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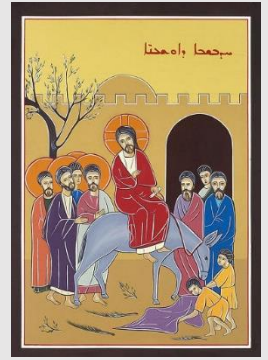
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WEEKLY BULLETIN - 03/24/2024

Season of Great Lent

Hosanna Sunday



OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY – FRIDAY 10:30AM - 4:00PM

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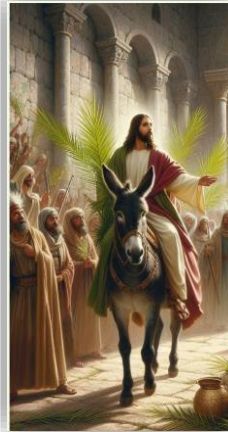
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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we prepare to enter into the Holiest Week of the liturgical year, I extend a heartfelt invitation to join us in observing Palm Sunday, the solemn beginning of our Lord's journey to Calvary and His Glorious Resurrection.

Let us gather in prayerful communion to accompany Jesus Christ in His Salvific Mission, reflecting on His passion, death, and triumphant resurrection.

Your presence is a cherished gift as we unite in worship and contemplation, embracing the profound mysteries of our faith.

Come, walk with us as we enter into the sacred narrative of redemption, experiencing the grace and mercy poured out through the sacrifice of our Savior.

May this Palm Sunday be a time of spiritual renewal and deepening of our faith as we journey together towards the joy of Easter.

In Christ,

Fr. Andrawos (Fadi) El Tabchi

BIBLE STUDY

with Abouna David - Starting Thursday, April, 4, 2024

at 7 PM Via Zoom

and in person at the Church Hall

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87347439104?pwd=eUJRRVpFUyt5NVpTVXR5bCtBdGpGdz09>

SUNDAY READINGS

1st Reading

Phil 1:1-13

Gospel Reading

John 12:12-22

Sanctuary Candle

The Children of Our Church

Blessed Hosanna Sunday

DIVINE LITURGIES

Friday, March 22, @ 6:00PM
STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Saturday, March 23, @ 4:00PM, liturgy is offered in memory of the deceased members of Mosier and DeBuono families requested by Terri Koway and Debra Mosier. May their souls rest in peace.

Sunday, March 24, @ 11:00AM
Hosanna Sunday. Liturgy is offered for our children.

Also, liturgy is offered in memory of the deceased members of the Saliba, Kouri, and Marrone families requested by family. May their souls rest in peace.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Saturday, March 30, @ 4:00PM,
Resurrection Liturgy. liturgy is offered for the safety and well-being of our Parishioners.

Sunday, March 31, @ 11:00AM
Resurrection Sunday. Liturgy is offered for the safety and well-being of our parishioners.

Also, liturgy is offered in memory of the deceased members of the Tavani, Joseph, Mosey, and Rohana families requested by family. May their souls rest in peace.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

March 16-17, 2024

Collection	\$	1,353.00
PayPal	\$	300.00
Coffee Hour	\$	53.00
Total	\$	1,706.00
Bishop's Appeal	\$	0.00
Insurance	\$	0.00

STATIONS OF THE CROSS & ADORATION OF THE CROSS



UPCOMING EVENTS

For more info, visit our website
www.saintmaron.org
 or our Facebook page
<https://www.facebook.com/SaintMaronPhiladelphia>

BAKE SALE

March 23-24, 2024

PALM SUNDAY BRUNCH

March 24, 2024

GOOD FRIDAY POTLUCK

March 29, 2024

SIP & PAINT

April 19, 2024

IN OUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers

Joseph Lemons, Allison Auld, Carmen Sansweet, Deacon Anthony Koury, Mary Louise Scotti, Janet Labar, Krystal Valianti, Anne Mgrdichian, Carol Bevelhymmer, Mary V. (Nelson) Scotti, Mike Devinney, Debbie Freedenberg, Allan Emilio Domingez, Rev. Subdeacon Dr. Mallard T. George, Landon Reid, Tamara Lewis, Michael Thomas, Mary McKinney, Jessica McKinney, Angela McKinney, Skyla Simon, Peter Labaki, Nancy Murphy, Marentha Young-Heart, Allison Tretina, Stephanie Devinney, Angela Scorza Anderson, Raymond Fitzpatrick, Linda Yeckes, Frankie Olivieri, Marie Eddis, Mia Andrilla, Ashley Iaconelli, 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.



Festival 2024

We have applied for the festival permit and we are eagerly awaiting approval.

Bishop's Appeal 2024

Collected during Lent

Collected	\$ 2,190.00
Amount Due	\$ 3,500.00
Balance	\$ 1,310.00

Reminder: contributing to the Bishop's Appeal is a responsibility shared by all churches in the Eparchy. Your generous support is truly valued and greatly appreciated.

Maronite Voice

The latest issue of the Maronite Voice has been released. Click on the link below to read the article about Saint Maron Church or grab your copy from the church hall.

<https://www.maronitevoice.org/>

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E-Bike Raffle Update

Last Chance to purchase your tickets | Drawing on Sunday, March 24, 2024



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Number of tickets
Sold: 538



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Important Dates

March 22, 2024
Service Project | **POSTPONED**

April 13, 2024
First Communion Retreat

April 14, 2024
First Communion - Divine Liturgy

Maronite Enrichment Days
April 9 -12, 2024

At The Maronite Seminary in DC
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For More Information:
<https://maroniteseminary.org/news-events/seminary-events/about/>

2024 NAM Convention
59th Annual Convention

Detroit, Michigan
 July 4-7, 2024

For more info you can click
 on the link below:
<https://rb.gy/hy4cwa>

Year of Prayer

Pope Francis declared 2024 as the **Year of Prayer**, calling upon believers worldwide to deepen their spiritual connection through prayerful reflection, seeking unity, and fostering peace in our hearts and communities.

Let us come together in faith, embracing this sacred opportunity for renewal and communion with God.



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



Sunday, March 24	PALM SUNDAY - 11:00 AM
Monday, March 25	Coming to the Harbor - 6:00 PM (Evening Prayer)
Tuesday, March 26	Passion Week - 6:00 PM (Divine Liturgy)
Wednesday, March 27	Rite of the Lamp - 6:00 PM (Blessing of the Oil)
Thursday, March 28	Thursday of the Mysteries - 7:00 PM (Divine Liturgy & Washing of the Feet)
Friday, March 29	Signing of the Chalice - 11:00 AM Adoration of the Cross - 7:00 PM
Saturday, March 30	Prayer of Forgiveness - 12:00 PM RESURRECTION LITURGY - 4:00 PM
Sunday, March 31	RESURRECTION LITURGY - 11:00 AM



Annual Bake Sale

SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2024

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 Saturday, March 23, 2024



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Gift Pack (12 Maamoul, 12 Cookies, 6 Karabij)	\$50.00	Chocolate Cookies (1/2 doz.)	\$8.00

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GOOD FRIDAY POTLUCK

Join us for our Annual Good Friday Potluck and share in the spirit of fellowship and community as we gather to commemorate this solemn occasion.



Rite of the Lamp

Blessing of the oil and anointing the sick

Wednesday, March 28, 2024
6:00PM



"Anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord" (James 5:14)



Thursday of the Mysteries

Thursday, March 28, 2024
7:00PM

Divine Liturgy and Washing of the Feet
 followed by Eucharistic Adoration



GOOD FRIDAY

Friday, March 29, 2024

Signing of the Chalice
 11:00AM

Adoration of the Cross
 7:00PM

LENTEN DINNER
8:00PM



Taste of Liguori

Wednesday, April 10 • Doors Open at 5:00PM



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12pm-4pm

Saturday
April 13th

Dinner and Concert
\$50 per person
5:30pm-8pm

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Sunday
April 7
1:00 pm

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Readings

Hosanna Sunday

First Reading

Philippians 1:1-13

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

Brothers and Sisters:

Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus, To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the bishops and deacons: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that on the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God. I want you to know, beloved, that what has happened to me has actually helped to spread the gospel, so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to everyone else that my imprisonment is for Christ;

Praise be to God always.

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل فيلبتي

يا إخوتي، من بولس وطيموثاوس، عبدي المسيح يسوع، إلى جميع القديسين في المسيح يسوع، الذين في فيلبتي، مع الأساقفة والشمامسة: النعمة لكم، والسلام من الله أبينا والرب يسوع المسيح! أشكر إلهي، كلما ذكرتكم، ضارعا بفرح على الدوام في كل صلواتي من أجلكم جميعا، لمشارككم في الإنجيل منذ أول يوم إلى الآن. وإني لواتق أن الذي بدأ فيكم هذا العمل الصالح سيكمله حتى يوم المسيح يسوع. فإنه من العدل أن يكون لي هذا الشعور نحوكم جميعا، لأني أحملكم في قلبي، أنتم جميعا شركائي في نعمتي، سواء في قيودي أو في دفاعي عن الإنجيل وتشبيته، فإن الله شاهد لي كم أتشوق إليكم جميعا في أحشاء المسيح يسوع. وهذه صلاتي أن تزداد محبتكم أكثر فأكثر في كل فهم ومعرفة، لتتميزوا ما هو الأفضل، فتكونوا أنقياء وبغير عثار إلى يوم المسيح، ممتلين من ثمر البر بيسوع المسيح لمجد الله ومدحه. أريد أن تعلموا، أيها الإخوة، أن ما حدث لي قد أدى بالحري إلى نجاح الإنجيل، حتى إن قيودي من أجل المسيح صارت مشهورة في دار الولاية كلها، وفي كل مكان آخر.

والتسبيح لله دائما.

Gospel Reading

Saint John 12:12-22

The Apostle Writes:

The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, 'Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord the King of Israel!' Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written: 'Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!' His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him. So the crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to testify. It was also because they heard that he had performed this sign that the crowd went to meet him. The Pharisees then said to one another, 'You see, you can do nothing. Look, the world has gone after him!' Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus.

This is the truth. Peace be with you.

مِنِ انْجِيلِ الْقَدِيسِ يُوْحَنَّا

لَمَّا سَمِعَ الْجَمْعُ الْكَثِيرَ، الَّذِي أَتَى إِلَى الْعِيدِ، أَنَّ يَسُوعَ آتٍ إِلَى أُورَشَلِيمَ، حَمَلُوا سَعَفَ النَّخْلِ، وَخَرَجُوا إِلَى مُلَاقَاتِهِ وَهُمْ يَصْرُخُونَ: "هُوشَعْنَا! مُبَارَكُ الْآتِي بِاسْمِ الرَّبِّ، مَلِكُ إِسْرَائِيلَ". وَوَجَدَ يَسُوعُ جَحْشًا فَرَكَبَ عَلَيْهِ، كَمَا هُوَ مَكْتُوبٌ: "لَا تَخَافِي، يَا ابْنَةُ صِهْيُونِ، هُوَذَا مَلِكُكَ يَأْتِي رَاكِبًا عَلَى جَحْشِ ابْنِ أَتَانَ". وَمَا فَهَمَ تَلَامِيذُهُ ذَلِكَ، أَوَّلَ الْأَمْرِ، وَلَكِنَّهُمْ تَذَكَّرُوا، حِينَ مُجِدَّ يَسُوعَ، أَنَّ ذَلِكَ كُتِبَ عَنْهُ، وَأَنَّهُمْ صَنَعُوهُ لَهُ. وَالْجَمْعُ الَّذِي كَانَ مَعَ يَسُوعَ، حِينَ دَعَا لِعَازَرَ مِنَ الْقَبْرِ وَأَقَامَهُ مِنْ بَيْنِ الْأَمْوَاتِ، كَانَ يَشْهَدُ لَهُ. مِنْ أَجْلِ هَذَا أَيْضًا لِقَاءُ الْجَمْعِ، لِأَنَّهُمْ سَمِعُوا أَنَّهُ صَنَعَ تِلْكَ الْآيَةَ. فَقَالَ الْفَرِيسِيُّونَ بَعْضُهُمْ لِبَعْضٍ: "أَنْظُرُوا: إِنَّكُمْ لَا تَنْفَعُونَ شَيْئًا! هَا هُوَ الْعَالَمُ قَدْ ذَهَبَ وَرَاءَهُ!". وَكَانَ بَيْنَ الصَّاعِدِينَ لِيَسْجُدُوا فِي الْعِيدِ، بَعْضُ الْيُونَانِيِّينَ. فَدَنَا هَؤُلَاءِ مِنْ فِيلِبُّسَ الَّذِي مِنْ بَيْتِ صَيْدَا الْجَلِيلِ، وَسَأَلُوهُ قَائِلِينَ: "يَا سَيِّدَ، نُرِيدُ أَنْ نَرَى يَسُوعَ". فَجَاءَ فِيلِبُّسُ وَقَالَ لِأَنْدَرَاوَسَ، وَجَاءَ أَنْدَرَاوَسُ وَفِيلِبُّسُ وَقَالَا لِيَسُوعَ.

حَقًّا وَالْأَمَانَ لْجَمِيعِكُمْ.



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