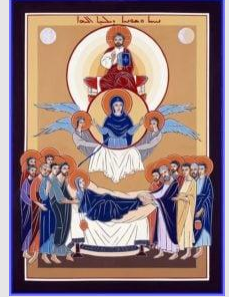




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WEEKLY BULLETIN - 08/13/2023 Season of The Glorious Pentecost

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12th Sunday of Pentecost

Feast of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary

"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord"

Apostolic Exhortation on Christian joy, "Gaudete in Domino"

(Saint Paul VI - Pope from 1963-1978)

For twenty centuries, this source of joy has not ceased to spring up in the Church, and especially in the hearts of the saints... In the first rank is the Virgin Mary, full of grace, the Mother of the Savior. She, accepting the announcement from on high, the Servant of the Lord, Spouse of the Spirit and Mother of the Eternal Son, manifests her joy before her cousin Elizabeth who celebrates her faith: "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior...henceforth all generations will call me blessed."

She has grasped, better than all other creatures, that God accomplishes wonderful things: His name is holy, He shows His mercy, He raises up the humble, He is faithful to His promises. Not that the apparent course of her life in any way departs from the ordinary, but she meditates on the least signs of God, pondering them in her heart, (Lk 2,19.51). Not that she is in any way spared sufferings: she stands, the mother of sorrows, at the foot of the cross, associated in an eminent way with the sacrifice of the innocent Servant. But she is also open in an unlimited degree to the joy of the resurrection; and she is also taken up, body and soul, into the glory of heaven. The first of the redeemed, immaculate from the moment of her conception, the incomparable dwelling-place of the Spirit, the pure abode of the Redeemer of mankind, she is at the same time the beloved Daughter of God and, in Christ, the Mother of all. She is the perfect model of the Church both on earth and in glory.

What a marvelous echo the prophetic words about the new Jerusalem find in her wonderful existence as the Virgin of Israel: "I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garment of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels," (Is 61,10).

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading

Ephesians 3:1-13

Gospel Reading

Matthew 15:21-28

Sanctuary Candle

Safety and well-being of all parishioners.



August 2023

Month of the
Immaculate Heart
of Mary

DIVINE LITURGIES

Saturday, August 12, @ 6:00PM,
liturgy is offered for a special intention.

Sunday, August 13, @ 11:00AM,
liturgy is offered in memory of Eddie Tayoun (40-Day) requested by family. May his soul rest in peace.

Tuesday, August 15, @ 6:00PM,
The Assumption of the Virgin Mary
liturgy is offered in memory of George and Deebie Semaan requested by family. May their souls rest in peace.

Saturday, August 19, @ 6:00PM,
liturgy is offered for a special intention.

Sunday, August 20, @ 11:00AM,
liturgy is offered in memory of Sleiman and Nahi Rai requested by Philip and Vivian Family. May their souls rest in peace.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

August 5-6, 2023

Collection	\$ 1076.00
PayPal	\$ 200.00
Coffee Hour	\$ 14.00
Total	\$ 1,290.00



Tuesday, August 15, 2023

Liturgy: Feast of the Assumption at 6 PM

Sunday, September 10, 2023

Liturgy: Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Saturday, September 16, 2023

Ordination of deacon
Christian Hbaiter to the Priesthood
At Saint Anthony Church, Lawrence MA.

Saturday, September 23, 2023

End of Summer Block Party
from 1 PM to 10 PM

Friday, September 29, 2023

St. Michael Feast Day – Blue Mass at 11 AM

Sunday, October 8, 2023

Appreciation Lunch

October 20-28, 2023

Saint Jude Novena

Saturday, October 28, 2023

Saint Jude Pasta Night

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Caregiver

Caregiver is needed to work 2 to 3 days a week from 6am-8pm, including one weekend every 3 weeks (days may vary). The person should also be OK with dogs. If you're interested, please contact Ellie at 267-879-3091.

Restaurant Worker

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and/or Saint Jude Pasta Night,

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Feast of
Saint
Michael



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JOIN US

Friday, September 29, 2023

Soumaya Bakery Orders

Orders are placed each Friday. If you wish to purchase bread, please place your order before Friday.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers

Mary Louise Scotti, Janet Labar, Krystal Valianti, Anne Mgrdichian, Carol Bevelhmer, Mary V. (Nelson) Scotti, Mike Devinney, Debbie Freedenberg, Allan Emilio Domingez, Rev. Subdeacon Dr. Mallard T. George, Landon Reid, Tamara Lewis, Michael Thomas, Barbara Impriano, Mary McKinney, Jessica McKinney, Angela McKinney, Skyla Simon, Peter Labaki, Nancy Murphy, Marentha Young-Heart, Allison Tretina, Stephanie Devinney, Angela Scorza Anderson, Robert Nigro, Thomas Jones, Raymond Fitzpatrick, Linda Yeckes, Frankie Olivieri, Marie Eddis, Mia Andrilla, Natalie Ciancaglini, Ashley Iaconelli, Stephen Bressi, Elissar Ayoub, Joanne Simon-Turing, Suzanne Haney, Linda DiBernardo, Joan Speck, David Joseph Cook, Dennis Strelchuk, Gladys Dalcourt, Denise Furey, Mirta Ruiz, Rita Impo, Jade Kellam, Marion Thomas Branca, Francesca Impo, Lucy DiLuce, Laurent Chidiac, Tom Hart, John Hart, Fadi Jaber, Joseph Realdine, Lisa Alestra, John Nader, Joey Gdowick, Francis Joseph Kerns, Samer Chokeir, Kathy Newman, Rita Arrigale, Maryann Bratton, Renee Sahar, Sister Nahida Al-Sawa, James Cordisio, Stacey Fuentes, Noel Andjuhar, and Angel Salerno.



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going above
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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2023
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Friday, August 18, 2023 | 5 PM – 11 PM
Saturday, August 19, 2023 | 12 PM – 11 PM
Sunday, August 20, 2023 | 1 PM – 10 PM

Newtown Square, PA

Saint Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church

3679 Providence Road, Newtown Square, PA 19073

Friday September 8
4pm-11pm

Saturday September 9
12pm-11pm

Sunday September 10
1pm-9pm

2023
Annual
Lebanese
Festival

Ukrainian Folk Festival

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1 Lower State Rd, North Wales, PA 19454



Sunday, August 27, 2023 | Starting 12:00 noon

14th Annual Benefit Dinner

Eparchy of St. Maron of Brooklyn

SAVE THE DATE

OCTOBER 5, 2023



Eparchy of Saint Maron

14th Annual Benefit Dinner in New York

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Thank
you




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August 12-13, 2023

First Reading

Ephesians 3:1-13

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

Brothers and Sisters:

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations, this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel, I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so, that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him. I pray therefore that you may not lose heart over my sufferings for you; they are your glory.

Praise be to God always.

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل أفسس

يا إخوتي، أنا بولس، أسير المسيح يسوع من أجلكم، أيها الأمم... إن كنتم قد سمعتم بتدبير نعمة الله التي وهبت لي من أجلكم، وهو أنني بوحى أُطلعت على السر، كما كتبت إليكم بإيجاز من قبل، حينئذٍ يُمكنكم، إذا قرأتم ذلك، أن تُدرِكوا فهمي لسر المسيح، هذا السر الذي لم يُعرف عند بني البشر في الأجيال الغابرة، كما أُعلن الآن بالروح لرسوله القديسين والأنبياء، وهو أن الأمم هم، في المسيح يسوع، شركاء لنا في الميراث والجسد والوعد، بواسطة الإنجيل، الذي صرنا خادماً له، بحسب هبة نعمة الله التي وهبت لي بفعل قدرته؛ لي أنا، أصغر القديسين جميعاً، وهبت هذه النعمة، وهي أن أبشّر الأمم بغنى المسيح الذي لا يُستقصى، وأن أوضح للجميع ما هو تدبير السر المكتوم منذ الدهور في الله الذي خلق كل شيء، لكي تُعرف الآن من خلال الكنيسة، لدى الرئاسات والسلطين في السماوات، حكمة الله المتنوعة، بحسب قصده الأزلي الذي حققه في المسيح يسوع ربنا، الذي لنا فيه، أي بالإيمان به، الوصول بجرأة وثقة إلى الله. لذلك أسألكم أن لا تضعف عزيمتكم بسبب الضيق التي أعانيها من أجلكم: إنها مجد لكم!

والتسبيح لله دائماً.

Gospel Reading

Saint Matthew 15:21-28

The Apostle Writes:

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, 'Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.' But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, 'Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.' He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.' But she came and knelt before him, saying, 'Lord, help me.' He answered, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly.

This is the truth. Peace be with you.

مِنِ انْجِيلِ الْقَدِيسِ مَتَّى

انْصَرَفَ يَسُوعُ إِلَى نَوَاحِي صُورَ وَصَيْدَا، وَإِذَا بِأَمْرَأَةٍ كَنْعَانِيَّةٍ مِنْ تِلْكَ النُّوَاحِي خَرَجَتْ تَصْرُخُ وَتَقُولُ: "إِرْحَمْنِي، يَا رَبِّ، يَا ابْنَ دَاوُدَ! إِنَّ ابْنَتِي بِهَا شَيْطَانٌ يُعَذِّبُهَا جِدًّا". فَلَمْ يُجِبْهَا بِكَلِمَةٍ. وَدَنَا تَلَامِيذُهُ فَأَخَذُوا يَتَوَسَّلُونَ إِلَيْهِ قَائِلِينَ: "إِصْرِفْهَا، فَإِنَّهَا تَصْرُخُ فِي إِثْرِنَا!". فَأَجَابَ وَقَالَ: "لَمْ أُرْسَلْ إِلَّا إِلَى الْخِرَافِ الضَّالَّةِ مِنْ بَيْتِ إِسْرَائِيلَ". أَمَّا هِيَ فَاتَتْ وَسَجَدَتْ لَهُ وَقَالَتْ: "سَاعِدْنِي، يَا رَبِّ!". فَأَجَابَ وَقَالَ: "لَا يَحْسُنُ أَنْ يُؤْخَذَ خُبْزُ الْبَنِينَ، وَيُلْقَى إِلَى جِرَاءِ الْكِلَابِ!". فَقَالَتْ: "نَعَمْ، يَا رَبِّ! وَجِرَاءُ الْكِلَابِ أَيْضًا تَأْكُلُ مِنَ الْفُتَاتِ الْمُنْسَاقِطِ عَنْ مَائِدَةِ أَرْبَابِهَا". حِينَئِذٍ أَجَابَ يَسُوعُ وَقَالَ لَهَا: "أَيُّهَا الْمَرْأَةُ، عَظِيمٌ إِيمَانُكَ! فَلْيَكُنْ لَكَ كَمَا تُرِيدِينَ". وَمِنْ تِلْكَ السَّاعَةِ شَفِيَتْ ابْنَتُهَا.

حَقًّا وَالْأَمَانُ لِكُلِّكُمْ.