



Saint Maron

Maronite Catholic Church



October 30-31, 2021

Sunday of Christ the King

From a commentary on the gospel of John by Saint
Cyril of Alexandria, bishop

As the Father sent me, so I am sending you

Our Mission Statement

To seek to know the love
of God revealed in Jesus
Christ,
To celebrate together as
a united family of faith,
and to share our gifts and
talents in loving service to
others.

Readings

First Reading:

Romans 12: 9-21

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 25: 31-46

2nd Collection

Sunday,

November 14, 2021

Maronite Patriarchal
Charities

Our Lord Jesus Christ has appointed certain men to be guides and teachers of the world and stewards of his divine mysteries. Now he bids them to shine out like lamps and to cast out their light not only over the land of the Jews but over every country under the sun and over people scattered in all directions and settled in distant lands. That man has spoken truly who said: *No one takes honor upon himself, except the one who is called by God*, for it was our Lord Jesus Christ who called his own disciples before all others to a most glorious apostolate. These holy men became the *pillar and mainstay of the truth*, and Jesus said that he was sending them just as the Father had sent him.

By these words he is making clear the dignity of the apostolate and the incomparable glory of the power given to them, but he is also, it would seem, giving them a hint about the methods they are to adopt in their apostolic mission. For if Christ thought it necessary to send out his intimate disciples in this fashion, just as the Father had sent him, then surely it was necessary that they whose mission was to be patterned on that of Jesus should see exactly why the Father had sent the Son. And so Christ interpreted the character of his mission to us in a variety of ways. Once he said: *I have come to call not the righteous but sinners to repentance*. And then at another time he said: *I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. For God sent his Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him*.

Accordingly, in affirming that they are sent by him just as he was sent by the Father, Christ sums up in a few words the approach they themselves should take to their ministry. From what he said they would gather that it was their vocation to call sinners to repentance, to heal those who were sick whether in body or spirit, to seek in all their dealings never to do their own will but the will of him who sent them, and as far as possible to save the world by their teaching. Surely it is in all these respects that we find his holy disciples striving to excel. To ascertain this is no great labor, a single reading of the Acts of the Apostles or of Saint Paul's writings is enough.

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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, October 30, @ 6:00PM, liturgy is offered in memory of CarolAnn George requested by her husband and daughters. May her soul rest in peace.

Sunday, October 31, @ 11:00AM, liturgy is offered for the safety and wellbeing of our Parishioners and all our deceased members.

Monday, November 1, @ 6:00PM, (Holy Day of Obligations) ALL SAINTS DAY

Saturday, November 6, @ 6:00PM, liturgy is offered as a 2 years anniversary in memory of Walter (Chip) Meixner requested by Diane Kiddy. May his soul rest in peace.

Sunday, November 7, @ 11:00AM, liturgy is offered as a 40-Day memorial for the soul of Rose Ghazali requested by family. May her soul rest in peace.

Thursday, November 11, 2021 @ 6:00PM EUCHARISTIC ADORATION. We will offer our prayers *for our civil leaders*. May God clothe them in His fear that they may stand for justice and establish peace.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The sanctuary candle is burning for **Frank Olivieri**. May God grant them good health.

If you would like to offer the sanctuary candle in memory of your loved one or for a special intention, please contact the Church Office.

ELDERLY COMMUNION

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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Our next Eucharistic Adoration will be on **Thursday, November 11, 2021 @ 6:00PM**. We will offer our prayers *for our civil leaders*. May God clothe them in His fear that they may stand for justice and establish peace.

SOUMAYA BAKERY NEW PRICES

We've been informed by Soumaya & Sons Bakery that due to increase in the cost of raw materials, packaging, and labor, they find it necessary to upgrade their prices. Therefore, effective this weekend, there will be a change in the prices of the bread and other baked goods. Please check the new order sheet in the Church Hall for the new prices.

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.

WEEKLY COLLECTION FOR

October 23-24, 2021

Sunday Collection	\$ 2,189.00
Donation	\$ 250.00
Coffee Hour	\$ 31.00
Online	\$ 615.00
Total:	\$ 3,085.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 3,950.00
Deficit	- \$ 865.00

2nd Collection	\$ 45.00
Shawarma Sales	\$ 1,356.00



IN OUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers Marie Eddis, Elaine Jones, Mia Andrilla, Jimmy Romeo, Natalie Ciancaglini, Ashley Iaconelli, Stephen Bressi, Tina Grassia, Michelle Raymond, Elissar Ayoub, 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, Panichi, Dennis Strelchuk, 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 Chokeir, 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS



THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

From Sunday, October 17 to Sunday, November 14

Our MYO will deliver the donated food on Sunday, November 14 after Liturgy



SECOND COLLECTION

Maronite Patriarchal Charities

Sunday, November 14, 2021



CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

Names will be on the tree on Sunday, November 21

Our MYO will wrap the gifts on December 10



CHRISTMAS GATHERING

Sunday, December 19



CHRISTMAS NOVENA

From December 15 to December 24 @ 7:00PM

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Mashed Potato mix (box)
Cornbread mix
Fruit (can)
Cookies and/or Candy



**Our MYO
will deliver the
donated food on**

**SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 14
2021**





2022 LEBANESE ELECTION

**It is so very important that those outside Lebanon register to vote,
Your voice could strengthen the country at this difficult time.**

Registration for the 2022 Lebanese Elections will take place
from October 1, 2021 to November 20, 2021

One is eligible to register as a non-resident voter
if one holds the Lebanese citizenship and was born before March 30, 2001

Eligible voters will be able to register online at
<https://diasporavote.mfa.gov.lb/>

Voters may also register in person at
the Lebanese Embassy or at the New York Consulate General.

For more information visit:

<http://www.lebanonembassyus.org/2021/09/28/registration-for-the-2022-elections/>

Or

<http://www.nylebcons.org>

MYO ... ARE YOU READY!

The 2022 Mid-Atlantic Regional MYO Retreat will be on April 22-24, 2022
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For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but
rather of power and love and self-control. [2 Tim 1:7]

2021-2022 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Registration is still Open!

We are excited to announce that the 2021-2022 registrations for our youth programs are now open!

We will be running three programs this year:

Sunday CCD, Junior MYO and MYO!

All registrations will be done online using the links below.

All programs kick-off in September.

This year, all our programs will be using a **Grade-system**, not **Age**, to align with the Eparchial standards.

We can't wait to have all our youth back!



[Click here to register your child for CCD](#)

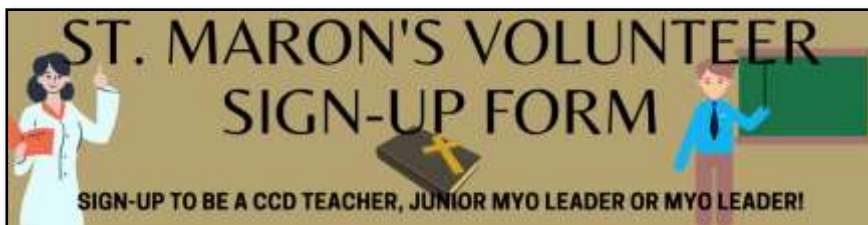


[Click here to register your child for JrMYO](#)



[Click here to register your child for MYO](#)

We are also looking for dedicated parishioners that would volunteer to be a **CCD Teacher, Junior MYO Leader, or MYO Leader!**



[Click here to Sign-Up](#)

We thank you for your continued commitment to **YOUR** parish community.
United we stand. We are Saint Maron's.

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Bank to School is a fundraising initiative to help support children across Lebanon to get back to school; in partnership with arcenciel we have an on-the-ground team that identifies the children who need the most help and support. At the heart of the Bank to School mission is inclusion and equal opportunities for all. To help ensure full transparency and accountability, the raised funds are directly paid to the schools.

We aim to double our donations for the 2021-2022 academic school year, i.e. more than 50,000\$ to financially support more than 1,000 students. We are counting on your generous donations to secure the schooling of our Lebanese youths.



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October 30-31, 2021

First Reading

Romans 12:9-21

A reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Romans. Your blessing father...

Brothers and Sisters:

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.' No, 'if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.' Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Praise be to God always.

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل رومة

يا إِخْوَتِي، لِنَكُنْ مَحَبَّتُكُمْ بِلَا رِيَاءٍ: تَجَنَّبُوا الشَّرَّ، وَلَا زِمُوا الْخَيْرَ. أَحِبُّوا بَعْضُكُمْ بَعْضًا مَحَبَّةً أَخَوِيَّةً، وَبَادِرُوا بَعْضُكُمْ بَعْضًا بِالْإِكْرَامِ. كُونُوا فِي الْأَجْتِهَادِ غَيْرَ مُتَكَاسِلِينَ، وَبِالزُّوْحِ حَارِّينَ، وَلِلرَّبِّ عَابِدِينَ، وَبِالرَّجَاءِ فَرِحِينَ، وَفِي الضِّيقِ ثَابِتِينَ، وَعَلَى الصَّلَاةِ مُوَظِّبِينَ، وَفِي حَاجَاتِ الْقَدِّيسِينَ مُشَارِكِينَ، وَإِلَى ضِيَاقَةِ الْغُرَبَاءِ سَاعِينَ. بَارِكُوا الَّذِينَ يَضْطَهُدُونَكُمْ، بَارِكُوا وَلَا تَلْعَنُوا. إِفْرَحُوا مَعَ الْفَرِحِينَ، وَأَبْكُوا مَعَ الْبَاكِينَ. كُونُوا مُتَّفِقِينَ بَعْضُكُمْ مَعَ بَعْضٍ، مُتَوَاضِعِينَ لَا مُتَكَبِّرِينَ. لَا تَكُونُوا حُكَمَاءَ فِي عُيُونِ أَنْفُسِكُمْ. وَلَا تُبَادِلُوا أَحَدًا شَرًّا بِشَرٍّ، وَأَعْتَنُوا بِعَمَلِ الْخَيْرِ أَمَامَ جَمِيعِ النَّاسِ. سَالِمُوا جَمِيعَ النَّاسِ، إِنْ أُمِكنَ، عَلَى قَدْرِ طَاقَتِكُمْ. لَا تَنْتَقِمُوا لِأَنْفُسِكُمْ، أَيُّهَا الْأَحْبَاءُ، بَلِ آتْرِكُوا مَكَانًا لِغَضَبِ اللَّهِ، لِأَنَّهُ مَكْتُوبٌ: "لِي الْأَنْتِقَامُ، يَقُولُ الرَّبُّ، وَأَنَا أَجَازِي". وَلَكِنْ "إِنْ جَاعَ عَدُوُّكَ فَاطْعِمْهُ، وَإِنْ عَطِشَ فَاسْقِهِ، فَإِنَّكَ بِفِعْلِكَ هَذَا تَرْكُمُ عَلَى رَأْسِهِ جَمْرَ نَارٍ". لَا تَدْعِ الشَّرَّ يَغْلِبُكَ، بَلِ اغْلِبِ الشَّرَّ بِالْخَيْرِ.

والتسبيح لله دائماً.

Gospel Reading

Saint Matthew 25:31-46

The Apostle Writes:

‘When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.’

This is the truth. Peace be with you.

مِنْ إِنْجِيلِ الْقَدِيسِ مَتَّى

قَالَ الرَّبُّ يَسُوعُ: "مَتَى جَاءَ ابْنُ الْإِنْسَانِ فِي مَجْدِهِ، وَجَمِيعُ الْمَلَائِكَةِ مَعَهُ، يَجْلِسُ عَلَى عَرْشِ مَجْدِهِ. وَتُجْمَعُ لَدَيْهِ جَمِيعُ الْأُمَمِ، فَيُمَيِّزُ بَعْضَهُمْ مِنْ بَعْضٍ، كَمَا يُمَيِّزُ الرَّاعِي الْخِرَافَ مِنَ الْجِدَاءِ. وَيَقِيْمُ الْخِرَافَ عَنْ يَمِينِهِ وَالْجِدَاءَ عَنْ شِمَالِهِ. حِينَئِذٍ يَقُولُ الْمَلِكُ لِلَّذِينَ عَنْ يَمِينِهِ: تَعَالَوْا، يَا مُبَارَكِي أَبِي، رِثُوا الْمُلْكَوَتِ الْمُعَدَّةَ لَكُمْ مِنْذُ إِنْشَاءِ الْعَالَمِ؛ لِأَنِّي جُعْتُ فَأَطْعَمْتُمُونِي، وَعَطِشْتُ فَسَقَيْتُمُونِي، وَكُنْتُ غَرِيبًا فَأَوَيْتُمُونِي، وَعُزَيَانًا فَكَسَوْتُمُونِي، وَمَرِيضًا فَرَزْتُمُونِي، وَمَحْبُوسًا فَأَتَيْتُمُنِي إِلَيَّ. حِينَئِذٍ يُجِيبُهُ الْأَبْرَارُ قَائِلِينَ: يَا رَبِّ، مَتَى رَأَيْنَاكَ جَائِعًا فَأَطْعَمْنَاكَ، أَوْ عَطِشَانًا فَسَقَيْنَاكَ؟ وَمَتَى رَأَيْنَاكَ غَرِيبًا فَأَوَيْنَاكَ، أَوْ عُزَيَانًا فَكَسَوْنَاكَ؟ وَمَتَى رَأَيْنَاكَ مَرِيضًا أَوْ مَحْبُوسًا فَأَتَيْنَا إِلَيْكَ؟ فَيُجِيبُ الْمَلِكُ وَيَقُولُ لَهُمْ: الْحَقُّ أَقُولُ لَكُمْ: كُلُّ مَا عَمَلْتُمُوهُ لِأَحَدٍ إِخْوَتِي هَؤُلَاءِ الصِّغَارِ، فَلِي عَمِلْتُمُوهُ! ثُمَّ يَقُولُ لِلَّذِينَ عَنْ شِمَالِهِ: اذْهَبُوا عَنِّي، يَا مَلَاعِينِ، إِلَى النَّارِ الْأَبَدِيَّةِ الْمُعَدَّةِ لِلْإِبْلِيسِ وَجُنُودِهِ؛ لِأَنِّي جُعْتُ فَلَا أَطْعَمْتُمُونِي، وَعَطِشْتُ فَلَا سَقَيْتُمُونِي، وَكُنْتُ غَرِيبًا فَلَا أَوَيْتُمُونِي، وَعُزَيَانًا فَلَا كَسَوْتُمُونِي، وَمَرِيضًا وَمَحْبُوسًا فَلَا رَزْتُمُونِي! حِينَئِذٍ يُجِيبُهُ هَؤُلَاءِ أَيْضًا قَائِلِينَ: يَا رَبِّ، مَتَى رَأَيْنَاكَ جَائِعًا أَوْ عَطِشَانًا أَوْ غَرِيبًا أَوْ مَرِيضًا أَوْ مَحْبُوسًا وَمَا خَدَمْنَاكَ؟ حِينَئِذٍ يُجِيبُهُمْ قَائِلًا: الْحَقُّ أَقُولُ لَكُمْ: كُلُّ مَا لَمْ تَعْمَلُوهُ لِأَحَدٍ هَؤُلَاءِ الصِّغَارِ، فَلِي لَمْ تَعْمَلُوهُ. وَيَذْهَبُ هَؤُلَاءِ إِلَى الْعَذَابِ الْأَبَدِيِّ، وَالْأَبْرَارُ إِلَى الْحَيَاةِ الْأَبَدِيَّةِ."

حَقًّا وَالْأَمَانُ لِكُلِّكُمْ.