



Saint Maron

Maronite Catholic Church



March 20-21, 2021

HEALING OF THE BLIND MAN

6th WEEK OF LENT, HOSANNA WEEK: HEALING OF THE BLIND MAN

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.” Jesus told him, “Go your way; your faith has saved you.” Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way. - Mark 10:41-52

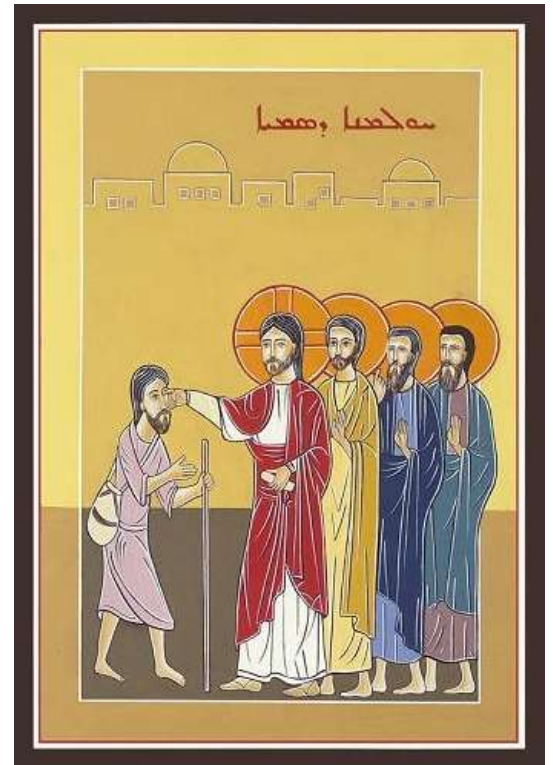
The pillars of Great Lent are prayer, repentance, and charity; they are the sack cloth and ashes of our time. Through prayer, repentance, and charity (almsgiving), we approach the Lord Jesus as did the blind man. We have become tired of the darkness of sin, and ask the Master to give us sight.

The sight Jesus gives us is a confirmation of our faith. He tells us that our faith has saved us. What does this mean? Faith is a gift from God, it is the gift of his life within us, through the charismatic power of the Holy Spirit. Faith therefore changes the horizon of our lives, from one created by us which leads to blindness, too the horizon of God which leads to the light of eternal life.

Through prayer we live with God, communicate with God. Through repentance we are made anew, we shed the false self of our own making, and put on Christ. Through charity we extend the love of God to others, we give the gift that was given to us by God to our neighbor.

In this holy season of Lent may God heal our blindness.

Fr. David Fisher



 **Dear Parishioners,**

ATTENTION

It was brought to our attention that some of you are not receiving any emails from the church.

Please always check Spam / Junk



Divine Liturgies will be in the Church.

Seating is limited to **50 people**.

Please “SignUp” before attending.

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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, March 20, @ 6:00PM, (Feast of St. Joseph) liturgy is offered for the soul of Josephine Rudolph requested by her daughters. May her soul rest in peace.

Sunday, March 21, @ 11:00AM, liturgy is offered for the repose of souls of Assaad and Jamile Finianos requested by family. May their souls rest in peace.

Thursday, March 25, @ 6:00PM,
FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION TO THE VIRGIN MARY

Friday, March 26, @ 6:00PM
STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Saturday, March 27, @ 6:00PM, liturgy is offered for the soul of Charles Matter requested by Ann Matter. May his soul rest in peace.

Sunday, March 28, @ 11:00AM, **PALM SUNDAY,** liturgy is offered for the souls of the deceased members of the Saliba, Kouri and Marrone families requested by family. May their souls rest in peace. And we remember in a special way all the Children in our parish.

THANK YOU

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



PALM SUNDAY CANDLES

Every year Mrs. Carol Sawan offers her talents to Saint Maron Church by decorating Shaanini Candles for Children. This year due to COVID she won't display them in the Hall but she's still willing to make these candles upon order. If you wish to have a decorated candle for your child please contact Carol at 215-802-1705.

ELDERLY COMMUNION

If you wish to receive communion at home, please contact the Church Office at 215-389-2000.

RICE BOWL

Catholic Relief Services (CRS) is known worldwide as the largest of more than 165 Caritas organizations and is the official outreach of American Catholics to the poor in over 117 countries. The most familiar of its efforts here in the United States is CRS Rice Bowl, which engages 9 million Catholics (mostly children, youth and families) to reach out during Lent to serve the poor overseas. Your participation and generosity are greatly appreciated. You can find the Rice Bowl box in the back of the Church.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers Stephen Bressi, Pierre Khoury, Tina Grassia, Michelle Raymond, Elissar Ayoub, Lou Iovino, Ralph Passio, Joanne

Simon-Turing, Diane McLaughlin, Bonnie Gorman, Kevin Khoury, Marie McCrea, Suzanne Haney, Luke Farrell Jr., Linda DiBernardo, Joan Speck, David Joseph Cook, Eddie Tayoun, Minarva Labbad, Dante Panichi, Dennis Strelchuk, Carol Krestos, Gladys Dalcourt, Denise Furey, Chucky Simon, Mirta Ruiz, Rita Impo, Jade Kellam, Marion Thomas Branca, Francesca Impo, Lucy DiLuce, Laurent Chidiac, Tom Hart, John Hart, Fadi Jaber, Joseph Realdine, Emily Stone, Lisa Alestra, John Nader, Joey Gdowick, Francis Joseph Kerns, Samer Chokeyr, Kathy Newman, Rita Arrigale, Maryann Bratton, Renee Sahar, Sister Nahida Al-Sawa, Rose DeJesse, James Cordisio, Stacey Fuentes, Debbie Freedenberg, Noel Andjuhar, and Angel Salerno. 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 intention.

WEEKLY COLLECTION FOR March 13-14, 2021

Sunday Collection	\$ 932.00
Online Collection	\$ 260.00
Total:	\$ 1,192.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 3,950.00
Deficit	- \$ 2,758.00

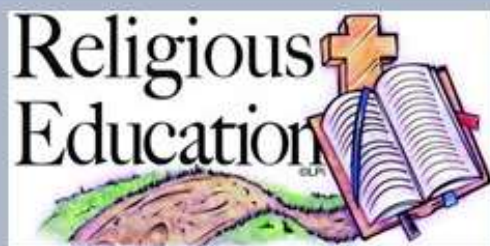
BISHOP'S APPEAL

TOTAL RECEIVED	\$ 3,240.00
GOAL	\$ 3,500.00
BALANCE	\$ 260.00

FALAFEL TAKE OUT

TOTAL INCOME	\$ 2,820.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 174.00
PROFIT	\$ 2,646.00

Upcoming Events



CCD & MYO

Back on course,
Registration is still open



Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent
6:00 PM



Palm Sunday 2021

Vigil Service: Sat, March 27 @ 6:00 PM
Sunday Service: March 28 @ 11:00 AM



Annual Bake Sale Take Out

March 31 – April 1, 2021
11:00AM – 5:00PM



Holy Week

March 29 to April 3



Resurrection Sunday

Sunday, April 4, 2021
11:00 AM

Holy Week Schedule

<p>Monday March 29 6:00 PM</p> <p>Coming to the Harbor</p> 	<p>Tuesday March 30 6:00PM</p> <p>Coming to the Harbor</p> 	<p>Wednesday March 31 6:00 PM</p> <p>Rite of the Lamp Blessing of the Holy Oil</p> 	<p>Thursday April 1 6:00 PM</p> <p>Holy Thursday Liturgy</p> 
<p>Friday April 2 10:30 AM</p> <p>Signing of the Chalice</p> 	<p>Friday April 2 6:00 PM</p> <p>Great Friday of the Crucifixion</p> 	<p>Saturday April 3 12:00 PM</p> <p>Saturday of the Light Prayer for Forgiveness</p> 	<p>Saturday April 3 6:00 PM</p> <p>The Glorious Resurrection Vigil</p> 
<p>Sunday, April 4 11:00 AM</p> <p>The Glorious Resurrection Liturgy</p> 			

Due to the COVID-19 restrictions, this year, all processions are cancelled.

Take Out

Saint Maron Church Annual Bake Sale

March 31 – April 1, 2021

11:00 AM – 5:00 PM



Maamoul

½ Doz. Date	\$ 8.00
½ Doz. Walnut	\$ 9.00
½ Doz. Pistachio	\$10.00



Ghraybeh

½ Doz. Plain	\$ 7.00
½ Doz. Stuffed	\$ 9.00



Cookies

½ Doz. Peach	\$ 5.00
½ Doz. Strawberry	\$ 5.00



Variety Pack \$18.00

6 Maamoul, 3 Ghraybeh, and 3 Cookies

Gift Pack \$35.00

12 Maamoul, 6 Ghraybeh, and 6 Cookies



Place your Order **BEFORE**

Sunday, March 28, 2021

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ROSARY BY ZOOM

The Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn invites all of you to join and pray the Rosary every second Monday of the month via Zoom. The first meeting will be on Monday, February 8, 2021 at 8pm. Everybody is invited to join. All details are mentioned in the following flyer:



" I am the Lady of the Rosary. Continue always to pray the Rosary every day" -*Our Lady of Fatima*



JOIN US AS WE PRAY THE

ROSARY

EVERY 2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH
AT 8PM EASTERN STANDARD TIME

FOR THE INTENTIONS OF GOOD HEALTH,
PEACE, & STABILITY FOR OUR WORLD

FEBRUARY 8

LED BY BISHOP GREGORY MANSOUR

MARCH 8

LED BY CHORBISHOP MICHAEL THOMAS

APRIL 12

LED BY BISHOP ELIAS ZAIDAN

LOOKING AHEAD ■ **MAY 10**



ZOOM LINK

MEETING ID: 883 4965 1080

PASSCODE: **rosary**

<https://tinyurl.com/OFSLROSARY>

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First Reading

2 Corinthians 10:1-7

A reading from the Second Letter of Saint Paul to Corinthians. Your blessing father...

Brothers and Sisters:

I myself, Paul, appeal to you by the meekness and gentleness of Christ I who am humble when face to face with you, but bold towards you when I am away! I ask that when I am present I need not show boldness by daring to oppose those who think we are acting according to human standards. Indeed, we live as human beings, but we do not wage war according to human standards; for the weapons of our warfare are not merely human, but they have divine power to destroy strongholds. We destroy arguments and every proud obstacle raised up against the knowledge of God, and we take every thought captive to obey Christ. We are ready to punish every disobedience when your obedience is complete. Look at what is before your eyes. If you are confident that you belong to Christ, remind yourself of this, that just as you belong to Christ, so also do we.

Praise be to God always.

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الثانية إلى أهل قورنثوس

يا إخوتي، أنا بولس نفسي أناشدكم بوداعة المسيح وحلمه، أنا المتواضع بينكم عندما أكون حاضرًا، والجريء عليكم عندما أكون غائبًا. وأرجو ألا أجبر عند حضوري أن أكون جريئًا، بالثقة التي لي بكم، والتي أنوي أن أجرو بها على الذين يحسبون أننا نسلك كإناس جسديين. أجل، إننا نحيا في الجسد، ولكننا لا نحارب كإناس جسديين؛ لأن أسلحة جهادنا ليست جسدية، بل هي قادرة بالله على هدم الحصون المنيعه؛ فإننا نهدم الأفكار الخاطئة، وكل شموخ يرتفع ضد معرفة الله، ونأسر كل فكر لطاعة المسيح. ونحن مستعدون أن نعاقب كل عصيان، متى كملت طاعتكم. إنكم تحكمون على المظاهر! إن كان أحد واثقًا بنفسه أنه للمسيح، فليفكر في نفسه أنه كما هو للمسيح كذلك نحن أيضًا.

والتسبيح لله دائمًا.

Gospel Reading

Saint Mark 10:46-52

The Apostle Writes:

They came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' Jesus stood still and said, 'Call him here.' And they called the blind man, saying to him, 'Take heart; get up, he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, 'What do you want me to do for you?' The blind man said to him, 'My teacher, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has made you well.' Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

This is the truth. Peace be with you.

مِنِ انْجِيلِ الْقَدِيسِ مَرْقَسِ

بَيْنَمَا يَسُوعُ خَارِجٌ مِنْ أَرِيحَا، هُوَ وَتَلَامِيذُهُ وَجَمْعٌ غَفِيرٌ، كَانَ بَرْطِيمَا، أَي ابْنُ طِيمَا، وَهُوَ شَحَاذٌ أَعْمَى، جَالِسًا عَلَى جَانِبِ الطَّرِيقِ. فَلَمَّا سَمِعَ أَنَّهُ يَسُوعُ النَّاصِرِيُّ، بَدَأَ يَصْرُخُ وَيَقُولُ: "يَا يَسُوعُ ابْنَ دَاوُدَ أَرْحَمْنِي!". فَانْتَهَرَهُ أَنْاسٌ كَثِيرُونَ لَيْسَكْتَ، إِلَّا أَنَّهُ كَانَ يَزْدَادُ صُرَاخًا: "يَا ابْنَ دَاوُدَ أَرْحَمْنِي!". فَوَقَفَ يَسُوعُ وَقَالَ: "أَدْعُوهُ!". فَدَعَا الْأَعْمَى قَائِلِينَ لَهُ: "ثِقْ وَأَنْهَضْ! إِنَّهُ يَدْعُوكَ". فَطَرَحَ الْأَعْمَى رِدَاءَهُ، وَوَثَبَ وَجَاءَ إِلَى يَسُوعَ. فَقَالَ لَهُ يَسُوعُ: "مَاذَا تُرِيدُ أَنْ أَصْنَعَ لَكَ؟". قَالَ لَهُ الْأَعْمَى: "رَابُّونِي، أَنْ أُبْصِرَ!". فَقَالَ لَهُ يَسُوعُ: "إِذْهَبْ! إِيمَانُكَ خَلَصَكَ". وَلِلْوَقْتِ عَادَ يُبْصِرُ. وَرَاحَ يَتَّبَعُ يَسُوعَ فِي الطَّرِيقِ. حَقًّا وَالْأَمَانُ لَجَمِيعِكُمْ.