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ST. BASIL THE GREAT MELKITE GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Tue-Fri 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Divine Liturgies

Tuesday through Friday at 9:00 AM

Sunday Divine Liturgy

9:00 AM - 11:15 AM

**Pastoral Emergencies
and anointing of the sick**

(401)722-1345

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



3rd Sunday After the Holy Cross – The Widow's Son Holy Apostle James

الاحد الثالث بعد عيد الصليب المقدس
تذكّر القديس الرسول يعقوب

Troparion of the resurrection (1st tone)

While the stone was sealed by the Jews and soldiers were watching your sacred body, You rose, O Savior, on the third day, giving life to the world. Wherefore, O Giver of life, the powers of heaven cried out: Glory to your resurrection, O Christ. Glory to your kingdom, glory to your Plan of redemption, O You who alone are the Lover of mankind.

Troparion of St Basil

Your voice has sounded all over the earth, that accepted your preaching. You gave a divine explanation of doctrine, and made clear the nature of creatures, and set a rule of life for men. Holy Father, and Kingly Priest, intercede with Christ God to grant us great mercy.

Kondakion:

O never failing Protectress of Christians and their ever-present intercessor before the Creator, despise not the petitions of us sinners, but in your goodness extend your help to us who call upon you with confidence. Hasten, O Mother of God, to intercede for us, for you have always protected those who honor you.

نشيد القيامة بالبحن الاول

إن الحجر ختمه اليهود، وجسدك الطاهر حرسه الجنود. لكنك قمت في اليوم الثالث، أيها الخالص، واهباً للعالم الحياة. لذلك قوا السماوات هتفت اليك، يا مُعطي الحياة: المجد لقيامتك أيها المسيح. المجد لملكك. المجد لتدبيرك، يا محب البشر وحدك.

طروبارية القديس باسيليوس

لقد ذاع منطقك في كل الأرض. فانها قد قبلت كلامك، الذي به بينت العقائد بياناً إلهياً، وأوضحت طبيعة الكائنات، ونظمت أخلاق البشر. فأيها الأب البauer 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 معונتنا، نحن الصارخين اليك بأيمان: هلمي إلى الشفاعة، وأسري إلى الابتهاال، يا والدة الإله المحامية دائماً عن مكرميك.





Our church organizations:

MAYA: Organization of Melkite Catholics ages 18 – 26 (and at least 1 year out of high school) under patronage of our bishop, the Most Reverend Nicholas Samra.
<https://melkite.org/maya>

MYO: Provides a common forum for all the young people of St. Basil's Church, and that the Organization initiate, coordinate, and direct religious, social, educational, and humanitarian programs designed to promote the involvement of its membership in the Christian Faith and the Melkite tradition.
www.stbasilthegreatchurch.com/myo.html

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



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 First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians 4: 9-16

BRETHREN, I think God has set forth us the apostles last of all, as men doomed to death, so that we would become a spectacle to the world, and to angels, and to men. We are fools for Christ, but you are wise in Christ! We are weak, but you are strong! You are honored, but we are without honor! To this very hour, we hunger and thirst, and we are naked and buffeted and have no fixed home. And we labor, working with our own hands. We are reviled and we bless, we are persecuted and we bear with it, we are maligned and we console; we have become as the refuse of this world, the scum of all until this present time. I write these things, not to put you to shame, but to admonish you as my dearest children. For although you have ten thousand tutors in Christ, you have not many fathers. Therefore, I beg you, be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

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 7:11-16

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST

At that time it came to pass that Jesus went to a town called Naim; and his disciples and a large crowd went with him. And as he drew near the gate of the town, behold, a dead man was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large gathering from the town was with her. And the Lord, seeing her, had compassion on her, and said to her, "Do not weep." And he went up and touched the stretcher; and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to thee, arise." And he who was dead, sat up, and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother. But fear seized upon all, and they began to glorify God, saying, "A great prophet has risen among us." and "God has visited his people."

مقدمة الرسالة

تَكُنْ يا رَبُّ رَحْمَتُكَ عَلَيْنَا، بِحَسَبِ اتِّكَالِنَا عَلَيْكَ
 ابْتَهِجُوا أَيُّهَا الصِّدِّيقُونَ بِالرَّبِّ، بِالْمُسْتَقِيمِينَ
 يَلِيْقُ التَّسْبِيحُ

الرسالة (1 كورنثس 4: 9 – 16)

يا إخوة، إن الله قد أبرزنا نحن الرسل آخري الناس، كأثنا مجعولون للموت. لأننا فد صرنا مشهوداً للعالم والملائكة والبشر. نحن جهال من أجل المسيح، أما أنتم فحكما في المسيح. نحن ضعفاء، أما أنتم فأقوياء. أنتم مكزومون، أما نحن فمهانون. وحتى هذه الساعة نجوع ونعطش، ونغري ونلظم ولا قرار لنا، ونتعب عاملين بأيدينا. نشتم فنبارك، نضطهد فنحتمل. يشتم علينا فننتصر. قد صرنا كأقذار العالم، كأوساخ يستخبئها الجميع حتى الآن. ولا أكتب ذلك لإخجالكم، لكني أعظكم كأولادي الاحباء. لأنه ولو كان لكم ريوأ من المعلمين في المسيح، ليس لكم آباء كثيرون، لأنني أنا ولدنكم في المسيح يسوع بالإنجيل. فأطلب إليكم أن تكونوا بي مقتدين.

هللويا

الله هو المنتقم لي، ومُخَضِّع الشعوب تحتي

المُعْظَمُ خلاص الملك، والصانع رحمة إلى مسيحه.

لوقا 7: 11-16

في ذلك الزمان، كان يسوع منطلقاً الى مدينة أسمها نائين. وكان يسير معه جمهور من تلاميذه وجمع كثير. فلما قُرب من باب المدينة، اذا ميتٌ محمولٌ وهو ابنٌ وحيدٌ لأمته. وكانت هذه أرملة. وكان معها جمعٌ غفيرٌ من المدينة. فلما رآها الربُّ تحنَّ عليها، وقال لها لا تبكي، ودنا ولمس النعش، فوقف الحاملون. فقال: أيتها الشابُّ لك أقول قُمْ. فاستوى الميتُ وبدأ يتكلَّم. فسلمه الى أمه. فاستولى على الجميع خوفٌ. فجعلوا يُمجِّدون الله قائلين: لقد قام فينا نبيٌ عظيم، وافتقد الله شعبه.





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, OCTOBER 9, 2022: THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS. THE APOSTLE JAMES, SON OF ALPHEUS.

9:00 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY:

- + **RONALD MONTECALVO (5th Anniv.)** by his wife Phyllis & Family.
- + **CATHERINE KANDO** by M/M Anthony G. Mardo.
- + **MARY TAHAN (2nd Anniv.)** by Christine.
- + **MARGARET SABBAGH** by Bishara & Wafaa Tahhan.

11:15 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY:

- + **FARIZA CONINGFORD** by Barbara & Elias Deeb.
- + **MICHAEL GEORGE BOUDJOUK (NJ)** by Dr. Jason B. Boudjouk.
- + **GEORGETTE S. SAGGAL** by Bud & Mary Saggal & Family.
- + **JULIA, FRED, & ELIAS J. KISHFY** by M/M Norman E. Kishfy.



مستحق! !Worthy! Axios!



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 Beyrouiti 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. Aterna (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 Beyrouiti is as follows:

October 12, 2022 (Wednesday)

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

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



TICKET ORDER FORM BOSTON GRAND BANQUET

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Make checks payable to "Diocese of Newton"

Only 400 tickets available

GRAND BANQUET TICKET ORDER FORM

Name

Address

Telephone Email

Number of Tickets

Payment: Number of Tickets X \$75.00 =

Kindly remit reservations and payment before October 10 to:
Grand Banquet
Diocese of Newton
3 VFW Parkway, West Roxbury, MA 02132



SACRIFICIAL GIVING: October 2, 2022: Budgets: \$3,563.00: Envelopes: \$3,400.00, Loose: \$163.00; Candles: \$84.12; Stole Offerings: \$110.00; Building Fund: \$145.00: Sunday School Registration: \$115.00; Addit'l Melkite Support; \$25.00; Religious Education: \$436.00: Balance of previous Breakfast Club: \$400.00.

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.

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.

FATHER FRANCOIS BEYROUTI NAMED 6th EPARCHIAL BISHOP OF NEWTON: His Episcopal Ordination will be this Wednesday, October 12, 2022, 2:00 p.m., at St. Anne Melkite Catholic Co-Cathedral (North Hollywood, CA). The Pontifical Divine Liturgy will be celebrated by Patriarch Joseph Absi with co-consecrators (Bishop Nicholas Samra (Bishop of Newton for the Melkite Greek Catholic Church in the USA) and Archbishop Borys Gudziak (Archbishop Metropolitan for the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia).

The Enthronement of Bishop Francois will take place on Wednesday, October 19, 2022, 2:00 p.m. at Annunciation Melkite Greek Catholic Cathedral (West Roxbury, MA.) The Pontifical Divine Liturgy will be celebrated by Bishop Francois, with Patriarch Joseph Absi presiding.

IN GOOD STANDING: 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.

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and urgently ask your
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my prayer will be granted.

O Jesus, Who has said,
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through the intercession
of the Theotokos Your
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MONDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2022, we celebrate the weekend as **COLUMBUS DAY (INDIGENIOUS PEOPLES' DAY)**, and we pray the fall weather for you has been a healthy and safe one thus far. It has been great seeing the increase in church attendance and the participation in the cooking sessions for the upcoming **FOOD FAIR**, Saturday and Sunday, October 15 & 16, 2022. We hope to have a good turn out for the luscious homemade cuisine to eat on the premises, or to take out. Looking forward to greeting you and seeing you all in excellent spirits. God bless you all!

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!

ANOIDING 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.

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: Hostile words hold us hostage to hate. Hopeful words help us heal our hurts.

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Following Jesus Kids bulletin



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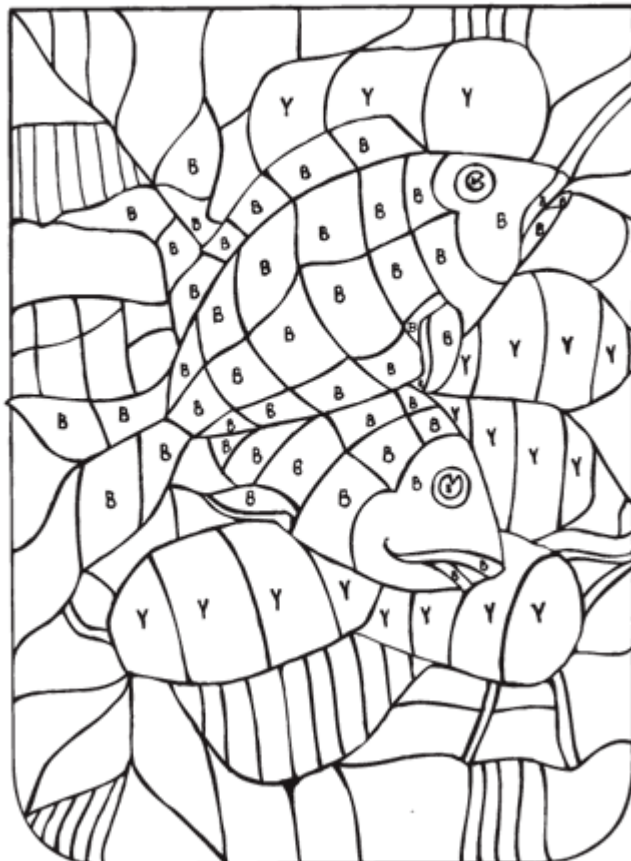
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Comfort in the tragedies of life



There are many discouraging and sad events constantly happening in the world: violence and war. There are sad events in our lives and the lives of our loved ones as well: disease, serious accidents, failures, broken relationships, and so on. Things often don't turn out the way we had hoped. How do we respond? Perhaps we get angry or sad or fatalistic. Perhaps we feel hopeless.

In today's Bible story we see that Jesus encountered a sad situation. It was a funeral procession—the funeral of an only son of a widow. As a widow, this woman experienced sorrow. Then she experienced even deeper sorrow when her only son died. Jesus took away her sorrow and restored her joy of living.

Can Jesus help us in our sorrows and difficulties? Yes he can. This is the faithful testimony of Scripture. This is also the repeated human testimony of those who have trusted in Jesus and those who continue to trust in Jesus. Today, we want to hear and meditate on two commands of Jesus in this passage: "Don't cry" and, "Get up!" May Jesus' words of life give you victory over sorrow and over the sting of death.

First, "Don't cry." Jesus entered a town together with his disciples and a large crowd that was with him. The town was called Nain, a town in Galilee, not far from Nazareth. To hang out with Jesus must've been so exciting. Jesus was healing diseases, driving evil spirits out of people, and proclaiming the victory and freedom of God's kingdom. Jesus' group was full of life, hope and high expectations.

However, Jesus' group was met by a very different group when they arrived in Nain. As Jesus approached the town gate, a dead person was being carried out. Funerals usually involve many tears. Luke tells us two details that make this funeral even more sorrowful than usual. The dead young man being carried out was the only son of his mother. Her only son must've been her joy of life who gave her strength to live. Probably her son helped support her with his labor power. We don't know how old her son was or how he died. We only know that he was a young man and he was the only son to his mother.

No parent on earth expects or imagines that their child will die before they will. Jesus loved little children. When the Lord Jesus saw this grieving mother, his heart went out to her. At first thought, Jesus' words sound insensitive. I'm sure you've heard counselors say that there is an important grieving process for people to go through who have suffered some deep personal loss, like the death of a loved one. Jesus said, "Don't cry." Jesus is not promising that we won't have sorrowful things happen in our lives, for everyone faces sorrows and tragedies, at least from an earthly standpoint. But Jesus does give us hope, peace and joy in the midst of death and sorrow. Jesus is our comfort in this fallen, hard world. In a beautiful passage about comfort, Apostle Paul wrote: "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God" (2Co 1:3-4).

So when you are feeling sad, remember Jesus who said to a sorrowing widow, "Don't cry." He is our hope and salvation. Jesus is the joy of living.

Second, "Get up!" Jesus' words, "Don't cry" surely astonished the weeping crowd. But then Jesus did something even more astonishing and controversial. He went up

and touched the open coffin that the pallbearers were carrying and they stood still. Usually, in Jewish society, touching the dead or a coffin would make a person unclean. This was also true of touching a person with leprosy or a bleeding person. Their uncleanness would be transferred to make the one who touched them unclean. But a different transfer was about to take place to flow the other way, from Jesus to the dead.

Jesus' words are life-giving: "Young man, I say to you, get up!" Jesus' words even bring the dead back to life. Once Jesus said, "Very truly I tell you, a time is coming and has now come when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God and those who hear will live" (Jn 5:25). Again, on another occasion, Jesus said, "The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you—they are full of the Spirit and life" (Jn 6:63).

The word of God gives new birth and new life to all who believe. Apostle Peter wrote, "For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God" (1Pe 1:23). We all need new birth into a living hope. Peter wrote about this saying, "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you..." (1Pe 1:3-4)

All who repent and turn from their sins and accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior receive forgiveness of sins and a new life in Jesus' name. Acts 10:43 tells us, "All the prophets testify about him that whoever believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name." All who receive Jesus and believe in his name are born again, through the living and enduring word of God, into a new and living hope. They were dead, and now they are alive again, in Christ, with Christ and through Christ. They now live for Jesus Christ who died for them and who rose again.

Have you received this new life in Jesus Christ? Has he brought you back from the dead? Has he saved you from your sins and guilt and condemnation? Are you a new creation in Christ Jesus? Are you walking in the Spirit?

Many young people who are in favorable circumstances struggle with depression, thoughts of suicide, eating disorders, hopelessness and meaninglessness. Two young men recently in Buffalo and Uvalde expressed the deadness and hell inside themselves by shooting and killing people randomly. This is one manifestation of being dead in sin and transgression.

Today we heard Jesus' words of life: "Don't cry." Jesus replaces our sorrows with his comfort, peace and joy. We also heard Jesus' words, "Get up!" Jesus gives life to the dead. Jesus gives us new birth into a new life with living hope. When we repent of our sins and accept the gift of forgiveness and eternal life in Jesus Christ, we are born again. When we hear Jesus' words of life and believe in him, he gives us new life in his name.

أقول لك : قم!



يُخبرنا المقطع الإنجيلي عن أرملة كانت في يأسٍ كبيرٍ إذ فقدت ابنها الوحيد ولم يبقَ لها من يعيلها في الحياة، وإذا كانت الأمور تسير في هذا المنحى، إذا بيسوع يَمُرُّ بها ويتحنَّن عليها قائلاً لها: "لا تبكي". جموعٌ كثيرة كانت حولها ولم تستطع أن تغَيِّر من واقعها الأليم شيئاً، شخصٌ وحيد قدَّم لها ما تحتاجه نفسها الحزينة الكئيبة، قدَّم لها الحنان ودفع الحب والمواساة الذي يحتاجه كل إنسان.

ونحنُ أيها الأحباء في حياتنا جموعٌ كثيرة (زملاء، رفاق، أهل، أبناء، أصدقاء...) وكلُّهم ربما لا يستطيعون أن يقدموا لنا العون الحقيقي الذي تحتاجه نفوسنا، شخصٌ وحيد هو الذي تحنُّن على الأرملة، يستطيع أن يتحنَّن علينا ويساعدنا في العمق، وأهم ما تحتاجه نفوسنا هو التغيير الداخلي في أفكارنا وأولوياتنا وميولنا وأهداف حياتنا، لكي ننتقل من الحزن إلى الفرح، ومن القلق إلى الطمأنينة، ومن الكآبة واليأس إلى الرجاء والأمل، ومن الحقد إلى المسامحة، ومن الشرِّ إلى الخير والصلاح.

الأرملة تشير للبشرية التي صارت كأرملة بفقدانها نعمة الله ولذة العشرة مع الله. أما الشاب الميت فيشير لكل نفس وقد أفقدتها الخطية حياتها فصارت ميتة.

المسيح يراقب دائماً في حياة كلِّ منا، وعلينا فقط أن نراه، أن ننتبه إليه ونُعطيهِ من وقتنا بالصلاة وقراءة الكتاب المقدس. إنه عابِرٌ بقريننا عندما نخسر مالنا بالفقر، أو صحتنا بالمرض، أو أحبائنا بالموت، فلا نحزن ولا نياس فهو قادرٌ أن يُنْهَضَنَا من معاناتنا كما أقام هذا الشاب الميت.

أيها الأحباء شباب ناين الذي أقيم هو كلُّ منا، هو نفوسنا المحمولة في هذا العصر- على نعش القلق والاضطراب والقلق والاضطراب، والشقاء في سبيل تأمين لقمة العيش، لكنَّ من مات وقام في اليوم الثالث والحي إلى الأبد قادرٌ أن يقيمتنا.

السيد لم يُقِمِ الشاب استعراضاً لسلطانه على الموت وقدراته على وهب الحياة، إنما تقدَّم ليهب "حنانه". يتعامل الله معنا على مستوى السلطة والسيادة، مع أنه الخالق وسيد الكل.

اليوم إذا نتعلَّم أن الرب يتحنَّن، وأنَّ هذا هو إلها وليس شيئاً آخر، إنه الإله المملوء حناناً ومحبة. هذا هو قلب المسيح الحقيقي الذي يتحنَّن علينا عندما يجدنا في ظروف صعبة، وهو الذي يشفق على المتعبين والثقيلي الأحمال فهو يشعر مع الجميع لأنه رب الجميع.

ليتنا نكون كهذه الأرملة، إذ نفقد رجلنا الذي اخترناه خلال العصيان، أي إبليس، هذا الذي دفع بابنا الوحيد أي نفسنا إلى الموت، فصارت محمولة في الجسد كما على نعش، خارج البيت الإلهي بلا حياة. نلتقي مع واهب الحياة إذ وحده يتحنَّن علينا، فينزِع عنَّا ثقل هذا الموت، ويردُّ لنا نفوسنا حيّة فيه، وأجسادنا مقدّسة بروحه القدّوس.

قبل أن يلمس الرب النعش لمس قلب الأم قائلاً لها لا تبكي. ولا تبكي هذه لو قالها أي إنسان لأم فقدت وحيدها فهي لن تعزيها، أمّا لو سمعتها من المسيح نفسه لدخل العزاء إلى قلبها.

نجد أن المسيح هو الذي يبادر بصنع المعجزة دون أن يسأله أحد ليعلن أنه أتى ليعطي حياة للبشر، فهو ليس قادر على أن يقيم من الموت الجسدي فقط، بل هو قادر أن يقيمنا من موت الخطية (يو5:25). ومن يقوم من موت الخطية تكون له حياة أبدية. هذه المعجزة تشير تماماً لما عمله المسيح، فهو أتى ليعطي للبشرية حياة دون أن يسأله أحد. فمن كان يتصور من البشر أن هناك حل لمشكلة الموت.

فهو شخص يحب الكل ويعطف على كل من يلاقيه ويريد أن يصالح الخطاة مع الله، فكان يقف ويتحدث بصرحة ووضوح عن رسالته السماوية حول لزوم التوبة والإيمان لنوال الغفران التام.

هناك أموات كثيرون ماتوا أيام السيد المسيح ولم يقيمهم، فالسيد لا يهتم بأن يقيم الأجساد لموت ثانية، بل هو يريد أن يعلن أنه يريد قيامتنا من موت الخطية لحياة أبدية، وإقامته لهذا الشاب خير دليل على إمكانية حدوث هذه القيامة الأبدية. وقول السيد هنا للأرملة لا تبكي يعطي فكرة عن إرادة الله أن يسود الفرح البشر، فالله لا يريد لنا أن نحزن. ولذلك أيضاً



LITURGICAL CALENDAR



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



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Here some examples of donations/baskets. Get creative and make it a family event!

***HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS**-Autumn, Winter, Christmas, Thanksgiving, paper goods, decorations, candles, candy, stationary, cookies, picture frames, photo albums, tickets ti holiday events.

***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.

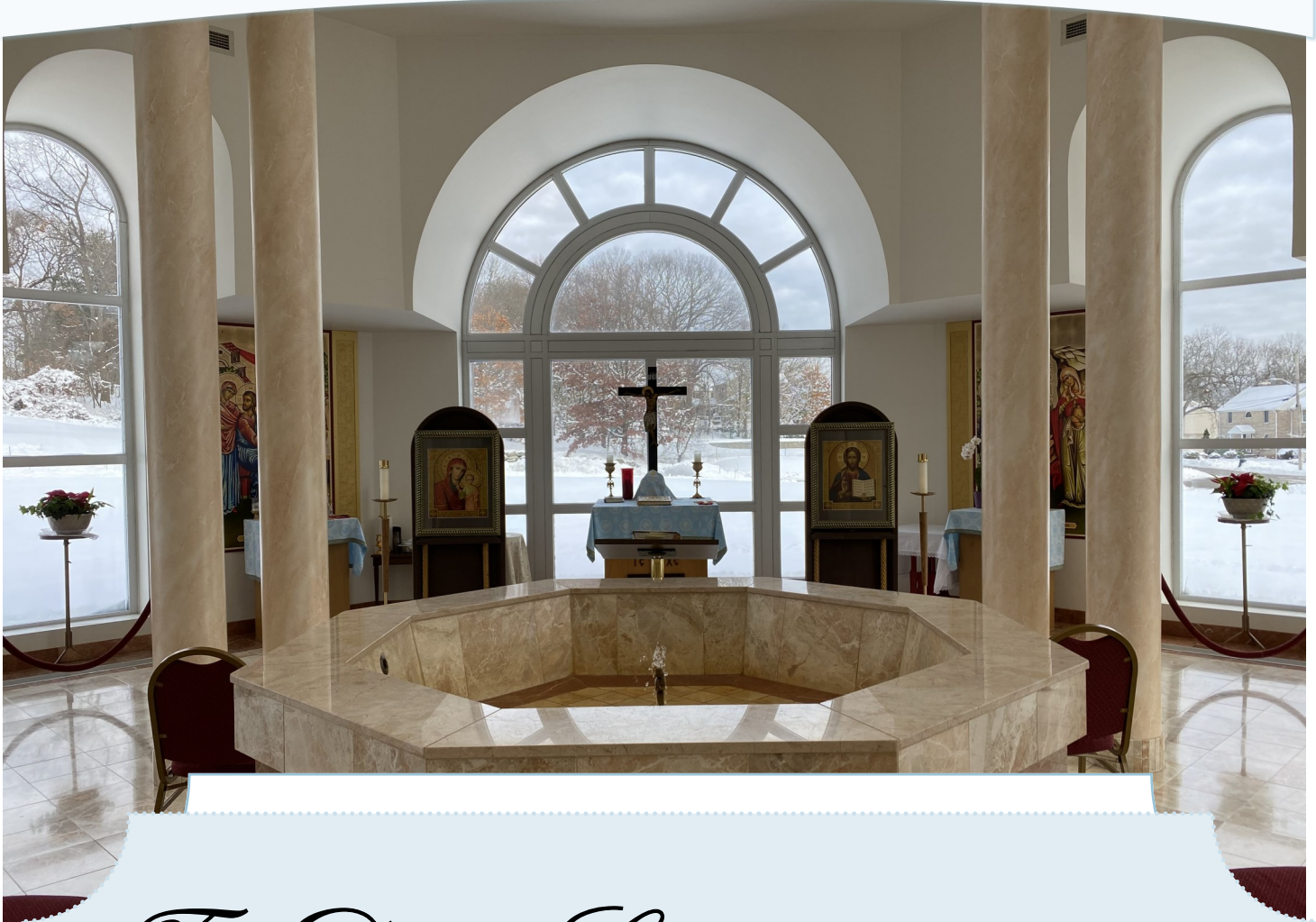
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ALSO DONATIONS OF EMPTY BASKETS/ CONTAINERS, TISSUE PAPER, SCOTCH TAPE, AND CLEAR BASKET WRAPPING WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

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

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND GOD BLESS

Weekly Divine Liturgy Schedule



The Divine Liturgy is celebrated

At St. Elias Chapel

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Tuesday to Friday at 9:00 am

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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Donations are greatly appreciated especially during this pandemic crisis. Please click on the link below to donate.
Thank you and God bless you and yours.

By Joyce Perry

Did you hear the news?

I can't believe it myself. It's back! It's back! The fellowship is back? The rumors are true that there will be a Fellowship Christmas Party this year and Table #4 is ready to take back the title of the best singers at St. Basil's. Was it 4 calling birds that they excelled at? Five Golden Rings? Will they win the prize?

Will Ben Perry return to cook the meal?

Will Judy Rawan decorate the hall like a winter wonderland?

Will Tom & Jerry return for an encore?

These questions and more will be answered.



Coffee & Pastry served

Date:
Wednesday, Oct. 26
Time: 6 p.m.
Place:
St. Basil's Cultural Center



St. Basil's Church 2022—with a new roof and everything!

St. Basil's Fellowship ...is BACK!

Can you believe it's been over two years since we had a Fellowship meeting? COVID-19 really put a damper on our fun! Well, we are **BACK!**

Remember the informative meetings we had? Remember the Medicare seminar? Remember the ice cream social? Remember the financial talks? Remember the cooking demonstration? Remember the Physical Therapy demonstration? Remember the talk by Father McCarthy? Remember the trip to Maine and that amazing bread? Remember when we all became artist when Jerry taught us how to paint? Those are just some of the exciting things we did!

Let's continue the fun!

Bring your suggestions and ideas. Our meetings will be held just once a month. We would like to plan spiritual events, social events, outings, retreats, short trips, and much more.

Judy and Joyce have volunteered to co-chair the committee again.

We need to decide the best night to have the meetings, but right now, we are planning on one Wednesday per month. More details to follow.

Our first kick-off meeting will be on Wednesday, October 26, at 6 p.m. in the St. Basil's Cultural Center.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

**NO MEMBERSHIP DUES
WILL BE COLLECTED THIS
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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, [click here](#), or scan this code with your Smartphone Camera!

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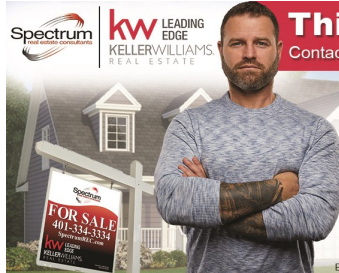
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