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Healing of the Blind Man 17 March 2024



SUNDAY READINGS

Epistle - 2 Corinthians 10:1-7

1 Now I myself, Paul, urge you through the gentleness and clemency of Christ, I who am humble when face to face with you, but brave toward you when absent, 2 I beg you that, when present, I may not have to be brave with that confidence with which I intend to act boldly against some who consider us as acting according to the flesh. 3 For, although we are in the flesh, we do not battle according to the flesh, 4 for the weapons of our battle are not of flesh but are enormously powerful, capable of destroying fortresses. We destroy arguments 5 and every pretension raising itself against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive in obedience to Christ, 6 and we are ready to punish every disobedience, once your obedience is complete.

7 Look at what confronts you. Whoever is confident of belonging to Christ should consider that as he belongs to Christ, so do we.

Gospel - Mark 10:46-52

46 They came to Jericho. And as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a sizable crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind man, the son of Timaeus, sat by the roadside begging. 47 On hearing that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me." 48 And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he kept calling out all the more, "Son of David, have pity on me." 49 Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." So they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take courage; get up, he is calling you." 50 He threw aside his cloak, sprang up, and came to Jesus. 51 Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." 52 Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.

PARISH LIFE

Safro (Morning Prayer)
Monday—Friday - 7:30am

Reconciliation (Confession)
Saturday 9:30am - 10:15am
and by appointment

Baptism and Chrismation
Make arrangements as soon
after birth as possible

Eucharistic Adoration
Friday —9:30am - 10:30am

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

Easter Bake Sale to Benefit Families in Lebanon. Please support families struggling with the economic crisis. Deadline to order is 20 March. Pick up from the Social Hall from 9:30 to 12 pm on 24 March. Order at <https://forms.gle/7dfyirqEYEnuoixD8> (put this link into your browser).

Easter Flowers. Order Easter Flowers for the intention of loved ones or in thanksgiving for blessings by 22 March. Order at <https://forms.gle/mLcsvuDAJ7QrkCzT6> Pay through Flocknote with a note that says "Easter Flowers."

Parish Regional Retreat for the Maronite Youth Organization, 15 - 17 March. Thank you, St. Anthony parents, students and visitors from Our Lady of Lebanon and St. Sharbel Churches for attending our retreat this weekend. We also want to thank the volunteers who are giving their time and energy to help cook and run the retreat.

Lifeguards. We are accepting applications to be a lifeguard at St. Anthony Pool. Applicants must be 16 and possess current lifeguard certification. Contact Father John by email at faris.jd@gmail.com

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.

Dance Practice. Food Festival Dance Practice begins on Thursday, 14 March. To sign up to dance or volunteer, use the form at <https://forms.gle/HtmNN94QGd6E4iUc6> (put this link into your browser)

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Friday, 15 March at 6:30 pm. Stations and Benediction of the Cross

Friday, 15 March at 7 pm. MYO Parish Retreat begins

Sunday, 17 March at 9:30. MCF All Students

Tuesday, 19 March from 10 am to 3 pm. Food Festival Cooking

Tuesday, 19 March at 7 pm. Pastoral Council Meeting

Wednesday, 20 March at 6:30 pm. Catechumen Group

Thursday, 21 March after 4 pm. Food Festival Cooking, Dance Practice at 6 pm.

Sunday, 24 March. No MCF classes

LITURGY SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Sunday, 17 March Sixth Week of Lent, The Healing of the Blind Man, St. Patrick

8:30 am (Father John)

In memory of Evelyn Joyce Mazloom, requested by Peter and Alison Mazloom

In memory of Edward Yesbeck, Sr., requested by Joe and Cathy George

11:00 am (Father Peter)

In memory of William F. Lyons (Day of Passing), requested by Anthony and Mary Shaia

In memory of Moussa El-Jor and Elham El-Jor, requested by Noha El-Jor

Monday, 18 March St. Cyril of Jerusalem

For the intention of Mason Carlton (birthday), requested by Barbara Belsky

Tuesday, 19 March St. Joseph

In memory of Evelyn Joyce Mazloom (birthday), requested by Evelyn Mazloom Fodill

Wednesday, 20 March St. Photina the Samaritan Woman

In memory of Charles Gary Camp, requested by Lisa Camp

Thursday, 21 March St. Synesius, Bishop of Ptolemais

For a Special Intention

Friday, 22 March Temptation of Jesus in the Wilderness, St. Sergius Paulus

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

Saturday, 23 March The Raising of Lazarus, St. Rafka

In memory of Harry, Margaret, and Christopher Shaia, requested by Harry and Melissa Shaia

Sunday, 24 March Hosanna Sunday (Palm Sunday), St. Artemon

8:30 am (Father Peter)

In memory of Lillian Hailey, requested by the family of Bill Hailey

In memory of Martha Ann Shulleeta Patrick, requested by Eddie Shibley, Sr.

11:00 am (Father John)

In memory of Norma and John Nadder, Sr., requested by Teresa and John Nadder, Jr.

In memory of Milad and Linda Sebaali, requested by Alicia Azar

USHERS SCHEDULE

Dates	8:30 Divine Liturgy	11:00 Divine Liturgy
17 Mar	Danny Shibley, Sr., Anthony Shibley, Dennis Shibley, Joseph Shibley, Jr., Stephen Shibley, Jr.	Peter George, Duane Peppel, Daniel Dailey, Sam LaNeave
24 Mar	Tom Dailey, Ed Yesbeck, Jr., John Zeheb, Harry Mclvor	John Nadder, Jr., Justin Shulleeta, Anthony Shulleeta, Clarke Sawyer

ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

Dates	8:30 Divine Liturgy	11:00 Divine Liturgy
17Mar	Thomas Shaia, Nicholas and Tobias Edwards, Owen Hendrix, Kingston Lewter	Patrick Savage, Christian and Grayson Funk, Luke Salloum
24 Mar	Mark and Malek El-Oukaili, Braxton and Asher Mclvor, Arthur Oley	Stephen Shibley, Zachary Shulleeta, Matthew Habboush

TRANSFER OF GIFTS

Dates	8:30 Divine Liturgy	11:00 Divine Liturgy
17 Mar	MYO	Magdalena Choueifati, Emily Carr
24 Mar	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
10 Mar	Lara Bouhaidar	Denise Maurer
24 Mar	Cathy George	John Saad

STEWARDSHIP

10 Mar 2024
Collections: \$1518
Contributions: \$1310
Memorial Contributions: \$300 Bill Hailey
Easter Flowers: \$150

COLLECTION COUNTERS SCHEDULE

March: John Zehab
April: David Walton and Paul Shibley
May: Joe George and Anthony 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 stanthonymaronitechurch.org which also provides for automatic giving. Make it easy on yourself.

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2024 HOLY WEEK LITURGY SCHEDULE

SUN MARCH 24	HOSANNA SUNDAY
8:30 am	<i>Divine Liturgy, Blessing of Palms</i>
11 am	<i>Divine Liturgy, Blessing of Palms</i>
MON MARCH 25	MONDAY OF PASSION WEEK
8:30 am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
9 am	<i>Divine Liturgy</i>
6:30 pm	<i>Service of the Coming to the Harbor</i>
TUE MARCH 26	TUESDAY OF PASSION WEEK
8:30 am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
9 am	<i>Divine Liturgy</i>
6:30 pm	<i>Service of the Coming to the Harbor</i>
WED MARCH 27	WEDNESDAY OF PASSION WEEK / WEDNESDAY OF JOB
8:30 am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
9 am	<i>Divine Liturgy</i>
6:30 pm	<i>Rite of the Lamp and Anointing of the Sick</i>
THU MARCH 28	THURSDAY OF THE MYSTERIES
9 am	No Divine Liturgy
6:30 pm	<i>Divine Liturgy</i>
8-10 pm	<i>Benediction and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
FRI MARCH 29	GREAT FRIDAY OF THE CRUCIFIXION
9 am	<i>Anaphora of the Signing of the Chalice</i>
6:30 pm	<i>Adoration of the Cross</i>
SAT MARCH 30	GREAT SATURDAY OF THE LIGHT
9 am	<i>Prayer of Forgiveness and Confessions</i>
SAT MARCH 30	GLORIOUS FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION
6:30 pm	<i>Divine Liturgy and Rite of Peace</i>
SUN MARCH 31	GLORIOUS FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION
10 am	<i>Divine Liturgy and Rite of Peace</i>

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 - 8 th	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 - 8 th Parent First Communion Class	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

PRAY & HIKE



**MYA
SPRING
HIKE**

Saturday, April 20th
South River Fall Trail -
Shenandoah National Park

Ready to feel fully alive? Come join young adults from DC, Richmond, and Roanoke, VA, to declutter your busy mind and discover the wonders of God's creation.

For more info, please contact:
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