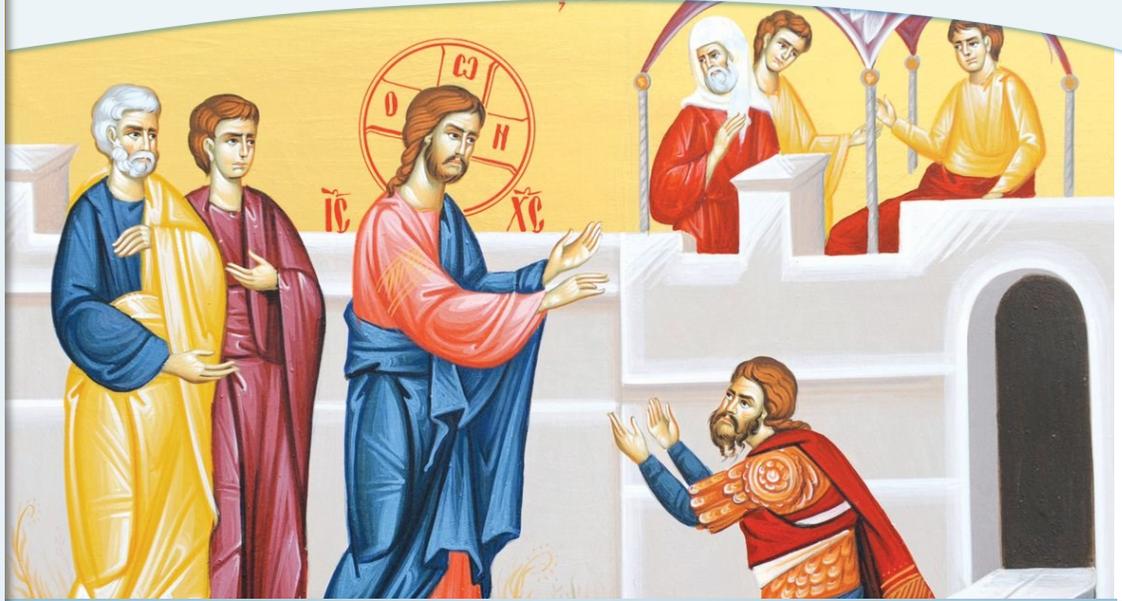




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ST. BASIL THE GREAT MELKITE GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Saturday 2:30 –3:30 P.M.,
Sunday 9:30-10:30 A.M., or by
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Baptisms: Please arrange with the
pastor.

Marriages: 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.



Fourth Sunday after Pentecost الأحد الرابع بعد العنصرة The centurion's Servant شفاء خادم قائد المئة

Troparion of the Resurrection, (3rd Tone)

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad! For the Lord has done a wondrous deed by his arm! He has crushed Death by his death becoming the first to rise from the dead. He has delivered us from the mouth of Hades and bestowed great mercy upon the world.

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 .

طروبارية القيامة باللحن الثالث

لِتَفْرَحِ السَّمَاوَاتُ. وَتَبْتَهِجِ الْأَرْضِيَّاتُ. لِأَنَّ الرَّبَّ صَنَعَ عِزًّا بِسَاعِدِهِ. وَوَطَى الْمَوْتَ. وَصَارَ بِكَرِّ الْأَمْوَاتِ. وَأَنْقَذَنَا مِنْ جَوْفِ الْجَحِيمِ. وَمَنَحَ الْعَالَمَ عَظِيمَ الرَّحْمَةِ

طروبارية القديس باسيليوس

لَقَدْ ذَاعَ مِنْطَقُكَ فِي كُلِّ الْأَرْضِ. فَانْهَارَ قَدِ قَبِلْتَّ كَلَامَكَ، الَّذِي بِهِ بَيَّنْتَ الْعَقَائِدَ بَيَانًا إِلَهِيًّا، وَأَوْضَحْتَ طَبِيعَةَ الْكَائِنَاتِ، وَنَظَّمْتَ أَخْلَاقَ الْبَشَرِ. فَيَا أَيُّهَا الْآبُ الْبَارُّ ذُو الْكَهَنُوتِ الْمَلُوكِيِّ، ابْتَهِلْ إِلَى الْمَسِيحِ الْإِلَهِ فِي خِلَاصِ نَفُوسِنَا.

نشيد الختام (القنداق)

يَا نَصِيرَةَ الْمَسِيحِيِّينَ الَّتِي لَا تُخْزِي، وَوَسِيطَتَهُمُ الدَّائِمَةَ لَدَى الْخَالِقِ، لَا تَعْرِضِي عَنْ أَصْوَابِ الْخَطَاةِ الطَّالِبِينَ الْبَيْكِ. بَلْ بِمَا أَنْكَ صَالِحَةٌ، بَادِرِي إِلَى مَعُونَتِنَا، نَحْنُ الصَّارِخِينَ إِلَيْكَ بِأَيْمَانٍ: هَلْمِي إِلَى الشَّفَاعَةِ، وَأَسْرِعِي إِلَى الْإِبْتِهَالِ، يَا وَالِدَةَ الْإِلَهِ الْمُحَامِيَّةَ دَائِمًا عَنْ مَكْرَمِيكِ.



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 Rom 6:18-23

PROKIMENON (Tone 3)

Sing praise to our God, sing praise!
Sing praise to our King, sing praise!
Stichon. All you peoples, clap your hands!
Shout to God with cries of gladness!

READING from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans

BRETHREN, now that you have been freed from sin, you have come to serve justification.

I speak in a human way because of the weakness of your flesh. For as you yielded your members as slaves to uncleanness and iniquity, so now yield your members as slaves of justification so as to be sanctified. For while you were the slaves of sin, you had nothing to do with justification. But what fruit did you gather then of those deeds of which you are now ashamed? For the end of such things is death. But now, set free from sin and become slaves to God, you have your fruit resulting in sanctification, and as your end, life everlasting. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is life everlasting in Christ Jesus our Lord.

ALLELUIA (Tone 3) Ps.30: 2,3

In you, O Lord, I have hoped: let me never be put to shame.

In your goodness, save me and deliver me; lend your ear and hasten my deliverance.

Stichon: Be for me a protecting God, a sheltering house to save me.

The Holy Gospel According to St. Matthew the Evangelist

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - Mt 8:5-13

At that time when Jesus entered Capernaum, there came to him a centurion who begged him, saying, "Lord, my servant is lying sick in the house, paralyzed, and is grievously afflicted." Jesus said to him, "I will come and cure him." But in answer the centurion said, "Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof; but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. For I too am a man subject to authority, and have soldiers subject to me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes; and to another, 'Come,' and he comes; and to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it." And when Jesus heard this, he marveled, and said to those who were following him, "Amen I say to you, I have not found such great faith even in Israel. And I tell you that many will come from the east and from the west, and will feast with Abraham and Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, but the children of the kingdom will be put out into the darkness outside; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." Then Jesus said to the centurion, "Go your way; as you have believed, so be it done to you."

And the servant was healed at that hour.



رسالة الراح بعد العنصرة

مقدمة الرسالة

رَنَمُوا لِإِلَهِنَا رَنَمًا، رَنَمُوا لِمَلِكِنَا رَنَمًا
يا جميع الأمم صفقوا بالأيدي، هَلِّلُوا لِلَّهِ بِصَوْتِ
الابتهاج

الرسالة (رومة 6: 18-23)

يا إخوة، بعد أن أعتقتم إلى الخطيئة استعبدتم إلى
للبر، أقول كلاً بشراً من أجل ضعف جسدكم. فكما
جعلتم أعضاءكم عبيداً للنجاسة والإثم للإثم، كذلك
الآن اجعلوا أعضاءكم عبيداً للبر للقداسة. لأنكم حين
كنتم عبيداً للخطيئة، كنتم أحراراً من البر، فأني ثمر
حصل لكم حينئذ من الأمور التي تستحيون منها
الآن؟ إنما عاقبتها الموت، وأما الآن وقد أعتقتم من
الخطيئة واستعبدتم لله، فتحوزون ثمركم للقداسة،
والعاقبة حياة أبدية، لأن أجره الخطيئة موت، وأما
موهبة الله فحياة أبدية في المسيح يسوع ربنا.

هللوا

عليك يا رب توكلت فلا أخزي إلى الابد، بعدلك نجني
وانتسلي

كن لي إلهاماً محامياً، وبيت ملجاء لخلاصي.

الانجيل الرابع بعد العنصرة

الانجيل (متى 8: 5-13)

في ذلك الزمان، لما جاء يسوع إلى كفرناحوم، دنا إليه
قائد مئة وسأله قائلاً: يا سيدي، إن غلامي مُلقى في
البيت مُقعداً يعذبُ بغياب شديد فقال له يسوع: أنا
آتي واشفيه. فأجاب قائد المائة وقال: يا سيدي
لست أهلاً أن تدخل تحت سقفي ولكن قل كلمة لا
غير فييراً غلامي. فإني أنا أيضاً إنسان تحت سلطان،
ولي جنود تحت يدي. فأقول لهذا اذهب فيذهب
وللآخر آت فيأتي. ولعبيدي اعمل هذا فيعمل. فلما
سمع يسوع تعجب وقال: للذين يتبعونه الحق أقول
لكم إني لم أجد مثل هذا الإيمان حتى ولا في إسرائيل
وأنا أقول لكم إن كثيرين يأتون من المشارق والمغرب
ويتكئون مع إبراهيم وإسحق ويعقوب في ملكوت
السموات، وأما بنو الملكوت فيلقون في الظلمة
البرانية هناك يكون البكاء وضريف الأسنان. ثم قال
يسوع لقائد المئة: اذهب وليكن لك كما آمنت فشفى
غلامه في تلك الساعة.



SACRIFICIAL GIVING: June 13, 2021: Budgets: \$3,463.00; Envelopes: \$3,440.00; Loose: \$23.00; Stipends: \$170.00; Candles: \$82.00; Building Fund: \$65.00.

TODAY, JUNE 19 & 20, 2021: A special collection will be taken up for the **CHARITIES OF POPE FRANCIS** (Peter's Pence). This collection enables the Holy Father to respond to requests for emergency funds for the most disadvantaged throughout the world. This special appeal is an opportunity to demonstrate justice and kindness to our brothers and sisters in need. Please pray for the Holy Father's works and contribute generously to the appeal.

MANY BLESSED & FRUITFUL YEARS: On Monday, June 15, 2020, Father Ephrem arrived at St. Basil's Church & Rectory, and on Sunday, June 21, 2020, which was Father's Day, he was installed as the new Pastor by Bishop Nicholas Samra at the 11:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy. Therefore, in my name, and in the name of the Community of St. Basil's, we offer our heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to ABOUNA on his First Anniversary among us. We thank God for the generous and selfless ministry rendered to our community for the past year. Many more blessed years with peace, health, joy, and contentment. A more formal welcome will be in the making, once this pandemic is out of sight, God willing, when you will be able to meet the parishioners on a one to one basis. Then the Shepherd will know his sheep.

On **FATHER'S DAY**, we offer our best wishes to all the Fathers, Grandfathers, and Godfathers of St. Basil's Community. God give long life and health to those living, and grant eternal happiness to those who have preceded us to everlasting life. May their love and dedication inspire us all!

GRAPE LEAVES: The Food Fair Committee is appealing to all parishioners and friends to donate sufficient grape leaves to accommodate the needs of this popular cuisine. Anyone willing to donate some leaves can bring them to the church and they will be stored in the freezer. Arrangements will be made by the Committee to freeze them.

Please be advised that the weekly bulletin has not been printed due to the COVID-19 guidelines and restrictions, but presently, information is available online, church Facebook page and on YouTube.

FATHER DANIEL NASSANEY UPDATE: Thank you all for your prayers and best wishes. They are my source of health and hope. I am doing well and try walking a mile each day. My left leg is still my weak leg. My balance remains unsteady so I use a walking stick. I saw the plastic surgeon yesterday. He is happy with the healing of the wound where the cancer was removed. He emphasized that the closure is progressing well but it will take a lot of patience as new skin will eventually form. I shall have a **MRI** and **CAT SCAN** at the end of July before seeing the surgeon who removed the tumor. Hopefully there shall be no cancer. You remain always in my prayer. FR. DAN!

GENERAL HOME VISITATIONS, SICK CALLS, HOSPITAL VISITS: Father Ephrem has been fully vaccinated and is now available for these 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.

CONGRATULATIONS: Today, Sunday, June 20, 2021, we celebrate the 50th Wedding Anniversary of our brother, **GEORGE HARRAKA**, and sister, **JEANNE MARDO**. The marriage took place on June 20, 1971 and was blessed by the late Rev. Peter Capucci and presently Father Joe.

O Lord, look with favor as they ask for your help and the protection of the Virgin Mary. In their struggles, let them rejoice that you are near to help them; in their needs, let them know that you are there to rescue them; in their joys let them see that you are the source and completion of every happiness.

May the words of the ceremony 50 years ago reverberate in their hearts and sound just like they were chanted that day: "O Lord our God, crown with glory and honor and grant them dominion over the works of your hands."

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES FOR MANY MORE BLESSED AND HEALTHY YEARS!

REFLECTION: The fool doth think he is wise, but the wise man knows himself to be a fool." - William Shakespeare

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.





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

TODAY, SATURDAY, JUNE 19, AND SUNDAY, JUNE 20, 2021: FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. HIRO-MARTYR METHODIUS OF PATARA. FATHER'S DAY.

4:00 p.m. DIVINE LITURGY:

Liturgy for **ALL THE FATHERS OF THE PARISH** both living and deceased on the occasion of **FATHER'S DAY**.

11:00 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY:

Liturgy for **ALL THE FATHERS OF THE PARISH** both living and deceased on the occasion of **FATHER'S DAY**.

SPECIAL REMEMBRANCE for **ALL GRADUATES** from High School, College, or Institutions of Higher Learning.





ST. BASIL THE GREAT MELKITE GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH

HONORING

The Class of 2021

“Congratulations and Best Wishes!”

We congratulate and offer our best wishes to the following parishioners and their parents who have notified us of their graduations. We wish you success in all your future endeavors!

Name of Graduate	Parent's Names	Name of School / College / Degree
Fawzia Alam	Elias Alam & Nesrin Hana	Rhode Island College-Psychology
Souhail Michael Albatal	Faiz & Susan Albatal	University of Rhode Island-Bachelors in Biological Sciences and Attending Boston University for a Masters in Oral Health Sciences
Sara Alkhouri	Jihad Alkhouri & Salam Alam	University of Rhode Island-Biomedical Engineering
Alexander Elias Azar	Pamela Marie Azar	Bryant University Masters International Business
Flora Khoury	John Alkhouri & Najat Aleneini	Cumberland High School
Austin S. Balon	Bruce & Darlene Balon	Lincoln High School
Christian S. Balon	Bruce & Darlene Balon	Lincoln High School
Dylan G. Balon	Bruce & Darlene Balon	Lincoln High School
Tyler M. Balon	Bruce & Darlene Balon	The Ohio State University-B.S. Neuroscience <u>Suma Cum Laude</u>
Samuel Raheb	Ronald & Stacey Raheb	Lincoln High School
Zachary Raheb	Ronald & Stacey Raheb	Johnson & Wales University
Jacquelyn Nicole Rawan	Wayne & Judy Rawan	Regis College, Master of Science in Nursing
Lauren Elizabeth Rawan	Wayne & Judy Rawan	Fitchburg State University, MBA w/a concentration in Marketing



Happy Father's Day



to our Heavenly Father and our Earthly Fathers: Dads,
Grandpas, Godfathers, Foster Fathers,
Stepfathers all our Spiritual Fathers and Priests !

عيد أب سعيد
لأبينا السماوي وآبائنا الأرضيين
الآباء، الأجداد، الآباء الروحيين والكهنة

Levels of Faith As Recorded in the Bible



The Bible has a lot to say about different levels of faith. While some types of faith are somewhat related, others are distinctly different, with names such as common, great, genuine, and one we all hope to avoid, wavering.

Christian faith is based on God's promises, rather than feelings, or things visible. Great faith holds fast regardless of outward appearances.

"And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform," (Rom 4:18-22).

The one who truly believes and has faith will act on God's Word, with perfect assurance that his request will be granted.

These fifteen Levels of Faith are found in Scripture at random. They are listed here in this order only for practicality.

"Measure of Faith"

We begin with measure of faith because without it none of the succeeding steps of faith would be possible. A measure of faith is given by God to all men. It is a faith that has not grown but is sufficient for belief in God and salvation. In Romans 12:3 it is referred to as "The Measure of Faith."

The Measure of Faith is a gift from God.

"Growing Faith"

A growing faith steadily progresses from the measure of faith to a great strong faith. A growing faith is pleasing to God: "We ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly..." (2 Thes 1:3) As nutritious milk helps a baby to grow strong and healthy; Spiritual food will help a baby Christian grow into a deeper level of faith.

"Great Faith"

An unrelenting totally persuaded type of faith, that does not give up until the request is granted. A Centurion who had asked Jesus to heal his sick child, and whose faith was so great that he said, "Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. But only speak a word, and my servant will be healed." "When Jesus heard it, He marveled, and said to those who followed, "Assuredly, I say to you, I have not found such great faith, not even in Israel!" (Matt 8:8-10)

And there was the woman from Canaan, a Gentile, (not a Jew). The Gentiles, as a rule, had very little, if any, faith in God.

This woman requested Jesus to heal her severely demon-possessed daughter. When Jesus refused, saying that He had only been sent to the Jews, she persisted, and demonstrated a level of faith so great that it brought the following response from Jesus:

"...O woman, great is your faith! Let it be to you as you desire..." (Matt 15:21-28). Great faith will always move God to answer.

"Unwavering Faith"

Sincere, Unbendable - (opposite of wavering) - To believe God without question. "Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful." (Heb. 10:23).

Unwavering faith is to count those things that be not as though they are, (Rom.4:17; Mark 11:22-24).

There is no need for God's Children to be trapped in fear, weakness, poverty, or despair. To receive from God we must believe and hold to our faith without wavering, (Heb 10:23).

"But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the

sea driven and tossed by the wind. 7 For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; 8 he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways," (James 1:6-8).

All things are possible with God, and nothing is beyond His power. Unwavering faith gives thanks for the answer from the moment it asks, then looks forward to its fulfillment with child-like expectation. When you genuinely believe, you have acted. The act of believing is a necessary step in getting what you want from God.

"Strong Faith"

"He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God," (Rom 4:20). Abraham had a strong faith that refused to surrender or be defeated. Following the faith of Abraham is the way to receive what might be considered impossible and unprecedented.

Strong faith will not be turned away. Regardless of the situation or outlook, it digs in and holds fast until it receives what has been asked of God.

Most Christians desire this level of faith, but it seems that only a few can maintain faith, while thanking God for the answer in advance.

I believe another term for strong faith might be, "Ruthless Faith." The kind that refuses to doubt and waver when things do not seem to be going as requested of God. This is the way to get tangible answers from God.

"Historical Faith"

Jesus used Scripture as one of four witnesses, to prove that He was the Messiah, the "Son of God:"

1. The witness of John the Baptist
2. The witness of His works (Signs)
3. The witness of God the Father
4. The witness of the Scriptures

"You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me," (John 5:39).

The Scriptures Jesus used to persuade the Jews will also speak to modern day man. Fulfilled prophecy and manuscripts, such as the Dead Sea Scrolls, provide proof that Jesus was who He claimed to be. Historical levels of faith are bound to the records contained in God's Word. The proof is there for anyone willing to do the research.

"Active Faith"

Active faith takes action as soon as the Word of God is understood. It is actively doing and living in faith as if the things requested of God although not yet seen, are a reality. Active faith is a requirement for

Levels of Faith As Recorded in the Bible (..cont)

receiving from God.

Answered prayer is perhaps the greatest faith-building experience possible. How great to pray to Almighty God, and to have Him answer. This is God's plan, and it can happen to every child of God.

"If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you," (John 15:7).

You must become aware of your new life in Christ.

You have the Spirit of Jesus within you, as well as His love and nature. His power flows through you to bear much fruit. Jesus died to make this possible. Cling to His promises, allow His Words to give you the faith to ask and receive.

Faith is action, in counting those things that be not as though they were (Rom 4:17; Mark 11:22-24).

"Genuine Faith"

This type of faith permits no deception, pretense, charlatans, or braggarts. It is a genuine and sincere faith that flows from a true heart, with the desire to do what is right.

"when I call to remembrance the genuine faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am persuaded is in you also." (2 Tim 1:5)

"Common Faith"

A faith commonly or mutually shared by all Christians who believe humanity can find salvation and eternal life through Jesus Christ the Messiah, Savior of the world, and that He hears and answers prayers.

In Titus 1:4, it is referred to as, "common faith;" in God shared by all Christians that makes it possible to Obtain Eternal Life.

"Titus, a true son in our common faith..."

In Romans 1:12, The Apostle Paul uses the word, "mutual faith."

"That is, that I may be encouraged together with you by the mutual faith both of you and me."

"Human Level of Faith"

Human Level of Faith is the exercise and determination of man to have confidence in any object or person, as he chooses, including the Word of God. He can choose to have faith that a chair will support him, that which another person tells him is true, or, that the sun will continue to rise each morning.

"Faith Without Root"

Jesus spoke of having faith without root. It is the type of faith that springs up quickly, and beautifully, but because it has no depth, fails just as quickly when temptation and trials come along. For the most part, this is because the soil has not been adequately prepared by digging and searching for knowledge, guidance, and truth, in God's Word.

"...the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, who believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away" (Luke 8:13).



"Little Faith"

"Fearful, displaying a lack of total trust;" was used by the Lord as a tender rebuke for anxiety and fear." (Vine's Complete Expository Dictionary)

"if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O you of little faith?" (Matt 6:30)

"But He said to them, "Why are you fearful, O you of little faith?" Then He arose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm, (Matt 8:26).

"Weak Faith"

"And not being weak in faith, he did not consider his own body, already dead (since he was about a hundred years old), and the deadness of Sarah's womb," (Rom.4:19).

"Receive one who is weak in the faith, but not to disputes over doubtful things. 2 For one believes he may eat all things, but he who is weak eats only vegetables," (Rom 14:1-3).

For someone to forbid and condemn the things he considers to be sin, when there is no clear leading in scripture, would be a sin.

"But he who doubts is condemned if he eats, because he does not eat from faith; for whatever is not from faith is sin," (Rom 14:23).

Those who are strong in faith are told to accept the weak:

"We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves," (Rom 15:1).

"Faith Without Works"

"But someone will say, "You have faith, and I have works." Show me your faith without your works, and I will show you my faith by my works," (James 2:18).

Faith without works passively believes and accepts the Bible literally, but without action. Many people believe and have faith that God can do all His Word says. They believe in miracles, yet fail to act on His Word.

"Wavering Faith"

"To bend," "to be insincere,"

James encourages believers to put their faith in action: "But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed," For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord." he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways, (James 1:5-7).

A wavering faith is one that doubts and is unstable in all his ways. Unbelief is either refusing to act or ignorance of the Word of God. Regardless of how impossible the situation the answer is unwavering faith.

مقياس الايمان



فتعجب المخلص قائلاً: "الحق أقول لكم إنني لم أجد إيماناً بمقدار هذا ولا في إسرائيل!"

ولكن لماذا أُنِها الإخوة والأخوات اختار الله رجلاً وثنيّاً وليس يهودياً كقدوة للإيمان القوي أثناء تبشيره؟ ألم يكن الذين تبعوه من العبرانيين وقد كان تلاميذه السبعون والاثني عشر من أمثال أولئك العبرانيين والذين قد اختارهم المخلص وسماهم هو ذاته رُسلًا؟ كان

اليهود يتمنون أن يروا في المسيح ليس نبياً عظيماً فحسب بل وملكاً أرضياً أيضاً والذي سيمنحهم تلك الأشياء التي يمكن للحياة الدنيا أن تمنحهم إيّاها. أما الرجل الوثني فقد رأى فيه ربّ وملك الملوك السماوي والأرضي معاً.

قال يسوع للذين يتبعونه: "الحق أقول لكم إن كثيرين سيأتون من المشارق والمغرب ويتكثرون مع إبراهيم واسحق ويعقوب في ملكوت السماوات." (متى: 8: 11). ليس عند الله كلمة إلا ولها معنى. وكما أنّه خلّق كل إنسان على صورة الله فكذلك يمكنه أن يُخلص وينال الحياة الأبدية إذا ما كان لديه إيمان ذلك الرجل الوثني.

والبكم عبرة أخرى: لقد كشف قائد المائة عن إيمانه لكي يخلص عبده المريض من الموت. إنّه لم يطلب لنفسه شيئاً آخر. إن أعمال الإيمان هي أعمال محبّتنا للرّب إذ يقول القديس بولس الرسول: "وإن أُطعمتُ كلّ أموالي، وإن سلّمتُ جسدي حتّى أُحترق، ولكن ليس لي محبة، فلا أنفع شيئاً." (1كورنثوس 13: 2) ولأنّه "إننا نعلم إلى حد ما وإلى حد ما نتنبأ ولكن حينما تحلّ المعرفة الكاملة حينئذٍ سيخفي ذلك " الحد".

ولكن ما الذي سيحلّ بأولئك الذين يتقيّدون بالحرف ويؤمنون به؟ هم "بنو الملوكوت" الذين سبقت فأعطيت لهم الممالك الكنعانية حيث وُعدوا بها والذين يملكون بسبب إيمان الأنبياء والأبرار من الشعب اليهودي الحقّ في أن يرثوا الملوكوت السماوي كذلك أيضاً إنهم سيُلقى بهم في الظلمة الخارجية حيث سيكون البكاء وصريف الأسنان. إنهم لم يجلسوا على المائدة مع الملك في ملكوته السماوي بل سيشعرون بعذاب الجحيم الأبدي لأنهم لم يعرفوا بأن يسوع هو المسيح المنتظر سيُعطي كل واحد على مقدار إيمانه. قال يسوع لقائد المائة: "اذهب وليكن لك كما أمنت." فشفي غلامه لوقته. لقد طلب الرّجل مساعدة من الرّب فقالها.

أُنِها الإخوة والأخوات إننا إذ نكون مثقلين بالاهتمامات الدنيوية غاباً ما نتجه نحو المسيح طالبين يد العون منه وإننا نحصل عليه أحياناً ولا نحصل عليه على نحو ما كنّا نتوقعه أحياناً أخرى. إذا كيف يجب علينا أن نطلب العون من الرّب؟ يجب علينا أن نطلب ذلك بالتضرّع والإيمان والتواضع!

تقدّم الرجل الوثني إلى يسوع بطلبه. إن مثال هذه الطلبة هو واضح بالنسبة للمسيحي الأرثوذكسي - الطلبة أي الصلاة. إن الله ليس مديناً لنا بل نحن خاصته! ولذلك فإننا لا نطلب ونصرّ على الله بل إننا نسال منه!

لقد أظهر قائد المائة إيمانه أمام الجمع الذي كان يتبع يسوع والذي كانوا يُجربون أمامه بقلة إيمانهم عدّة مرّات. كان ذلك الإنسان واعياً بخطاياهم وقد تواضع عن طريق التوبة ونال مطلبه الذي كان يطلبه.

أُنِها الإخوة والأخوات دعونا لا نضيع ولا لحظة من حياتنا! فلنأخذ معنا كلّ الأثاث الذي سنأخذه معنا بعد موتنا أعني نفسنا الخالدة ولندخل في محبة الرّب بتواضعٍ وصلوةٍ وإيمانٍ!

لا يوجد هنالك مقياس للإيمان. إنّه من الصعب أن يقارن الإيمان عند أحد الناس مع إيمان شخص آخر. ويحصل أن يختبر أكبر المؤمنين إيماناً صراعاً مع الشكّ حينما يقرّر الله أن يمتحنه ويسمح بهجوم الأرواح الشريرة الساقطة عليه.

كذلك يختبر إنسان آخر أقلّ إيماناً منه أو الإنسان الشكّ

بشكل مستمرّ فجأة الغبطة من أن يُقيم في محبة الله ويشعر بالحاجة أن يكون معه دوماً. إنّ المتعة هي بمثابة بديلٍ للسعادة الأبدية وإنّها لا بد أن تزول من بعد أن يشبع الجسد منها تاركاً نفساً فارغة في إثرها. إنّ السعادة الدنيوية هي ككلّ شيء أرضي لها بداية ولها نهاية. إنك إذا اخترتها ليوم واحد فقط سواء أكان ذلك لأيام أو أسابيع أو أشهر عدّة فإنّ هذه السعادة تزول ولا يتبقى شيء منها سوى الذكرى التي تجعل أيامنا مرّة. إن غبطة الإنسان المقيم في كنف المحبة الإلهية فقط لا تنتهي أبداً وذلك إذا ما عرف الإنسان بأنّ مفتاح هذه الغبطة هو الإيمان. يقول القديس الرسول بولس: "وأما الإيمان فهو الثقة بما يُرجى والإيقان بأنّ أمور لا تُرى." (عبرانيين 11: 1).

عندما دخل مخلص الجنس البشري في مدينة كفرناحوم الجليلية اقترب إليه قائد مائة وسأله أن يشفي فتاه المريض والمستلقي في بيته والذي كان يعاني بشدّة من مرضه. هذا ما خبرنا به الإنجيل الإلهي الذي سمعناه اليوم معكم. وإذا قد أمسينا بعبيد مدّة ألفي سنة عن الأحداث الإنجيلية فأبنا وللأسف دائماً ما لا نفهم بأنّه لا يوجد في العهد الجديد للكتاب المقدس أيّة حادثة قد حصلت مصادفةً. إن كل كلمة في البشارة معناها الإرشادي والعميق.

وفي الحقيقة ماذا في ذلك أن يأتي إلى يسوع قائد مائة ويسأله عن مساعدة عاجيئة؟ كان قائد المائة وثنيّاً وأما في ذلك الزمان فلم يكن من المقبول أصولياً أن يسأل هو الساجد للأوثان والتي يمكن أن يكون الإمبراطور ذاته من بينها أن يطلب مساعدة عاجيئة من رجل يهودي بالجسد الذي يلتقي به لأول مرّة والذي يعرف عنه اسمه فقط. ولكن كان في قلب ذلك القائد الأجنبي أمراً مخفياً عن مواطنيه ويبدو أنّه لذلك لم يحفظ شهود العيان اسمه. إن ذلك الأمر الذي كان مخفياً عنهم لم يكن مخفياً بالنسبة لله الفاحص الكلي الذي كانت أبواب قلب قائد المائة مفتوحة أمامه والذي كان يخترقه نور الإيمان. وهكذا عرف ذلك الرجل العادي أنّ الذي يقف أمامه هو كلمة الله الأزلي والذي كان عند الله قبل كلّ الدهور وكان الكلمة ذاته لها (يوحنا 1: 1). عند حصوله لتلك المعرفة القلبية (الإيمان) فهم ذلك الرجل فجأة كم أنّ الطبيعة البشرية خاطئة وقال: "يا ربّ إنني لست مستحقاً أن تدخل تحت سقفي..." (متى: 8: 8).

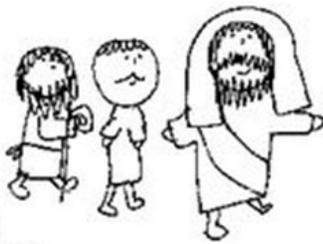
لم يكن ذلك الرجل خارج وضعه الاجتماعي كقائد مائة إنساناً عشوائياً. لقد كان ذلك الرجل يحترم الإله الواحد الذي كان اليهود يمجّدونه كقدوة للأمم الأخرى وكان قد بنى بنفسه مجعماً لليهود في كفرناحوم على حساب الخالص. كما أنّه كان يعدّ عبده كفرّ من أفراد عائلته على خلاف الكثير من الأسياد الآخرين وكان يشاركه الآلهة. أرسل قائد المائة في البداية شيوخ اليهود ومن ثمّ معارفه إلى يسوع إذ عدّ نفسه غير مستحقّ كما خبرنا القديس لوقا الإنجيلي (لوقا 7: 3، 6).

إنّ إيمان قائد المائة ولو كان غير ظاهر وواضح للناس بالرغم من ذلك فقد رأى الله أنّه موجودٌ في قلبه: "ولكن قل كلمة فيبراً فتأتي فأني أنا إنسان تحت سلطان..." هكذا سأل الإنسان الوثني يسوع. لقد مكّنه إيمانه من أن يختبر القدرة الإلهية: "إن كلمة المسيح بحذّ ذاتها تكفي إنّها فعالة مثل أمرٍ يصدره قائد مائة إلى جنوده الذين تحت إمرته.

Following Jesus Kids bulletin



I am not worthy that you should come under my roof; but only say the word, and my servant will be healed



Jesus went to Capernaum.



A centurion came and asked for help.



He said, "My servant is not well".

Jesus told the centurion that He will come to heal his servant.



The centurion said, "No, I am not worthy to have You come to my house. I have faith that You can heal him from here."



Jesus said, "Go home".



The centurion went home.



His servant was well!



LITURGICAL CALENDAR

JUNE



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Liturgical Symbols:

- Abstain from meat
- Church Major Feasts
- Fast from midnight until noon

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 St Justin the Philosopher Romans 4:4-12 Matthew 7:15-21	2 St Nicephoros the Confessor Romans 4:13-25 Matthew 7:21-23	3 Feast of the Divine Body عيد الجسد الالهي 1 Corinthians 11:23-32 John 6:48-54	4 St Metrophanes of Constantinople Romans 5:17-6:2 Matthew 9:14-17	5 St Dorotheos of Tyre Romans 3:19-26 Matthew 7:1-8
6 2 nd Sunday after Pentecost الأحد الثاني بعد العنصرة Romans 2:10-16 Matthew 4:18-23	7 St Theodotos of Ancyra Romans 7:1-13 Matthew 9:36-10:8	8 Queen's Birthday Relics of St Theodore Romans 7:14-8:2 Matthew 10:9-15	9 St Cyril of Alexandria Hebrews 7:26-8:2 Matthew 5:14-19	10 Leave-taking of the Feast of the Divine Body وداع جسد الرب Romans 8:22-28 Matthew 10:23-31	11 Sts Bartholomew and Barnabas the Apostles Romans 9:6-19 Matthew 10:32-36, 11:1	12 St Peter of Athos Romans 3:28-4:3 Matthew 7:24-8:4
13 3 rd Sunday after Pentecost الأحد الثالث بعد العنصرة Romans 5:1-10 Matthew 6:22-33	14 Holy Prophet Elisha Romans 9:18-33 Matthew 11:2-15	15 Holy Prophet Amos Romans 10:11-11:2 Matthew 11:16-20	16 St Tikhon of Cyprus Romans 11:2-12 Matthew 11:20-26	17 Sts Manuel, Sabel and Ishmael Romans 11:13-24 Matthew 11:27-30	18 St Leontios Romans 11:25-36 Matthew 12:1-8	19 St Jude the Apostle Beginning of the Apostles Fast بدء قطاعة الرسل Romans 6:11-17 Matthew 8:14-23
20 4 th Sunday after Pentecost الأحد الرابع بعد العنصرة Romans 6:18-23 Matthew 8:5-13	21 St Julian of Tarsus Romans 12:4-5, 15-21 Matthew 12:9-13	22 St Eusebios of Samosata Romans 14:9-18 Matthew 12:14-16, 22-30	23 Holy Martyr of Agrippina Galatians 4:4-7 Luke 1:29-45	24 Nativity of St John the Forerunner مولد يوحنا المعمدان Romans 13:11-14:4 Luke 1:1-25, 57-68, 76, 80	25 St Febronia Romans 16:1-16 Matthew 13:3-9	26 St David of Thessalonica Romans 8:14-21 Matthew 9:9-13
27 5 th Sunday after Pentecost الأحد الخامس بعد العنصرة Romans 10:1-10 Matthew 8:28-9:1	28 Relics of Sts Cyrus and John Romans 16:17-24 Matthew 13:10-23	29 Sts Peter and Paul the Apostles الرسولان بطرس ويولس 2 Corinthians 11:21-12:9 Matthew 16:13-19	30 Synaxis of the Apostles محفل مقدس للرسول 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 Matthew 9:36-10:8			

Jesus Christ, you travelled through towns and villages "curing every disease and illness."

At your command, the sick were made well.

Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love.

Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care.

Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbors from helping one another.

Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders.

Stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow. Be with those who have died from the virus.

May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace. Be with the families of those who are sick or have died.

As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace.

Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

Be with our priests and spiritual care givers. May they know that they are loved and cared for.

Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve. Give them the wisdom to invest in long-term solutions that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks.

May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth.

Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from this illness or only a few,

Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare. In place of our anxiety, give us your peace.

For You are a God of mercy, kindness, and love, and we glorify You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

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WHEN YOU ARRIVE AT CHURCH:

- Remind yourself why you are here: Jesus Christ. You have an appointment every Sunday morning at 10:30am with Him, so you should not be late. Would you be late to any other appointment? Get extra rest so that you can make it to Church on time.
- Shut off all beepers, phones, and electronic devices. NO text messaging!
- As we sing in the Liturgy, “Let us lay aside all earthy care.”**
- When entering the Church, venerate/kiss the icon at the entrance, cross yourself in prayer, and light a candle.



YOU MAY NOT ENTER THE CHURCH AT THE FOLLOWING PERIODS:

- During the Entrance of the Holy Gospel
- During the reading of the Epistle and the Holy Gospel
- During the Sermon
- During the Entrance of the Holy Gifts

If you arrive during the above mentioned times, please wait at the back of the church.

When you enter or exit the Church, use only the side aisles. No one is to use the middle aisle at any time during the service, except for the Communion line.



YOU SHOULD NOT BE SEATED DURING THE FOLLOWING MOMENTS:

- The singing of the Great Doxology (“Glory to Thee who has shown us the Light”)
- At “Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father, Son, and of the Holy Spirit...”
- During the Entrance of the Holy Gospel
- During the reading of the Holy Gospel
- During the Entrance of the Gifts
- During the Consecration of the Gifts
- During the Creed and the Lord’s Prayer (“Our Father”)
- While the priest and deacon are distributing Holy Communion
- Any time the priest blesses you with his hand or the cross



CONDUCT IN CHURCH:

It is important to keep a reverent attitude and demeanor in Church at all times.

- Be on time! The proper time to arrive is **before** the service begins.
- Should you have an emergency and think you will be late to Church, still come, pray, and give thanks to God for all things!
- You are there to pray, so focus on the prayers and hymns of the Liturgy
- Do not cross your legs while seated**; please be firm while standing
- Do not stand with your hands in your pockets**
- Do not chew gum**; absolutely no eating or drinking
- Do not talk during the Divine Liturgy**, especially during the Gospel reading and in Communion line (wait until Coffee Hour to say hello)
- Communion is not the end of Liturgy**; do not leave until Liturgy is completely over and you have kissed the cross. You may not go to the Hall during Liturgy.



MAKING THE SIGN OF THE CROSS:

The sign of the Cross is extremely powerful due to the reminder it gives of Christ’s sacrifice. Tracing the sign of the Cross on ourselves serves as the accepting of that sacrifice and the blessing to emulate it in our everyday life. Making the sign of the Cross is the reception of the blessing bestowed on you by the Bishop or the Priest. It is the pious custom of devout people to trace themselves with the sign of the cross at important parts of the Divine Liturgy.

WHEN TO MAKE THE SIGN OF THE CROSS:

- At the beginning and end of prayers and services
- Upon entering Church and leaving Church
- At the mention of the “Father, Son, and Holy Spirit”
- When offering glory or blessedness to God
- At any prayerful invocation of God
- When the priest exclaims “Peace be to all”



The House of God Etiquette .. Continued

- When the priest blesses the faithful with his hand or cross
- When the priest censes the people
- During the Entrance of the Holy Gospel
- During the Trisagion Prayers or Hymn (Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy...)
- After receiving Holy Communion (after you have taken a few steps away from the chalice)

BOWING YOUR HEAD:

There are certain times in the service when parishioners should bow their heads:

- When the priest exclaims "Peace be to all"
- At the exclamation "Bow your heads unto the Lord"
- When the priest blesses the faithful with his hand or cross or censer
- When the priest or deacon bows toward the people during the services
- During the Entrance of the Holy Gospel
- When the Holy Gospel is read
- During the Entrance of the Gifts
- During the Consecration of the Gifts
- When you feel you need to focus on the service as to not get distracted



RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION:

To receive Holy Communion a person should:

- Prepare by prayer, by repentance, ultimately by receiving the Sacrament of Confession
- Prepare by fasting from food and drink (except for those with medical reasons) upon rising in the morning at least an hour before
- Refrain from smoking or chewing gum upon rising in the morning
- Ask forgiveness of anyone you have wronged
- Offer forgiveness to anyone who has wronged you
- Approach the chalice with reverence and thanksgiving, with arms crossed or hands folded with one's mind on Christ
- Say your name to the priest as you approach the Holy Chalice
- Tilt your head back and open your mouth as wide as you can
- You should NOT receive Holy Communion if you arrive to Church after the reading of the Gospel.
- Quietly return to your place and recite the Thanksgiving prayers



CHURCH ATTIRE:

Use Good Judgment! Common Sense! We should offer Christ our "Sunday Best", not our everyday or common wear. Our dress should always be becoming of a Christian, and exemplify Christian values.

- No Sleeveless T-Shirts, No Tank-tops, No Sunglasses on head (or baseball caps)
- No Gym Shoes, No shorts, No Flip-Flops
- Dresses and skirts must fall below the knee and must be worn loosely; not tight
- Ladies' blouses should not be revealing and must cover the chest and shoulders
- Excessive make-up must be avoided. Women who wear lipstick should make sure lips are dry before receiving Communion, kissing cross or the priest's hand.
- This attire is to be for all ages!
- This attire is to help us realize how to respect our bodies, the Church, and to properly offer up prayer for our sins
- This attire is to help us NOT become a distraction to others who are trying to focus themselves





We are pleased to announce

The Daily Divine Liturgy

At St. Elias Chapel (St. Basil the Great Melkite Greek Catholic Church)

Tuesday through Friday at 9 A.M.

Saturday at 4 P.M.

Sunday at 11 A.M.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available on

“I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live” *John 11:25*

Remember me in your Kingdom

You are invited to the Divine Liturgy for the departed
in the Lord in the Hope of Resurrection
On the last Wednesday of the Month at 6:30 pm

أَنَا هُوَ الْقِيَامَةُ وَالْحَيَاةُ. مَنْ آمَنَ بِي وَلَوْ مَاتَ فَسَيَحْيَا. (يو 11: 25)

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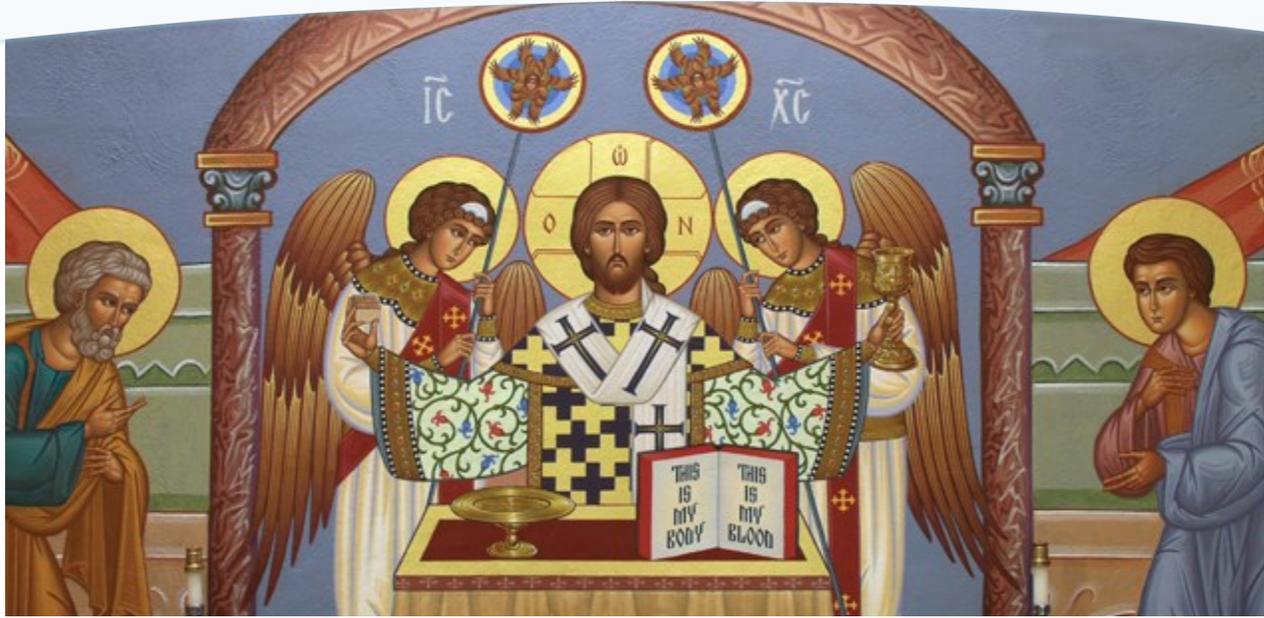


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Mass intentions can be scheduled for those who have died, and on the occasion of a birthday, wedding anniversary, for healing for the conversion of sinners, for the grace to face the challenges in life, for the success in a new job, for those serving in the church and country in different levels, for good weather, bountiful harvest, for world peace, in thanksgiving for the blessings received, etc. You can find so many reasons to think about a Mass offering. We offer the Mass for a specific intention because we believe in the immense spiritual value of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

The custom of giving offering to have Liturgies said for specific intentions is a laudable one and should be maintained as much as possible. Church teaching and Canon Law (nos. 942-958) provide important guidelines on how to preserve the dignity and appreciation of this practice. Overall, it should be well noted that Liturgy offerings are never to be viewed as a means of parish fundraising.

COMMEMORATIONS OF THE DEAD: The Apostolic Constitutions refer to the repetition of the Mass on the third, ninth and fortieth days: "Let the third day be observed in remembrance of the dead with psalms, lessons, and prayers, because Christ rose from the dead on the third day. Let the ninth day be observed in remembrance both of the living and the dead, and also the fortieth day, in accordance with mourning customs of the Israelites at the time of Moses' death. Finally, let the anniversary day be observed in memory of the dead."

In contemporary Byzantine practice, the dead are commemorated on the ninth and fortieth days and on the anniversary of their departure from this world.

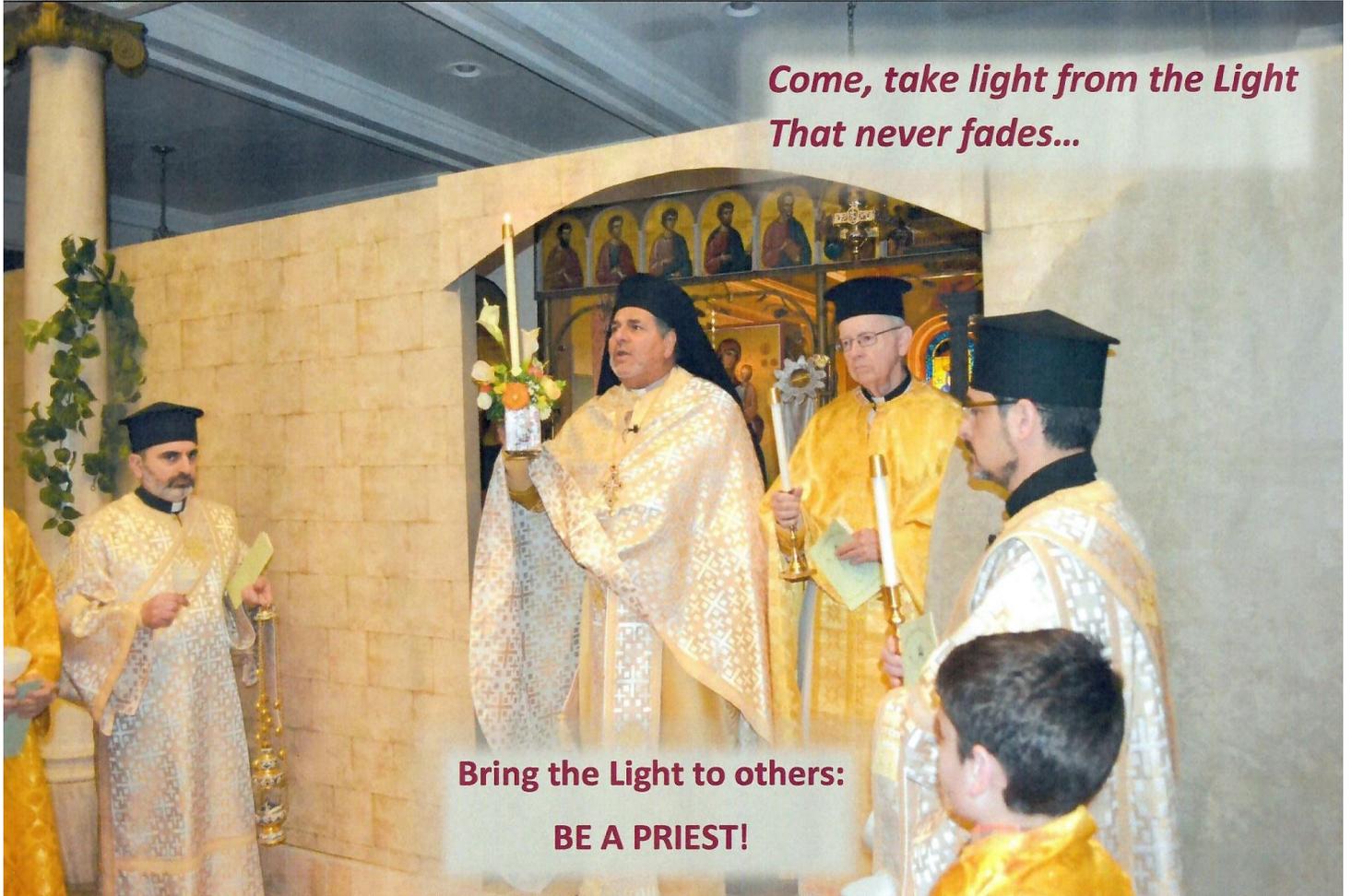
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Effective January 1, 2008, which by-passed us, the schedule of offerings for Masses in parishes is now \$25.00; Funerals: \$300.00; Weddings: \$300.00.

Canon Law prohibits accepting stipends or offerings for Masses more than one year in advance (rolling calendar) Canon 953. The time within which Masses must be celebrated (1 year) begins the day the intention is received (Canon 955 #2.)

May the memories of our beloved deceased be eternal and many thanks for your understanding and undivided attention in regard to these guidelines and restrictions.

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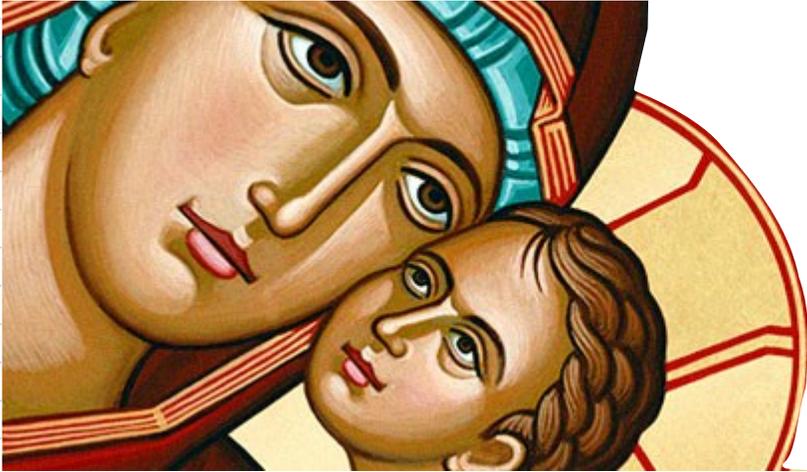
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