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ST. BASIL THE GREAT MELKITE GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Divine Liturgy

Winter Schedule Begins This week

Saturday: 9:00 AM

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Reconciliation

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

Baptism

Please arrange with the pastor

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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



Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council

أحد القديسين آباء المجمع المسكوني السابع

Troparion of the resurrection (3rd tone)

Let all in heaven rejoice and all on earth be glad, for the Lord has exerted power with His arm: By death He has trampled upon Death and has become the firstborn from the dead. He has delivered us from the bosom of Hades and has granted to the world great mercy.

Troparion of the Fathers, (Tone 8)

O Christ our God, you are infinitely glorified for You established our fathers as radiant stars on earth. Through them, you led us to the true faith. O Most Merciful One, glory to You!

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.

Kondakion,

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 القيامة باللحن الثالث

لتفرح السماويات، وتبهج الارضيات. لأن الرب صنع عزاً بساعده، ووطء الموت بالموت، وصار بكر الاموات، وأنقذنا من جوف الجحيم، ومنح العالم عظيم الرحمة.

نشيد الآباء – باللحن الثامن

انت ايها المسيح الهنا فائق المجد، لانك اقمت آباءنا كواكب على الارض، وبهم هديتنا جميعاً الى الايمان الحقيقي. فيا جزيل التحنن المجد لك.

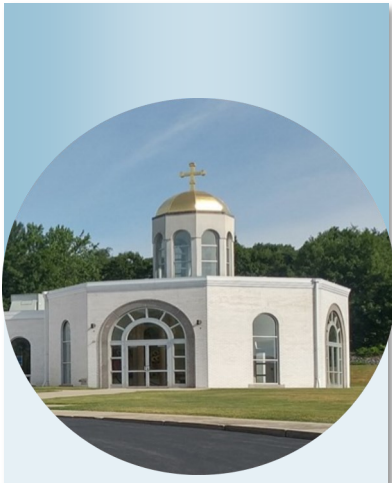
طروبارية القديس باسيليوس

لقد ذاع منطقتك في كل الأرض. فانها قد قبِلت 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.

نشيد الختام (القنطاق) باللحن الثاني

يا نصيرة المسيحيين التي لا تُخزي، ووسيطتهم الدائمة لدى الخالق، لا تعرضي عن أصوات الخطاة الطالبيين اليك. بل بما انك صالحه، بادري الى معونتنا، نحن الصارخين اليك بإيمان: هلمي الى الشفاعة، وأسري الى الابتهاال، 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

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



Epistle of the Fathers, Titus 3: 8-15

PROKIMENON (Tone 4)

Blessed are you, O Lord, God of our fathers, and your name is worthy of praise and glorious forever.

Stichon: For you are just in all you have done to us, and all your works are true and your ways right.

READING from the Epistle of St. Paul to Titus: 3: 8, 15

My son Titus, this saying is true, and in this matter, I want to insist that those who believe in God be careful to excel in good works: these are good and useful to people. But avoid foolish controversies and genealogies and quarrels, and disputes about the Law, for they are useless and futile.

Avoid a factious man after warning him once or twice, knowing that such a man is perverted and sins, since he is condemning himself.

When I send Artemas or Tychicus to you, make every effort to meet me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Help Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way, taking care that they lack nothing. And let our people also learn to excel in good works, in order to help cases of urgent need so that they may not be unfruitful. All my companions greet you. Greet those who love us in the faith. The grace of God be with all of you. Amen.

ALLELUIA (Tone 7) Ps.43: 2; 33: 18

O God, our ears have heard, our fathers have declared to us the deeds you did in their days, in the days of old.

Stichon: The just cried out, and the Lord heard them, and he delivered them from all their trials.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST Luke

THE Lord told this parable: "The Sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some seed fell by the wayside and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air ate it up. And other seed fell upon the rock, and as soon as it had sprung up it withered away, because it had no moisture. And other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it and choked it. And other seed fell upon good ground, and sprang up and yielded fruit a hundred-fold." As he said these things he cried out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

But his disciples then began to ask him what this parable meant. He said to them, "To you it is given to know the mystery of the kingdom of God, but to the rest in parables, that 'Seeing, they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.'" Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. And those by the wayside are they who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their heart, that they may not believe and be saved. Now those upon the rock are they who, when they have heard, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, but believe for a while, and in time of temptation fall away. And that which fell among the thorns, these are they who have heard, and as they go their way are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not ripen. But that upon good ground, these are they who, with a right and good heart, having heard the word, hold it fast, and bear fruit in patience." When he had said this, he cried out "He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

رسالة أحد القديسين آباء المجمع المسكوني السابح

مبارك أنت ايها الربُّ الُه أبائنا، ومسيحٌ وممجّدُ اسمك الى الدهور

لأنك عادلٌ في كلِّ ما فعلت بنا، وجميعُ اعمالك حقيقيّة، وطرفك مستقيمة

الرسالة (تيطس 3: 8-15)

يا ولدي تيطس، صادقُ القول، وأريد ان تُقرّر هذه الامور، حتى يكونَ الذين آمنوا بالله ذوي اهتمامٍ في القيام بالأعمال الصالحة. فهذه هي الحسنَةُ والنافعةُ للناس. أما المباحثاتُ السخيفة والانساب، والخصوماتُ والمماحكاتُ على الناموس فأجتنبها، فإنها غيرُ نافعةٍ وباطلة. ورجلُ البدعة، بعد الانذارِ اولاً وثانياً، أعرض عنه، عالماً ان مثلَ هذا قد زاع، وهو في الخطيئة يقضي. هو نفسه على نفسه. متى ارسلتُ اليك أرتماس أو تيخيكس بادر ان يأتي الي نيكوبولس. لأنني عولتُ ان اشتو هناك. اما زيناس معلمُ الناموس وألبس، فجهدكما باعنائٍ لئلا يُعورهما شيء. ليتعلمَ ذوونا ايضاً ان يقوموا بالأعمال الصالحة للحاجاتِ الضرورية، حتى لا يكونوا بدون ثمر. يُسلم عليك جميعُ الذين معي. سلم على الذين يُحبوننا في الايمان. النعمة معكم اجمعين. آمين

هللوا

اللهم بأذاننا قد سمعنا، وآباؤنا أخبرونا بالعمل الذي عملته في أيامهم، في الايام القديمة

الصدّيقون صرخوا والربُّ استمع لهم، ومن جميع مضايقتهم نجّاهم.

الاحد الرابع بعد الصليب—لوقا 8: 5-15

قال الربُّ هذا المثل: خرج الزارعُ ليرزَع رزعه. وفيما هو يزرع، سقط الزرعُ على الطريق، فوطئ وأكلته طيورُ السماء. وسقط البعض على الصخر، فلما نبتتَ تيسرَ لأنه لم تكن له رطوبة. وسقط البعض بين الشوك، فنبتت الشوك معه فخنقه. وسقط البعض في الارض الجيدة، فلما نبتت أثمرت مئة ضعف. فسأله تلاميذه قائلين: ما عسى أن يكونَ هذا المثل؟ فقال: أنتم قد أعطيتُم معرفة أسرار ملكوت الله، وأما الباقون فبأمثال، لكيلا ينظروا وهم ناظرون، ولا يفهموا وهم سامعون. وهذا هو المثل: الزرعُ هو كلمة الله. والذين على الطريق هم الذين يسمعون، ثم يأتي ابليس ويترغ الكلمة من قلوبهم لئلا يُؤمنوا فيخلصوا. والذين على الصخر هم الذين يسمعون الكلمة ويقبلونها بفرح، فهؤلاء ليس لهم أصل، فيؤمنون الى حين، وفي وقت التجربة يرتدون. والذين سقطوا في الشوك، هم الذين يسمعون، ثم يذهبون فيختنقون بهموم الحياة وغناها وملذاتها، فلا يأتون بثمر، وأما الذي سقط في الارض الجيدة، فهم الذين يسمعون الكلمة فيحفظونها في قلب جيد وصالح، ويثمرون بالصبر. ولما قال هذا صرخ: من له أذانٌ للسمع فليسمع.



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.



Divine Liturgy Intentions

THIS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2023: SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE SECOND COUNCIL OF NICAEA , OR SEVENTH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL.

9:00 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY:

+ **LILLIAN B. NASSANEY (2nd Anniv, & Birthday Remem.)** by her husband Zak & Family.

11:15 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY:

- + **MAGEE MARTINEZ (40 Day)** by Jalal & Souad Dekki & Family.
- + **VIOLETT (HAGGAR) SAGGAL (Australia (1st Anniv.)** by Joe & Yolanda Saggal.
- + **JOSEPH SALUM, ALICE SALUM & MARGARET JOYE** by the Family.
- + **AMANDA ROWEY** by Neil & Yolanda Karraz.
- + **ALBERT J. KISHFY (Birthday Remem.)** by Nelly Kishfy.
- + **YOUSEF GEORGI DEEB** by M/M Faiz Albatal.
- + **MR SAMUEL G. RAHEB (Birthday Remem.)** by the Family.
- + **JOHN R. ROWEY** by Mrs, Sita Makdesi Elias & George Jebraail.
- + **MICHAEL TAHHAN (CA)** by Paul & Chirin Ashkar.
- + **MARIE MARDO** by M/M Kyle Mardo & Family.





SACRIFICIAL GIVING: OCTOBER 8, 2023: Budgets: \$2,122.00 (Envelopes: \$2,049.00, Loose: \$73.00); Candles: \$76.00; Stole Offerings: \$1,150.00; Building Fund: \$710.00; Paint & Wine: \$660.00.

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 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.

TIME, TALENT & TREASURE: We are all links of a chain. A chain is as strong as its weakest link! What kind of link are you? Let us make this New Church Year the year that we give more of ourselves in the strengthening of the chain of St. Basil the Great Community. Hopefully, many more will step up in their real understanding of parish membership.

DIFFICULTIES: Life can be rough, and difficulties of all kinds are part of our human experience. Sometimes it is really hard to react to our troubles the way we should, but we can get help and it is free! The grace we receive from Sacramental Confession is REAL and while it does not take away our trials, it gives us inner strength to help us deal with them. You are encouraged any time during the year to get benefits from the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Just ask for it!

CLEANLINESS & HEALTH: Please pick up after yourselves and the children during and following Coffee Hour; insects and rodents are attracted by what we leave throughout and around the interior and exterior of the building; it takes but a few moments to clean up well. Cultural Center, hall, kitchen and bar, should always be free of open food items. Everyone: please take note. Hall dining tables, coffee serving areas, stainless steel tables, counters, sinks, stove, etc. should be soap washed after every use and before leaving the building. The custodian does not always come in on our desired schedule. We should work together as a team rather than go against the grain. Thank you!

REFLECTION: "God doesn't call the qualified – He qualifies the call."

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.



Baklawa & Souart al Sit Thursday, October 19 @ 10:00 am





As we commemorate today the Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council Of Nicaea, we take this solemn occasion to congratulate our Father and Shepherd, Bishop Francois Beyrouti, as he celebrated the first anniversary of his consecration as the Bishop of Newton for the Melkite Greek Catholic Church in the United Sates of America on October 12, 2023.

Axios! Worthy! Mustahiq!

May God grant Sayedna many blessed years filled with peace, health, and joy faithfully dispensing the Word of His Truth!

Following Jesus Kids bulletin



The Parable of The Sower and the Seed

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As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.” -Matthew 13:23 ESV

أيها الإنسان أي قلب أنت ؟



ايضا هناك قلوب مسيحية قلبها سطحي مثل الارض محجرة، ان هذه القلوب تشبه ارض التي ينتشر على وجهها تراب رفيع يخفي تحته الصخر القاسي فلا يوجد عمق لاجل زراعته .

فسرعان ما يموت الزرع ،اذ لا يوجد فيها مكان يتأصل فيه اي يشرش فلا يأتي ثمر من هذا النوع من الارض . هكذا الانسان ذو قلب سطحي وبدون حياة ونمو روحي، فسرعان يموت بدون ان يقوم باعمال صالحة تفيد الحياة الابدية.

اما النوع الثالث هو القلب المختنق بهموم وملذات الحياة الدنيا ، ان صاحب هذا القلب كان في ايام صباه مسيحيا تقيا ولكن اغراءات العالم الفاسد انهالت عليه فلم

يعد يقاومها بل انغمس فيها ، واصبحت اشواكا حادة خنقت كلام الله الذي زرع فيه ، ففقد حياته دون ان يحمل معه عند الموت اعمالا صالحة.

اما النوع الاخير الذي تحدث عنه يسوع هو القلوب الطيبة، التي قبلت كلام الله. هذا هو القلب المسيحي الحقيقي الصادق الذي احب الله حبا صافيا ، وبقي ثابتا على حبه وايمانه وتقواه على الرغم من التجارب والاعراءات .

كانت حياته مليئة بالفضائل طاعة لله وحبا لآخوته البشر المحتاجين، فتلك القلوب الطيبة هي مثل كالحبة التي وقعت في الارض واثمرت.

ان هذه القلوب المحبة هي افضل القلوب واقربها لله ،اذ اصحابها قد اعطوا المجال لنمو كلام الله فيهم وخضوا كاملا لارادته

اخيرا يا احبائي يطرح انجيل اليوم او المثل علينا سؤال من أي نوع قلبنا ؟ أهو قلب طائش ام سطحي ام متلذذ بالحطام الدنيا ام قلب طيب

ارجو ان يكون قلبكم طيب وانتم هكذا . هذا يعني انكم صالحين لان ينبت فيكم الكلمة التي يزرعها ويلقيها الرب في العالم من خلال قلوبكم الطيبة.

اي انتم مثمرون، اعطيتم قلبكم لله فصرتم الارض الطيبة لله التي ذكرها المسيح في المثل.

فطوبى لكم لان كل الذين قبلوه فاعطاهم سلطان ان يصيروا اولاد لله اي المؤمنين باسمه .

ايها الاحباء: من أهم الامور التي تخص الانسان المسيحي الحقيقي والتي تساعد على الخلاص ويجب ان يلتزم بها وينفذها هي ان يسمع الكلمة الالهية . والتي يطالبنا بها المسيح اليوم من خلال الكتاب المقدس.

اذ يقول بولس الالهي :صادقة هي الكلمة ومستحقة كل القبول . اذا السماع لكلمة الرب يسوع ضرورية ،ولكن لا تكفي للخلاص لوحدها ،وانما الحاجة الضرورية لان يترجم هذا السماع الى فعل اي عمل يأتي بثمر كثير

انجيل اليوم يعرض لنا نماذج عدة او انواع مختلفة من البشر الذين سمعوا الكلمة الالهية ويظهر ايضا تفاوت التزامهم بها . وترك لنا الخيار بان نحدد نحن الخيار من اي صنف او من اي نوع نكون .

اي انجيل اليوم يقول لنا بان هناك الكثير من المسيحيين سمعوا الانجيل اي بشروا بالكلمة الالهية اي بيسوع المسيح لم يطبقوا ما سمعوا وأمنوا به. اذ يعرض المسيح من خلال هذا المثل نماذج من الايمان المختلف عند المسيحيين.

اذ يختم المسيح المثل الذي سمعناه الان بالقول من له اذنان للسمع فليسمع .

وكأنه يريد ان يخاطب كل واحد منا سانلا اياه ما نوعية ارضك اي قلبك ،اي ايمانك ؟ما هي درجة قبولك للايمان بالكلمة الالهية والتزام بها.؟ اين تزرع هذه الكلمة فيك.

لذا الفكرة الاساسية في هذا المثل هي: ان يسوع يزرع كلام الله في قلب، كما يزرع الفلاح الحب في قلب الارض . وكما ان انواع عديدة مختلفة من الارض ،

فكذلك قلب الانسان ،فهناك القلب الطائش ،القلب السطحي،القلب المختنق بهموم الحياة والقلب الطيب.

انتم من أي قلب؟من أي نوع ؟ المسيح جاء الينا لاجلنا وزرع فينا الزرع الالهي اي كلام الله الذي هو مكتوب في الكتاب المقدس ونحن امان بهذا الكتاب .ولكن هل هذا الزرع دخل قلبنا ودخل الارض الطيبة واعطت ثمارا ام لا.؟

لذلك هناك مسيحيون قلوبهم طائشة سمعوا من يسوع في الانجيل كلام الله ولكن لم يفكروا به ولا تأملوا في معانيه ولا اهتموا لآخرتهم الابدية وليس عندهم حياة روحية .

ام مثل هذا القلب الطائش يسمح للشيطان ان ينزع منه الايمان والاخلاق فتنقلب حياته وتصيح فارغة وملوثة بالخطايا .يمثل هذا القلب فلا يحمل معه الى الابدية اي عمل صالح يشفع فيه يوم الدينونة.

Which soil are you like?



Jesus tells the story of seeds sown on four different types of dirt, leading to four different outcomes (three of which seem undesirable, to say the least). In each case, the ultimate outcome can be traced back to the condition of the soil onto which the seed fell. At Laity Lodge, and throughout the Texas Hill Country, the soil leaves something to be desired. At most it's a couple of inches deep. Around the Lodge there are even places where there is no soil to speak of at all.

Jesus' parable of the sower is aimed at everyone: the people who listen, and even those who don't.

The idea is that there are different ways of hearing God's word and they produce different kinds of fruit:

- There is the prejudiced hearer who has a shut mind. Such a person is unteachable, and blind to the things of God.
- Then there is the shallow hearer who fails to think things through; such a person lacks spiritual depth. They may respond at first with emotional fervor, but when it wears off their mind wanders to something else.
- Another type of hearer is the person who has many interests or cares, but lacks the ability to hear or comprehend what is truly important. Such a person is always too busy to pray or too preoccupied to meditate on God's word. They may work so hard that they are too tired to even think of anything else but work.
- Then there is the one whose mind is open. Such a person is willing to listen and to learn. He or she is never too proud or too busy to learn. They listen in order to understand.

What type of soil do you have?

Or, what kind of heart do you have? Are gospel seeds able to take root? And if so, are they able to endure? When the sun scorches (and it certainly does around here), do they survive? And having survived, is grain produced? Lent is the season for questions such as these. And if our soil and our hearts are rocky or weedy or compacted with birds overhead, we are not to despair.

In John we read that Mary, upon arriving at the empty tomb, mistakes the risen Jesus for "the gardener." Maybe it was no accident. Norman Wirzba, a recent Laity Lodge retreat speaker, has suggested that Jesus is "the gardener who came to clean up his garden and lead it into abundant and fruitful life." And a good gardener such as this knows to start with the soil.

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION: What kind of soil do you find where you live? Using the types from the parable, how would you describe the soil of your heart?

PRAYER: May we be a people that listen and hold fast to God's word, patiently enduring and persevering, and producing much fruit by the grace of God in our lives. God, give us ears to hear. And nurture our hearts' soil, that we might produce grain for you. Amen.



LITURGICAL CALENDAR



OCTOBER	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 تشرين الأول - أكتوبر 2023	1 2 nd Sunday after Holy Cross الأحد الثاني بعد عيد الصليب 2 Corinthians 9:6-12 Luke 6:31-36	2 St Cyprian Philippians 1:1-7 Luke 6:24-30	3 St Stachys and his companions Philippians 1:8-14 Luke 6:37-45	4 St Hierotheos of Athens Philippians 1:12-19 Luke 6:46-7:1	5 St Charitina Philippians 1:20-27 Luke 7:17-30	6 St Thomas the Apostle 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 John 20:19-31	7 Sts Sergios and Bacchos 1 Corinthians 15:58-16:3 Luke 5:27-32
	8 3 rd Sunday after Holy Cross الأحد الثالث بعد عيد الصليب 2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9 Luke 7:11-16	9 St James the Apostle 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 Matthew 9:36-10:8	10 Sts Eulampios and Eulampia Philippians 2:16-23 Luke 8:1-3	11 St Theophane of Nicaea Philippians 2:24-30 Luke 8:22-25	12 Sts Probos, Tarachos and Andronicos Philippians 3:1-8 Luke 9:7-11	13 Sts Carpos, Papyllas and Agathonicos Philippians 3:8-19 Luke 9:12-18	14 St Cosmas of Maiuma 2 Corinthians 1:8-11 Luke 6:1-10
SEPTEMBER 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	15 Second Council of Nicaea أهد أباء مجمع نيقية الثاني Titus 3:8-15 Luke 8:5-15	16 St Longinos the Centurion Philippians 4:10-23 Luke 9:18-22	17 St Andrew of Crete Colossians 1:1-11 Luke 9:23-27	18 St Luke the Apostle Colossians 4:5-11,14-18 Luke 10:16-21	19 Holy Prophet Joel Colossians 1:24-2:1 Luke 9:49-56	20 St Artemios Colossians 2:1-7 Luke 10:1-15	21 St Hilarion 2 Corinthians 3:12-18 Luke 7:1-10
NOVEMBER 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	22 6 th Sunday after Holy Cross الأحد السادس بعد عيد الصليب Galatians 2:16-21 Luke 8:27-40	23 St James of Jerusalem Galatians 1:11-19 Matthew 13:54-58	24 St Arethas and his companions Colossians 2:20-3:3 Luke 11:1-10	25 Sts Marcian and Martyrios Colossians 3:17-4:1 Luke 11:9-13	26 St Demetrios 2 Timothy 2:1-10 John 15:17-16:2	27 St Nestor Colossians 4:10-18 Luke 11:23-26	28 Sts Terence and Neonila 2 Corinthians 5:1-10 Luke 8:16-21
	29 7 th Sunday after Holy Cross الأحد السابع بعد عيد الصليب Galatians 6:11-18 Luke 8:41-56	30 Sts Zenobios and Zenobia 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5 Luke 11:29-33	31 St Stachys and his companions 1 Thessalonians 1:6-10 Luke 11:34-41				

Weekly Divine Liturgy Schedule



The Divine Liturgy Schedule

Divine Liturgy

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

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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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