



# Saint Maron

## Maronite Catholic Church



May 2-3, 2020

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

### Feast of Our Lady of Lebanon



#### The real lesson

What should we learn from COVID19?

Jesus said your faith is beautiful. But the Pharisees said "Who is this who speaks blasphemies? Who but God alone can forgive sins?"

Right!?

"Which is easier: to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise up and walk'?"

NO is always the easiest answer! I'm asking you to RISE, please do it for yourself and for every one of us. I respect every one of you and I will always do.

My message of Love to all the families of Saint Maron.

I'm here to serve every one of you and I will always do.

I accept every one of you and I will always do.

I'm praying for every one of you and I always do.

I love every one of you and I always do.

I'm always ready to ask for pardon and forgiveness if something goes wrong and I will always be ready to do so.

I will fulfill my mission with respect and love by working through prayer and forgiveness.

The Coronavirus should change all of us. The impact is so powerful and the lessons learned should change our hearts.

God saved us.

We should all exist by the presence of others.

Remember you can't go to heaven by yourself, you should have someone with you.

"forgive me as I forgive others" and be sure, we will all survive together or we will all vanish together.

God bless you all.

Fr. Samir

#### PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*O Divine Ocean of Mercy and Compassion, be with us in our time of trial and difficulties. Today I make an act of spiritual communion with you, the Life-Giving Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. At this time, I am not able to receive the sacred body and blood of my Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ, but I choose to live in union with him and in the unity of the Holy Spirit. I offer my day, my daily life, my joys and sorrows to you, for those around me, and for the whole world. Be with us O life-giving Triune God, for we know that nothing in this world has power over us. O Lover of all people, have mercy on us and on the whole world.*

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OFFICE HOURS: The Church office will be open Tuesday through Friday from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm.

## DIVINE LITURGIES

**Saturday, May 2, @ 6:00PM,**  
(Feast of St. Athanasius the Bishop)

**Sunday, May 3, @ 11:00AM,**  
(Feast of Our Lady of Lebanon)

**Tuesday, May 5, @ 6:00PM,**  
liturgy is being offered for the souls of all the deceased members of our parish. May their souls rest in peace.

**Wednesday, May 6, @ 6:00PM,** liturgy is being offered for our CCD children and teachers. May God bless them.

**Saturday, May 9, @ 6:00PM,**  
liturgy is being offered for the souls in purgatory. May their souls rest in peace.

**Sunday, May 10, @ 11:00AM,**  
liturgy is being offered for the souls of Marie and Francis Dib requested by George and Micheline Dib and Family. May their souls rest in peace.

## DIVINE LITURGY FOR THE DECEASED

**Tuesday, May 5, 2020 at 6:00PM,** we will offer a Divine Liturgy for the souls of the deceased members of the parish. Please email us to [office@saintmaron.org](mailto:office@saintmaron.org) the names of your loved ones that you would like us to include during liturgy before Monday, May 4, 2020. May their souls rest in peace.

## OUR CCD CHILDREN

### *Kindergarten*

Ruby Salloum  
Kelly Haifa  
Peter Abi Rached  
Sophia Dawlabany

### *1<sup>st</sup> Grade*

Ghaleb Geara  
Nadeem Geara  
Christelle Matar  
Elissa Saad  
George Dabbour

### *2<sup>nd</sup> Grade*

Sara Abi Rached  
Joyce Dabbour  
Christina Dawlabani  
Chris Haifa  
Nicole Sawan  
Frank Simon

### *3<sup>rd</sup> Grade*

Ida Jacob  
Zaina Szewczyk  
Dany Sukkarieh  
Ruby Haifa  
Carol Saad  
Stephanie Cherfane

### *4<sup>th</sup> Grade*

Nai Topalian  
Layal Adi  
Sandro Boujaoude  
Tina Homs

### *5<sup>th</sup> Grade*

Maya Adi  
Juliano Homs  
Norma Sawan

### *6<sup>th</sup> Grade*

Angelo Boujaoude  
Tamara Sukkarieh  
Eddie Najm

## OUR CCD TEACHERS

Maha Labbad  
Denise Eddis  
Sr. Marie Rafka Boulos  
Rosemarie Marrone  
Janah Szewczyk  
Laila Sholy

## WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY

We are sorry to inform you that Eddie Gussin, passed away this past week. We extend our deepest sympathy to the Gussin family. May Almighty God welcome him into His kingdom and may his soul rest in peace. Allah yerhammo.

## SPECIAL LITURGIES INTENTIONS

For the next few weeks, we will have liturgies with special intentions as follows:

**Wednesday, May 6, @ 6:00 PM,** Liturgy will be offered for the CCD Teachers and Children of St. Maron Church.

**Wednesday, May 13, @ 6:00 PM,** Liturgy will be offered for the Choir members of St. Maron Church.

**Wednesday, May 20, @ 6:00 PM,** Liturgy will be offered for all the sick of the parish. May God give them good health.

**Wednesday, May 27, @ 6:00PM.** Liturgy will be offered for the High School and College Graduates of the parish.

Message of Peace  
to our parishioners



For the whole month of  
May 2020

We are asking you to put the  
Blessed Mother of God  
on your front windows  
as a symbol of Consecration of  
Mary to our homes

### MESSAGE OF PEACE

On Friday, May 1, the Catholic Bishops of the United States and Canada consecrated our respective nations to the care of the Blessed Mother under the title of Mary, Mother of the Church. We prayed that through the prayers of Our Lady, her son may grant us healing and strength during this pandemic.

In the same spirit, we ask you to put the Blessed Mother of God on your windows for the whole month of May, as a symbol of Consecration of our homes to Mary.

Please email us a picture of your window to [office@saintmaron.org](mailto:office@saintmaron.org) so we can add it to the picture album we created on Facebook.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**In accordance with local laws regarding group events and to keep everyone safe, we will not be having any of the Church Events.**

### DIVINE LITURGY FOR THE WELL-BEING OF THE SICK

During these difficult times, we will offer a Divine Liturgy on **Wednesday, May 20th at 6:00PM** for the well-being of all the sick members of the parish as well as all the patients struggling from the COVID-19. We are asking you to please email us to [office@saintmaron.org](mailto:office@saintmaron.org) the names of the individuals you would like to pray for by Tuesday, May 19, 2020. May almighty God grant all of them good health.

### WEEKLY COLLECTION FOR April 25-26, 2020

Collection by mail	\$ 570.00
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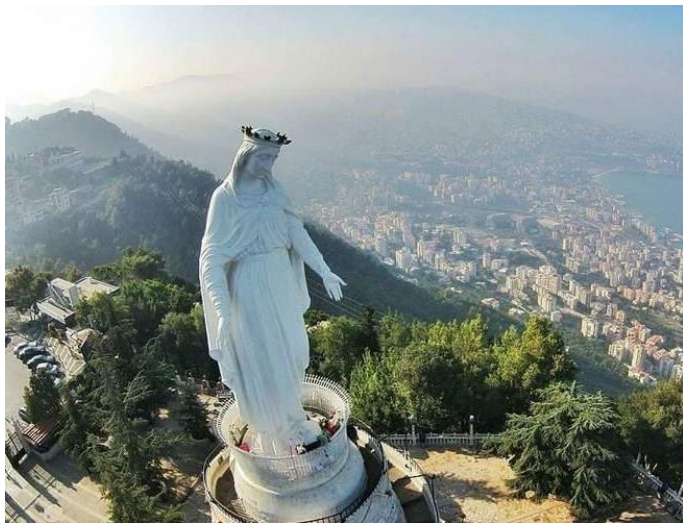
### THANK YOU

Thank you for everyone who donated to the Church this past week. As you know, our Church's finances rely on the generosity of our community, including Sunday collections and donations. If you are able to donate at this time, please do so via the following link: <https://saintmaron.org/donate> or you can always mail your weekly envelopes / donations to the Church office. We appreciate your generosity and thank you for your continuous support during these challenging times.

### IN OUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers Kevin Khoury, Charles Viccarelli, Joseph Trelli, Sue Flacco, Joe Maglio, Marie McCrea, Kathy Dale, Suzanne Haney, Donna Maglio, Nicole Giordano, Peter Perri, Neil Bohley Sr., Luke Farrell Jr., Linda DiBernardo, Patty Reynolds, Joan Speck, David Joseph Cook, Eddie Tayoun, Minarva Labbad, Dante Panichi, Dennis Strelchuk, Carol Krestos, Gladys Dalcourt, Denise Furey, Chucky Simon, Michael Winter, Kevin McCrea, Kevin Khoury, Mirta Ruiz, Tina Grassi, Rita Impo, Jade Kellam, Marion Thomas Branca, Francesca Impo, Lucy DiLuce, Cat Niven Glaze, Laurent Chidiac, Tom Hart, John Hart, Fadi Jaber, Joseph Realdine, Emily Stone, Elaine Nader, Lisa Alestra, John Nader, Yasmine Myers, Joey Gdowick, Francis Joseph Kerns, Samer Chokeir, Kathy Newman, Rita Arrigale, Maryann Bratton, Renee Sahar, Sister Nahida Al-Sawa, Rose DeJesse, James Cordisio, Stacey Fuentes, Debbie Freedenberg, Noel Andjuhar, Angel Salerno, Dennis McGiney, and Bonnie Sabatini. We ask Almighty God to bless them with good health so that they may join us in the Church and give glory and thanksgiving to God. Please notify the Church office of any family member who is ill so that we may remember them in our daily prayers and on our altar of intentions.





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May 02-03, 2020

### First Reading

#### Hebrews 13:18-25

**A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews. Your blessing father...**

Brothers and Sisters:

Pray for us; we are sure that we have a clear conscience, desiring to act honorably in all things. I urge you all the more to do this, so that I may be restored to you very soon. Now may the God of peace, who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make you complete in everything good so that you may do his will, working among us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory for ever and ever. Amen. I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, bear with my word of exhortation, for I have written to you briefly. I want you to know that our brother Timothy has been set free; and if he comes in time, he will be with me when I see you. Greet all your leaders and all the saints. Those from Italy send you greetings. Grace be with all of you.

**Praise be to God always.**

#### فصل من الرسالة إلى العبرانيين

يا إِخْوَتِي، صَلُّوا مِن أَجْلِنَا، فَإِنَّا وَاثِقُونَ أَنَّ ضَمِيرَنَا صَالِحٌ، وَنَحْنُ نُرِيدُ أَنْ نَسْلُكَ مَسْلَكًا حَسَنًا فِي كُلِّ شَيْءٍ. وَأَطْلُبُ إِلَيْكُمْ بِالْحَاحِ أَنْ تَفْعَلُوا ذَلِكَ، حَتَّى يَرُدَّنِي اللَّهُ إِلَيْكُمْ سَرِيعًا! وَاللهُ السَّلَامُ، الَّذِي أَصْعَدَ مِنْ بَيْنِ الْأَمْوَاتِ رَبَّنَا يَسُوعَ، رَاعِيَ الْخِرَافِ الْعَظِيمِ بِدَمِ عَهْدِ أَبَدِيٍّ، هُوَ يَجْعَلُكُمْ كَامِلِينَ فِي كُلِّ صَلاَحٍ، لِتَعْمَلُوا بِمَشِيئَتِهِ، وَهُوَ يَعْمَلُ فِينَا مَا هُوَ مَرْضِيٌّ فِي عَيْنَيْهِ، بِيَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحِ، لَهُ الْمَجْدُ إِلَى أَبَدِ الْأَبَدِينَ. آمِينَ. وَأُنَاشِدُكُمْ، أَيُّهَا الْإِخْوَةُ، أَنْ تَحْتَمِلُوا كَلَامَ التَّشْجِيعِ، فَإِنِّي كَتَبْتُ إِلَيْكُمْ بِإِيجَازٍ! إِغْلَمُوا أَنَّ أَخَانَا طِيمُوثَاوُسَ قَدْ أَخْلَى سَبِيلَهُ. فَإِنْ أَسْرَعَ فِي مَجِيئِهِ، سَأَذْهَبُ مَعَهُ وَأَرَاكُمْ. سَلِّمُوا عَلَى جَمِيعِ مُدَبِّرَيْكُمْ وَجَمِيعِ الْقَدِّيسِينَ. يُسَلِّمُ عَلَيْكُمْ الْإِخْوَةُ الَّذِينَ فِي إِيطَالِيَا. أَلْنِعْمَةُ مَعَكُمْ أَجْمَعِينَ!

والتسبيح لله دائماً.



## Gospel Reading

### Saint John 21:1-14

#### The Apostle Writes:

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing.' They said to him, 'We will go with you.' They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, 'Children, you have no fish, have you?' They answered him, 'No.' He said to them, 'Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the lake. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.' So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, 'Who are you?' because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

**This is the truth. Peace be with you.**

#### مِنْ إِنْجِيلِ الْقَدِيسِ يوحنا

بَعْدَ ذَلِكَ، ظَهَرَ يَسُوعُ لِتَلَامِيذِهِ مَرَّةً أُخْرَى عَلَى بُحِيرَةِ طَبْرِیَّةَ، وَهَكَذَا ظَهَرَ: كَانَ سِمْعَانُ بُطْرُسُ، وَثُومَا الْمُلَقَّبُ بِالتَّوَمَا، وَنَتَّائِيلُ الَّذِي مِنْ قَانَا الْجَلِيلِ، وَأَبْنَا زَبَدَى، وَتِلْمِيزَانِ آخَرَانِ مِنْ تَلَامِيذِ يَسُوعَ، مُجْتَمِعِينَ مَعًا. قَالَ لَهُمْ سِمْعَانُ بُطْرُسُ: «أَنَا ذَاهِبٌ أَصْطَادُ سَمَكًا». قَالُوا لَهُ: «وَنَحْنُ أَيْضًا نَأْتِي مَعَكَ». فَخَرَجُوا وَرَكِبُوا السَّفِينَةَ، فَمَا أَصَابُوا فِي تِلْكَ اللَّيْلَةِ شَيْئًا. وَلَمَّا طَلَعَ الْفَجْرُ، وَقَفَ يَسُوعُ عَلَى الشَّاطِئِ، وَلَكِنَّ التَّلَامِيذَ لَمْ يَعْلَمُوا أَنَّهُ يَسُوعُ. فَقَالَ لَهُمْ يَسُوعُ: «يَا فِتْيَانِ، أَمَا عِنْدَكُمْ قَلِيلٌ مِنَ السَّمَكِ؟». أَجَابُوهُ: «لَا!». فَقَالَ لَهُمْ: «الْقُلُوا الشَّبَكَةَ إِلَى يَمِينِ السَّفِينَةِ تَجِدُوا». وَالْقَوَاهُ، فَمَا قَدَرُوا عَلَى اجْتِدَابِهَا مِنْ كَثَرَةِ السَّمَكِ. فَقَالَ ذَلِكَ التَّلَامِيذُ الَّذِي كَانَ يَسُوعُ يُحِبُّهُ لِبُطْرُسَ: «إِنَّهُ الرَّبُّ». فَلَمَّا سَمِعَ سِمْعَانُ بُطْرُسُ أَنَّهُ الرَّبُّ، إِتَرَزَ بِثَوْبِهِ، لِأَنَّهُ كَانَ عُرْيَانًا، وَأَلْقَى بِنَفْسِهِ فِي الْبُحِيرَةِ. أَمَّا التَّلَامِيذُ الْآخَرُونَ فَجَاؤُوا بِالسَّفِينَةِ، وَهُمْ يَسْحَبُونَ الشَّبَكَةَ الْمَمْلُوءَةَ سَمَكًا، وَمَا كَانُوا بَعِيدِينَ عَنِ الْبَرِّ إِلَّا نَحْوَ مِئَتَيْ ذِرَاعٍ. وَلَمَّا نَزَلُوا إِلَى الْبَرِّ، رَأَوْا جَمْرًا، وَسَمَكًا عَلَى الْجَمْرِ، وَخُبْزًا. قَالَ لَهُمْ يَسُوعُ: «هَاتُوا مِنَ السَّمَكِ الَّذِي أَصْبَنْتُمُوهُ الْآنَ». فَصَعِدَ سِمْعَانُ بُطْرُسُ إِلَى السَّفِينَةِ، وَجَذَبَ الشَّبَكَةَ إِلَى الْبَرِّ، وَهِيَ مَمْلُوءَةٌ سَمَكًا كَبِيرًا، مِئَةً وَثَلَاثًا وَخَمْسِينَ. وَمَعَ هَذِهِ الْكَثْرَةِ لَمْ تَتَمَرَّقِ الشَّبَكَةُ. قَالَ لَهُمْ يَسُوعُ: «هَلُمُّوا تَعِدُّوا». وَلَمْ يَجْزُوا أَحَدٌ مِنَ التَّلَامِيذِ أَنْ يَسْأَلَهُ: «مَنْ أَنْتَ؟»، لِأَنَّهُمْ عَالِمُونَ أَنَّهُ الرَّبُّ. وَتَقَدَّمَ يَسُوعُ وَأَخَذَ الْخُبْزَ وَنَآوَلَهُمْ. ثُمَّ فَعَلَ كَذَلِكَ بِالسَّمَكِ. هَذِهِ مَرَّةً ثَالِثَةً ظَهَرَ فِيهَا يَسُوعُ لِتَلَامِيذِهِ بَعْدَ أَنْ قَامَ مِنَ الْأَمْوَاتِ.

**حَقًّا وَالْأَمَانُ لَجَمِيعِكُمْ.**

