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ST. BASIL THE GREAT MELKITE GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Divine Liturgies

Sunday Divine Liturgy
9:00 AM - 11:15 AM

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Holy Mysteries

Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will
be available before 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



9th Sunday after the Holy Cross 24th Sunday after Pentecost.

الأحد التاسع بعد الصليب -
الأحد الرابع والعشرون بعد العنصرة

Troparion of the Resurrection (7th tone)

Through your Cross You destroyed death, You opened
Paradise to the thief, and turned into joy the mourning
of the ointment bearing women, and You ordered your
Apostles to proclaim that You rose, O Christ God,
Bestowing 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 of the Presentation (4th Tone)

The most pure Temple of the Savior, His most precious
bridal chamber, the Virgin, sacred treasury of God's
glory, enters today into the house of the Lord, bringing
with her the grace of the divine Spirit. Wherefore the
angels of God are singing: "Behold the heavenly
tabernacle!"

نشيد القيامة بالحن السابع

لاشيت بصليبك الموت، وفتحت للصي الفردوس،
وحولت نوح حاملات الطيب الى فرح، وأمرت رسلك
أن يكرزوا مبشرين بأنك قد قمت، أيها المسيح الاله،
مانحاً العالم عظيم الرحمة.

طروبارية القديس باسيليوس

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

نشيد الختام (قنداق دخول العذراء الى الهيكل) بالحن الرابع

ان هيكل المخلص الاطهر، البتول الحجلة الوافرة
الكرامة، وكتر مجد الله المقدس، تدخل اليوم الى
بيت الرب، وتدخل معها نعمة الروح الالهي.
فيسبحها ملائكة الله: هذه هي المظلة السماوية.





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: The 24th Sunday after Pentecost.
Prokimenon (Tone 7). The Lord will give strength to his people; the Lord will bless his people with peace.
Stichon: Give to the Lord, you Sons of God, give to the Lord glory and praise.

Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians (2:14-22).

Brethren, Christ is our peace. He it is who has made both [Jews and Gentiles] one, and has broken down the intervening wall of the enclosure, the enemy, in his flesh. He has voided the Law of commandments expressed in decrees, so that of the two he might create in himself one new man, and make peace, and reconcile both in one body to God through the cross, having destroyed their enmity within himself. And as he came, he announced the good tidings of peace to you who were far away, and of peace to those who were near: because through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. Therefore, you are now no longer strangers or foreigners, but citizens with the saints and members of God's household: you are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets (Cf. Is. 28:16) with Christ himself as the chief cornerstone. In him the whole structure is closely fitted together and grows into a temple holy in the Lord; in him you too are being built together into a dwelling place for God in the Spirit.

ALLELUIA (Tone 7). It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name, O Most High!
Stichon: To proclaim your kindness at dawn and your faithfulness throughout the night.

Gospel: 9th of Holy Cross, Luke 12: 16-21 (The Rich Fool)
The Lord told this parable: "The land of a certain rich man brought forth abundant crops. And he began to consider, saying, 'What shall I do, for I have no room to store my crops?' And he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger one, and there I will store up all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have many good things laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be marry.' But God said to him, 'You fool, this very night, you must give up your life; and the things you have provided, whose will they be?' So is the man who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich as regards God." After he had said this, he cried out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

الاحد الرابع والعشرون بعد العنصرة
مقدمة الرسالة
الرَّبُّ يُوْتِي شعبه قُوَّة، الرَّبُّ يَبَارِكُ شعبه
بالسلام
قدموا للرَّبِّ يا أبناء الله، قدموا للرَّبِّ أبناء
الكباش

الرسالة (افسس 2: 14-22)
يا اخوة، ان المسيح هو سلامنا. هو جعل
الاثنين واحداً، ونقض في جسده حائط
السياج الحاجز، أي العداوة. وأبطل ناموس
الوصايا بتعاليمه، ليخلق الاثنين في نفسه
انساناً واحداً جديداً بإجرائه السلام، ويصالح
كليهما في جسد واحد مع الله بالصليب،
بقتله العداوة في نفسه. وجاء وبشركم
بالسلام، أنتم البعيدين وأنتم القريبين. لأنَّ به
لنا كلنا التوصل إلى الآب في روح واحد.
فلستم اذن بعد غرباء ولا نزلاء، بل أنما أنتم
مواطنو القديسين وأهل بيت الله. وقد بُنيتُم
على أساس الرسل والانبياء. ورأس الزاوية هو
يسوع المسيح نفسه، الذي يُنسَق فيهِ
البُنيان كله، فينمو هيكلاً مقدساً في الرب.
وفيه أنتم أيضاً تُبْنَون معاً مسكناً لله في
الروح.

هللوا
صالح الاعتراف للرَّبِّ، والاشادة لاسمك أيها
العلي
ليُخَبَّر برحمتك بالعادة، وفي الليل بحقِّك

الإنجيل التاسع بعد الصليب
(لوقا 12: 16-21)
قال الربُّ هذا المثل: أنسان غني أخضبت
ضيعته. فجعل يفكر في نفسه قائلاً: ماذا
افعل؟ فإنه ليس لي موضع أأخزن فيه غلاتي.
ثم قال: أفعل هذا، أهديم أهراي، وأبني أوسع
منها، وأأخزن هناك جميع غلاتي وخيراتي.
وأقول لنفسي: يا نفسي، لك خيرات كثيرة
موضوعة لسنين كثيرة، فاستريح وكنلي
واشربي وتنعمي. فقال له الله: يا جاهل، في
هذه الليلة تُطلب منك نفسك، فهذا الذي
أعددتَه لمن يكون؟ هكذا من يدخر لنفسه
ولا يَغتني لأجل الله. ولمَّا قال هذا صاح: من
له أذنان للسمع فليسمع.

Father, thank you for all of our blessings.
Help us have the wisdom to use them in ways that
honor you, bless others, and bring you joy.
In Jesus' name, we pray.
Amen.



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

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2022: NINTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS.
VIGIL OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.**

9:00 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY:

- + **LOUIS P. TAGER, SR. (Birthday Remem.)** by daughter, Barbara, Doug & Family.
- + **PETER MASHATA (9th Anniv.)** by Eugenie Mashata & Family.
- + **DECEASED MEMBERS OF SANKY FAMILY** by Eugenie Mashata & Family.
- + **DECEASED MEMBERS OF MASHATA & TABBACH FAMILIES** by Eugenie Mashata & Family.
- + **PHILIP WILLIAMS** by Roberta Williams
- + **WILLIAM T. ASERMELY** by Dr. & Mrs. Joseph Gaglione & Family.
- + **MARGARET SABBAGH** by Joseph & Yolanda Saggal.

11:15 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY:

- + **JEANNETTE AYOUB DAIKH (Aleppo, Syria)** by Samir & Hanaa Boudjouk.
- + **YUSEF AGHIA (3rd Anniv.)** by his wife Rouaida & Family.
- + **GEORGETTE S. SAGGAL** by Marco, Pamela, Sienna & Scarlett Pacheco.
- + **MICHAEL GEORGE BOUDJOUK (NJ)** by Ron & Tina Isbitsky & Family.





SACRIFICIAL GIVING: November 13, 2022: Budgets: \$2,138.00: Envelopes: \$2,10.00, Loose: \$128.00; Candles: \$96.00; Stole Offerings: \$520.00; Building Fund: \$95.00; Add'tl Melkite Diocesan Support: \$20.00; Military/Veterans: \$50.00; Addit'l Fuel: \$10.00; Cemetery: \$317.00.

PLEASE NOTE: Before making any **ENGAGEMENT/BAPTISM/MARRIAGE RECEPTION PLANS**, please contact the Church in advance. We would rather not have you disappointed if you've already made commitments without checking our schedule first.

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.

TODAY, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20th, 2022, there will be a special collection taken up for your **FUEL OFFERINGS**. Please help defray the cost of heating the church & rectory, as prices escalate rapidly. We must remember that utilities are more than doubled in our new complex. Your generosity would be greatly appreciated.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to those who voluntarily welcome visitors to our church by inviting them to the Cultural Center and/or sitting with them during the Coffee Hour or inviting them to visit again. You are good apostles of & for our church! If, God willing, our Parish grows, it will be because of these actions.

May we all remember to be thankful for everything that we have and be always ready to display that gratitude honestly & fair.

BE GOOD STEWARDS OF TIME: All churches fall short of what they could be and do because some of their members don't seem to feel the reality of the claim of God on their time through His Church. So if you've got an hour to kill someday soon, either do nothing in the presence and consciousness of God, or do something for His sake, and the sake of another.

The **MYO** will be making blankets and donating them to **AMOS HOUSE** this year. We will be seeking monetary or fabric donations for this worthy cause.

If you would like to donate, kindly see any **MYO** member or contact: Joe Massud at 1-508-802-7585 or Christine Barrett at 1-401-265-0386. Thank you in advance for your assistance. Much appreciated!

GOD'S WORLD: *The principle behind stewardship is that every material thing, though you may call it yours..Actually belongs to God. God owns it all: your land, your property, your income, your life. This is God's world. When you give a truly significant portion of your money, you are only setting apart for God's use a portion of the money that has been entrusted to you by God. The person who gives sacrificially does so because he or she knows whose world this is!*

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
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O Jesus, Who has said,
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and urgently ask your
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O Jesus, Who has said,
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pass away but My word
shall not pass away,"
through the intercession
of the Theotokos Your
Most Holy Mother, I feel
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ENVELOPE USERS: It would be helpful to us if you could please check off the amount on the outside of the budget envelope. This will allow for more efficiency and accuracy in the recording of your budgets. Thank you kindly!

Also, it has been observed that some people have forgotten to fill their budget envelopes with their offering (some sealed, others unsealed), and it is awkward to put us in this kind of position, We humbly ask you to be more careful in this regard.

ST. BARBARA'S FEAST DAY CELEBRATION: Saturday, December 3, 2022, 6:30 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. Dinner & Cash Bar. Music by Mitch Kaltsunas & Ensemble. Table reservations only. Deadline is Sunday, November 27. All tickets must be pre-ordered. Please complete ticket form, and mail to rectory or place in the collection basket. Traditional Procession with "Sleaa". Come one! Come all!

"REFLECTION *"The saddest aspect of life right now is that science gathers knowledge faster than society gathers wisdom."* - *Isaac Asimov* -

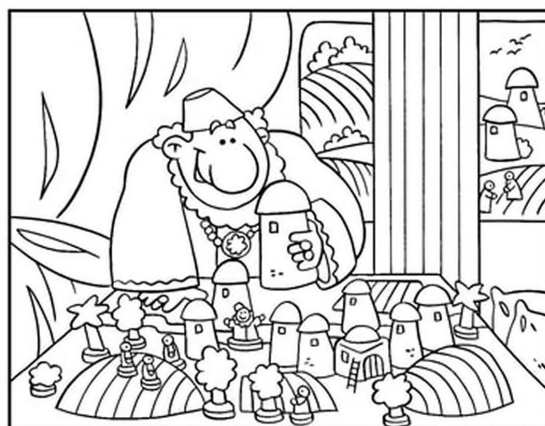
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Following Jesus Kids bulletin



The Parable
of the
Rich Fool
- colour in and tell
the story



**To save our lives we must lose them. To preserve our lives we must give them up.
To become great we must become small.**



Planted in our hearts are possibilities, good and bad. It is possible for us to become unwholesome people filled with greed, pride, hatred, selfishness, insensitivity, intolerance, judgment, and cruelty. Or we can become people filled with love, peace, tolerance, compassion, joy. It is our decision which seeds take root and grow in us. What shall I nurture in my life? What shall I do with the time and talents that have been given me? The rich man in today's Gospel, though evidently gifted, talented and intelligent chose unwisely.

The rich man transgressed in a number of different ways. Let's examine three of them.

First, he ignored one of life's greatest teachers: death. He seems to have forgotten death entirely. He was so busy worrying about accumulating more wealth that he did not envision an end to his life. He may not have thought of death, but he sure did fear it! The parable ends with God saying to him, "Fool! This night your soul will be required of you, then whose will those things be which you have provided?"

The saints of the Church often teach that we should keep death in our minds daily. People often call think us crazy when we say that, but think about it for a moment. If we remember that we are going to die, it helps us to prioritize what we do with the time we have left. Thinking on our own mortality need not be morbid or depressing; instead it can help us appreciate life even more and live fuller and richer lives. It certainly causes us to think of God and the after-life. The remembrance of death encourages us to nurture good things in ourselves.

Here is a pithy saying, "All of us will surely die, but will any of us ever really live?" In order to really live we must not run from the remembrance of death.

Secondly, the rich man did not care for the poor. He had more than he needed and kept collecting even more, so much that he needed to build bigger barns. He forgot three important truths: every treasure in this life withers and fades, God gives in abundance so that we can share in abundance and, since all human beings are interconnected, the suffering of one equals the suffering of all.

Jesus tells us to "lay up treasures in heaven" that do not fade and can't be stolen away. This we do by nurturing goodness in ourselves and sharing it with others. The truly rich are people who are rich in compassion even though they may have nothing in the bank. If we are well-off it is not for our benefit alone that God has blessed us. It is so that we can share even more with others and lay up treasure in heaven. Attachment to wealth, selfish hoarding during our short lives on this earth will impoverish us during our eternal life in the age to come.

St. Basil the Great has a famous quote for this foolish rich man and for us, "The bread which you do not use is the bread of the hungry, the garment hanging in your wardrobe is the garment of him who is naked, the shoes that you do not wear are the shoes of the one who is barefoot, the money that you keep locked away is the money of the poor, the acts of charity that you do not perform are so many injustices that you commit." Sisters and brothers, we do not own anything. What we have belongs to God and to those who are in need. If we do not share, then we are no better than thieves.

God gives abundantly so that we can share abundantly. To those who give, God gives even more so that they can share even more. That is the truth of it.

Remember this wise saying, "All the happiness there is in the world comes from thinking about others, and all the suffering in the world comes from preoccupation with yourself."

Lastly, the foolish rich man, by not remembering death and by hoarding his wealth and robbing the poor, failed to "lay up riches in heaven where neither rust nor moth destroys, where man cannot break in and steal." Thus, he ignored God whose treasures are eternal. "Seek first the kingdom of God," Jesus taught, but to do that we must stop trying to establish our own kingdoms here. Far from trying to ignore and escape death, Jesus teaches that we must embrace it, "Take up your cross and follow me."

To save our lives we must lose them. To preserve our lives we must give them up. To become great we must become small. All that God teaches is contrary to conventional wisdom. As Christians we are therefore called to be compassionate revolutionaries, to subvert the normal order of things with the radical leaven of the kingdom of heaven.

The foolish rich man ran away from death and discovered himself racing into its arms. He stole from the poor by hoarding his wealth and found himself impoverished in eternity. He ignored God who alone had the power to give him what his heart truly desired - peace, security, eternal life - and ended up empty handed.

While we are able, while the light of day remains, let us learn from the foolish rich man, turn away from our own foolish ways and begin laying up treasures in heaven.

مثل الغني



إنَّ الله قد منحنا مواهب كثيرة ومتنوعة لكي نُفيد بها أنفسنا ونخدم الآخرين. ومن أهم هذه المواهب ؟ ماعدا خيرات الأرض المادية ؟ الصحة، والذكاء، والقدرة على العمل. فعلينا أن نستعمل هذه المواهب الطبيعية لا لفائدتنا الشخصية فحسب، بل لموازنة الآخرين أيضاً بروح المحبة والتضحية، مُعرضين عن الانطواء الذاتي والأنانية المفرطة، وذلك بتقديم الخدمات المادية والمعنوية التي نستطيع القيام بها للتخفيف عن الذين يعانون آلام الحياة وشدايدها ومتاعبها. بهذه الطريقة تكون حياتنا مزينة بأعمال المحبة المسيحية التي تجعلنا أغنياء في عيني الله تعالى.

التطبيق العملي

لا شك في أنَّ المال، والنجاح في الدروس، والوظيفة المحترمة، والمقام الرفيع في المجتمع خيرات أرضية تستحق التقدير والسعي للحصول عليها بالسبيل المشروعة التي لا تخالف إرادة الله.

ولكنَّ هناك خيرات أسمى منها وأجدي لبلوغ سعادة أوفر، وهي الأعمال الصالحة التي تتمتع بقيمة أبدية جديرة بكلِّ ثناء، والتي تستحق السعي المتواصل للقيام بها.

ومن أهم الأعمال الصالحة التي تحسن في عيني الله الصلاة، وتتميم الواجبات الدينية، والعطف على الفقراء، ومساندة المشاريع الخيرية، وموازرة أعمال الكنيسة، وسلوك حياة التقوى والمودة في الأسرة، والعيش مع الآخرين بسلام وتسامح ومحبة.

ولذلك يوجّه إلينا يسوع بهذا المثل النصائح الروحية التالية، وهي:

1- أن نكون دوماً مستعدين للوقوف أمام دينونة الله بوجه ناصع وبذنين مملوءتين بأعمال البر والخير والكرم، ولا نتشبه بهذا الغني الغبي الذي انطوى على نفسه ولم يتطلع إلى الحياة إلا من زوايا الراحة واللذة والاستئثار بخيرات الأرض.

2- وأن نمارس، في سيرة حياتنا اليومية، فضيلة المحبة العملية، على قدر طاقتنا، في جميع المجالات التي لها علاقة بحاجات البائسين في هذه الدنيا.

3- أن نمتنع عن الاتكال على خيرات الأرض وحدها، مهما كانت وافرة، ونضع إيماننا على الله لنعمل على تمجيد اسمه تعالى وبلوغ السعادة الأبدية الحقّة التي خلّقنا لأجلها على الأرض.

فعلينا أن نكون مسيحيين حكماء نصغي إلى نصائح يسوع ونعمل بها دوماً.

إنَّ الفكرة الأساسية الواردة في هذا المثل هي أنَّ المال مهما كثر لا يضمن للإنسان الحياة الطويلة ولا العيش الرغيد. فمن الغباء أن يعتقد الإنسان أنَّ ماله الكثير سيوفر له السعادة الأرضية والحياة المديدة. ذلك لأنَّ الموت يأتيه حتماً، وبعد الموت تناله الديونة الرهيبة. فإنَّه خيرٌ له أن يكون غنياً في عيني الله بالأعمال الصالحة من أن يكون غنياً بأموال الأرض وينطوي على نفسه بالاستسلام إلى مطالب أنانيته التي ترفض خدمة الله والآخرين. وإليك إيضاح هذه الفكرة.

ارتكب المزارع الغني خطيئة كبيرين

إنَّ المزارع الغني الذي أخصبت أرضه كان غيباً في عيني الله لأنَّه ارتكب خطيئة كبيرين:

1- فالخطأ الأول هو أنَّه اطمأنَّ إلى حياة طويلة. إنَّ المال الوافر شدّد قلبه ونزع عن ذهنه فكرة الموت، فاعتقد أنَّه سيعيش سنوات كثيرة ينعم في أثنائها بالراحة والسعادة المادية. ولم يفتن إلى أنَّ المال، مهما كان وافراً، لا يشفع فيه ولا ينقذه من الموت الذي يأتيه في ساعة لا يتوقَّعها. ولذلك وصفه الله بأنَّه إنسان غبي.

2- والخطأ الثاني هو أنَّه استسلم إلى الأنانية المفرطة. وكان هذا الخطأ الثاني أعظم من الخطأ الأول. فقد قرّر أن يحتفظ لنفسه بكلِّ خيرات أرضه، ليمتّع وحده بالراحة وملذات الحياة، ولم يلق نظرة إلى من يسكن حوله من محتاجين وفقراء.

إنَّ في المدينة التي يعيش فيها أطفالاً يتامى، ونساءً أرامل، وشيوخاً وعجائز، ومرضى معبّين، ومُعوقين مهملين، وفقراء كثيرين. فلم يخطر على باله أنَّهم بحاجة إلى الطعام والدواء والثياب والسكن والتطبيب. ولم يفكر في أن يبعث إليهم بحصّتهم المتواضعة من المال الوفير الذي وهبه الله إليهم بكرم فياض، بل كان رجلاً بخيلاً أنانياً، إلى أبعد حدود البخل والأنانية. لذلك قال عنه يسوع " إنَّه لم يغتن عند الله " أي إنَّه كان غنياً بمال الأرض، ولكنَّه لم يكن غنياً بأعمال البر والإحسان التي تؤمّن له السعادة الأبدية.

يعلّمنا هذا المثل أمرين هامّين

الأمر الأول هو الاستعداد للموت:

إنَّ حياتنا قصيرة، وقصيرة جداً مهما طالّت. ونحن نسير نحو القبر كلّ يوم بخطوات متواصلة، إلى أن يأتي يومُ نُدفن في الحفرة، ويغطّي أجسادنا ترابُ الأرض. وتبدأ بعد هذه الحياة القصيرة حياةً أخرى أبدية، سعيدة أم تاعسة، بحسب ما قمنا به، ونحن على الأرض، من أعمال صالحة أو شريرة.

إنَّ هذا الواقع الرهيب يدفعنا إلى أن نكون دوماً مستعدين لاستقبال الموت بسلوك حياة فاضلة، بعيدة عن الخطيئة، ومزينة بأعمال العبادة الحقّة وممارسة الفضائل المسيحية من صلاة وتشفّ وخدمة الله والكنيسة.

والأمر الثاني هو خدمة الآخرين بمحبة:



LITURGICAL CALENDAR



NOVEMBER



تشرين الثاني - نوفمبر
2022

OCTOBER 2022

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | 1 Sts Cosmas & Damian 1 Corinthians 12:27-31; 13:1-7 Matthew 10:1, 5-8 | 2 St Akindinos and his companions Colossians 3:17-4:1 Luke 11:42-46 | 3 Sts Acapsimas, Joseph and Aethalas Colossians 4:2-9 Luke 11:47-12:1 | 4 St Hermias Colossians 4:10-18 Luke 12:2-12 | 5 Sts Galaction and Episteme 2 Corinthians 5:1-10 Luke 9:1-6 |
| 6 7 th Sunday after Holy Cross الأحد السابع بعد عيد الصليب Galatians 6:11-18 Luke 8:41-56 | 7 St Lazarus 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5 Luke 12:13-15, 22-31 | 8 Synaxis of the Archangels Michael and Gabriel مجلس مقدس لرؤساء الملائكة Hebrews 2:2-10 Luke 10:16-21 | 9 St Matrona 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 Luke 12:48-59 | 10 St Orestes 1 Thessalonians 2:9-14 Luke 13:1-9 | 11 St Theodore the Studite 1 Thessalonians 2:14-20 Luke 13:31-35 | 12 St John of Alexandria 2 Corinthians 8:1-5 Luke 9:37-43 |
| 13 St John Chrysostom 8 th Sunday after Holy Cross الأحد الثامن بعد عيد الصليب Hebrews 7:26-8:2 Luke 10:25-37 | 14 St Philip the Apostle Acts 8:26-39 John 1:43-51 | 15 Sts Gourias, Samonas and Habib 1 Thessalonians 3:8-13 Luke 14:25-35 | 16 St Matthew the Apostle 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 Matthew 9:9-13 | 17 St Gregory of Neo-Caesarea 1 Thessalonians 4:18; 5:1-10 Luke 16:1-9 | 18 Holy Martyrs Plato and Romanos 1 Thessalonians 5:9-13; 24-28 Luke 16:15-18; 17:1-4 | 19 Holy Prophet Obadiah 2 Corinthians 11:1-6 Luke 9:57-62 |
| 20 9 th Sunday after Holy Cross الأحد التاسع بعد عيد الصليب Ephesians 2:14-22 Luke 12:16-22 | 21 ✠ The Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple دخول السيدة إلى الهيكل Hebrews 9:1-7 Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28 | 22 St Onesimos 2 Thessalonians 1:10-2:2 Luke 17:26-37; 18:8 | 23 St Amphilochios 2 Thessalonians 2:1-12 Luke 18:15-17, 26-30 | 24 St Clement of Rome 2 Thessalonians 2:13-3:5 Luke 18:31-34 | 25 Leave-taking of the Entrance of the Theotokos Galatians 3:23-4:5 Mark 5:24-34 | 26 St Nikon the Preacher of Repentance Galatians 1:3-10 Luke 10:19-21 |
| 27 13 th Sunday after Holy Cross الأحد الثالث عشر بعد عيد الصليب Ephesians 4:1-7 Luke 18:18-27 | 28 St Stephen the Latter 1 Timothy 1:1-7 Luke 19:37-44 | 29 Sts Paramon and Philomenes 1 Timothy 1:8-14 Luke 19:45-48 | 30 St Andrew the Apostle 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 John 1:35-51 | | | |

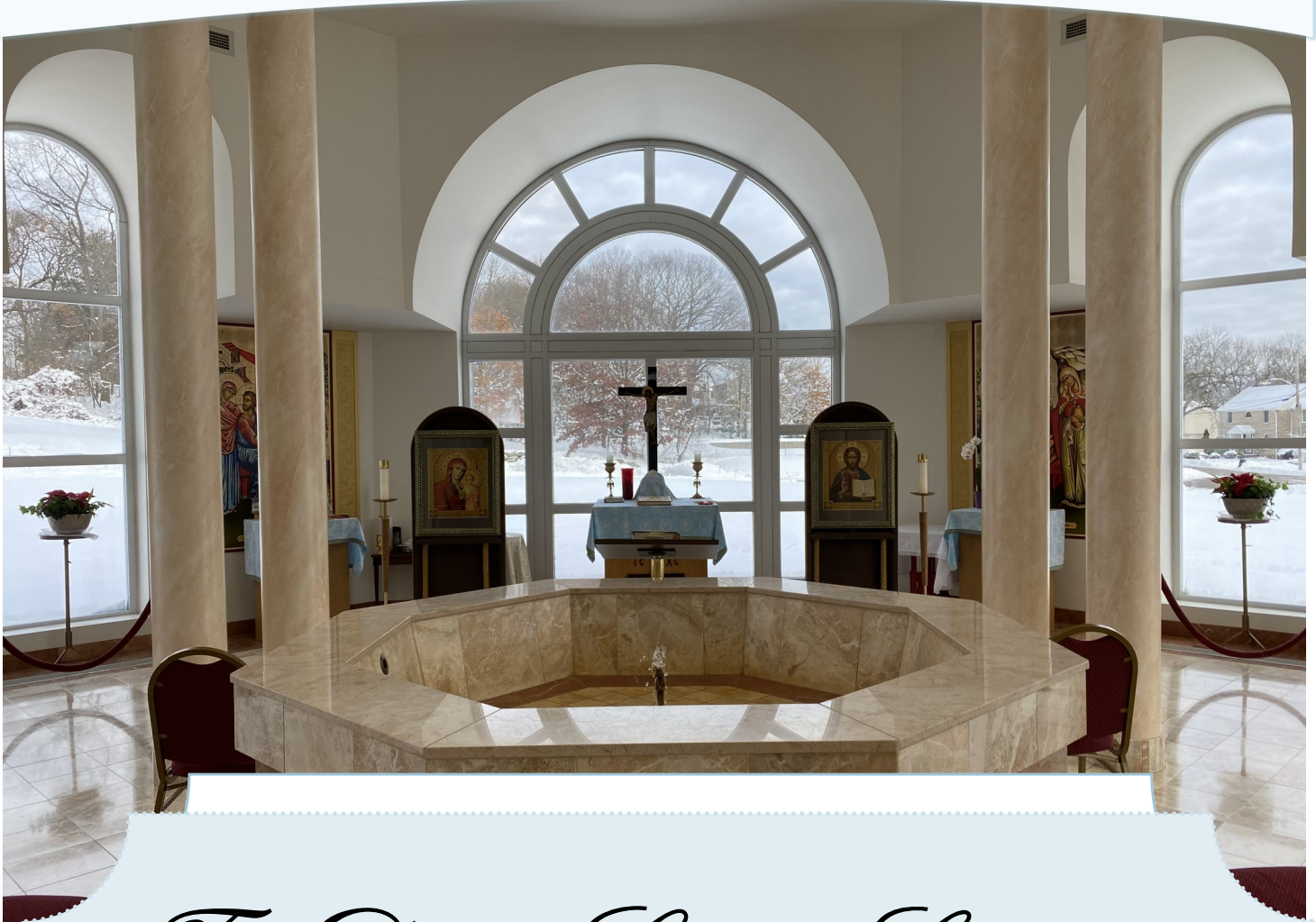
✠ Church Major Feasts

🐟 Abstain from Meat

🕒 Fast from midnight until noon

🌸 Lenten Season

Weekly Divine Liturgy Schedule



The Divine Liturgy Schedule

Sunday Divine Liturgy
Sunday: 9:00 am - 11:15 am

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available
Tuesday to Friday before or after the Divine Liturgy.

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For Information Call: Samir Boudjouk 401-744-1141

Ticket Order Form

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Entertainment by Tom Sabbagh

Everyone is Welcome!

\$30/pp

*See Joyce Perry or
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You are invited to a memorable celebration
for the **Birth of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ**
On Friday, December 23rd, 2022, at 7:00 pm
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Hot Chocolate and Cookies will be served



Sunday, December 18
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St. Nicholas will be passing out the Christmas gifts to all the children
Food and entertainment will be provided

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As of 11/4/2022



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Campaign Facts:



Campaign Goal: \$1,000,000



Outstanding Goal: \$363,000



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

Parish Community Facts:



Total Registered Families: 415



Active Families: 250



% of Active Families Participation: 51%

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

Current & Future Projects:



Church Roof Repair: Project completed, estimated cost of \$400,000...final cost \$321,000.



Rectory Roof Repair: Proposals received, estimated cost \$18,000, pending review.



Church Window Repairs: Proposals received, estimated cost \$9,000, pending review.



HVAC & Boiler Replacement: Proposals received, estimated cost \$196,000.



Flooring Upgrades: Proposal received, estimated cost \$50,000 (carpeting for Church, Cultural Center, office & hallway), pending review.



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



Interior Repairs, Expand Storage & Vent Cleaning: Partial proposals received. Vent cleaning estimated cost \$9,000.



Walk In Cooler & Kitchen Repairs: Reviewing needs and potential options.



Exterior/Masonry /Walkway Repairs: Awaiting proposals.



Security Cameras/Door Upgrades: Camera system complete, final cost \$10,500. Door proposal received, pending review.

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.



For more information contact any of the committee members, [click here](#), or scan this code with your Smartphone Camera!

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