



October 18th, 2020

ST. BASIL THE GREAT MELKITE GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH

Third Sunday After The Exaltation of the Holy and Life-Giving Cross

Commemoration of the Holy Apostle Luke the Evangelist
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Reconciliation:

Saturday 2:30 –3:30 P.M.,
Sunday 9:30-10:30 A.M., or by
appointment.

Baptisms: Please arrange with the pastor.

Marriages: a notice of at least 6 months should be given to the pastor, before the proposed wedding date to arrange for the required interview and instructions.

Troparion of the Resurrection (3rd Tone)

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

Troparion of St Basil

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

Kontakion

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

Hirmos

It is truly right to call you blessed, O Theotokos, You are ever-blessed and all blameless, and the Mother of our God. Higher in honor than the Cherubim, and more glorious beyond compare than the Seraphim, You gave birth to God the Word in virginity, You are truly Mother of God. You do we exalt.

Epistle of the Divine Liturgy

Psalms 47:6,1 (Tone 3)

Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.

Stichon: Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy. (NRSV)

Galatians 1:11-19 (20 after Pentecost)

For I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that the gospel that was proclaimed by me is not of human origin; for I did not receive it from a human source, nor

نشيد القيامة بالحن الثالث

لِتَفْرَحِ السَّمَاوِيَّاتُ. وَتَبْتَهِجِ الْأَرْضِيَّاتُ. لِأَنَّ الرَّبَّ صَنَعَ عَجْلاً بِسَاعِدِهِ. وَوَطِئَ الْمَوْتَ بِالْمَوْتِ. وَصَارَ بِكَرِ الْأَمْوَاتِ. وَأَنْقَذَنَا مِنْ جَوْفِ الْجَحِيمِ. وَمَنْحَ الْعَالَمِ عَظِيمَ الرَّحْمَةِ.

طروبارية القديس باسيليوس

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

قنداق الختام

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 الابتهاال، يا والدة الإله المحامية دائماً عن مكرميك

النشيد لوالدة الإله

إنه واجب حقاً أن نُعْبِطَ، يا والدة الإله، الدائمة الغبطة، والمُنْهَمة عن كل عيب، وأُمُّ إلهنا يا من هي أكرم من الشروبيم، وأمجد بلا قياس من السرافيم، يا من ولدت الله الكلمة وليتبت بتولاً، إنك حقاً والدة الإله. أيّاك نُعْظَم.

رسالة الليتارجيا الإلهية

المزامير ٤٧ : ٦ و ١ (لحن ٣)
رَنِّمُوا لِلْإِلَهِنا رَنِّمُوا، رَنِّمُوا لِمَلِكِنَا رَنِّمُوا
سِتِيخُون: يا جميع الأمم صَفِّقُوا بِالْأَيْدِي. هَلِّلُوا
لِلْإِلَهِنا بِصَوْتِ الْإِبْتِهَاجِ

رسالة إلى غلاطيين ١ : ١١ - ١٩

يا إخوة، أَعْلِمُكُمْ أَنَّ الْإِنْجِيلَ الَّذِي بُشِّرَ بِهِ عَلَى يَدَي لَيْسَ بِحَسَبِ الْإِنْسَانِ لِأَنِّي لَمْ أَتَسَلَّمْهُ وَلَا تَعَلَّمْتُهُ مِنْ إِنْسَانٍ بَلْ بُوْحِي يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحَ إِذْ قَدْ سَمِعْتُمْ بِسِيرَتِي





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>



was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ. You have heard, no doubt, of my earlier life in Judaism. I was violently persecuting the church of God and was trying to destroy it. I advanced in Judaism beyond many among my people of the same age, for I was far more zealous for the traditions of my ancestors. But when God, who had set me apart before I was born and called me through his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son to me, so that I might proclaim him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with any human being, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were already apostles before me, but I went away at once into Arabia, and afterwards I returned to Damascus. Then after three years I did go up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and stayed with him for fifteen days; but I did not see any other apostle except James the Lord's brother. (NRSV)

Psalms 31:1,2 (Tone 3)

In you, O Lord, I seek refuge; do not let me ever be put to shame; in your righteousness deliver me.

Stichon: Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me. (NRSV)

The Gospel

Luke 7:11-16 (3 after Holy Cross)

At that time, Jesus went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went with him. As he approached the gate of the town, a man who had died was being carried out. He was his mother's only son, and she was a widow; and with her was a large crowd from the town. When the Lord saw her, he had compassion for her and said to her, 'Do not weep.' Then he came forward and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, 'Young man, I say to you, rise!' The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized all of them; and they glorified God, saying, 'A great prophet has risen among us!' and 'God has looked favourably on his people!' (NRSV)

قديمًا في مِلَّةِ الْيَهُود: كَيْفَ كُنْتُ أَضْطَهَدُ كَنِيسَةَ اللَّهِ إِلَى الْغَايَةِ وَأَدْمَرُهَا وَأَزِيدُ إِقْبَالًا فِي مِلَّةِ الْيَهُودِ عَلَى كَثِيرِينَ مِنْ أَتْرَابِي فِي أُمَّتِي، بِكَوْنِي أَقُوُّهُمْ غَيْرَةً عَلَى تَقْلِيدَاتِ آبَائِي فَلَمَّا ارْتَضَى اللَّهُ الَّذِي فَزَّرَنِي مِنْ جَوْفِ أُمِّي وَدَعَانِي بِنِعْمَتِهِ أَنْ يُعَلِّنَ ابْنَهُ فِيَّ لِأُبَشِّرَ بِهِ بَيْنَ الْأُمَمِ، لِسَاعَتِي لَمْ أَصْغِ إِلَى اللَّحْمِ وَالْدَّمِ وَلَا صَعِدْتُ إِلَى أُورُشَلِيمَ إِلَى الَّذِينَ هُمْ رُسُلٌ قَبْلِي، بَلْ سِرْتُ إِلَى دِيَارِ الْعَرَبِ، ثُمَّ رَجَعْتُ إِلَى دِمَشْقَ وَبَعْدَ ثَلَاثِ سِنَوَاتٍ صَعِدْتُ إِلَى أُورُشَلِيمَ لِأَزُورَ بَطْرُسَ، فَأَقَمْتُ عِنْدَهُ خَمْسَةَ عَشَرَ يَوْمًا وَلَمْ أَرْ غَيْرَهُ مِنْ الرُّسُلِ سِوَى يَعْقُوبَ أَخِي الرَّبِّ.

المزامير ٣١ : ١ و ٢ (لحن ٣)
عليك يا ربُّ تَوَكَّلْتُ فلا أَخْزَ إِلَى الْأَبَدِ. يَغْدِلْكَ نَجِّنِي
وَانْتَشِلْنِي
سِتِيخُون: كُنْ لِي إِلَهًا مُحَامِيًا، وَبَيْتَ مَلْجَأٍ لِخِلَاصِي

إنجيل الليتارجيا الإلهية

لوقا ٧ : ١١ - ١٦

فِي ذَلِكَ الزَّمان. كَانَ يَسُوعُ مُنْطَلِقًا إِلَى مَدِينَةٍ اسْمُهَا نَايْن. وَكَانَ يَسِيرُ مَعَهُ جَمْعٌ مِنْ تَلَامِيذِهِ وَجَمْعٌ كَثِيرٌ * فَلَمَّا قَرَّبَ مِنْ بَابِ الْمَدِينَةِ. إِذَا مَيْتٌ مَحْمُولٌ وَهُوَ ابْنٌ وَحِيدٌ لِأُمِّهِ. وَكَانَتْ هَذِهِ أَرْمَلَةً. وَكَانَ مَعَهَا جَمْعٌ غَفِيرٌ مِنَ الْمَدِينَةِ * فَلَمَّا رَأَاهَا الرَّبُّ تَحَنَّنَ عَلَيْهَا. وَقَالَ لَهَا لَا تَبْكِي * وَدَنَا وَلَمَسَ النَّعْشَ فَوَقَفَ الْحَامِلُونَ. فَقَالَ. أَيُّهَا الشَّابُّ لَكَ أَقُولُ قُمْ * فَاسْتَوَى الْمَيِّتُ وَبَدَأَ يَتَكَلَّمُ. فَسَلَّمَهُ إِلَى أُمِّهِ * فَاسْتَوَى عَلَى الْجَمِيعِ خَوْفٌ. فَجَعَلُوا يُمَجِّدُونَ اللَّهَ قَائِلِينَ. لَقَدْ قَامَ فِينَا نَبِيٌّ عَظِيمٌ وَافْتَقَدَ اللَّهُ شَعْبَهُ *





Divine Liturgy Intentions



TODAY, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, AND SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2020: THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY AND LIFE-GIVING CROSS. COMMEMORATION OF THE HOLY APOSTLE LUKE THE EVANGELIST.

4:00 p.m. DIVINE LITURGY:

- + **JOHN DURNIN, SR. & JOHN DURNIN, JR.** by The Digregorio Family.
- + **VICTORIA PROCHNIAK** by Robert & Catherine Kando.
- + **STEVEN KILSEY** by his brother Jeffrey Kilsey.
- + **BARBARA FAGER** by Dr. Gilbert & Mimi Altongy & Family.
- + **ANITA & JOSEPH BRULE** by the Family.
- + **ROSE B. KAHLA** by her brother George Kahla
- + **JAY PAUL (Anniv.)** by his parents, Dr. & Mrs. Biswa N. Paul.
- + **WAYNE LACY** by Mrs. Josephine Nassaney.
- + **VINCENT H. CAPALDI, JR.** by Joan Y. Ray.
- + **JOSEPH BERETTA, SR. & ADRIANNE BERETTA** by the Family.
- + **ANN BERETTA MORFILI & NORMAN BERETTA, JR.** by the Family.

11:00 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY:

- + **GEORGETTE A. SAGGAL (40 Day)** by her children and grandchildren.
- + **NADHIM MEKA** by his family.
- + **MICHAEL JAMES SENNO (11th Anniv.)** and **LORICE HELEN (SAMARA) SENNO (2nd Anniv.)** by their children and grandchildren.
- + **REV. ALBERT AZRAK** by Mrs. Gloria Deckey & Family.
- + **PETER MASHATA** by Eugenie Mashata & Family.
- + **STEVE SARKIS** by Kyle & Marianna Mardo.
- + **MARY WAKIM TAHHAN** by Bishara Tahhan & Family.
- + **JOSEPH P. AZAR, JR** by Irene Balon.
- + **YOUSEF AGHIA** by Najib & Seda Hana.
- + **JAY PAUL (Anniv)** by his parents, Dr. & Mrs. Biswa N. Paul.
- + **LENA AZAR DAME** by Eli & Ali Deeb.
- + **GEORGE BOUDJOUK** by Sonia, Jose, Doris Badro.
- + **ALBERT J. KISHFY** by Ronald & Tina Isbitsky & Family.
- + **GEORGE DECKEY** by M/M Elias Deeb.
- + **GEORGEANNA DECKEY** by Bruce & Darlene Balon.
- + **YUSUF & BLANCHE MUSSALLI** by Joe & Yola Saggal.
- + **ROSE KHOURY** by Dr. & Mrs. Roland Ghanem.
- + **JULIA & FRED KISHFY** by the Family.
- + **ELIAS J. KISHFY** by Justin Boudjouk.
- + **YOUSSEF MADOUR** by Gabriel Peters & Family.
- + **FRANCIS A. SAGGAL** by Tony & Myrna Brahimsha.
- + **MARK HADDAD** by M/M Wayne Rawan & Family.
- + **AMANDA ROWEY** by her parents, Anthony & Fadia Rowey.
- + **MR. SAMUEL G. RAHEB** by the Family.
- + **MARJORIE & ANTHONY TAGER** by the Family.
- + **HOLY & FORGOTTEN SOULS IN PURGATORY** by M/M Joseph Saggal.



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.

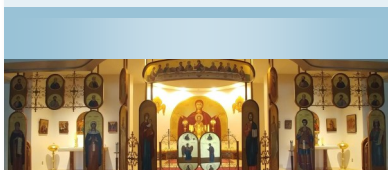




O Jesus, Who has said,
"Ask and you shall
receive, seek and you
shall find, knock and it
shall be opened,"
through the
intercession of the
Theotokos, Your Most
Holy Mother, I knock, I
seek, I ask that my
prayer be granted.

O Jesus, Who has said,
"All that you ask of the
Father in My Name, He
will grant you," through
the intercession of the
Theotokos Your Most
Holy Mother, I humbly
and urgently ask your
Father in your name
that my prayer will be
granted.

O Jesus, Who has said,
"Heaven and earth
shall pass away but My
word shall not pass
away," through the
intercession of the
Theotokos Your Most
Holy Mother, I feel
confident that my
prayer will be granted.



ST. BASIL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SACRIFICIAL GIVING: Oct. 11, 2020: Budgets: \$2,159.00; Envelopes: \$2,107.00, Loose: \$52.00; Building Fund: \$120.00; Addit'l Melkite Support: \$35.00; Stipends: \$140.00; Candles: \$78.00; Addt'l Cemetery: \$5.00; Addit'l Religious Education Program: \$75.00.

Today there will be a special collection taken up for **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**. Please be generous in your support.

Next weekend, October 24 & 25, 2020, there will be a special collection taken up for **MELKITE DIOCESAN SUPPORT**. Please help subsidize our monthly payment of \$1,645.00 for the operation of our Diocese, which amounts to \$19,740.00 per year. Please give generously.

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 face book page and on you-tube.

Change of Schedule: The Daily Divine Liturgy is now celebrated at 9:00 a.m. in St. Elias' Chapel instead of 8:00 a.m.; and the Saturday evening Liturgy is now celebrated at 4:00 p.m. instead of 5:00 p.m. Please pass on these changes of hours to all parishioners and friends and to all who frequently attend our services.

REFLECTION: A proverb is a short sentence based on long experience.

MYSTERIES OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION: The three Mysteries of Baptism, Chrismation and Holy Eucharist are always celebrated together in one ceremony. One month notice is required and one baptismal preparation meeting is required with the pastor.

MYSTERY OF HOLY CONFESSIONS: In one way or another, we have neglected God. None of us have lived a perfect life. No matter what we have done, we can always return home. Available weekly one hour before the Divine Liturgy or by appointment.

MYSTERY OF HOLY CROWNING: Six month notice, an initial meeting with the priest, marriage preparation sessions are required. You must be an active member of the parish.

MYSTERY OF HOLY ANOINTING: Available for anyone who is ill. Please contact Fr. Ephrem.

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.

PLEASE NOTE: There is no charge for the celebration of the Holy Mysteries (Sacraments). However, it is appropriate to offer a gift of thanksgiving. Following are the suggested offerings to the Church for parishioners who request pastoral services. Liturgy \$10.00; 40-Day Memorial \$35.00; Baptism \$75.00; Wedding \$300.00; Funeral \$300.00.

I say to you, arise!

I say to you, arise!



"And when He came near the gate of the city, behold, a dead man was being carried out, the only son of his mother; and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the city was with her. When the Lord saw her He had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep" (vs.12-13).

These few words, "Do not weep", encompass the whole purpose of Christ's coming to the world. Today's moving gospel reading from Luke 7:11-17 reminds us that Jesus came to wipe away our tears, to soften our pain, and to lighten the burden of life. One can only imagine how painful must have been the grief of the widow on her way to the cemetery to bury her only child - a son. St.Luke tells us that a "large crowd from the city was with her", but no matter how many people around her, she was now alone and aware only of her pain and grief. In the beautiful city of Nain in the region of Galilee, all she could see was two graves - that of her husband and now that of her only son. Now we might hastily think that this is simply the tragic story of one woman. But isn't it really everyone's story? Life can be beautiful for a while, but inevitably the day comes when it is no longer so. There is suffering; there is trouble; there is war; there is death. The result of all this is grief - an utterly painful experience that all of us must at some point in life come to terms with.

But how does one handle grief effectively? In the twentieth century we live in an age of miracle drugs. There are few pains which science today cannot lessen or eliminate completely with medication. Yet there is no pill or sedative that can ease the anguish, loneliness and suffering of a grieving and broken heart. Medical authorities tell us that the mismanagement of grief causes all sorts of illnesses from ulcers to psychosis. It may even lead to suicide. Now some people feel that the greatest cure for grief is time. Yet time alone will not heal grief completely. Time can do terrible things to grief. It can turn it into bitter resentment which can poison the body and the mind. If we are to cure grief we must co-operate with time in ways which are constructive.

One of the most serious mistakes we can make is to refuse to express our grief or to keep it bottled up. It is such unexpressed grief that causes all sorts of physical and mental ailments. Modern psychiatry has emphasized that when the eyes refuse to cry, other organs in the body will begin to cry with all kinds of illnesses resulting. Thus a very constructive way of expressing grief is to let the tears flow.

Unfortunately in our culture we often equate tears with weakness. We even say, "If that person had enough faith as a Christian they would not cry." Yet tears have nothing to do with weakness or lack of faith. When Lazarus died, St.John clearly tells us that "Jesus wept" (John 11:35). And the next verse says very simply but profoundly; "And the Jews said, 'See how much he loved him.'" The fact that Jesus wept teaches us that sorrow is natural. Jesus wept even though he is the Source of life. Tears are an expression of love. Even the sure knowledge of eternal life will not take all the grief out of the human heart when we lose a loved one. St.Paul says, "Do not grieve as others who have no hope." He is not saying that we should not grieve, but that we should grieve with Christian hope.

To facilitate the healthy expression of grief, our Church conducts memorial services on specific Saturdays throughout the year and on anniversaries of our loved ones' passing. The Church has always realized that in many ways a grieving person is like a steam engine. Unless the steam can escape in a controlled way, pressure will build up and the boiler will explode.

Now in today's gospel reading we saw the widow walking behind her son's coffin on the way to the cemetery. Her hopes, her aspirations, her dreams were being buried in that coffin. The procession of death was making its way through the city gates.

But there was another procession that day: Jesus and His disciples and a great crowd with Him. The two processions met at the city gate. "When the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." Then He came and touched the open coffin...And He said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And he who was dead sat up and began to speak. (vs.13-15)

There were two processions that day! At the head of one was a corpse - symbolizing despair, grief, sorrow, the helplessness and hopelessness of mankind. But at the head of the other was Christ, the Eternal, the Saviour, sent to stop mankind's tragic journey to the grave and to offer hope, peace, salvation and eternal life. St.Luke then continues by telling us that after the dead man sat up

and began to speak, Jesus "gave him to his mother" (v.15). We notice here that the gospel says "gave him" and not "restored him". Jesus, in raising the young man, had acquired a special right of possession over him, and it is a gracious gift that He now made to the mother.

Today's gospel passage shows us Jesus's compassion triumphing over death, and it is one of the three gospel accounts where He was seen to raise a dead person. The other two accounts involved the raising of the daughter of Jairus, and the raising of Lazarus. In each of the three cases it seems that it is the compassion that Jesus felt for the sorrowing relatives which was the foremost cause of the miracle (We note that Jesus did not even ask the widow to express her faith - as He had done before performing other miracles - but merely acted in response to her grief).

Now if this element of compassion is the first to be emphasised, it cannot be ignored that the miracles of resurrection have another cause also: they demonstrate that Jesus has all power over life and death. Some details of today's gospel throw light on this power: there is the authority with which Jesus (by a sign) stopped the procession; then the solemn and imperative form of the words, "I say to you, arise"; and the fact that the Evangelist Luke, who in the first verses of the same chapter speaks simply of "Jesus", now uses the word "Lord", for this was an encounter in which the Lord of life confronted death and human grief.

We also notice that the three cases of resurrection reported in the gospels cover all the successive physical aspects of death. Jesus raised the daughter of Jairus when she was still lying on her bed, He raised the son of the widow of Nain while he was being carried out in a coffin, and He raised Lazarus who was already buried and decomposing. Jesus's power over death is absolute. This applies just as much to different degrees of spiritual death as it does to different degrees of physical death, and the gospel accounts of resurrection indicate symbolically how Jesus restores life to sinners. "I am the Resurrection and the Life," said Jesus. "Whoever believes in me, though they die, yet shall they live. And whoever lives and believes in me shall never die" (John 11:25-26). Amen.



إقامة ابن أرملة نايين

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٢ - المسيح الحنون:

أقام رب المجد وصاحب كل سلطان ثلاثة من بين الأموات: ابنة يائرس في المنزل قائلاً: «يا صبية قومي» فقامت. وبعضنا يشبه ابنة يائرس في أن خطاياهم داخلية، غير مرئية. والمسيح مستعد أن يقيمنا من موت خطيتنا حتى إذا كانت مخفية عن عيون الناس.

ثم أقام ابن الأرملة على باب المدينة. وكثيرون منا خطاياهم على الباب تُرى في أيديهم، وتُسمع من ألسنتهم. والمسيح يريد أن يقيمنا حتى لو كانت خطايانا ظاهرة للجميع.

يقول العيان: «لا تبكي» بعد مرور الأرملة. لكن الإيمان يقولها أثناء الأزمة. والمسيح يريد أن يحيي في دواخلنا الإيمان إذ يأمرنا بعدم البكاء قبل نوال البركة، لأن إنقاذه أت. لم تستطع الأرملة أن تفهم حكمته، ولكنها فهمتها فيما بعد. «لست تعلم أنت الآن ما أنا أصنع، ولكنك ستفهم فيما بعد» (يوحنا ١٣: ٧).

يضع المسيح يده على كتفنا ليشجعنا والظلام محيط. وكلمة تشجيعه قوية مع أن الظروف المحيطة قد تناقضها تماماً. لكننا ندرك معنى كلمته ونثق فيها، وعلى كلمته «نلقي الشبكة» واتقن.

وأقام لعازر بعد أن أنن في قبره أربعة أيام. وكثيرون بقوا في خطاياهم مدة طويلة حتى أنتنوا، والمسيح مستعد أن يقيمهم من هلاك الموت بقوة يعطيهم الحياة.

مهما كانت حالة موتنا، فإن المسيح يريد أن يقيمنا معه، ويعطينا الحياة الأبدية. فلنطلب منه لأنه رب الحياة.

وإن كان قد أحيانا، فلنطلب من أجل شخص آخر ميت في خطاياهم حتى يحييه الرب. ولنصلّ لتحيّا كنيسة مشرقة بنور بضيء على كل العالم لمجد اسمه، وليأت ملكوته.

صلاة

أبانا السماوي، أشكرك لأن رحمة المسيح وصلّتي في عمق شقائي، وأدركتني في هوة بلاني، فرفعتني وأعادتي لي الأمل، ولمستني فبعثت في نفسي الشجاعة. افتح قلبي أكثر ليسع المزيد من سلامك، وتقبل مني كل حياتي المعترفة بفضلك. باسم المسيح. آمين.

٣ - المسيح القوي

أمر المسيح بسلطان ذاته: «لك أقول قم» وهو يعلم أن قوة محبته لا تسقط أبداً. «فيه كانت الحياة والحياة كانت نور للناس، والنور يضيء في الظلمة، والظلمة لم تتركه» (يوحنا ١: ٩، ١٠). فلم تلحقه، ولم تفهمه! هو الذي يحيي الموتى، ويدعو الأشياء غير الموجودة كأنها موجودة (رومية ٤: ١٧). سرّ الحياة ثانياً في جسد هذا الشاب، لأن المسيح أرجعها من حيث ذهب، إلى الجسد الذي خرجت منه «دفع إلى كل سلطان في السماء وعلى الأرض» (متى ٢٨: ١٨). في السماء حيث مضت النفس، وفي الأرض حيث كان الجسد في النعش، فأعطت السماء النفس، واستقبلتها الأرض، ليرجع الابن لأمه.

بذل إيليا وأليسع جهداً في الصلاة ليقموا الموتى بعمل الله، وفشل جبحري في إقامة ابن الشونمية. أما المسيح رب الحياة فأمر الحياة لتعود لجسد ذلك الشاب بأمره المباشر، فعادت.

المسيح والمعجزة

١ - المسيح المغيّر:

عندما يلتقي بنا ويواجهنا، يتغيّر حالنا كله. عندما التقى بالأرملة التي تبكي لموت ابنها، تحوّلت إلى أرملة فرحة لعودة ابنها إليها. «إذا إن كان أحد في المسيح فهو خليفة جديدة. الأشياء العتيقة قد مضت. هوذا الكل قد صار جديداً» (٢ كورنثوس ٥: ١٧). وكلنا نحتاج إلى محبته إلينا «تعال بنا». أقم عندنا. وخذ من قلوبنا لك مسكناً. فسمع قوله: «عزّروا عزّوا شعبي يقول الهكم. طيّبوا قلب أورشليم ونالوها بأجراً جهاداً قد كمل، أن إثمها قد غُي عنه، أنها قد قبلت من يد الرب ضيفين عن كل خطاياها» (إشعيا ٤٠: ١، ٢) ويتم فينا قول الرسول بولس: «مبارك الله أبو ربنا يسوع المسيح، أبو الرأفة وإله كل تعزية، الذي يعزينا في كل ضيقنا، حتى نستطيع أن نعزي الذين هم في كل ضيقة بالتعزية التي ننعزي نحن بها من الله» (٢ كورنثوس ١: ٣-٥). يعطينا ماء حياً فيجري من بطننا نهر ماء حي. يعطينا تعزية شخصية، ويعطينا لتعزي غيرنا.

وهذا سيحدث معنا أيضاً في اليوم الأخير عندما نتواجد في محضره نسمع صوتاً عظيماً من السماء قائلاً: «هوذا مسكن الله مع الناس، وهو يسكن معهم، وهم يكونون له شعباً. والله نفسه يكون معهم إلهاً لهم. وسيمسح الله كل دموعهم من عيونهم، والموت لا يكون في ما بعد، ولا يكون حزن ولا صراع ولا وجع في ما بعد، لأن الأمور الأولى قد مضت» (رؤيا ٢١: ٣، ٤). تمضي الأمور الأولى عندما يأتي ليقبّد شعبه.



LITURGICAL CALENDAR

OCTOBER 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Liturgical Symbols: Abstain from meat Church Major Feasts Fast from midnight until noon Lenten Season		1 St Romanos Hebrews 9:1-7 Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28	2 St Cyprian Ephesians 6:18-24 Luke 6:17-23	3 St Therese of the Child Jesus St Dionysios the Areopagite 1 Corinthians 15:39-45 Luke 5:17-26
4 2 nd Sunday after Holy Cross الأحد الثاني بعد عيد الصليب 2 Corinthians 9:6-11 Luke 6:31-36	5 Labour Day St Charitina Philippians 1:1-7 Luke 6:24-30	6 St Thomas the Apostle 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 John 20:19-31	7 Sts Sergios and Bacchos Philippians 1:12-19 Luke 6:46-7:1	8 St Pelagia Philippians 1:20-27 Luke 7:17-30	9 St James the Apostle 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 Matthew 9:36-10:8	10 Sts Eulampios and Eulampia 1 Corinthians 15:58-16:3 Luke 5:27-32
11 Second Council of Nicaea أحد أباء مجمع نيقية الثاني Titus 3:8-15 Luke 8:5-15	12 Sts Probus, Tarachos, and Andronicos Philippians 2:12-16 Luke 7:36-50	13 Sts Carpos, Pappas and Agathonikos Philippians 2:16-23 Luke 8:1-3	14 St Cosmas of Maiuma Philippians 2:24-30 Luke 8:22-25	15 St Lucian of Antioch Philippians 3:1-8 Luke 9:7-11	16 St Longinos the Centurion Philippians 3:8-19 Luke 9:12-18	17 St Andrew of Crete 2 Corinthians 1:8-11 Luke 6:1-10
18 St Luke the Apostle Colossians 4:5-11,14-18 Luke 10:16-21	19 Holy Prophet Joel Philippians 4:10-23 Luke 9:18-22	20 St Artemios Colossians 1:1-11 Luke 9:23-27	21 St Hilarion Colossians 1:18-23 Luke 9:44-50	22 Seven martyrs at Ephesus Colossians 1:24-2:1 Luke 9:49-56	23 St James of Jerusalem Galatians 1:11-19 Matthew 13:54-58	24 Holy Martyr Arethas and companions 2 Corinthians 3:12-18 Luke 7:1-10
25 6 th Sunday after Holy Cross الأحد السادس بعد عيد الصليب Galatians 2:16-21 Luke 8:27-40	26 St Demetrios 2 Timothy 2:1-10 John 15:17-16:2	27 St Nestor Colossians 2:20-3:3 Luke 11:1-10	28 Sts Terence and Neonila Colossians 3:17-4:1 Luke 11:9-13	29 St Anastasia Colossians 4:2-9 Luke 11:14-23	30 Holy Martyrs Zenobios and Zenobia Colossians 4:10-18 Luke 11:23-26	31 St Stachys and his companions 2 Corinthians 5:1-10 Luke 8:16-21

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

At your command, the sick were made well.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected

and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

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

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

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

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

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

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

FOLLOWING JESUS—KIDS BULLETIN



Following Jesus Kids Bulletin



Jesus Raises the Dead!

In today's Gospel reading Jesus raised a man from the dead. Everyone was amazed that He had the power to bring a person back to life. But there is something even more important than bringing people's bodies back to life.



I HAVE
KILLED MY
SOUL BY
SINNING!

Jesus also has the power to bring people's souls back to life.

When a person commits a mortal, or serious, sin, their soul dies. When a soul is dead it cannot go into Heaven. That means that someone who dies with mortal sin in their soul will go to Hell.



But Jesus gave priests the power to take away mortal sins. Do you know how? When someone makes a good confession, all their sins are taken away and their soul comes back to life! The priest takes the place of Jesus, Who brings dead souls back to life. Do you ever thank God for the gift of Confession?



NOW
MY SOUL
IS ALIVE
AGAIN!

Do you use God's gift of forgiveness by going to Confession?



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We are pleased to announce

The Daily Divine Liturgy

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

Tuesday through Friday at 9 A.M.

Saturday at 4 P.M.

Sunday at 11 A.M.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available on
Saturday 2:30 - 3:30 P.M. and Sunday 9:30 - 10:30 A.M.



**“GOD LOVES THE
CHEERFUL GIVER”**
2 COR 9:7

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.

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St. Basil The Great Melkite Greek Catholic Church

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for Church news and updates at**

www.stbasilthegreatchurch.com

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<https://www.facebook.com/StBasilMelkiteChurchRI/>

YouTube

<https://bit.ly/2VJgvnS>

Contact us for information and ideas

office@stbasilthegreatchurch.com

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

Remember me in your Kingdom

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

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

اذكرني في ملكوتك

أدعوكم إلى القداس الإلهي

من أجل الراقيدين على رجاء القيامة

في الأربعاء الأخير من كل شهر الساعة 6:30 مساءً

COVID-19 Updates

AS WE GATHER

please note the following



REMAIN AT HOME IF...

Remain at home and self isolate if you are feeling sick. Please use the self-assessment tools at www.alberta.ca before attending.



PHYSICAL DISTANCE

Maintain physical distancing of 2 metres (6 ft) between people who are not from the same household, at all times.



WEAR A MASK

Wear Non-Medical Mask. Sanitize your hands before and after wearing or adjusting your mask.



SANITIZE

Please sanitize your hands before entering or exiting the church. Sanitizing stations are available in the church.



CHILDREN

Children should remain with their parents or guardians at all times.



General Guidelines

- ❖ Temporary maximum capacity is 150 Parishioners!
- ❖ IF you are sick, have been identified to be in a high-risk group or are over the age of 65 PLEASE stay home!
- ❖ A Face Covering is **REQUIRED** at all times once you enter the Church.
- ❖ Parishioners must Enter from the main glass doors by the fountain and Exit from baptistry doors.
- ❖ Prior to entering all visitors will have their temperature taken. Your temperature must be BELOW 100 degrees Fahrenheit to enter.
- ❖ Hand sanitizer will be available- You are encouraged to use it when you are not able to properly wash your hands.
- ❖ Collection boxes will be at the entrance of the church, baskets will NOT be circulated during the liturgy.
- ❖ We are suspending the use of Liturgy books and printing of bulletins.
- ❖ Please follow the signs and direction of the ushers during Communion.
- ❖ Congregating of ANY kind will not be allowed!

Family Seating Guidelines

- ❖ Upon request, we will make every effort to seat family members who live in the same home together.
- ❖ You must arrive as a family in order to sit together.
- ❖ We will NOT hold seats for late arriving family members.
- ❖ ALL seats will be assigned by the ushers
- ❖ Once seated, your seat CANNOT be moved.

Phase III Revised: Picking Up Speed

Public health guidance must still be followed: Mask-wearing, social distancing, sanitation and screening are key to stopping the spread of COVID-19. Setting-based public health protocols (table spacing, etc.) from Phase II remains in effect for Phase III.

	Social gatherings	Public events and venues of assembly	Other places of public interaction (businesses, cultural institutions, outdoor recreation)
Examples include	Weddings, parties, networking events	Performances, festivals, religious services	Retail, restaurants, gyms, museums, close-contact business, office-based businesses, parks, beaches
Limits for indoor settings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limit of 15 people Exception: Social gatherings with licensed catering can have 50 people The smaller the group, the lower the risk 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limit of 125 people Up to 66% capacity with 6-foot spacing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indoor venues operating at a percent capacity in phase 2 can increase up to 66% capacity with 6-foot spacing Indoor venues operating at a square footage capacity in phase 2 can increase up to 1 person per 100 square feet with 6-foot spacing
Limits for outdoor settings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limit of 15 people Exception: Social gatherings with licensed catering can have 100 people The smaller the group, the lower the risk 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limit of 250 people Plans required above 250. Masks must be worn. Social distance must be maintained. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6-foot distancing and all other public health guidance must be followed
Additions to Phase 3 in accordance with above rules		Provided 6-foot spacing is maintained: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outdoor and indoor event venues can open at 66% capacity 	Provided 6-foot spacing is maintained: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seated venues, including movie theaters, can open at 66% capacity Free-flowing venues, including bowling alleys, arcades, museums and cultural institutions can open at 1 person per 100 square feet

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Tips for a safer Halloween

Follow these tips to celebrate Halloween safely this year and help lower the chances of catching and spreading COVID-19



Safer activities and trick-or-treating

- **Stay home and do not hand out candy if you have COVID-19 symptoms** or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19. Keep your lights off so people know not to come to your door.
- **Keep your group as small as possible.** Limit gatherings to no more than 15 people and stick with the same 15 people.
- **Use hand sanitizer** before and after choosing pumpkins or picking apples.
- **Take it outside.** When celebrating with others, do it outdoors.
- **Remember the three Ws!**
 - ◆ **Wear a mask** that's at least two layers thick and fits snugly but comfortably over your nose, mouth, and chin without any gaps.
 - ◆ **Wash your hands** often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Or carry and use hand sanitizer that's at least 60% alcohol.
 - ◆ **Watch your distance** by staying at least six feet apart from others.
- **Trick-or-treating tips**
 - ◆ Leave individually wrapped goodie bags lined up at least six feet from your door for kids to grab and go. Do not hand out candy from a bowl.
 - ◆ Go trick-or-treating with your children to make sure they do it safely.

Safe Halloween-themed activities

- Take part in an online pumpkin carving or costume contest.
- Display Halloween-themed decorations in your home or yard.
- Organize a neighborhood contest for outdoor Halloween-themed decorations.
- Plan a Halloween scavenger hunt for the members of your household.
- Decorate your own Halloween or fall-themed face masks.
- Prepare a Halloween-themed meal or bake Halloween treats for your household.

Safe Halloween costume masks

- **A Halloween costume mask alone will not protect you and others from COVID-19.**
- Wearing a costume mask over a protective face covering can be dangerous if the costume mask makes it hard to breathe.
- The safest option is to wear face paints and a Halloween-themed protective face covering.



Find more tips for safely celebrating Halloween, Día de los Muertos, and other holidays at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays.html

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Wear a mask that protects you and others

Wearing a face covering in public places helps protect you and anyone near you from COVID-19. **Your mask should fit snugly but comfortably over your nose, mouth, and chin without any gaps.**



RECOMMENDED

- **Face mask** worn the right way and at least two layers thick
- * N-95 respirators are critical supplies that should be reserved for healthcare providers and other first responders



NOT RECOMMENDED

- **Face shield** alone
- **Loose-fitting bandana**
- **Face mask with valve**
- **Face mask** worn the wrong way
- **Neck gaiter** only one layer thick

Always wash your hands after handling or touching a used mask. Wash and dry cloth face coverings after use each day. Learn more about how to handle and care for your mask at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/about-face-coverings.html

Masks should not be worn by children younger than age two, anyone who has trouble breathing, or anyone who is unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove the mask without help.

Last updated: 08/25/2020

Phase III guidance for fall activities

This guidance provides recommendations for taking part in fall-related recreational and entertainment activities as safely as possible to help reduce the spread of COVID-19. Under Phase III of Rhode Island's reopening plan, all people and entities must follow all applicable Rhode Island statutes, [Executive Orders](#), and [regulations](#). General business guidance may be found at reopeningri.com.

General guidance

Face coverings

- All persons must wear a face covering in compliance with [Rhode Island Department of Health \(RIDOH\) regulations](#) and active [Executive Orders](#).
 - All individuals in public or in an establishment shall wear a face covering unless they can easily and continuously stay six feet apart from others.
- A face covering or mask should fit snugly but comfortably over the nose, mouth, and chin without any gaps. For additional information about face coverings, refer to the following resources:
 - [Wear a mask that protects you and others](#)
 - [Frequently asked questions for wearing face masks outdoors](#)
- Masks should not be worn by children younger than age two, anyone who has trouble breathing, or anyone who is unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove the mask without help.

Physical distancing

- Physical distancing means keeping space between oneself and others when outside of the home to prevent the spread of disease. It includes:
 - Staying at least six feet apart from people outside the same household, unless separated by a physical barrier that prevents people from having direct contact and contact with any droplets from another person's coughing, sneezing, or talking;
 - Not gathering in groups larger than 15 people inside or outside;
 - Staying out of crowded places; and
 - Avoiding mass gatherings.
- Anyone in public or in an establishment should stay six feet apart from others at all times, to the extent possible.
 - When physical distancing is not feasible, people should limit their time of exposure to others the extent possible and must wear a face covering.

Other general guidance

- Outdoor activities are preferred. Open windows or doors, when possible, to improve air flow in indoor spaces.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water, for at least 20 seconds, or use hand sanitizer that is at least 60% alcohol.
- Keep a list of people you come in close contact with each day. A close contact is someone you have been within six feet of for at least 15 minutes.

Indoor and outdoor venues of assembly

Social gatherings (such as weddings, parties, networking events):

- Indoor: limit of 15 people; events with a licensed caterer can have up to 50 people
- Outdoor: limit of 15 people; events with a licensed caterer can have up to 100 people
- The smaller the group, the lower the risk.

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Public events and venues of assembly (such as performances, festivals):

- o Indoor: limit of 125 people, or up to 66% capacity with six-foot spacing between people
- o Outdoor: limit of 250 people, or up to 66% capacity with six-foot spacing between people
- o Organizations are required to submit a plan to the Department of Business Regulation (DBR) for any event at which there will be more than 250 in attendance. [Submit the plan to DBR online](#) or use the [Event Template: COVID-19 Control Plan](#).

Other places of public interaction (such as retail, restaurants, gyms, museums, close-contact business, office-based businesses, parks, beaches):

- Indoor venues operating at a percent capacity in a previous phase can increase up to 66% capacity while keeping six-foot spacing between people.
- Indoor venues operating at a square footage capacity in a previous phase can increase to up to one person per 100 square feet while keeping six-foot spacing between people.

Sector activity guidance

Halloween and COVID-19

- For safer ways to celebrate Halloween during COVID-19, see [Tips for a Safer Halloween](#).

Farmer's markets and agri-tourism

- Activities may include *corn mazes, hay rides, farm tours, and pumpkin or apple picking*.
- Vendors and operators selling agricultural and seafood products at farmer's markets, on-farm markets, agri-tourism sites, and pick-your own farms should refer to [Phase III guidelines for farmer's markets, on-farm markets and agritourism, and pick-your-own farms](#).
- Farmer's markets, on-farm markets and agri-tourism, and pick-your-own farms must develop a [COVID-19 Control Plan](#) which shall be available for inspection by the Task Force.

Recreation and entertainment

- Activities may include *historical and cultural sites, such as museums and art galleries; entertainment establishments, such as movie theaters, performing arts venues, and comedy clubs; and spectator sports*.
- Recreational and entertainment establishments and nonstate-owned historical and cultural sites should refer to the [Phase III Guidelines for Recreational, Historical, Cultural, and Entertainment Establishments](#).
- All indoor and outdoor recreational and entertainment establishments that are not venues of assembly, including historic and cultural establishments, must develop a [COVID-19 Control Plan](#) which shall be available for inspection by the Task Force.

Food services

- Activities may include *limited indoor dining in addition to outdoor dining (subject to applicable municipal approval) as well as pick-up, delivery, and drive-through operations*.
- Restaurants, cafeterias, other food service establishments, breweries, distilleries, farmer wineries, and bars should refer to [Phase III Guidelines for Restaurants](#).
- All restaurants operating in Phase III must develop a [COVID-19 Control Plan](#) which shall be available for inspection by the Task Force.

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