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WEEKLY BULLETIN - 08/20/2023 Season of The Glorious Pentecost

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13th Sunday of Pentecost



Saint Bernard of Clairvaux,
“Honey-Sweet Doctor”

Abbot and Doctor of the Church

Feast Day: August 20

Patron Saint of beekeepers, bees, candlemakers...

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To read more about St. Bernard, click on the link below:

<https://abbey.cistercian.org/our-life/st-bernard-of-clairvaux/>

“Why have I come here?”

Every morning Bernard would ask himself,

“Why have I come here?”,

and then remind himself of his main duty

– to lead a holy life.

Memorare

REMEMBER, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading

1 Corinthians 3:1-11

Gospel Reading

Luke 8:1-15

Sanctuary Candle

IMO Tanyous AbiSalloum



August 2023

***Month of the
Immaculate Heart
of Mary***

DIVINE LITURGIES

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 Rai and Family. May their souls rest in peace.

Saturday, August 26, @ 6:00PM,
liturgy is offered for a special intention.

Sunday, August 27, @ 11:00AM,
liturgy is offered in memory of Sleiman Raie requested by Khalil and Madline Raie and Family. May his soul rest in peace.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

August 12-13, 2023

Collection	\$ 1561.00
PayPal	\$ 200.00
Coffee Hour	\$ 15.00
Total	\$ 1,776.00



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 11AM

Sunday, October 8, 2023

Appreciation Lunch

October 20-28, 2023

Saint Jude Novena

Saturday, October 28, 2023

Saint Jude Pasta Night

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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

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MYA Fall Conference

Richmond, VA
Oct 13-15, 2023

Navigating Relationships:
God's Plan for Love

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we are getting together to say

*Thank you for
going above
& beyond*

*Please join us for a Luncheon
following Divine Liturgy*

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2023
IN THE CHURCH HALL

Upcoming Festivals

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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

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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

Ukrainian American Sports Center
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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you




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August 19-20, 2023

First Reading

1 Corinthians 3:1-11

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

Brothers and Sisters:

I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarrelling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? For when one says, 'I belong to Paul', and another, 'I belong to Apollos', are you not merely human? What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ.

Praise be to God always.

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الأولى إلى أهل قورنثس

يا إِخْوَتِي، أَنَا، لَمْ أَسْتَطِعْ أَنْ أَكَلِمَكُم كَأَناسٍ رُوحَانِيَّيْنَ بَلْ كَأَناسٍ جَسَدِيَّيْنَ، كَأَطْفَالٍ فِي الْمَسِيحِ. قَدْ غَدَوْتُكُمْ بِالْحَلِيبِ لَا بِالطَّعَامِ، لِأَنَّكُمْ لَمْ تَكُونُوا بَعْدُ قَادِرِينَ، وَلَا حَتَّى الْآنَ أَنْتُمْ قَادِرُونَ. فَأَنْتُمْ لَا تَرَالُونَ أَناسًا جَسَدِيَّيْنَ: فَمَا دَامَ بَيْنَكُمْ حَسَدٌ وَخِصَامٌ، أَفَلَا تَكُونُونَ جَسَدِيَّيْنَ، وَسُلُوكًا جَسَدِيًّا تَسْلُكُونَ؟ فَإِذَا كَانَ أَحَدُكُمْ يَقُولُ: أَنَا لِبُولُسَ! وَآخَرَ: أَنَا لِأَبْلُوسَ! أَفَلَا تَكُونُونَ جَسَدِيَّيْنَ؟ فَمَا هُوَ أَبْلُوسُ؟ وَمَا هُوَ بُولُسُ؟ هُمَا خَادِمَانِ آمَنْتُمْ عَلَى أَيْدِيهِمَا، عَلَى قَدْرِ مَا أَعْطَى الرَّبُّ كُلًّا مِنْهُمَا. أَنَا غَرَسْتُ، وَأَبْلُوسُ سَقَى، وَلَكِنَّ اللَّهَ هُوَ الَّذِي كَانَ يُنْمِي. فَلَا الْغَارِسُ بِشَيْءٍ وَلَا السَّاقِي، بَلِ اللَّهُ الَّذِي يُنْمِي! لَكِنَّ الْغَارِسَ وَالسَّاقِي وَاحِدٌ، وَكُلُّ مِنْهُمَا يَأْخُذُ أَجْرَهُ عَلَى قَدْرِ تَعَبِهِ. فَتَحْنُ مُعَاوِنَاتِ اللَّهِ، وَأَنْتُمْ حَقْلُ اللَّهِ وَبِنَاءُ اللَّهِ. وَأَنَا بِنِعْمَةِ اللَّهِ الَّتِي وَهَبْتُ لِي، وَضَعْتُ الْآسَاسَ كِبَاءً حَكِيمًا، لَكِنَّ آخَرَ يَبْنِي عَلَيْهِ: فَلْيَنْظُرْ كُلُّ وَاحِدٍ كَيْفَ يَبْنِي عَلَيْهِ! فَمَا مِنْ أَحَدٍ يُمَكِّنُهُ أَنْ يَضَعَ آسَاسًا آخَرَ غَيْرَ الْآسَاسِ الْمَوْضُوعِ، وَهُوَ يَسُوعُ الْمَسِيحُ. والتسبيح لله دائماً.

Gospel Reading

Saint Luke 8:1-15

The Apostle Writes:

Jesus went on through cities and villages, proclaiming and bringing the good news of the kingdom of God. The twelve were with him, as well as some women who had been cured of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out, and Joanna, the wife of Herod's steward Chuza, and Susanna, and many others, who provided for them out of their resources. When a great crowd gathered and people from town after town came to him, he said in a parable: 'A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell on the path and was trampled on, and the birds of the air ate it up. Some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered for lack of moisture. Some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew with it and choked it. Some fell into good soil, and when it grew, it produced a hundredfold.' As he said this, he called out, 'Let anyone with ears to hear listen!' Then his disciples asked him what this parable meant. He said, 'To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but to others I speak in parables, so that "looking they may not perceive, and listening they may not understand."' 'Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones on the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved. The ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe only for a while and in a time of testing fall away. As for what fell among the thorns, these are the ones who hear; but as they go on their way, they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. But as for that in the good soil, these are the ones who, when they hear the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patient endurance.

This is the truth. Peace be with you.

مِنْ إِنْجِيلِ الْقَدِيسِ لَوْقَا

أَخَذَ يَسُوعُ يَطُوفُ الْمُدُنَ وَالْقُرَى، يُنَادِي وَيُبَشِّرُ بِمَلَكُوتِ اللَّهِ، وَمَعَهُ الْاِثْنَا عَشَرَ، وَبَعْضُ النِّسَاءِ اللَّوَاتِي شَفَاهُنَّ مِنْ أَرْوَاحِ شَرِيْرَةٍ وَأَمْرَاضٍ، هُنَّ: مَرْيَمُ الْمَدْعُوَّةُ بِالْمَجْدَلِيَّةِ، الَّتِي كَانَ قَدْ خَرَجَ مِنْهَا سَبْعَةُ شَيَاطِينٍ، وَحَنَّةُ امْرَأَةُ خُوزَى وَكَيْلِ هِيرُودُسَ، وَسُوسَنَةَ، وَغَيْرُهُنَّ كَثِيرَاتٌ كُنَّ يَبْدُلْنَ مِنْ أَمْوَالِهِنَّ فِي خِدْمَتِهِمْ. وَلَمَّا أَحْتَشَدَ جَمْعٌ كَثِيرٌ، وَأَقْبَلَ النَّاسُ إِلَيْهِ مِنْ كُلِّ مَدِينَةٍ، خَاطَبَهُمْ بِمَثَلٍ: خَرَجَ الزَّارِعُ لِيَزْرَعَ زَرْعَهُ. وَفِيمَا هُوَ يَزْرَعُ، وَقَعَ بَعْضُ الْحَبِّ عَلَى جَانِبِ الطَّرِيقِ، فَدَاسَتْهُ الْأَقْدَامُ، وَأَكَلَتْهُ طُيُورُ السَّمَاءِ. وَوَقَعَ بَعْضُهُ الْآخَرَ عَلَى الصَّخْرَةِ، وَمَا إِنْ نَبَتَ حَتَّى يَبْسَ، لِأَنَّهُ لَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ رُطُوبَةٌ. وَوَقَعَ بَعْضُهُ الْآخَرَ فِي وَسْطِ الشُّوكِ، وَنَبَتَ الشُّوكُ مَعَهُ فَحَنَقَهُ. وَوَقَعَ بَعْضُهُ الْآخَرَ فِي الْأَرْضِ الصَّالِحَةِ، وَنَبَتَ فَأَثْمَرَ مِئَةَ ضِعْفٍ. قَالَ يَسُوعُ هَذَا، وَنَادَى: «مَنْ لَهُ أُذُنَانِ سَامِعَتَانِ فَلْيَسْمَعْ.» وَسَأَلَهُ تَلَامِيذُهُ: «مَا تَرَاهُ يَعْني هَذَا الْمَثَلُ؟» فَقَالَ: «قَدْ أُعْطِيَ لَكُمْ أَنْتُمْ أَنْ تَعْرِفُوا أَسْرَارَ مَلَكُوتِ اللَّهِ. أَمَّا الْبَاقُونَ فَأَكَلِمُهُمْ بِالْأَمْثَالِ، لِكَيْ يَنْظُرُوا فَلَا يُبْصِرُوا، وَيَسْمَعُوا فَلَا يَفْهَمُوا. وَهَذَا هُوَ مَعْنَى الْمَثَلِ: أَلَزَّعُ هُوَ كَلِمَةُ اللَّهِ. وَالَّذِينَ عَلَى جَانِبِ الطَّرِيقِ هُمُ الَّذِينَ يَسْمَعُونَ، ثُمَّ يَأْتِي إبْلِيسُ فَيَنْتَزِعُ الْكَلِمَةَ مِنْ قُلُوبِهِمْ، لِئَلَّا يُؤْمِنُوا فَيَخْلُصُوا. وَالَّذِينَ عَلَى الصَّخْرَةِ هُمُ الَّذِينَ يَسْمَعُونَ الْكَلِمَةَ وَيَقْبَلُونَهَا بِفَرَحٍ؛ هُوَ لَا أَصْلَ لَهُمْ، فَهُمْ يُؤْمِنُونَ إِلَى حِينٍ، وَفِي وَقْتِ التَّجْرِبَةِ يَتَرَاجِعُونَ. وَالَّذِي وَقَعَ فِي الشُّوكِ هُمُ الَّذِينَ يَسْمَعُونَ وَيَمْضُونَ، فَتَحْنُقُهُمُ الْهُمُومُ وَالْغِنَى وَمَلَذَاتُ الْحَيَاةِ، فَلَا يَنْضَجُ لَهُمْ ثَمَرٌ. أَمَّا الَّذِي وَقَعَ فِي الْأَرْضِ الْجَيِّدَةِ فَهُمْ الَّذِينَ يَسْمَعُونَ الْكَلِمَةَ بِقَلْبٍ جَيِّدٍ صَالِحٍ فَيَحْفَظُونَهَا، وَيَثْبُتُونَ فَيُثْمِرُونَ.

حَقًّا وَالْأَمَانَ لَجَمِيعِكُمْ.