

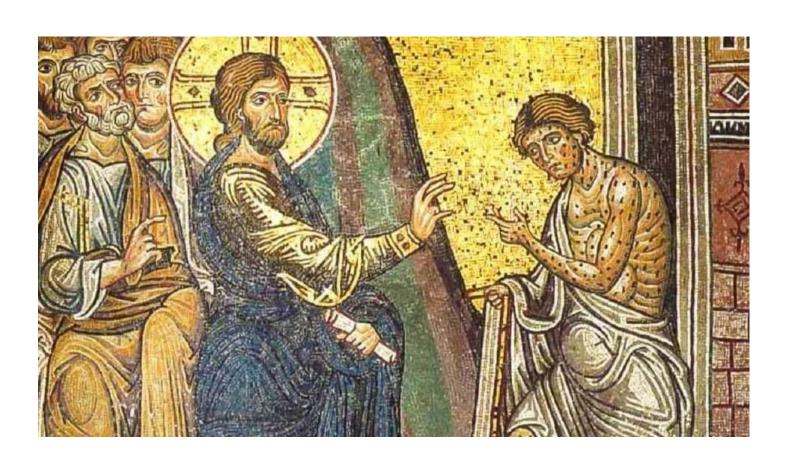
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Healing of the Leper 2nd Sunday of Lent 18 February 2024





SUNDAY READINGS

Epistle - Romans 6:12-23

12 Therefore, sin must not reign over your mortal bodies so that you obey their desires. 13 And do not present the parts of your bodies to sin as weapons for wickedness, but present yourselves to God as raised from the dead to life and the parts of your bodies to God as weapons for righteousness. 14 For sin is not to have any power over you, since 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? Of course not! 16 Do you not know that if you present yourselves to someone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? 17 But thanks be to God that, although you were once slaves of sin, you have become obedient from the heart to the pattern of teaching to which you were entrusted. 18 Freed from sin, you have become slaves of righteousness. 19 I am speaking in human terms because of the weakness of your nature. For just as you presented the parts of your bodies as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness for lawlessness, so now present them as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. 20 For when you were slaves of sin, you were free from righteousness. 21 But what profit did you get then from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. 22 But now that you have been freed from sin and have become slaves of God, the benefit that you have leads to sanctification, and its end is eternal life. 23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in 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 ChrismationMake arrangements as soon after birth as possible

Mystery of Crowning Contact the pastor 6 months in advance

Parish Calendar. Please see stanthonymaronitechurch.org for the parish calendar.

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

Sunday 8:30am and 11am Divine Liturgies

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

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

POINTS OF INTEREST

Cooking for the Food Festival. Volunteers are needed to cook on Tuesdays from 10 am to 3 pm and on Thursdays after 4 pm beginning 6 February.

Congratulations to Joseph and Sally Haboush and family of Sophia Haboush who was baptized and chrismated on Sunday, 11 February. May her journey of faith and life be filled with blessings and grace.

Stations and Benediction of the Cross. Each Friday during Lent at 6:30 pm. Confessions are available during the service.

St. Maron's Spaghetti Dinner. The Maronite Women's Fellowship is sponsoring a spaghetti dinner on Sunday, 18 February at noon to celebrate St. Maron's day with our whole parish family. Gluten free options are available. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children. Email Natalie to reserve tickets: **ncshibley@live.com**.

MYA Elections. MYA members (between the ages of 18 and 34) may nominate new officers by 28 February. Elections will take place the weekend of 2 March. Use the form in Flocknote to nominate yourself or someone else or email Kelly Edwards at kmgeorge102@gmail.com

St. Anthony Scholarship applications are available now for high school seniors. Please contact Cathy George for more information. Scholarship applications are due on 1 April.

Parish Regional Retreat for the Maronite Youth Organization, 15 - 17 March. Mark your calendars for teens 13 to 18 to attend our annual retreat. Sign up with Cathy George now.

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Sunday, 18 February at 9:30 am. MCF Preschool - 8th grades

Sunday, 18 February at noon. St. Maron Spaghetti Dinner

Tuesday, 20 February from 10 am to 3 pm. Food Festival Cooking

Thursday, 22 February after 4 pm. Food Festival Cooking

Friday, 23 February at 6:30. Stations and Benediction of the Cross

Sunday, 25 February MCF at 9:30 am. All Students, Breakfast and Activities

Sunday, 25 February at 9:30. First Communion Parent Class in the chapel



LITURGY SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Sunday, 18 February Second Week of Lent, Healing of the Leper, Pope St. Leo the Great 8:30 am (Father John)

In memory of Harry Shaia, Jr., requested by Harry and Melissa Shaia In memory of Anahid Berberian, requested by Rusty Fallen and Family

11:00 am (Father Peter)

In memory of Harry Shaia, Jr. (1 year anniversary), requested by his Children For the deceased members of our families

Monday, 19 February The 500 Martyrs of Tyre

Tuesday, 20 February St. James, the Hermit of Cyrrhus

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

Wednesday, 21 February St. Eustathius, Patriarch of Antioch

Thursday, 22 February Establishment of the Chair of St. Peter in Antioch

For faith, hope, and peace, requested by Rebecca Anthony

Friday, 23 February St. Polycarp of Smyrna

Saturday, 24 February St. Margaret the Penitent

In memory of Harry, Margaret and Christopher Shaia, requested by Andrew and Anne-Marie Condlin

Sunday, 25 February Third Week of Lent, Healing of the Hemorrhaging Woman, Pope St. Felix

8:30 am (Father Peter)

In memory of Jackie Shibley, and for her family's intentions, requested by Kelly and Nick Edwards

In memory of Harry Shaia, Jr., requested by Harry and Melissa Shaia

11:00 am (Father John)

In memory of Elham El Jor (anniversary of her passing), requested by Noha El Jor In memory of Harry, Margaret, and Christopher Shaia, requested by Harry and Melissa Shaia



USHERS SCHEDULE

Dates	8:30 Divine Liturgy	11:00 Divine Liturgy
18 Feb	Danny Shibley, Sr., Anthony Shibley, Dennis Shibley, Joseph Shibley, Jr., Stephen Shibley, Jr.	Peter George, Duane Peppel, Daniel Dailey, Sam LaNeave
25 Feb	Tom Dailey, Ed Yesbeck, Jr., John Zeheb, Harry McIvor	John Nadder, Jr., Justin Shulleeta, Anthony Shulleeta, Clarke Sawyer
3 Mar	Trey Shibley, Ed Shibley, Jr., Dave Howard, Joseph Fodill	Raymond Khoury, Milad Habboush, Freddy Fakher, Charbel Chaoul

ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

Dates	8:30 Divine Liturgy	11:00 Divine Liturgy
18 Feb	Thomas Shaia, Nicholas and Tobias Edwards, Owen Hendrix, Kingston Lewter	Joseph Chaoul, Patrick Savage, Christian and Grayson Funk
25 Feb	Mark and Malek El-Oukaili, Braxton and Asher McIvor, Arthur Oley, Nolan Roberts	Stephen Shibley, Zachary Shulleeta, Matthew Habboush, Luke Salloum
3 Mar	Ross Craig, Jack Craig, Jacob Walton, Eli Walton, Lucas BouAbssi	Elie Stephan, Sami Sakr, George Choueifati, Luke Salloum

TRANSFER OF GIFTS

Dates	8:30 Divine Liturgy	11:00 Divine Liturgy	
18 Feb	Coco Aboutanos, Hannah Roberts, Cooper Sheriff, Emily Carr, Stella McIvor	Ashley Maust, Alyssa Maust, Magdalena Choueifati, Alexa Haddad	
25 Feb	Madison Shibley, Anna Grace Shaia, Amina Howard , Rosie Boykin	Jenna Chaoul, Leeanne Siefke, Kylie Stephan, Romi Rustom	

LECTORS SCHEDULE

Dates	8:30 Divine Liturgy	11:00 Divine Liturgy
18 Feb	Jacqueline Gray	Sam LaNeave
25 Feb	John Saad	Lara Bouhaidar
3 Mar	Denise Maurer	Mary Habboush

STEWARDSHIP

11 Feb 2024

Collections: \$2117 Contributions: \$1360 Hall Rental: \$500

COLLECTION COUNTERS SCHEDULE

February: George Yesbeck

March: John Zehab

April: David Walton and Paul Shibley

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 <u>stanthonymaronitechurch.org</u> which also provides for automatic giving. Make it easy on yourself.



LENTEN OBSERVANCES 2024

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 (12 February 2024) and all Fridays of Lent.
- ♣ Ash Monday and the Great Friday of the Crucifixion (29 March 2024) 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.



MARONITE CHRISTIAN FORMATION SCHEDULE

Sunday	Jan. 28	Pre-S - 8 th	9:30 am
Sunday	Feb. 4	ALL Students	9:30 am
Sunday	Feb. 11	Pre-S - 8 th	9:30 am
Sunday	Feb. 18	Pre-S - 8 th	9 :30 am 9:30 - 11:30 am
Sunday	Feb. 25	All Students (Breakfast & Activities) Parent First Communion Class	9:30 am
Sunday	Mar. 3	All Students	9:30 am
Sunday	Mar.10	Pre-S - 8th Parent First Communion Class	9:30 am
Sunday	Mar. 17	Pre-S - 6 th 7th-12th grades at the Youth Regional Retreat 15th - 17th	9:30 am 9:30 - 11:30 am
Sunday	Mar. 24 Palm Sunday,Mar. 31 Easter	Palm Sunday, Easter Easter Egg Party TBA	
Sunday	Apr. 7	PreS - 8th	9:30 am
Sunday	Apr. 14	PreS - 6 th 7th-12th grades–LifeTeen	9:30 am 9:30 - 11:30 am
Sunday	April 21	ALL Students	9:30 am
Tuesday	April 23	First Communion Practice	6:30 pm
Sunday	April 28	First Communion	9:30 am

You're Invited Saint Maron's FEAST DAY

February 18th following 11am Divine Liturgy

Come and celebrate with our entire church family!

Spaghetti Dinner

Tickets will be sold after both divine liturgies. \$10 Adult and \$5 Children

Hosted By:
Maronite Women's Fellowship

Gluten Free Option Available



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