



September 24, 2023

## ST. BASIL THE GREAT MELKITE GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH

### Address

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### Parish Website

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### Office hours

Tue-Fri 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

### Divine Liturgy

Winter Schedule Begins This week

Saturday: 9:00 AM

Sunday: 11:15 AM

**Pastoral Emergencies  
and anointing of the sick**  
(401)722-1345

### Holy Mysteries

### Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available before and after the Divine Liturgy or by appointment

### Baptism

Please arrange with the pastor

### Marriage

A notice of at least 6 months should be given to the pastor, before the proposed wedding date to arrange for the required interview and instructions



### 1st Sunday After the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

### ألاحد الأول بعد رفع الصليب

#### Troparion of the Resurrection (8th tone)

You descended from on high O compassionate One; and consented to burial for three days that You might free us from suffering. O Lord, our life and our resurrection, \* glory to You.!

#### نشيد القيامة باللحن الثامن

انحدرت من العلاء أيها التحنن، وقبيلت الدفن  
ثلاثة أيام، لكي نعتقنا من الآلام، فيا حياتنا  
وقيامتنا، يا رب المجد لك.

#### Troparion of St Basil

Your voice has sounded all over the earth, that accepted your preaching. You gave a divine explanation of doctrine, and made clear the nature of creatures, and set a rule of life for men. Holy Father, and Kingly Priest, intercede with Christ God to grant us great mercy.

#### طروبارية القديس باسيليوس

لقد ذاع منطقتك في كل الأرض. فانها قد قبيلت  
كلامك، الذي به بينت العقائد بياناً إلهياً،  
وأوضحت طبيعة الكائنات، ونظمت أخلاق  
البشر. فيا أيها الأب البار ذو الكهنوت الملوكي،  
إبتهل إلى المسيح الإله في خلاص نفوسنا.

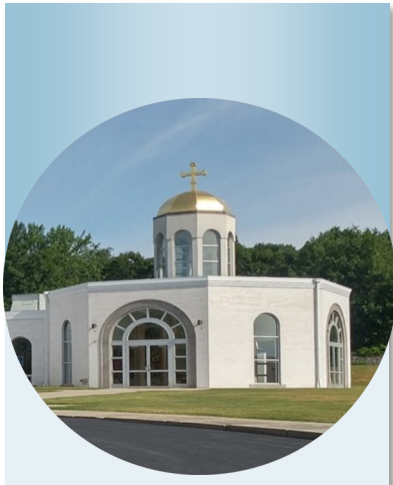
#### Kondakion: (Tone 2)

O never failing Protectress of Christians and their ever-present intercessor before the Creator, despise not the petitions of us sinners, but in your goodness extend your help to us who call upon you with confidence. Hasten, O Mother of God, to intercede for us, for you have always protected those who honor you.

#### نشيد الختام (القنداق)

يا نصيرة المسيحيين التي لا تُخزي، ووسيطتهم  
الدائمة لدى الخالق، لا تعرضي عن أصوات  
الخطاة الطالبين اليك. بل بما أنك صالحة،  
بادري الى معونتنا، نحن الصارخين اليك  
بأيمان: هلمي الى الشفاعة، وأسري الى  
البتال، يا والدة الإله المحامية دائماً عن  
مكرميك.





#### Our church organizations:

**MAYA:** Organization of Melkite Catholics ages 18 – 26 (and at least 1 year out of high school) under patronage of our bishop, the Most Reverend Nicholas Samra.  
<https://melkite.org/maya>

**MYO:** Provides a common forum for all the young people of St. Basil's Church, and that the Organization initiate, coordinate, and direct religious, social, educational, and humanitarian programs designed to promote the involvement of its membership in the Christian Faith and the Melkite tradition.  
[www.stbasilthegreatchurch.com/myo.html](http://www.stbasilthegreatchurch.com/myo.html)

**NAMW:** Promotes and supports vocations to the priesthood and religious life in the United States.  
<https://melkite.org/namw>



#### Epistle 2 COR 6:16-18; 7:1

##### PROKIMENON (Tone 8)

Make vows to the Lord your God and fulfill them: let all round about Him bring gifts to the awesome Lord!

Stichon: God is renowned in Judah; in Israel, great is his name.

##### Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians

Brethren, you are the temple of the living God, as God says, I will be their God and they shall be my people. (Lv.26: 11.2) Ct. Jer. 31:1) Wherefore, come out from among them, be separated, says the Lord, and touch not an unclean thing; Is. 52: 1, and I will welcome you in, and will be a Father to you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the Lord almighty, (CL Hos. 1:10; Is 43:6)

Having therefore these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all defilement of the body and of the spirit, perfecting sanctity in the fear of God.

##### ALLELUIA (Tone 8)

Come; let us rejoice in the Lord!

Let us sing joyfully to God our Savior!

Stichon: Let us greet His presence with thanksgiving; let us joyfully sing psalms to Him.

##### Gospel 1st Sunday of Holy Cross, Luke 5:1-11

At that time Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret. And he saw two boats moored by the lake, but the fishermen had left them and were washing their nets. And getting into one of the boats, the one that was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And sitting down, he began to teach the crowds from the boat. But when he had stopped speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep, and lower your nets for a catch." And Simon answered and said to him, "Master, the whole night through we have toiled and have taken nothing; but at your word I will lower the net." And when they had done so, they caught a great number of fishes, but their net was breaking. And they called to their comrades in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw this, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord," For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish they had made; and so also were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you shall catch men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left all and followed him.

#### رسالة الاحد السابع عشر بعد العنصرة

##### مقدمة الرسالة

أُذَرُوا وَأَوْفُوا الرَّبَّ إِلَهَنَا. كُلُّ الَّذِينَ حَوْلَهُ يَأْتُونَ بِهَيَايَا

الله معروف في يهوذا. وأسمه عظيم في إسرائيل

##### 2 كورنثس (6: 16 ب إلى 7: 1)

يا إخوة، إنكم هيكل الله الحي، كما قال الله: إني سأسكن فيهم واسير فيمما بينهم، وكون لهم الها وهم يكونون لي شعباً. فلذلك أخرجوا من بينهم واعتزلوا، يقول الرب، ولا تمسوا نجساً، فأقبلكم وكون لكم أباً وتكونون أنتم لي بنين وبنات، يقول الرب القدير على كل شيء. واذ لنا هذه المواعيد ايها الاحباء، فلنطهر انفسنا من كل دنس للجسد والروح، مُكَمِّلِينَ الْقِدَاسَةَ بِمَخَافَةِ اللَّهِ

هللوا

هلموا نبتهج بالرب ونهلل لله مخلصنا

لنبادر الى وجهه بالاعتراف، وبالمزامير نهلل له

##### الاحد الاول بعد الصليب

##### لوقا 5: 1 – 11

في ذلك الزمان، بينما كان يسوع واقفاً عند بُحَيْرَةِ جَنِيصَارَتِ، رَأَى سَفِينَتَيْنِ واقفتين عند البُحَيْرَةِ، وَقَدِ انْحَدَرَ مِنْهُمَا الصَّيَّادُونَ لِيَعْمَلُوا الشَّبَاكَ. فَزَكَبَ إِحْدَى السَّفِينَتَيْنِ الَّتِي كَانَتْ لِسِمْعَانَ، وَسَأَلَهُ أَنْ يَتْبَاعَهُ قَلِيلاً عَنِ الْبَرِّ، وَجَلَسَ يُعَلِّمُ الْجُمُوعَ مِنَ السَّفِينَةِ. فَلَمَّا أَنْجَزَ كَلَامَهُ قَالَ لِسِمْعَانَ: تَقَدَّمْ إِلَى الْعَرَضِ وَالْقُوا شَبَاكَكُمْ لِلصَّيْدِ. فَأَجَابَ سِمْعَانَ وَقَالَ لَهُ: يَا مَعْلَمُ قَدْ تَعَبْنَا اللَّيْلَ كُلَّهُ وَلَمْ نُصِبْ شَيْئاً، وَلَكِنْ بِكَلِمَتِكَ أُلْقِي الشَّبَاكَةَ. فَلَمَّا فَعَلُوا ذَلِكَ حَازُوا مِنَ السَّمَكِ شَيْئاً كَثِيراً، فَأَخَذَتْ شَبَكَتُهُمْ تَتَخَرَّقُ. فَأَشَارُوا إِلَى شُرَكَائِهِمُ الَّذِينَ فِي السَّفِينَةِ الْآخَرَى أَنْ يَأْتُوا لِتَجِدْتَهُمْ، فَأَتُوا وَمَلَأُوا السَّفِينَتَيْنِ حَتَّى كَادَتَا تَغْرَقَانِ. فَلَمَّا رَأَى ذَلِكَ سِمْعَانُ بَطْرُسَ حَزَرَ عِنْدَ رُكْبَتَيْ يَسُوعَ قَائِلاً: أَبْعُدْ عَنِّي يَا رَبِّ، فَإِنِّي رَجُلٌ خَاطِئٌ. فَإِنَّ الدَّهْوَلاً قَدْ اعْتَرَاهُ هُوَ وَجَمِيعُ الَّذِينَ مَعَهُ بِسَبَبِ صَيْدِ السَّمَكِ الَّذِي أَصَابُوهُ. وَكَذَلِكَ يَعْقُوبُ وَيُوحَنَّا ابْنَا زَبَدَى اللَّذَانِ كَانَا شُرَكَائِي لِسِمْعَانَ. فَقَالَ يَسُوعُ لِسِمْعَانَ: لَا تَخَفْ فَإِنَّكَ مِنَ الْآنَ تَكُونُ صَيَّاداً لِلنَّاسِ. وَلَمَّا بَلَغُوا بِالسَّفِينَتَيْنِ إِلَى الْبَرِّ، تَرَكُوا كُلَّ شَيْءٍ وَتَبِعُوهُ.



# Divine Liturgy Intentions

**THIS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2023: FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EXALTATION OF THE PRECIOUS AND LIFE-GIVING CROSS. PROTOMARTYR THECLA.**

**9:00 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY:**

- + **BARBARA CIMINI (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv.)** by the Family.
- + **ROSE (KANDO) COREY (46<sup>th</sup> Anniv.) & THOMAS COREY (41<sup>st</sup> Anniv.)** by their daughter Carol Darling & Family.
- + **ELAINE BASKINS (Birthday Remem.)** by Joseph Baskins.
- + **FREDERICK KOUSSA (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.)** by his wife, Linda A. Koussa.
- + **ANNIE KOUSSA (Birthday Remem.)** by Linda A. Koussa.
- + **JOSEPH & ANGELA KAYATA** by Michael & Barbara O'Rourke & Family.
- + **CHARLES & ANNE O'ROURKE** by Michael & Barbara O'Rourke & Family.
- + **LAYLA ANGELA CHARETTE** by Uncle Michael, Auntie B., Greg & Katie.

**11:15 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY:**

- + **JAIME SALAZAR (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv.)** by Cindy Salazar & Family.
- + **AMANDA B. ROWEY (Birthday Remem.)** by her parents, Anthony & Fadia Rowey & Family.
- + **MRS. FLAVIE ALTONGY RAHEB** by the Family.
- + **ROSE & HOUNEIN KHOURY** by Micheline Ghanem.
- + **JOSEPH & SOUAD YOUAKIM** by Bassil Youakim & Family.
- + **ANTOINE SHAGHOURI** by Paul Ashkar & Family.
- + **VIOLETTE (HAGGAR) SAGGAL(Australia)** by Joseph Saggal, Patrick Saggal, Pamela Pacheco.
- + **AMAL ABYAD** by Deacon Gilbert & Mimi Altongy.
- + **YOUSEF GEORGI DEEB** by Mrs. Samia Chaij & Family.
- + **MICHAEL TAHHAN (CA)** by Rouaida Aghia & Family.
- + **MARIE MARDO** by the Woodward Family.

## Prayer for the dead

O God of all spirits and of all flesh, who have destroyed death, overcome the devil, and given life to the world: grant, O Lord to the souls of your servants, who have departed from this life, that they may rest in a place of light, in a place of happiness, in a place of peace, where there is no pain, no grief, no sighing. And since You are gracious God and Lover of mankind, forgive them every sin they have committed by thought, or word, or deed, for there is not a man who lives and does not sin: You alone are without sin, your righteousness is everlasting, and your word is true.

For You are the Resurrection and the Life, and the Repose of your departed servants, O Christ our God, and we render glory to You, together with your Eternal Father and your All-holy, Good and Life-giving Spirit, now and always and forever and ever. Amen.





In thanksgiving to Almighty God on the occasion of the 39<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Marriage for the servants of God, ABRAHAM & MICHELE (KOUSSA) DOMANEY. **CONGRATULATIONS! MANY MORE BLESSED YEARS!**

**SACRIFICIAL GIVING:** September 17, 2023: Budgets: \$2,305.00 (Envelopes: \$2,192.00, Loose: \$113.00); Candles: \$90.00; Stole Offerings: \$220.00; Building Fund: \$60.00:: Registration Religious Education: \$1,075.00; Hall Donation: \$300.00.

**GENERAL HOME VISITATIONS, SICK CALLS, HOSPITAL VISITS:** Father Ephrem has now been here three years and is fully available for parish services. Just email him at [office@stbasilthegreatchurch.com](mailto:office@stbasilthegreatchurch.com) and leave him your message. **PLEASE! NO GRATUITIES!** A cup of coffee or tea is just fine. He looks forward to in-person contact.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Anyone who is planning an **ENGAGEMENT/BAPTISM/MARRIAGE RECEPTION PLANS** is kindly requested to notify a member of the clergy **BEFORE** reception/party plans are made. The Clergy may be already scheduled for something else on the day that you have rented a hall/restaurant. Following this policy will help avoid any later misunderstandings/hurt feelings.

**ANY NEEDS, THOUGHTS, CONCERNS, QUESTIONS, MISUNDERSTANDINGS, SUGGESTIONS, ETC.** they you may have, please do not hesitate to contact any member of the Clergy or Council immediately, Explanations/ Corrections/ Discussions/Changes will never be made unless all bring these concerns to us. Let us remain the united and caring community that we are.

**SEPTEMBER 23<sup>rd</sup>:** **CONCEPTION** by Elizabeth of the honorable and glorious Prophet, the Forerunner **JOHN THE BAPTIST**. John the Baptist holds an important place in the mystery of our salvation. He is the Forerunner of the Savior; he came with the spirit and zeal of the Prophet Elias to designate the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world, and to prepare hearts so that they could receive the light of the Son of God through the baptism of penance He preached. His conception in his mother's womb is then the dawn of our salvation.

**REFLECTION:** "Worry is the dark room in which negatives can develop".

O Jesus, Who has said, "Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and it shall be opened," through the intercession of the *Theotokos*, Your Most Holy Mother, I knock, I seek, I ask that my prayer be granted.

O Jesus, Who has said, "All that you ask of the Father in My Name, He will grant you," through the intercession of the *Theotokos* Your Most Holy Mother, I humbly and urgently ask your Father in your name that my prayer will be granted.

O Jesus, Who has said, "Heaven and earth shall pass away but My word shall not pass away," through the intercession of the *Theotokos* Your Most Holy Mother, I feel confident that my prayer will be granted.



Kaak	Thursday, September 28 @ 10:00 am
Maamoul	Saturday, October 7 @ 10:00 am
Kata	Thursday, October 12 @ 10:00 am
Baklawa & Souart al Sit	Thursday, October 19 @ 10:00 am





Glory be to the Name of Jesus the Savior!

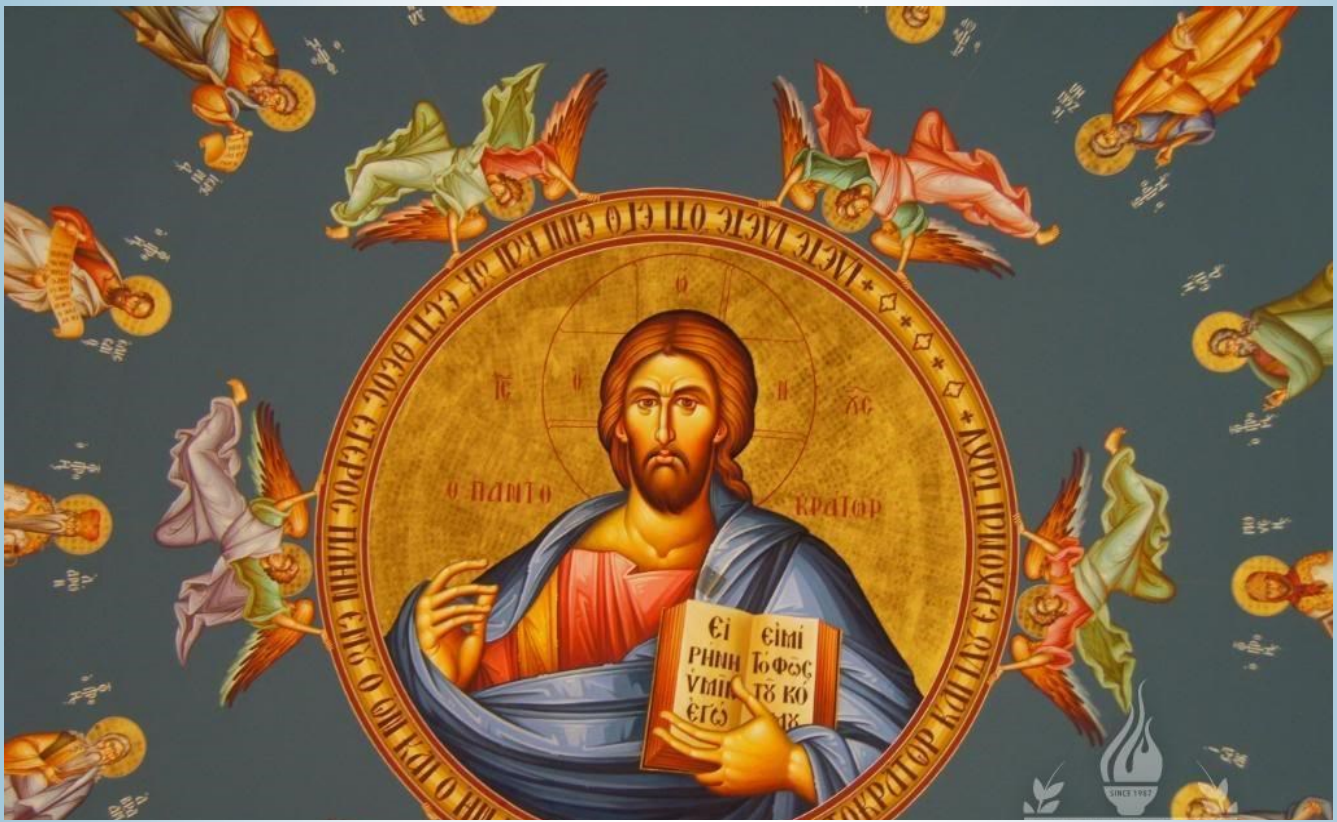
Dear family of St. Basil's

We extend our heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to each and every one of you, with a special acknowledgment to those who contributed to the magnificent banquet and Divine Liturgy during the formal visitation of our beloved Bishop and father, Francois Beyrouiti, alongside His Excellency Richard G. Henning, the Roman Catholic bishop of Providence, commemorating the 25th anniversary of our magnificent St. Basil monumental complex. We cherish your presence and support.

May Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, whose Holy and Life-Giving Cross we recently celebrated, shower His abundant blessings upon you and your cherished family. May He graciously reward you a hundredfold for your unwavering prayers and steadfast support.

In Christ,

Fr. Ephrem & Fr. Joe



To all Parishioners:

Due to the extreme weather, we experienced last night, we made a decision to extend the nomination process of the Parish Advisory Council (PAC). We did allow for the nominations by those in attendance on Wednesday evening, however we will also allow nominations to take place on Sunday September 24<sup>th</sup> during coffee hour (10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.). If you would like to nominate an individual, or if you are interested in being a nominee, please plan on being present on September 24<sup>th</sup>.

All accepting nominees will then prepare and submit a brief one-paragraph summary. This summary should include any relevant background and why he/she believes they should be elected to the PAC. This summary should be in a Word document and emailed to [susanalbatal@yahoo.com](mailto:susanalbatal@yahoo.com) by 9:00 a.m. on Friday September 29<sup>th</sup>. The election of the new PAC will take place by in-person voting via secret ballot on Sunday October 1<sup>st</sup> where the above-mentioned summaries will be made available for all to review. Voting will begin immediately following the 9:00 a.m. liturgy and conclude at 1:00 p.m. The top 8 vote getters will become elected members of the PAC.

Any questions should be directed to the Nominating Committee, which is comprised of Deacon Gilbert Altongy, Susan Albatal and Tony Brahimsha.

Thank you for your active participation in this critically important role within our Parish.

# Following Jesus

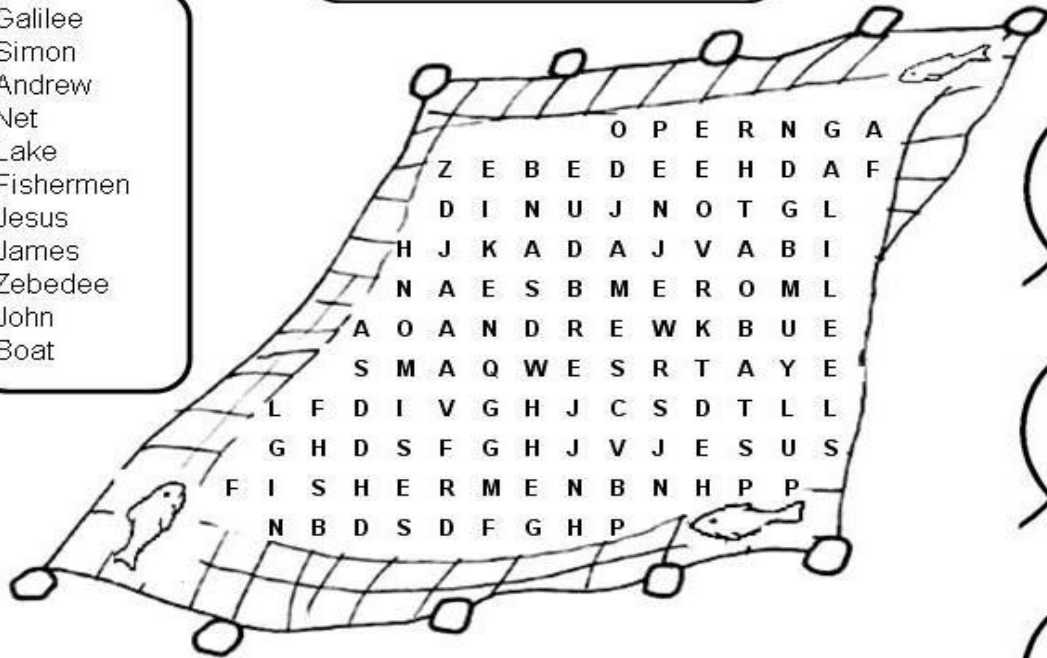
## Kids bulletin



### The calling of the first disciples

(Mark 1, 16:20)

- Galilee
- Simon
- Andrew
- Net
- Lake
- Fishermen
- Jesus
- James
- Zebedee
- John
- Boat



Come after me and I will make you into fishers of people.



Find the hidden words

# YOU ARE CALLED !

Why did Jesus perform the miracle of the great catch of fish?

No doubt the great crowd of people who had pressed upon Jesus had something to do with this miracle. They were very hungry for God and were eager to hear his word.

Jesus wanted to use this occasion to teach his disciples an important lesson. Although Simon was wearied from a night of fruitless toil, he nonetheless pressed upon Jesus for his word of command: At your word I will let down the nets. When you meet disappointment and failure, do you press upon the Lord, like Simon, to hear his word and to receive his command? This incident tells us an important truth about how God works in and through us for his glory.

God expects of us greater things than we can do by ourselves. When we cooperate in his works, we accomplish far beyond what we can do on our own.

Therese of Lisieux, A Carmelite nun who died of tuberculosis at the age of twenty-four, wrote to a friend: "...Jesus has so incomprehensible a love for us that he wills that we have a share with him in the salvation of souls. He wills to do nothing without us.

The Creator of the universe awaits the prayer of a poor little soul to save other souls redeemed like it at the price of all his Blood." When God's word is spoken his kingdom is revealed and his power is released. When people respond to God's word with faith and obedience they are changed and made "a new creation" in Christ (2 Cor. 5:17).

**God chooses ordinary people, like you and me, as his ambassadors and he uses the ordinary circumstances of our daily lives and work situations to draw others into his kingdom. Jesus speaks the same message to us today: we will "catch people" for the kingdom of God if we allow the light of Jesus Christ to shine through us.**

God wants others to see the light of Christ in us in the way we live, speak, and witness the joy of the gospel. Paul the Apostles says, But thanks be to God, who in Christ Jesus always leads us in triumph, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere. For we are the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing (2 Cor. 2:15).

Do you witness to those around you the joy of the gospel and do you pray for your neighbors, co-workers, and relatives that they may come to know the Lord Jesus Christ and grow in the knowledge of his love?

"Lord, fill my heart with love and compassion for those who do not know you or follow you. May I be a good witness of your truth and salvation to my family, friends, and co-workers."

## AND YOU SAY GOD CAN'T USE YOU?

Jacob was a **cheater**

Peter had a **temper**

David had an **affair**

Noah got **drunk**

Jonah **ran** from God

Paul was a **murderer**

Gideon was **insecure**

Miriam was a **gossip**

Martha was a **worrier**

Thomas was a **doubter**

Sara was **impatient**

Elijah was **moody**

Moses **stuttered**

Zaccheus was **short**

Abraham was **old**

Lazarus was **dead**

..."MY GRACE IS ALL YOU NEED. MY POWER WORKS BEST IN WEAKNESS..." **2 COR 12:9**



# تلاميذ المسيح



**1- القديس بطرس – هامة الرسل:** يوجد روايتين مختلفتين بخصوص استشهادة. الأولى تقول أنه ضُرب ومن ثم صُلب. أما الإعتقاد الثاني ويعود الى أحد المؤرخين من القرون الأولى يقول أن الوثنيين سلخوا جلده وبعدها قطعوا رأسه.

**7- توما** بَشَّرَ توما بإنجيل الرب يسوع في اليونان والهند، كان أول من بشر في الهند فهدي كثيرين إلى الإيمان من بينهم الأغنياء والأمراء ونساء أميرات وهناك قتل على يد كهنة الأوثان بالرماح، لذلك يصور في الأعمال الفنية وهو يحمل رمحاً .

**8- متى** هو كاتب الإنجيل الأول من الأناجيل الأربعة. واسم متى في اللغة العبرانية معناه عطاء الله. ولمتى اسم آخر ورد في إنجيل مرقس وإنجيل لوقا وهو لاوي. استشهد متى الرسول الذي كان جابياً للضرائب، في أثيوبيا. فقد أرسل الملك هيرتاكوس رجلاً طعن الرسول من الخلف بالسيف. وذلك لأنه انتقد أخلاق الملك الفاسدة.

**9- يعقوب ابن حلفى** ويقال له يعقوب الصغير. انتخب من قبل زملائه المؤمنين لرئاسة كنائس القدس، وكان واحدا من الرسل الأطول عمرا، وربما لم يتجاوزة سوى يوحنا في سن ال 94، استشهد عن طريق الضرب والرجم من قبل المضطهدين.

**10- تداوس** او يهوذا وهو غير يهوذا الإسخريوطي . له في كتب العهد الجديد رسالة واحدة التي تحمل اسمه رسالة يهوذا. تقول بعض التقاليد أنه قد استشهد في فارس وأن جثمانه قد نقل إلى سرداب في كنيسة القديس بطرس. في حين تقول تقاليد أخرى بأنه قد أدخل المسيحية مع القديس برثلماوس إلى أرمينيا التي استشهد فيها بعد ذلك سنة 72 م، رمياً بالسهم.

**11- سمعان القانوني** يلقب بالغيور. في التقليد الكنسي يذكر الرسول سمعان غالبا مع الرسول تداوس على انهما كانا يبشران معا، لذلك تعيد لهما الكنيسة الكاثوليكية في يوم واحد 28 أكتوبر/ تشرين الأول من كل عام، يُعتقد أن سمعان القانوني التحق بزميله يهوذا تداوس للتبشير في بلاد فارس وأرمينيا حيث قتل هناك في سبيل إيمانها. روايات اخرى تقول بأنه بشر في الشرق الأوسط وشمال أفريقيا وبانه زار بريطانيا ومات فيها صلبا سنة 74 م

**12- متيا** هو الرسول ال 12 الذي انتُخب مكان الخائن يهوذا. إن المعلومات بشأن حياة وموت ماتيا غامضة. حسب المؤرخ نيسفوروس قال انه بشر الانجيل في يهوذا وبعد ذلك ذهب الى اثيوبيا مبشراً البرابرة وأكلة لحوم البشر في المناطق الداخلية من اثيوبيا حيث

يعرف أيضاً باسم "كيفاً" الصخرة وسمعان. هو الذي عيّنه الرب يسوع نائبا له. ويعتبر البابا الأول للكنيسة الكاثوليكية. استشهد بطرس في روما في عهد الإمبراطور الروماني نيرون. يقول التقليد المسيحي انه عندما قبض وحُكم عليه بالموت صلبا طلب أن يُصلب مقلوبا، اي رأسه عند اقدام الصليب، وذلك إكراماً للمسيح كي لا يكون معادلاً له في موته.

**2- اندراوس – اخو بطرس** حسب المؤرخ الديني من القرن ال15 دورمان نيومان، ذهب اندراوس سنة 69 ميلادياً الى باتراس غربي اليونان، حيث ناقشه الوالي الروماني أغيتيس بأمور الدين، محاولاً إقناعه بإنكار يسوع والتخلي عن مسيحيته. وعندما فشل الوالي بذلك، أمر بجلده وصلبه على صليب بشكل . يقول التقليد أن اندراوس لم يُسمّر بالمسامير بل رُبط بحبال كي يطول عذابه أكثر. عاش اندراوس يومين على الصليب حيث كان يُبشّر المارة باسم يسوع المسيح قبل أن يُسلم الروح.

**3- يعقوب ابن زبدي** ويُسمى أيضاً يعقوب الكبير. ذكر سفر أعمال الرسل أن يعقوب استشهد طعناً بالسيف (أعمال 12:1-19) أراد هيرودوس أغريبا حفيد هيرودس الكبير وقد عُيّن مؤخراً حاكماً على اليهودية أن يتملق للرومان وذلك باضطهاد الكنيسة الحديثة . بينما كان يعقوب يندر اليهود ويؤنبهم لعدم إيمانهم بالمسيح، وثب عليه احدهم وشد عنقه بحبل فساقوه إلى هيرودس. فلقبه في الطريق رجل مخلع تضرع إليه، فشفاه باسم يسوع الناصري. وعند هذه الآية، أمن يوشيا وهو أول من قبض على يعقوب، فانطرح على قدمي الرسول، مستغفراً ومعلنا إيمانه بالمسيح، فهاج اليهود عليه وطلبوا قتله. فقبض عليه هو الآخر وسيق مع يعقوب حيث امر هيرودوس بضرب عنق يعقوب ويوشيا معاً. فنالا إكليل الشهادة سنة 44 للميلاد. القديس يعقوب الرسول هو أول من استشهد من الرسل.

**4- يوحنا ابن زبدي** هو الرسول الوحيد الذي لم يممت استشهاداً بل وافته المنية سلمياً في شيخوخته نحو عام 100 م.

**5- فيلبس** هو أول من دعاه يسوع المسيح ليتبعه. يقول التراث عنه أنه بعد الصعود والعنصرة وقع نصيبه في البشارة في آسيا الصغرى فتوجه إليها برفقة برثلماوس الرسول.بعدها وصل الى هيليوبوليس في مصر، حيق جُلد وألقي في السجن ومن ثم صُلب منكوس الرأس نحو عام 54م.


**6- برثلماوس** يبدو أن برثلماوس بَشَّرَ في بلاد عديدة منها الهند. حيث ترجم إنجيل متى للمؤمنين.



# LITURGICAL CALENDAR



SEPTEMBER	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 أيلول - سبتمبر 2023 AUGUST 2023 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31						<b>1</b> 	<b>2</b>
						<b>Beginning of the Liturgical Year</b> 1 Timothy 2:1-7 Luke 4:16-22	<b>St Mammias</b> 1 Corinthians 4:1-5 Matthew 23:1-12
	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 	<b>9</b>
	<b>14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b> الأحد الرابع عشر بعد العنصرة 2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4 Matthew 22:2-14	<b>Holy Prophet Moses</b> Galatians 2:11-16 Mark 5:24-34	<b>Holy Prophet Zechariah</b> Galatians 2:21-3:7 Mark 6:1-7	<b>The Miracle by Archangel Michael at Colossus</b> Hebrews 2:2-10 Luke 10:16-21	<b>Preparation of Nativity of the Theotokos</b> Galatians 3:23-4:5 Mark 6:30-45	<b>Nativity of the Theotokos</b> ميلاد والدة الإله Philippians 2:5-11 Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28	<b>Sts Joachim and Anne</b> 1 Corinthians 2:6-9 Matthew 10:37-11:1
	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 	<b>14</b>  	<b>15</b> 	<b>16</b>
	<b>Sunday before Holy Cross</b> الأحد قبل الصليب Galatians 6:11-18 John 3:13-17	<b>St Theodora</b> Galatians 4:28-5:10 John 12:19-36	<b>Leave-taking of the Nativity of the Theotokos</b> Galatians 5:11-21 John 11:47-54	<b>Preparation of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross</b> Hebrews 3:1-6 John 12:25-36	<b>Exaltation of the Holy Cross</b> رفع الصليب المقدس 1 Corinthians 1:18-24 John 19:6-11, 13-20, 25-35	<b>St Nicetas</b> Ephesians 1:7-17 Mark 8:1-10	<b>Saturday after Holy Cross</b> 1 Corinthians 1:26-2:5 John 8:21-30
	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 	<b>21</b> 	<b>22</b> 	<b>23</b>
	<b>Sunday after Holy Cross</b> الأحد بعد الصليب Galatians 2:16-20 Mark 8:34-9:1	<b>St Eumenios of Gortyna</b> Ephesians 1:22-2:3 Luke 3:19-22	<b>Sts Trophimos, Sabbatios and Dorymedes</b> Ephesians 2:19-3:7 Luke 3:23-4:1	<b>Sts Eustathios, Theopista, Agapios and Theopistos</b> Ephesians 3:8-21 Luke 4:1-15	<b>Leave-taking of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross</b> Ephesians 4:14-17 Luke 4:16-22	<b>St Phocas of Sinope</b> Ephesians 4:17-25 Luke 4:22-30	<b>Conception of St John the Forerunner</b> Galatians 4:22-27 Luke 1:5-25
	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 	<b>30</b>
	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Holy Cross</b> الأحد الأول بعد الصليب 2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1 Luke 5:1-11	<b>St Euphrosyne</b> Ephesians 4:25-32 Luke 4:38-44	<b>Passing of St John the Apostle</b> 1 John 4:12-19 John 19:25-27, 21:24-25	<b>St Callistratos and his companions</b> Ephesians 5:25-33 Luke 5:33-39	<b>St Chariton</b> Ephesians 5:33-6:9 Luke 6:12-19	<b>St Cyriacos</b> Ephesians 6:18-24 Luke 6:17-23	<b>St Gregory of Armenia</b> 1 Corinthians 15:39-45 Luke 5:17-26

 Church Major Feasts  Abstain from Meat  Fast from midnight until noon  Lenten Season

"And God has raised up the Lord, and he will also raise up us by his own power." (1 Corinthians 6:14)

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# Weekly Divine Liturgy Schedule



## *The Divine Liturgy Schedule*

### **Divine Liturgy**

- Sunday at 9:00 am & 11:15 am

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# *Wine and Paint*



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As of 09/15/2023



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### Campaign Facts:



**Campaign Goal:** \$1,000,000



**Outstanding Goal:** \$329,240



**Contribution Ranges:** \$20 to \$50,100

### Parish Community Facts:



**Total Registered Families:** 410



**Active Families:** 200



**% of Active Families Participation:** 55%

*"It's not about how much we give, but how much love we put into giving"*  
-Mother Teresa

### Current & Future Projects:



**Church Roof Replacement:** Project completed, final cost \$321,000.



**Rectory Roof Replacement:** Project completed, final cost \$18,850.



**Church Window Repairs:** Project completed, final cost \$9,000. Additional window was found to need repair, awaiting additional estimate.



**HVAC & Boiler Replacement:** Proposals received, estimated cost \$196,000. Boiler does need immediate replacing, awaiting timeframe. HVAC system is okay for now.



**Flooring Upgrades:** Proposal received, estimated cost \$50,000 (carpeting for Church, Cultural Center, office & hallway), awaiting samples and timeframe.



**Parking Lot Sealing:** Project completed at both Rectory & Church, final cost \$14,000.



**Interior Repairs, Expand Storage & HVAC Vent Cleaning:** Partial proposals received. Vent cleaning completed, final cost \$9,020



**Exterior/Masonry/Walkway Repairs:** Awaiting proposals. Maintenance to mosaic of The Blessed Mother completed, cost \$8,000.



**Security Cameras/Door Upgrades:** Camera system complete, final cost \$10,500. Electrification of doorway proposal received, pending completion.



**Central Air Conditioning and HVAC improvements to Rectory:** Project completed, final cost \$56,665.

### Important Highlights

- We are extremely grateful to all of those who have contributed and supported the campaign thus far.
- The finance committee has begun strategy planning on maximizing the return of current financial reserves for future projects. God willing, this will prevent the need for another capital campaign and *allow for a more spiritual focus!*
- As reflected above, donations have varied in amounts, we do not expect everyone to support with the same amount...*However, we do pray that everyone will support this important campaign!*
- This is an open and transparent campaign, if you have any questions, suggestion, or concerns Fr. Ephrem or any of the committee members would be more than happy review/discuss during coffee hour or feel free to call them at the numbers listed below.



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