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Divine Liturgies

Sunday Divine Liturgy

9:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Pastoral Emergencies and anointing of the sick

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Holy Mysteries

Reconciliation

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

Baptism

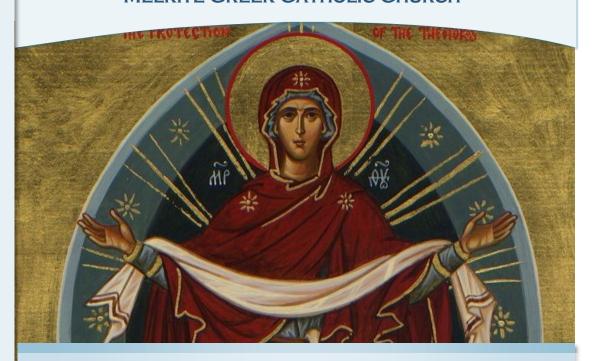
Please arrange with the pastor

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



ST. BASIL THE GREAT MELKITE GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH



SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EXALTATION OF THE CROSS. HIEROMARTYR CYPRIAN. MARTYR JUSTINA.

الأحد الثاني بعد عيد الصليب

Troparion of the Resurrection (8th tone)

O Merciful One, Who came down from on high and endured burial for three days in order to save us from suffering. O our Life and our Resurrection, 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 everpresent intercessor before the Creator, despise not the petitions of us sinners, but in your goodness extend your help to us who call upon you with confidence. Hasten, O Mother of God, to intercede for us, for you have always protected those who honor you.

نشيد القيامة باللحن الثامن

انحدرت من العلاءِ أيها التحنن، وقبلتَ الدفنَ ثلاثةَ أيام، لكي تعتقنا من الآلام، فيا حياتنا وقيامتنا، يا رب المجد لك.

طروبارية القديس باسيليوس

لقد ذاعَ منطقُكَ في كل الأرض. فانها قد قَبِلَتْ كلامك، الذي به بيَّنت العقائدَ بياناً إلهيّاً، وأوضحتَ طبيعةَ الكائنات، ونظَمتَ أخلاقَ البشر. فيا أيها الآبُ البارُّ ذو الكهنوت الملوكي، إبتهل إلى المسيحِ الإله في خلاص نفوسنا.

نشيد الختام (القنداق)

يا نصيرة المسيحيين التي لا تُخزى، ووسيطتَهم الدائمةً لدى الخالق، لا تعرضي عن أصواتِ الخطأة الطالبين اليكِ. بل بما انكِ صالحة، بادري الى معونتنا، نحن الصارخين اليكِ بأيمان: هلمي الى الشفاعة، وأسرعي الى الابتهال، يا والدة الالهِ المحامية دائماً عن مكرميكِ.



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.

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



PROKIMENON (Tone 1)

May your kindness, O Lord, be upon us, for we have hoped in you. Stichon: Exult, you just, in the Lord; praise from the upright is fitting.

READING from the Second Epistle of St. Paul

to the Corinthians: 9: 6-11

BRETHREN, he who sows sparingly, will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Let everyone give as much as he has decided in his heart, not grudgingly or out of compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. (Prv.22: 8) And God is able to make all grace abound in you, so that always having ample means, you may abound in every good work, as it is written, He has scattered abroad and has given to the poor: his righteousness remains forever. (Ps. 111: 9)

Now, he who provides the sower with seed will both give you bread to eat and multiply your seed, and will increase the growth of the fruits of your justification — that being enriched in all things, you may contribute with simplicity of purpose, and thus through us evoke thanksgiving to God.

ALLELUIA (Tone 1)

O God, you granted me retribution and made peoples subject to me and saved me from my raging enemies.

Stichon: Therefore, I will proclaim you, o Lord, among the nations, and I will sing praise to your name.

Gospel Luke 6:31-36, (SECOND SUNDAY AFTER HOLY CROSS) 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."

مقدمة الرسالة

لِتكنْ يا ربُّ رحمتُك علينا، بحسبِ اتّكالِنا عليكَ ابتهجوا أَيها الصدّيقون بالربّ، بالمستقيمينَ يليقُ التسبيح

الرسالة (2 كورنثس 9: 6-11)

يا إِخوة، من يزرغ بتقتير يحصدُ أيضاً بتقتير، ومن يزرغ بالبركاتِ فبالبركاتِ أيضاً يحصدْ. فليعط كُلُّ احدٍ كما نوى في قلبه، لا عن ابتئاسٍ أو اضطرا، فإن الله يُحِبُ المُعطيَ المُتهلّل. واللهُ قادرٌ ان يُفيضَ عليكم كلَّ نعمة، حتى إذا كانت لكم كلُ كفايةٍ كلَّ حينٍ في كلِ شيء. تَفيضونَ في كلِ عملٍ صالح، كما كتب: إنه بدَّد وأعطى المساكين، فبرُه يدوم إلى الابد. والذي يرزقُ الزارعَ زرعاً وخبزاً للقوت، يرزقُكم زرعَكم ويُكثَرُه ويَيدُ غِلالَ بِرَكم، فتستغنونَ في كلِ شيء، لأجل صخاءٍ خالص ينشئ شكراً للهِ بواسطتِنا.

هللوبا

الله هو المُنتقمُ لي، ومُخضِعُ الشعوبِ تحتي المُعظّمُ خلاصَ الملِك، والصانعُ رحمةً الى مسيحِه

الاحد الثاني بعد الصليب—(لوقا 6: 31-36)

قالَ الربُّ: كما تُريدونَ أَن يَفعَلَ الناسُ بكُم، كذلكَ أَفعَلوا أَنتم أَيضاً بهم. فإِنَّكم إِن أَحبَبْتُمُ الذين يُحِبُونكم فأيُّ فَضلٍ لكُم؟ فإنَّ الخطأة أيضاً يُحبُونَ الذينَ يُحِبونهم. وإن أَحسَنْتُم الى الذينَ يُحسِنُون اليكُم فأيُ فضلٍ لكُم؟ فإِن الخطأة أيضاً يفعَلونَ ذلك بعَينِه. وإن أقرضتُمُ الذين تَرجُونَ أَنْ تَستَوفُوا منهُم، فأيُّ فَضْلٍ لكُم؟ فيستوفُوا المِثْل. ولكِن أَحِبُوا أَعداءَكُم، وأَحسِنوا يَستَوفُوا المِثْل. ولكِن أَحِبُوا أَعداءَكُم، وأحسِنوا وأقرضوا غيرَ مؤملين شَيئاً، فيكُونَ أَجرُكُم كثيراً وتكونوا بَي العَليَ، لأنه منعِمٌ على غيرِ الشاكِرينَ والأشرار. فكونوا اذَن رُحماءَ كما أَنَّ أَباكُم رَحِيم.





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 Allholy, Good and Life-giving Spirit, now and always and forever and ever. Amen.



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Divine Liturgy Intentions

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2022: SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EXALTATION OF THE CROSS. HIERO-MARTYR CYPRIAN. MARTYR JUSTINA.

9:00 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY:

- MARY KUFFREY BALDO (1st Anniv. Remem.) by the Family.
- + REGINA KUFFREY (38th Anniv.) by the Family.
- + CATHERINE KANDO (Birthday Remem.) by Mary Carvalho & Family.
- + HON. JUDGE MOSES KANDO (35th Anniv.) by the Family.
- + MOSES THOMAS LAZIEH (26th Anniv.) by his father Thomas & brothers Jordan & Alexander.
- + MARGARET SABBAGH by M/M Thomas Soucar & Family.

11:15 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY:

- ROSE & HOUNEIN KHOURY by Micheline Ghanem.
- + FARIZA CONINGFORD by Riad & Souhair Khoury.
- + MRS. FLAVIE RAHEB by the Family.
- + MR. SAMUEL RAHEB (Birthday Remem.) by the Family.
- + MR. JOHN BAZERDJI by the Family.
- + MICHAEL GEORGE BOUDJOUK (NJ) by Vicky Boudjouk.
- + GEORGETTE S. SAGGAL by Neil & Yola Karraz & Family.



Axios! Worthy! امستحق



NEW BISHOP NAMED! AXIOS! Bishop Nicholas Samra is happy to announce that His Holiness, Pope Francis, has given his assent to the canonical election of Father Francois Beyrouti as the 6th Eparchial Bishop of Newton for the Melkite Greek Catholics in the United States. Father Francois, 51 was elected on June 23,2022, by the Melkite Synod held at the Basilica of Santa Maria in Cosmedin, Rome, Italy. A terna (list of the nominated) of 3 names was sent to the Dicastery of the Eastern Churches and Pope Francis confirmed the election. The announcement was made on Saturday, August 20, 2022, by His Beatitude, Patriarch Joseph Absi, Patriarch of Antioch and All the East for Melkite Greek Catholics.

The schedule for the episcopal ordination and installation of the Most Rev. Francois Beyrouti is as follows:

October 12,2022 (Wednesday)

St. Anne Melkite Catholic Co-Cathedral, North Holywood, CA.

11:00 a.m. – Luncheon for all Clergy and the Beyrouti Family.

2:00 p.m. – Pontifical Divine Liturgy with Ordination of a Bishop.

A receiving line on the cathedral grounds will follow the Divine Liturgy for all those not attending the evening gala. Gratis status applies to all attending bishops, and Eparchy of Newton priests, deacons, monks, and nuns (active or retired). Clergy family members and non-Newton priests, deacons, monks, and nuns require tickets.\$75.00

October 19, 2022 (Wednesday)

Annunciation Melkite Catholic Cathedral, West Roxbury, MA (Boston)

11:00 a.m. – Luncheon for all Clergy and the Beyrouti Family.

2:00 p.m. Installation Divine Liturgy.

Gala Reception – in the Cathedral Hall following the Liturgy. Gratis status is the same as above, October 12th.

Patriarch Joseph Absi will be with us for these wonderful events. As a side note, the weekend of October 15,16, His Beatitude, Bishop Samra, and Bishop Beyrouti will be in Warren, MI for the 100th (102 thanks to COVID) Anniversary of Our Lady of Redemption Parish.

God bless this exciting time for our Eparchy!

Saint Basil the Great

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KEEP THIS DATE OPEN INSTALLATION AND ENTHRONEMENT OF THE MOST REV. FRANCOIS BEYROUTI 6th Eparchial Bishop of Newton

Grand Banquet, Wednesday, October 19, 2022, following the 2 p.m. Divine Liturgy, Annunciation Melkite Greek Catholic Cathedral, 7 VFW Parkway, West Roxbury, MA 02132

Tickets \$75.00 per person

Reservations for the Reception and Banquet are on a first come, first served basis with a maximum limit of 400 people. The deadline for tickets for the Banquet is October 10th. Make checks payable to "Diocese of Newton".

We would like to see a large number from our Parish in attendance, and we urge all organizations to participate in this celebration, to show our love and respect to our newly designated spiritual leader.

Complimentary Coach Bus Transportation will be provided, if a good number of parishioners show enough interest. Please fill out the ticket form in the bulletin to estimate the count for the bus as soon as possible with your remittance of \$75.00 before September 30th, and mail it to 111 Cross St, Central Falls, RI 02863.

Bus departure will be at 12:00 Noon from the church parking lot and departure from the Cathedral to Rhode Island will be immediately after the Banquet.

What's on the Menu for Boston?

Appetizers: (on tables): Hummus, Tabouli, Meatless Grape Leaves.

Dinner: Salad, rolls and butter, chicken marsala, baked haddock, mashed potatoes, green beans.

Dessert: Assorted pastries.
Drinks: Free coffee, tea, water.
Cash Bar: Soda, beer, liquor.



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Kindly remit reservations and payment before October 10 to:

Grand Banquet

Diocese of Newton

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SACRIFICIAL GIVING: September 25, 2022: Budgets: \$1,584.00: Envelopes: \$1,445.00, Loose: \$139.00; Candles: \$115.00; Stole Offerings: \$870.00; Building Fund: \$470.00: Sunday School Registration: \$50.00; Melkite Support: \$324.00.

<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> 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.

<u>GENERAL HOME VISITATIONS, SICK CALLS, HOSPITAL VISITS:</u> Father Ephrem has been fully vaccinated and is now available for these parish services. Just email him at <u>office@stbasilthegreatchurch.com</u> and leave him your message. **PLEASE! NO GRATUITIES!** A cup of coffee or tea is just fine. He looks forward to in-person contact.

PLEASE NOTE: Presently effective, the schedule of offerings in the parishes is now: Liturgies: \$25.00; Funerals: \$300.00. Weddings: \$300.00; Baptisms: \$100.00. Thus far, all Liturgy Offerings received from Funerals, which exceeded more than one year or even more, have had the maximum and minimum celebrations. Surplus ones have been deposited in the Building Fund, and placed on the altar and remembered collectively, similar 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 canonical guidelines and restrictions.

<u>N GOOD STANDING:</u> For your Pastor to sign letters of recommendation, family and student school related papers, character reference or any civil document for a registered parishioner, one must be in good standing with the church, spiritually *and* giving noticeable TIME, TALENT, & TREASURE on a regular and continuing basis to our parish. Did we ever consider that some of us might not be in good standing and may need to change that?

CHURCH SCHOOL CLASSES ARE IN PROGRESS: All youth of our Parish, whether they attend Catholic/Christian schools or not, should register and attend our Church School on a weekly basis. Parents will be doing a great disservice to their children and to the Melkite Church if they do not cooperate with us in trying to teach the beliefs, traditions and spirituality of our Eastern Church to their children. We should be asking ourselves if this is part of the reason that we may lose our youth later on.

PARISH REGISTRATION: Are you formally registered with this Parish Church? How about your relatives and friends? Although this may not be the custom in some of the countries of our origin, it is the accepted procedure here. We cannot be of service to you if we do not know you as a member of our Parish Family. Some benefits that flow from this are receiving the parish mailings highlighting the ongoing activities and life of the Church, having the Sacraments of Baptism, Marriage and also Funerals celebrated for your family here in our church, receiving Letters of Recommendation, Introduction, Freedom to Marry Certificates, having the privilege and duty to support the church, etc. Merely attending here on any level does not really constitute being a member. Membership too has its ongoing responsibilities. Please contact any member of the clergy, to formally register.

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

O Jesus, Who has said,
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O Jesus, Who has said,
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and urgently ask your
Father in your name that
my prayer will be granted.

O Jesus, Who has said,
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ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Traditionally referred to as Extreme Unction or Last Rites, the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick was previously most commonly administered to the dying, for the remission of sins, and the provision of spiritual strength and health in modern times, however, its use has been expanded to all who are gravely ill or about to undergo a serious operation.

The Church stresses a secondary effect of the sacrament: to help a person recover his health. Like Confession and Holy Communion, to which it is closely linked, the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick can be repeated as often as it is necessary.

It is the Pastor's desire to provide the Sacraments or pastoral visits to our parishioners. Because the Federal Privacy Act HIPPA will not allow to respond if requests are made by friends or some other non-family member, it is important that the patient or a family member let the Pastor or one of the Deacons know when they are needed. When you or a family member are hospitalized or are homebound and are in need of the Sacrament of the Sick, please phone the church number at 401-722-1345 to arrange for a visit. It is also recommended that the family to inform the hospital or nursing home upon admission that the patient desires a visit from the Church.

If you anticipate a hospital stay or have a serious health problem, please ask Father Ephrem for the Sacrament following Divine Liturgy or contact the office as soon as possible. Although it is sometimes impossible to anticipate the need, waiting until the last minute could result in no priest being available or no time for the priest to arrive. Remember only a priest may provide this Sacrament as it includes remission of sin as well as healing.

The Sacrament of the Sick is a Sacrament of healing and should occur early in an illness when possible so that the patient will be able to participate in it.

TODAY, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2nd, there will be a special collection for the **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM.** Please be generous in your support to help defray the cost of books, paper stock, visual aids and all that is involved to perfect our program, especially because we have implemented zoom etc., and to meet present day standards in this field of education.

TODAY, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2nd, the MYO is sponsoring a **CAKE SALE** in the lobby after both Liturgies. Please support the Youth in this endeavor and keep the momentum going for their events. Much appreciated!

TIME, TALENT, & TREASURE: We are all links of a chain. A chain is as strong as its weakest link! What kind of link are you? Let us make 2022 & 2023 the years that we give more of ourselves in the strengthening of the chain St. Basil the Great Community. Hopefully, many more will step up in their real understanding of parish membership.

REFLECTION: Power flows when Christians meet & let the risen Jesus rattle around in our midst.

PASTOR SAMUEL APPIAH respectfully invites all clergy and their Town of Lincoln communities to the **FAITH COM-MUNITY FESTIVAL** at the Lincoln Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 1000 Smithfield Avenue, Lincoln, RI 02865, on October 2, and October 8, 2022. Come one! Come all!

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Following Jesus Kids bulletin



Love One Another

Jesus wants us to love each other just like God the Father loves us. Can you think of some ways to show you love the people around you?

1. What can you do to show you love your parents?



2. How can you be loving to your brothers and sisters?



- 3. What can you do for your grandparents to show you love them?
 - 4. How do you show your friends you love them?
 - 5. What can you do to love someone that doesn't like you?

When someone is loving toward you, think of how that person is being like God the Father and try to be like them!



Love Your Enemies

"But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your heavenly Father." Matthew 5:44-45

This is not an easy command from our Lord. But 5 it is a command of love. First, He calls us to love our enemies.



the most. This prayer will most likely not change your love for them over night, but if you commit to this form of prayer every day, over time God will slowly change your heart and free you of the burden of anger and hurt that may keep you from the love He wants you to have toward all people.

Who are our enemies? Hopefully we do not have "enemies" in the How To 'Love Our Enemies' sense of those who we have willfully chosen to hate. But we may "How" is of the utmost importance. We aren't able to love our enehave people in our lives who we are tempted to have anger toward mies without the help of God. Hating an enemy is what comes natuand who we have a difficult time loving. Perhaps we can consider rally. We need supernatural help. If we try and love our enemies anyone we struggle with as our enemies.

To love them does not necessarily mean we must become best work in us, that we can love our enemies. friends with them, but it does mean we must work toward having a We can only love our enemies by trusting God to help us. true affection of care, concern, understanding and forgiveness toward them. This can be hard to have toward everyone but it must Why Should We Love Enemies? be our goal.

persecute us will help us grow in the proper love and affection we need to foster. This aspect of love is quite straightforward even 5:8) God's love brought salvation to us. though it is also quite difficult.

toward whom you have anger. It could be a family member, some- us, we ought also to love one another. 1 John 4:10-11 one at work, a neighbor or someone from your past with whom you have never reconciled. It is in keeping with this Gospel passage to one person, with whom you struggle, either externally or internally. Admitting this is simply an act of honesty.

Once you identify this person or persons, think about whether you pray for them. Do you spend time regularly offering them to God in prayer? Do you pray that God pours forth His grace and mercy upon them? This may be hard to do but it is one of the healthiest acts you can do. It may be difficult to show love and affection toward them, but it is not hard to consciously choose to pray for them.

Praying for those with whom we have a hard time is key to letting God foster a true love and concern in our hearts toward them. It's a way of letting God reform our emotions and feelings so that we will no longer have to hold on to feelings of anger or even hate.

Commit yourself this day to prayer for the person you struggle with

apart from the help of God it will not be true love.

It's only by the grace of God, and the power of the Holy Spirit at

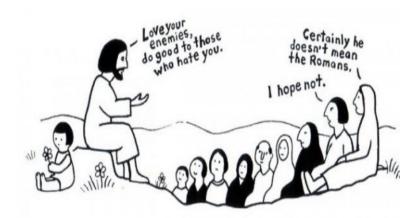
There are two reasons for us to love our enemies. One is simply because God said to, but the other is because God loved us first. t was The second part of this command will help. Praying for those who when we were still God's enemies (Colossians 1:21 and Romans 5:10) that He demonstrated His love for us. Through Jesus (Romans

Love is what makes all the difference.

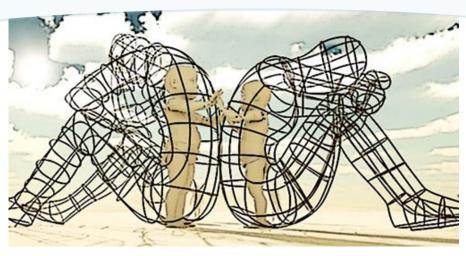
Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent Think about those whom you have a very difficult time loving. Those his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved

Loving others, even enemies, flows out of knowing love.

honestly admit that there is at least someone, or perhaps more than Lord, I pray for the person for whom You want me to pray. Help me to love all people and help me to especially love those who are hard to love. Reorder my feelings toward them and help me to be free of any anger. Jesus, I trust in You.



لماذا علمنا السيد المسيح أن نحب أعدائنا



مامعنى أن الله محبة؟

أولا دعوناً نلقي نظرة على وصف كلمة الله أي الكتاب المقدس لكلمة المحبة" وعندها سنري بعض الطرق التي من خلالها تنطبق هذه الكلمة على الله. ففي كورنثوس الأولي 4:13-8أ) "المحبة تتأني وترفق. المحبة لا تحسد. المحبة لا تتفاخر ولا تتنفخ. ولا تقبح ولا تطلب ما لنفسها. ولا تحتد و لا تظن السوء ولا تفرح بالأثم بل تفرح بالحق. وتحتمل كل شيء وتصدق كل شيء وترجو كل شيء وتصبر على كل شيء. المحبة لا تسقط أبدا."

المحبة (أي الله) لا يرغم أي منا علي محبته. فالذين يأتون الي معرفته يفعلون ذلك كنتيجة طبيعية لمحبته. الله (الرفيق) يبين حنانه لجميع الناس. و المحبة (أي يسوع) فعل خيرا لجميع الناس. و المحبة (أي يسوع) لم يتمني ما لغيره ولم يحسد، فقد عاش بأقل القليل ولم يعترض. المحبة (أي يسوع) لم يتفاخر ولم ينتفخ و هو في الجسد، رغم أنه كان بأمكانه أن يفعل ذلك. المحبة (أي الله) لا يرغمنا علي طاعته فالله لم يرغم ابنه يسوع علي طاعته ولكن يسوع قام طوعا بأطاعة أبيه السماوي "ولكن ليفهم العالم أني أحب الأب وكما أوصاني الآب هكذا أفعل" (يوحنا 11:14). المحبة (أي يسوع) دائما وأبدا يهتم بما نحتاج اليه.

فلماذا أدعو على أعدائي؟! لماذا لا أصلي لأجلهم حتى يحولهم الله بقدرته العظيمة إلى أصدقاء؟! فأكون ربحت من الجانبين.. لماذا لا أقاوم الشر بالخير ؟فالله يريد خلاص النفوس وليس هلاكها وهذا هو هدفه فمن لا يفرق فهو يجمع.

فكما يرى القديس أغسطينوس في تفسيره للموعظة على الجبل، أن السيد المسيح عندما قال لا تقاوموا الشر) انجيل متي (38:5 قد أدخل الكمال المسيحي كأعلى درجات الحب التي تربط الإنسان بأخيه. إذ يرى أن العلاقة التي تقوم بين البشر تأخذ ست درجات:

1- الدرجة الأولى: تظهر في الإنسان البدائي الذي يبدأ بالاعتداء على أخيه
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الدرجة الثانية: فيها يرتفع الإنسان عن المستوى السابق، فلا يبدأ بالظلم،
 لكته إذا أصابه شر يقابله بشر أعظم.

3- الدرجة الثالثة: وهي درجًة الشريعة الموسوية التي ترتفع بالمؤمن عن الدرجتين السابقتين فلا تسمح له بمقاومة الشرّ بشر أعظم، إنما تسمح له أن يقابل الشرّ بشر مساو. أنها لا تأمر بمقابلة الشرّ بالشرّ، إنما تمنع أن يرد الإنسان الشرّ بشر أعظم، لكنّه يستطيع أن يواجه الشرّ بشر أقل أو بالصمت أو حتى بالخير إن أمكنه ذلك.

4- الدرجة الرابعة: مواجهة الشرّ بشر أقل.

الدرجة السادسة: التي رفعنا إليها السيّد المسيح وهي مقابلة الشرّ بالخير،
 ناظرين إلى الشرّير كمريض يحتاج إلى علاج.

ويُعلَّق القديس يوحنا الذهبي الفم على مقاومة الشر بالخير، قائلًا: لا تُطفأ النار بنارٍ أخرى، وإنما بالماء... ليس ما يصد صانعي الشرّ عن شرّهم مثل مقابلة المضرور ما يصيبه من ضرر برقة وتسامح. فإن هذا التصرّف ليس فقط يمنعهم عن الاندفاع أكثر، وإنما يعمل فيهم بالتوبة عما سبق أن ارتكبوه من شر، فإنهم إذ يندهشون برد الفعل هذا يرتدون عما هم فيه. هذا يجعلهم يرتبطون بك أكثر، فلا يصيروا أصدقاءً لك فحسب، بل وعبيدًا عوض كونهم مبغضين وأعداء.

ومن شريعة المسيح: "سمعتم أنه قيل تحب قريبك وتبغض عدوّك، وأما أنا فأقول لكم أحبّوا أعداءكم، باركوا لاعنيكم، أحسنوا إلى مبغضيكم، وصلّوا لأجل الذين يسيئون إليكم ويطردونكم، لكي تكونوا أبناء أبيكم الذي في السموات..." (آنجيل متى 43-45).

لم تأمر شريعة الله الموسى ببغض العدق كوصية يلتزم بها المؤمن، في كسر ها كسر الناموس وإنما كان ذلك سماحًا أعطى لهم من أجل قساوة قلوبهم ولكونهم لم يصلوا إلى أعلى درجات الكمال فى العلاقات الإنسانيه. فقد ألزمت الشريعه بحب القريب وسمحت بمقابلة العداوة بعداوة مساوية، لكي تمهد لطريق أكمل فى شريعة المسيح، أن يحب الإنسان قريبه على مستوى عام، أي كل بشر وليس القريب فقط كصلة قرابه أو موده. يظهر ذلك بوضوح من الشريعة نفسها التي قدّمت نصيبًا من محبّة الأعداء ولو بنصيب قليل، فقيل: "إذا رأيت حمار مبغضك واقعًا تحت حمله و عدلت عن حلّه فلابد أن تحلّ معه" (خروج 23: 5). وقيل أيضًا: "لا تكره أدوميًا لأنه أخوك، ولا تكره مصريًا لأنك كنت نزيلًا في أرضه" (سفر التثنية 23: 7)، مع أن الأدوميّين والمصريّين كانوا من ألد أعدائهم.

الطريق إلى الملكوت ليس بالأمر الهين فهناك طريق صعب وباب ضيق إلى ملكوت السماوات وقليلون هم الذين يجدونه فمحبة الرب يسوع المسيح الذي يريدنا أن نحياها مع الجميع لا يمكن أن تأتى من تلقاء ذواتنا ولا من قدرتنا الخاصه مهما كانت إنما المؤمن الحقيقي إذا أراد أن يحب الجميع بمحبة المسيح حتى يكون له نصيب في ملكوت السماوات لابد أن يطلبها منه له كل المجد وبإلحاح وصلاه وصوم دائم والرب يسوع نفسه سوف يمنحه من روحه القدوس القوه حتى يحب الجميع حتى الأعداء.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR



OCTOBER	Sunday	ivioriday	Tuesday	vveunesday	Thursday	rnuay	Saturday
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	5th Sunday after Holy Cross الأحد الخامس بعد الصليب	St Stachys and his companions					St Romanos the Melodist
100 mm	Galatians 2:16-20 Luke 16:19-31	Colossians 2:13-20 Luke 11:29-33					Hebrews 9:1-7 Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28
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تشرين الأول ــ أكتوبر 2000	2 nd Sunday after Holy Cross الأحد الثاني بعد عيد الصليب	St Thérèse of the Child Jesus	St Hierotheos of Athens	St Charitina	St Thomas the Apostle	Sts Sergios and Bacchos	St Pelagia
2022	2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1 Luke 6:31-36	Ephesians 4:25-32 Luke 6:24-30	Ephesians 5:20-25 Luke 6:37-45	Ephesians 5:25-33 Luke 6:46-7:1	1 Corinthians 4:9-16 John 20:19-31	Ephesians 6:18-24 Luke 7:31-35	1 Corinthians 15:39-45 Luke 5:27-32
SEPTEMBER 2022 S M T W T F S 1 2 3	9 St James the Apostle	10	11	12	13	14	15
4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24	3rd Sunday after Holy Cross الأحد الثالث بعد الصليب	Sts Eulampios and Eulampia	St Theophane of Nicaea	Sts Probos, Tarachos and Andronicos	Sts Carpos, Papylas, Agathonicos	St Cosmas of Maiuma	St Lucian of Antioch
25 26 27 28 29 30	2 Corinthians 4:9-15 Luke 7:11-16	Philippians 1:1-7 Luke 7:36-50	Philippians 1:8-14 Luke 8:1-3	Philippians 1:12-19 Luke 8:22-25	Philippians 1:20-27 Luke 9:7-11	Philippians 1:27-2:4 Luke 9:12-18	1 Corinthians 15:58-16:3 Luke 6:1-10
NOVEMBER 2022 S M T W T F S	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19	Second Council of Nicaea أحد أباء مجمع نيقية الثاني	St Andrew of Crete	St Luke the Apostle	Holy Prophet Joel	St Artemios	St Hilarion	Seven martyrs at Ephesus
20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	Titus 3:8-15 Luke 8:5-15	Philippians 2:12-16 Luke 9:18-22	Colossians 4:5-11,14-18 Luke 10:16-21	Philippians 2:24-30 Luke 9:44-50	Philippians 3:1-8 Luke 9:49-56	Philippians 3:8-19 Luke 10:1-15	2 Corinthians 1:8-11 Luke 7:1-10
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	6" Sunday after Holy Cross الأحد السادس بعد عيد الصليب	St Arethas and his companions	Sts Marcian and Martyrios	St Demetrios	St Nestor	Sts Terence and Neonila	St Anastasia
	Galatians 1:11-19 Luke 8:27-39	Philippians 4:10-23 Luke 10:22-24	Colossians 1:1-11 Luke 11:1-10	2 Timothy 2:1-10 John 15:17-16:2	Colossians 1:24-2:1 Luke 11:14-23	Colossians 2:1-7 Luke 11:23-26	2 Corinthians 3:12-18 Luke 8:16-21









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Just a few donation ideas include hand-knitted/crocheted/hand made crafts, jewelry, small appliances, artifacts, toys, games, spirits, CD's, sports memorabilia, household, gardening, electronics, auto, travel, services, stationary, holiday/seasonal non-perishable foods, gift items (eg. Baby, pets, wedding, entertaining, etc.) Especially welcomed are gift cards/certificates, event tickets, theme gift baskets, or items to place in baskets.

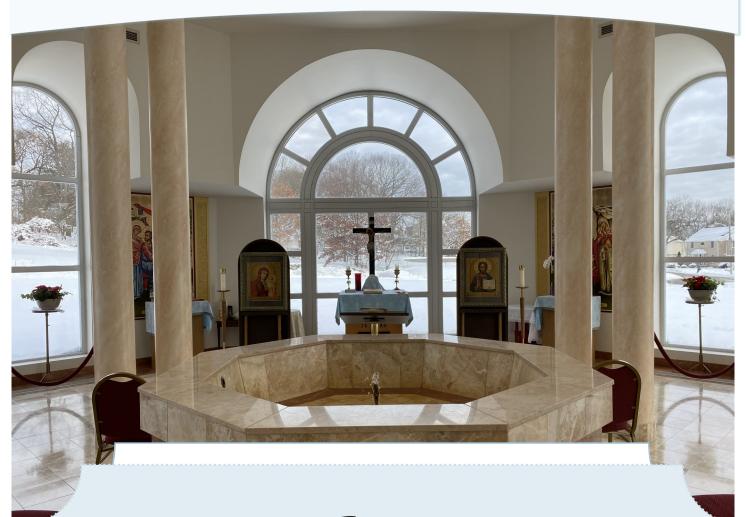
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- *MAKINGS FOR HUMMUS-Cans of garbanzo beans, tahini, crackers/pita chips, lemon juice, oil, salt, cumin, paprika, parsley flakes, serving spoons/bowls, recipe, etc.
- *LOTTA JAVA-Tea, coffee singles, cocoa, creamer, sugar, cookies, coffee pot, teapot, gift card to coffee shop, etc.
- *A DAY AT THE BEACH-Sunscreen, beach towels, blanket, umbrella, sunglasses, cooler, flip flops, beach snacks, restaurant gift cards, overnight stay at the beach, etc
- *CHOCOLATE LOVER-Chocolate candies, drinks, mints, nuts, cake mixes, chocolate cookies assortment, cookbooks, etc.
- *SNACK ATTACK-Chips, nachos, dips, salsa, soda, bowls, paper goods, movie cd's, game assortment, etc.
- *WINE AND CHEESE-Wine, wine opener, ice bucket, glassware, snacks, napkins, plates, assorted non-refrigerated cheeses, crackers, dips, event tickets, etc.
- *BREAKFAST BOWL-Assorted cereals, bowls, spoons, instant oatmeal, pop tarts, breakfast bars, cocoa, tea, etc.
- *NIGHT AT THE MOVIES-Assorted boxes of theater candy, microwave popcorn packages, movie tickets, gift card to a restaurant, etc.
- *SPORTS-Sports cards, sports equipment, any sports item with team logo, tickets to any sports event, etc.
- *ITALIAN-Pasta sauce, assorted boxes of pasta, jar of garlic, olive oil, breadsticks, wine, utensils, paper goods, seasonings, non-refrigerated grated cheese, cookbook, etc.
- *HEALTH/BEAUTY-Shampoo, conditioners, shower caps, lotion body splashes, hand lotions, sanitizers, hair accessories, combs, brushes, shower gels, soaps, candles, small hair/shaving appliances, etc.
- *KITCHEN HELPERS-Dish towels, washcloths, sponges, cleansers, dish detergents, potholders, cookbooks, aprons, cooking utensils, mixing bowls, casserole dishes, serving dishes, small appliances, etc.

ALSO DONATIONS OF EMPTY BASKETS/ CONTAINERS, TISSUE PAPER, SCOTCH TAPE, AND CLEAR BASKET WRAPPING WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

You may give your gift donation to any committee member. All donations should be submitted by October 9th, 2022. For more information contact St. Basil Rectory 401-722-1345

Weekly Divine Liturgy Schedule



The Divine Liturgy is celebrated

at

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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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Campaign Facts:



Campaign Goal: \$1,000,000



Outstanding Goal: \$381,000



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

Parish Community Facts:



Total Registered Families: 415



Active Families: 250



% of Active Families Participation: 45%

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

Current & Future Projects:



Roof Repair: Contract Signed - March 2022, estimated cost \$400,0000, project started June 2022, awaiting completion



Mold Remediation: Proposals received, no remediation necessary, estimated cost \$0



Window Repairs: Proposals received, estimated cost \$9,000



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



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



Parking Lot & Walkway Repairs:

Proposals received, asphalt estimated cost \$14,000, awaiting walkway quotes



Interior Repairs: Partial proposals received, estimated cost \$6,000



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



Exterior/Masonry Repairs: Reviewing needs



Door Upgrades: Awaiting proposals

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, <u>click here</u>, or scan this code with your Smartphone Camera! Jeff Boudjouk: 401-441-2737

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Lastly, just as a reminder, we are co-hosting**Coffee** with a Cop<u>We Roast Coffee</u>@ 276 Front St in Lincoln on Wednesday 10/5/22 from 9:00 am - 11:00 am.We invite all of you to come have a cup of coffee and meet some new faces from LPD.Hope to see all of you there

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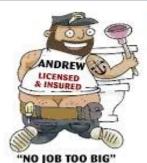
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