Darlene Coleman In memory of Rita and Charlie Oley and their son Paul, requested by Theresa and Gregory Hanzel

11:00 (Father Peter)

In memory of Evelyn Joyce Mazloom, requested by Teresa and John Nadder For the intentions of our parish families, requested by Barbara S. Joseph



MARONITE CHRISTIAN FORMATION

26 February. Preschool - Sixth Grades, Seventh - Twelfth Grades (LifeTeen 9:30 to 11:30 in Hall)

5 March. Preschool - Eighth Grades, Parent First Communion Class in the church.

12 March. All Students

19 March. Preschool–Eight Grade

LECTORS SCHEDULE

| 19 Feb | 8:30 | Cathy George | 11:00 | Denise Maurer |
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| 26 Feb | 8:30 | Kelly George | 11:00 | Sam LaNeave |
| 5 Mar | 8:30 | Cathy George | 11:00 | Claudia Bouhaidar |
| 12 Mar | 8:30 | Chip Shaia | 11:00 | Mary Shaia |
| 19 Mar | 8:30 | John Saad | 11:00 | Denise Maurer |

ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

| Dates | 8:30 Divine Liturgy | 11:00 Divine Liturgy |
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| 26 Feb | Nicholas Edwards, Tobias Edwards, Wyatt Savage, Christian Savage, Thomas Shaia, George Oley | Julian Chaoul, Joseph Chaoul, Sami Sakr, Matthew Habboush |
| 5 Mar | Eli Walton, Jacob Walton, Stephen Shibley, Zachary Shulleeta | Grayson Funk, Christian Funk, Wyatt Savage, Patrick Savage, Joseph Chaoul |
| 12 Mar | Braxton McIvor, Asher McIvor, Ross Craig, Henry Craig, Wilby Craig | Luke Salloum, Ghady Karam, Eli Stephan |
| 19 Mar | Grayson Funk, Christian Funk, Wyatt Savage, Patrick Savage, Thomas Shaia | Julian Chaoul, Joseph Chaoul, Sami Sakr, Matthew Habboush |

COLLECTION COUNTERS SCHEDULE

February: George Yesbeck April: David Walton & Paul Shibley March: John Zeheb & John Nadder May: Joe George & Anthony Shibley

STEWARDSHIP

19 Feb 2023

Collections: \$3149 Contributions: \$5385.46 Easter Flowers: \$350

Memorials for Scholarship Fund - Harry and Margaret Shaia: \$775

Thank you for your generosity! Please, when you make a contribution to the parish, indicate your envelope number so that we can accurately give you credit. You may want to donate through the parish website StAnthonyMaroniteChurch.org which also provides for automatic giving. Make it easy on yourself.



Lenten Observances 2023

The Most Reverend Bishops Gregory J. Mansour and A. Elias Zaidan have issued the following Lenten guidelines for the Maronites of the United States.

- + All Maronites who are physically capable are to abstain from meat on Ash Monday (19 February 2023) and all Fridays of Lent.
- + Ash Monday and the Great Friday of the Crucifixion (7 April 2023) are also days of fasting. Fasting in the Maronite Church involves eating and drinking nothing at all (except water and medicine) from midnight until noon. The rest of the day normal meals can be taken, but without meat. All Maronites who are physically capable should fast on these two days.

Distribution of Ashes

All parish priests are to bless and distribute ashes on Ash Monday during the celebration of the Divine Liturgy as indicated in our liturgical books. This ceremony may not be celebrated on the vigil of Ash Monday (Cana Sunday). For the convenience of some faithful of the Latin Church who may come to Mass at a Maronite Church on their Ash Wednesday, ashes that were blessed on Monday may be given to them after the Mass. However, ashes are not to be blessed again on this day.

Lenten Services

All parish priests are to celebrate the Benediction with the Cross every Friday of Lent except for the Great Friday of the Crucifixion. This service may be preceded by Evening Prayer (Ramsho,_ Stations of the Cross, or even the Divine Liturgy. Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament should not take place on the Fridays of Lent.

Traditional Fasting Discipline

Clergy, religious and laity who wish to observe the more traditional Maronite practice of fasting and abstinence are encouraged to do so. That practice is summarized in the following, taken from the Synod of Mt. Lebanon (1736):

Every weekday of Lent (Monday through Friday) is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat and dairy products (eggs, butter, milk, etc.). Fasting involves eating and drinking nothing at all (except water and medicine) from midnight until noon. The rest of the day normal meals can be taken, but without meat or dairy products. Dairy products are excluded because they are animal byproducts. Saturdays and Sundays are exempt from fasting and abstaining, as are the following feast days: The 40 Martyrs - 9 March, St. Joseph - 19 March, and the Annunciation- 25 March.





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Dear Chorbishop Faris and Parishioners:

Thank you for your generous donation check #21832 in the amount of \$11,819.84 to support the good people of Lebanon in their great hour of need. I am sending \$2,000.00 to the Eparchy of Batroun, \$2,000.00 to the Eparchy of Antelias, \$3,000.00 to Eparchy of Saida, \$2,000 to the Eparchy of Tyre and \$2,819.84 to Deir Ahmar.

Thank you again for showing your love for the people of Lebanon. Your generosity is a ray of light amidst the darkness.

thok you;

Gratefully yours in Christ,

+ Gregory John Mansour

GJM/cm



"Perhaps you were made QUEEN for such a time as this." Esther 4:14



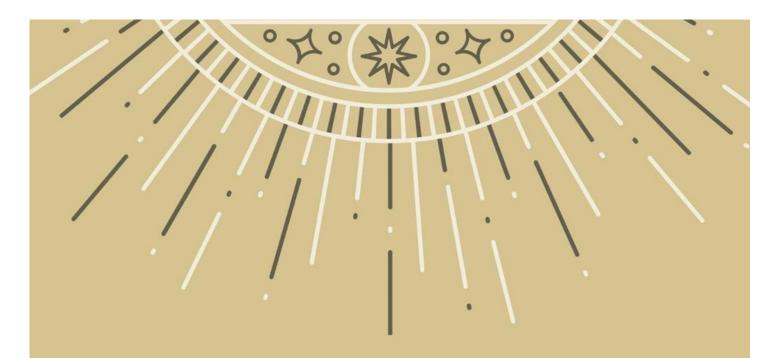


JOIN US FOR A WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT VIA ZOOM, AS WE JOURNEY THROUGH THE LETTERS OF ST. POPE JOHN PAUL II ON THE DIGNITY OF WOMEN, EXPLORING OUR ROLES AS DAUGHTERS, SISTERS, MOTHERS AND BRIDES. LEARN MORE ABOUT EMBRACING AND OPENING THE UNIQUE GIFTS YOU HAVE BEEN GIVEN!

MAR SATURDAY
10 - 11:30 AM







SAINT ANTHONY MARONITE YOUNG ADULTS
PRESENTS

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE MARONITE?

Come join us for our first Spiritual Saturday discussion with guest speaker Chorbishop John Faris! All young adults 18–35 are welcome!

MARCH 11, 2023 | 4 PM MEET IN THE HALL

There will be snacks, but please bring an appetizer to share with the group.



MARONITE FORMATION PROGRAM WINTER/SPRING 2023

| Sunday | Jan. 8 | ALL students | 9:30 am |
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| | | ALL students | 9:30 am |
| Sunday | Jan. 15 | St. Anthony Feast Day Celebration | |
| Sunday | Jan. 22 | Pre-S – 8 th | 9:30 am |
| Sunday | | Pre-S – 6 th | 9:30 am |
| | Jan. 29 | 7th-12th grades—LifeTeen | 9:30 - 11:30 am |
| Sunday | Feb. 5 | Pre-S – 8 th | 9:30 am |
| Sunday | Feb. 12 | ALL students | 9:30 am |
| Sunday | Feb. 19 | Pre-S – 8 th Parent First Communion Class | 9:30 am 9:30 am |
| Sunday | Feb. 26 | Pre-S – 6 th 7th-12th grades—LifeTeen | 9:30 am 9:30 - 11:30 am |
| Sunday | Mar. 5 | Pre-S – 8 th Parent First Communion Class | 9:30 am 9:30 am |
| Sunday | Mar.12 | ALL Students | 9:30 am |
| Sunday | Mar. 19 | Pre-S – 8 th | 9:30 am |
| Sunday | Mar. 26 | Pre-S — 6 th 7th-12th grades—LifeTeen Youth Regional Retreat | 9:30 am 9:30 - 11:30 am |
| Sunday | Apr. 2, 9 | Palm Sunday, Easter Easter Egg Party TBA | |
| Sunday | Apr. 16 | ALL Students | 9:30 am |
| Sunday | April 23 | Pre-S – 8 th | 9:30 am |
| Sunday | April 30 | Pre-S – 6 th 7th-12th grades—LifeTeen May Procession | 9:30 am 9:30 - 11:30 am 12 noon |
| Tuesday | May 2 | First Communion Practice | 6:30 pm |
| Sunday | May 7 | First Communion | 11:00 am |



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