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ST. BASIL THE GREAT MELKITE GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Tuesday through Friday 9: 00 AM

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Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available before 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



2nd Sunday After the Exaltation of the Holy Cross—Love your enemies.

الاحد الثاني بعد رفع الصليب المقدس
أحبوا اعدائكم

Troparion of the resurrection (2nd tone)

When you descended to death, O Immortal Life, You destroyed Hades by the splendor of your Divinity, and when you raised the dead from under the ground, all the Powers of heaven cried out: O Christ our God, the giver of life, 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.

طروبارية القيامة باللحن الثاني

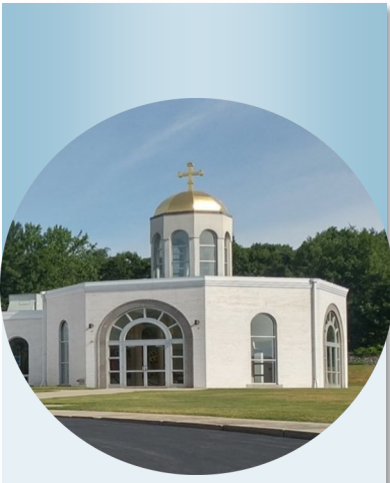
لما نزلت الى الموت، أيها الحياة الخالدة، أمت الجحيم بسنى لاهوتك. ولما أقمت الاموات من تحت الثرى، صرخت جميع قوات السماوين: أيها المسيح ألهنا، يا مُعطي الحياة، المجد لك.

طروبارية القديس باسيليوس

لقد ذاع منطقتك في كل الأرض. فانها قد قبِلت كلامك، الذي به بِنْتَ 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 (القنداق)

يا نصيرة المسيحيين التي لا تُخزي، ووسيطتهم الدائمة لدى الخالق، لا تعرضي عن أصوات الخطاة الطالبين اليك. بل بما أنك صالحة، بادري إلى معونتنا، نحن الصارخين اليك بأيمان: هلمي إلى الشفاعة، وأسري إلى الابتغال، 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 2 Cor 11:31-33-12:1-10, Page

19th Sunday after Pentecost

PROKIMENON (Tone 2)

My strength and my courage is the Lord, and he has been my Savior.

Stichon: The Lord has chastised me through his teaching, yet he has not delivered me to death.

READING from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians: 11: 31-33; 12: 1-10

BRETHREN, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus, who is blessed forever, knows that I do not lie. In Damascus, the Governor under King Aretas was guarding the city of the Damascenes in order to arrest me, but I was lowered in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped his hands.

(12: 1) It is not fitting for me to boast: but I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago (whether in the body, I do not know, or out of the body, I do not know: God knows) was caught up into paradise and heard secret sayings that man may not repeat. Of such a man I will boast; but of myself I will glory in nothing except my weaknesses. For if I do wish to boast, I shall not be foolish, for I shall be speaking the truth. But I give up, lest any man have an idea of me beyond what he sees in me or hears from me. And lest the greatness of the revelation puff me up, there was given to me a thorn for the flesh, a messenger of Satan to buffet me. Concerning this, I begged the Lord three times that it might leave me, but he said to me, "My grace is enough for you, for strength is made perfect in weakness." Gladly, then, will I glory in my weaknesses, that the strength of Christ may dwell in me.

ALLELUIA (Tone 2) Ps.19: 1, 10

The Lord shall hear you on the day of distress; the name of the God of Jacob shall defend you.

Stichon: O Lord, save your king and listen to us on whatever day we call upon you.

Gospel Luke 6:31-36,

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST

The Lord said, "Even as you wish men to do to you, so also do you to them. And if you love those who love you, what merit have you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what merit have you? For even sinners do that. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive in return, what merit have you? For even sinners lend to sinners that they may get back as much in return. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, not hoping for any return, and your reward shall be great, and you shall be children of the Most High, for he is kind towards the ungrateful and evil. Be merciful, therefore, even as your Father is merciful."

الاحد التاسع عشر بعد العنصرة

مقدمة الرسالة

الرَّبُّ قُوَّتِي وَتَسْلِمِي، لَقَدْ كَانَ لِي خَلَاصًا
أَذْبَنِي الرَّبُّ تَأْدِيبًا وَإِلَى الْمَوْتِ لَمْ يُسَلِّمْنِي

الرسالة 2 كورنثس 11: 31-33; 12: 1-10

يا إخوة، يَعْلَمُ إِلَهُ وَأَبُو رَبِّنَا يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحَ، الْمُبَارَكُ إِلَى الدَّهْرِ، أَنِّي لَا أَكْذِبُ. كَانَ الْحَاكِمُ بِدَمَشْقَ تَحْتَ إِمْرَةِ الْمَلِكِ الْحَارِثِ، يَحْرُسُ مَدِينَةَ الدَّمَشْقِيِّينَ مُرِيدًا أَنْ يَقْبِضَ عَلَيَّ. قَدْ لَبِثْتُ مِنْ كَوَّةٍ فِي زَبِيلٍ مِنَ السُّورِ، وَنَجَوْتُ مِنْ يَدَيْهِ. إِنْ الْافْتِخَارَ لَا يَفِيدُنِي، فَإِنِّي انْتَقَلْتُ إِلَى رُؤْيِ الرَّبِّ وَإِحْيَاءِ أَتِهِ. إِنِّي اعْرِفُ إِنْسَانًا فِي الْمَسِيحِ، أَخْطِطُ إِلَى السَّمَاءِ الثَّالِثَةِ مِنْذُ أَرْبَعِ عَشْرَةِ سَنَةٍ، أَفِي الْجَسَدِ لَسْتُ أَعْلَمُ، أَمْ خَارِجَ الْجَسَدِ لَسْتُ أَعْلَمُ، اللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ. وَاعْرِفُ أَنَّ هَذَا الْإِنْسَانَ، أَفِي الْجَسَدِ أَمْ خَارِجَ الْجَسَدِ لَسْتُ أَعْلَمُ اللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ، قَدْ اخْتُطِفْتُ إِلَى الْفَرْدُوسِ، وَسَمِعْتُ كَلِمَاتٍ سَرِيَّةً، لَا يَحِلُّ لِنَاسٍ أَنْ يَنْطَقَ بِهَا. فَمِنْ جِهَةٍ هَذَا افْتَخَرْتُ. أَمَّا مِنْ جِهَةٍ نَفْسِي، فَلَا افْتَخَرْتُ إِلَّا بِأَوْهَانِي. فَإِنِّي لَوْ أَرَدْتُ الْافْتِخَارَ، لَمْ أَكُنْ جَاهِلًا، لِأَنِّي أَقُولُ الْحَقَّ. لَكِنِّي أَكْفُفُ لَنَلَا يَطُنُّ أَحَدٌ بِي فَوْقَ مَا يَرَانِي عَلَيْهِ أَوْ يَسْمَعُهُ مِنِّي. وَلَنَلَا اسْتَكْبَرْتُ لِسُمُو الْإِحْيَاءَاتِ، أُعْطِيتُ شَوْكَةً فِي الْجَسَدِ، مَلَكَ الشَّيْطَانِ لِيَلْطَمَنِي لَيْلًا اسْتَكْبَرْتُ. وَلِاجْلِ ذَلِكَ طَلَبْتُ إِلَى الرَّبِّ ثَلَاثَ مَرَّاتٍ أَنْ تَفَارِقَنِي. فَقَالَ لِي: تَكْفِيكَ نِعْمَتِي، لِأَنَّ قُوَّتِي تَكْمُلُ فِي الْوَهْنِ. فَبِكَلِّ سُرُورٍ إِذْنِ افْتَخَرْتُ بِالْحَرِيِّ بِأَوْهَانِي، لِتُسْتَقَرَّ عَلَيَّ قُوَّةُ الْمَسِيحِ.

هَلَلُوا

لِيَسْتَجِبْ لَكَ الرَّبُّ فِي يَوْمِ الضِّيقِ، لِيَعْضُدَكَ اسْمُ إِلَهٍ يَعْقُوبَ

يَا رَبُّ خَلِّصِ الْمَلِكَ، وَاسْتَجِبْ لَنَا يَوْمَ نَدْعُوكَ

الاحد الثاني بعد الصليب

(لوقا 6: 31-36)

قَالَ الرَّبُّ: كَمَا تُرِيدُونَ أَنْ يَفْعَلَ النَّاسُ بِكُمْ، كَذَلِكَ أَفْعَلُوا أَنْتُمْ أَيْضًا بِهِمْ. فَإِنَّكُمْ إِنْ أَحْبَبْتُمْ الَّذِينَ يُحِبُّونَكُمْ فَأَيُّ فَضْلٍ لَكُمْ؟ فَإِنَّ الْخَطَاةَ أَيْضًا يُحِبُّونَ الَّذِينَ يُحِبُّونَهُمْ. وَإِنْ أَحْسَنْتُمْ إِلَى الَّذِينَ يُحْسِنُونَ إِلَيْكُمْ فَأَيُّ فَضْلٍ لَكُمْ؟ فَإِنَّ الْخَطَاةَ أَيْضًا يَفْعَلُونَ ذَلِكَ بَعِيْنِهِ. وَإِنْ أَقْرَضْتُمْ الَّذِينَ تَرْجُونَ أَنْ تَسْتَوْفُوا مِنْهُمْ، فَأَيُّ فَضْلٍ لَكُمْ؟ فَإِنَّ الْخَطَاةَ أَيْضًا يُقْرِضُونَ الْخَطَاةَ لِكَيْ يَسْتَوْفُوا الْمِثْلَ. وَلَكِنْ أَجِبُوا أَعْدَاءَكُمْ، وَأَحْسِنُوا وَأَقْرِضُوا غَيْرَ مُؤْمِلِينَ شَيْئًا، فَيَكُونُ أَجْرُكُمْ كَثِيرًا وَتَكُونُوا بَنِي الْعَلِيِّ، لِأَنَّهُ مَنْعَمٌ عَلَى غَيْرِ الشَّاكِرِينَ وَالْأَشْرَارِ. فَكُونُوا إِذْنِ رُحَمَاءَ كَمَا أَنَّ أَبَاكُمْ رَحِيمٌ.





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, OCTOBER 3, 2021: SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS. HOLY HIEROMARTYR DIONYSIOS THE AREOPAGITE.

9:00 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY

- + **REV. ARCHDEACON GEORGE YANY & ANGELA MAZZONE** by Teachers of the Religious Education Program.
- + **JOSEPH HARRAKA** by Mrs. Mary Elmer & Family.
- + **MOSES THOMAS LAZIEH (25th Anniv.)** Hon. Thomas Lazieh & Sons.
- + **ANTHONY S. & VICTORIA (THOMAS) LAZIEH** by Hon. Thomas Lazieh & Sons.
- + **THOMAS J. SHANNAHAN** by Sister-In-Law, Shirley Moon Lemay.
- + **MARY R. AZAR** by M/M Anthony Rowey.
- + **JEANNETTE KISHFY BEATON** by Cousin Shirley Villeneuve.
- + **VICTORIA PROCHNIAK** by Paul & Pauline Hynes.
- + **MARY TAHAN** by Samir & Hanaa Boudjouk.
- + **LOUIS, HELEN, STELLA, JOSEPH & LEO SALHANY** by Mr. George Salhany.
- + **YVONNE HAGGAR COLABELLA** by Wayne & Judy Rawan & Family.

11:15 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY:

- + **MARGARET SABBAGH (40 Day)** by her Children, Grand Children & Great Grandchildren.
- + **MRS. FLAVIE ALTONGY RAHEB (28th Anniv.)** by the Family.
- + **MR. JEAN BAZERDJI (41st Anniv.)** by the Family.
- + **SAMUEL G. RAHEB** by Mrs. Laila Raheb & Family.
- + **ROSE KHOURY** by Micheline Ghanem.
- + **JOHN ANTONACCIO** by Elias & Barbara Deeb.
- + **ELIAS J. KISFHY** by Bertha Sanky.
- + **JULIA & FRED KISHFY** by M/M Norman E. Kishfy.
- + **MARIE CLAIRE CHOUHA** by Justin & Danielle Boudjouk & Family.
- + **GEORGE DECKEY** by Abraham (Bee) & June Albert.
- + **GEORGEANNA DECKEY** by St. Basil's Fellowship.
- + **YUSUF & BLANCHE MUSSALLI** by Gloria Deckey & Family.
- + **LOUIS P. KISFHY** by Jeffrey & Jessica Boudjouk.
- + **GEORGETTE A. SAGGAL** by Dr. Gilbert & Mimi Altongy.





SACRIFICIAL GIVING: September 26, 2021: Budgets: \$1,460.00; Envelopes: \$1,423.00, Loose: \$37.00; Stipends: \$320.00; Candles: \$64.25; Melkite Support: \$275.00; Addit'l Cemetery: \$10.00.

TODAY, OCTOBER 3, 2021, there will be a SPECIAL COLLECTION for the **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM.** Please be generous in your support to help defray the cost of paper stock, visual aids and all that is involved to perfect our program and meet present day standards in this field of education.

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: Your prayers are precious. Thank you for all your love and concern. The leg is slowly healing. The wound is closing nicely, but it is still, I guess, a good month or 2 away from closure. Tomorrow, I shall be getting hearing aids. Age catches up with all of us. Saturday, September 11th, 2021, will have the 20th SHAWN NASSANEY MEMORIAL RACE at Bryant. I hope to get a ride there. It will be a quick visit but my first trip since arriving back for treatment. GOD BLESS! - **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.

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

(Canon 955 #2). Formerly under the jurisdiction of the local Latin Ordinaries before the Exarchate was established under the leadership of the late Bishop Justin Najmy of this Parish, all Melkites have been subject to the latter since its erection in 1966. The Constitution of the Melkite Eparchy which is now a sole Diocese since 1976 still acknowledges this definitive protocol. Our parishes follow local discipline in the various customs e.g. every day clergy attire, stipends (Liturgy Offerings), etc. except in Liturgy and Ritual. Our relationship with the local Latin Dioceses and Latin pastors must be permeated with a spirit of love and friendship and cooperation.

Presently effective, the schedule of offerings in parishes is now: Liturgies: \$25.00; Funerals: \$300.00; Weddings: \$300.00; Baptisms: \$100.00.

All Liturgy offerings received from Funerals, which exceed more than one year, have had the maximum and minimum celebrations. Surplus ones have been deposited in the Building Fund and placed on the altar and remembered similarly to the customs of spiritual bouquets, perpetual Mass enrollments, & memorial cards, as in chapels, shrines, & monasteries.

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

O Jesus, Who has said,
"Ask and you shall
receive, seek and you
shall find, knock and it
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FROM THE DESK OF FATHER JOE: I wish to express my sincere thanks & deep appreciation to Father Ephrem for commemorating me last Sunday at the Divine Liturgies on the occasion of my 81st Birthday, followed by a celebration in the Cultural Center after the 9:00 a.m. Liturgy. My heartfelt gratitude to all who pitched in with Abouna to make this a fun-filled time. This is what we call TEAMWORK. You are all very special to me, and I am especially grateful to those who remembered me with mail-in cards. It is this genuine TLC that you have displayed towards me over the past 55 years that has enabled me to reach this milestone in my life, and believe me through God's blessings, I don't feel 81, despite my trials, illnesses, crosses and hardships. Through faith and trust in God, I always accentuated the positive and never let the other side take a grip of me. May you always remember that thoughts and prayers go with you, and through the intercession of St. Basil and St. Elias, may the blessings of Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you forever.

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ST. BASIL CEMETERY: As an ongoing effort to maintain the appearance of our cemetery, we have contracted Stanley Granite Company to power wash and clean the mausoleums at the cemetery. Anyone who is interested in having their family headstone cleaned, should contact Stanley Granite at 401-434-4064 to make arrangements. The fee is determined by size of your headstone.

BAKING SESSIONS CORRECTION: Saturday, October 16th has been removed. It will be combined with Wednesday, October 20 - BAKLAWA & SOUART il SIT.

We are deeply grateful & indebted to all the participants in the cooking sessions, in preparation for the upcoming FOOD FAIR. May God look upon you with favor for your support, time and effort in this endeavor.

REFLECTION: *"The simple things are also the most extraordinary things and only the wise can see them."*
- Paulo Coelho, The Alchemist

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The Golden Rule

Christ's command has been aptly named "the Golden Rule" and its wisdom is almost universally recognized.

Christ's command is a law of love which encompasses and encapsulates all of God's commandments. That's why Jesus uses the phrase, "for this is the Law and the Prophets." In fact, when Jesus was asked about the greatest commandment, He said, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets" (Matthew 22:37–40). The Golden Rule has always been an essential part of the Bible's message.

The Golden Rule is positive in nature and by it, Christ commands positive action. Rather than simply tell us not to hate, Christ tells us to actively love others. For example, do you want others to protect and preserve your life when you are in danger? Yes. Therefore, in order to keep the Golden Rule you would need to do the same to others, seek to protect and preserve their life. Shortly before His crucifixion Jesus told His disciples, "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" (John 13:34–35). "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you" is one way to explain what loving others looks like in practice.

Why is the Golden Rule so important?

In His Sermon on the Mount, Jesus said "So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets" (Matthew 7:12). This phrase has come to be known as "The Golden Rule." Jesus never called it that, and the Bible doesn't give it that name, but the phrase is regarded as so important and such a good summary of the principles of unselfishness and love contained in Jesus' sermon that

it was given the name "The Golden Rule" by Bible translators in the 16th and 17th centuries, using a popular saying at that time. The words "Golden Rule" were never actually spoken by Jesus.

The human heart is inherently selfish. Even our most seemingly unselfish acts come from a desire to feel good about ourselves and look good before others. While people may appear to be unselfish, the deepest motive of the human heart is not to help others but to help our own image and self-esteem. God sees the heart, and knows its true motives (Matthew 7:11; Jeremiah 17:9), so when Jesus tells people to



treat others as they would like to be treated, He is speaking directly to the deepest feelings of the heart and confronting its wickedness.

Something interesting about the Golden Rule is its proactive, positive quality. Other religions, including Confucianism, Buddhism and Hinduism, contain similar commands:

- Confucianism: "Do not do to others what you do not want them to do to you" (Analects 15:23).
- Hinduism: "This is the sum of duty: do not do to others what would cause pain if done to you" (Mahabharata 5:1517).
- Buddhism: "Hurt not others in ways that you yourself would find hurtful" (Udana-Varga 5:18).

Notice the negative quality of these commands. They seem to be saying the same thing as Jesus' Golden Rule, but they are actually a negative opposite referred to as the "ethic of reciprocity." The idea espoused by these other religions is that you should not do something to another person if you know it would cause them pain; that is, if it would cause you pain, it will cause them pain, so don't do it to them. But this "silver rule" as it is sometimes called, requires nothing of you. It requires no love, no positive action. You can be filled with apathy for your fellow man and still follow this rule. The Golden Rule, in contrast, requires a heart stirred with love for others.

What human being has a heart like this? Do we naturally seek to do good to our fellow men, entirely unselfishly? We do not. The wonder of God's work in the heart is that He puts His own love for humanity in our hearts for one another. John reminds us that "No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us" (1 John 4:12). What this means is that when we love each other, we glorify God and His image can be seen in our love, which is ultimately His love.

This command to love makes Christianity unique when compared to every other religion. In fact, the Bible is so radical in its command to proactively love that Christians are told to love even their enemies, something that simply does not exist in any other world religion (Matthew 5:43-44; cf. Exodus 23:4-5).

The mark of a true Christian is this kind of unselfish love (John 13:35). God's Spirit of love is alive in the person who loves in this unselfish, supernatural way – and the presence of that Spirit is evidence of a Christian's salvation. 1 John 3:16-18 makes it clear: "By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth."

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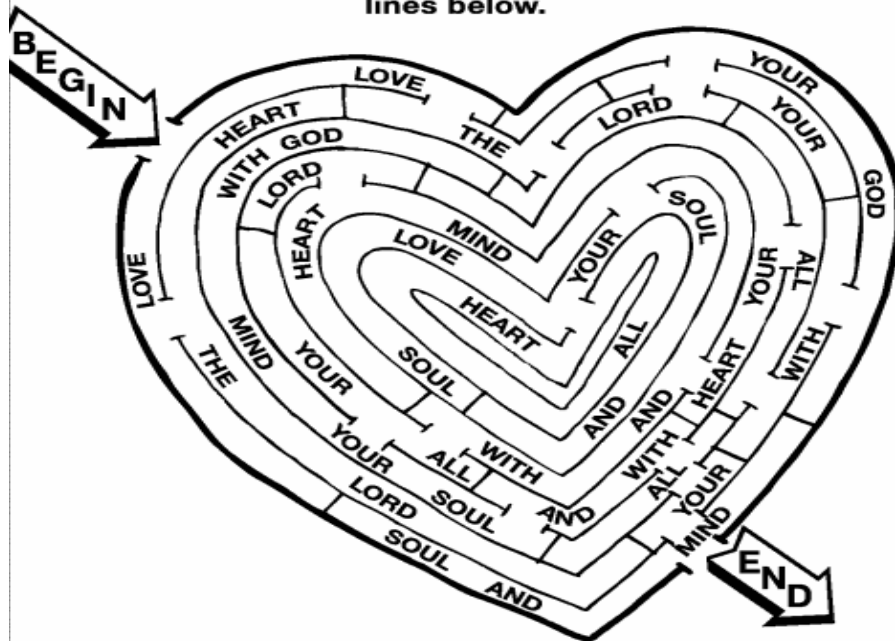
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2021

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 5 th Sunday after Holy Cross الأحد الخامس بعد عيد الصليب Ephesians 2:4-10 Luke 16:19-31					1 St Romanos the Melodist Hebrews 9:1-7 Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28	2 St Cyprian 1 Corinthians 15:58-16:3 Luke 5:17-26
3 St Thérèse of the Child Jesus 2 nd Sunday after Holy Cross الأحد الثاني بعد عيد الصليب 2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9 Luke 6:31-36	4 St Hierotheos of Athens Philippians 2:12-16 Luke 6:24-30	5 St Charitina Philippians 2:16-23 Luke 6:37-45	6 St Thomas the Apostle 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 John 20:19-31	7 Sts Sergios and Bacchos Philippians 3:1-8 Luke 7:17-30	8 St Pelagia Philippians 3:8-19 Luke 7:31-35	9 St James the Apostle 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 Matthew 9:36-10:8
10 3 rd Sunday after Holy Cross الأحد الثالث بعد عيد الصليب Galatians 1:11-19 Luke 7:11-16	11 St Theophane of Nicaea Philippians 4:10-23 Luke 7:36-50	12 Sts Probus, Tarachos and Andronicos Colossians 1:1-11 Luke 8:1-3	13 Sts Carpos, Pappylas and Agathonicos Colossians 1:18-23 Luke 8:22-25	14 St Cosmas of Maiuma Colossians 1:24-2:1 Luke 9:7-11	15 St Lucian of Antioch Colossians 2:1-7 Luke 9:12-18	16 St Longinos the Centurion 2 Corinthians 3:12-18 Luke 6:1-10
17 Second Council of Nicaea أحد أباء مجمع نيقية الثاني Titus 3:8-15 Luke 6:5-15	18 St Luke the Apostle Colossians 4:5-11, 14-18 Luke 10:16-21	19 Holy Prophet Joel Colossians 2:20-3:3 Luke 9:23-27	20 St Artemios Colossians 3:17-4:1 Luke 9:44-50	21 St Hilarion Colossians 4:2-9 Luke 9:49-56	22 Seven martyrs at Ephesus Colossians 4:10-18 Luke 10:1-15	23 St James of Jerusalem Galatians 1:11-19 Matthew 13:54-58
24 6 th Sunday after Holy Cross الأحد السادس بعد عيد الصليب Galatians 6:11-18 Luke 8:27-39	25 Sts Marcan and Martyrios 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5 Luke 10:22-24	26 St Demetrios 2 Timothy 2:1-10 John 15:17-16:2	27 St Nestor 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 Luke 11:9-13	28 Sts Terence and Neonila 1 Thessalonians 2:9-14 Luke 11:14-23	29 St Anastasia 1 Thessalonians 2:14-20 Luke 11:23-26	30 Sts Zenobios and Zenobia 2 Corinthians 8:1-5 Luke 8:16-21

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- Pope Francis, Regina Caeli Message, Fourth Sunday of Easter, April 21, 2013



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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."

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