



August 23rd, 2020

ST. BASIL THE GREAT MELKITE GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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Divine Liturgies :

Sundays at 10:00 am

Pastoral Emergencies and anointing of the sick: (401)722-1345

Holy Mysteries:

Reconciliation: every Sunday before the Divine Liturgy 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.

Resurrectional troparion (Tone 3)

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 the Dormition (tone 1)

In giving birth you have preserved your virginity and in falling asleep you did not forsake the world, O Mother of God. You have passed to life being the Mother of Life. Through your intercession, save our souls from death.

Troparion of St Basil

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

Kondakion of the Dormition, (Tone 2)

Neither death nor the tomb could hold the Mother of God, our watchful Protectress and our unfailing hope. Since she is the Mother of Life. Christ who dwelt in her ever-virginal womb lifted her up to the eternal life

Hirmos

All human generations bless you, O Mother of God. The laws of nature were bypassed in you, for your birth-giving left you a virgin and your death became the herald of your life. O you who remained virginal after having given birth, and alive after having died, O Mother of God, deign always to save your inheritance!

Epistle of the Divine Liturgy

PROKIMENON: Ps.46: 7, 2 (Tone 3)

Sing praise to our God, sing praise! Sing praise to our King, sing praise! Stichon: All you peoples, clap your hands! Shout to God with cries of gladness!

READING from the first epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians

BRETHREN, I remind you of the Good News I preached to you, and which you received, and in which you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold fast to it as I preached it to you — otherwise you would have believed in vain. For I delivered to you first of all what I

طروبارية القيامة (باللحن الثالث)

لِتَفْرَحِ السَّمَاوِيَّاتُ. وَتَبْتَهِجِ الْأَرْضِيَّاتُ. لِأَنَّ الرَّبَّ صَنَعَ عَجْزًا بِسَاعِدِهِ. وَوَضَعَ الْمَوْتَ بِالْمَوْتِ. وَصَارَ بِكَرِّ الْأَمْوَاتِ. وَأَنْقَذَنَا مِنْ جَوْفِ الْجَحِيمِ. وَمَنْحَ الْعَالَمِ عَظِيمَ الرَّحْمَةِ.

طروبارية رقاد والددة الإله (باللحن الأول)

فِي وَلادَتِكَ حَفَظْتَ الْبَتُولِيَّةَ، وَفِي رُقَادِكَ مَا تَرَكْتَ الْعَالَمَ، يَا وَالِدَةُ الْإِلَهِ. فَإِنَّكَ انْتَقَلْتِ إِلَى الْحَيَاةِ بِمَا أَنْكَ أُمُّ الْحَيَاةِ. بِشَفَاعَتِكَ تَنْقِذِينَ مِنَ الْمَوْتِ نَفُوسَنَا

طروبارية القديس باسيليوس

لَقَدْ ذَاغَ مَنْطَفُكَ فِي كُلِّ الْأَرْضِ. فَانْهَاقَ قَبْلَتْ كَلَامَكَ، الَّذِي بِهِ بَيَّنَّتِ الْعَقَائِدَ بَيَانًا إِلَهِيًّا، وَأَوْضَحْتَ طَبِيعَةَ الْكَائِنَاتِ، وَنَظَّمْتَ أَخْلَاقَ الْبَشَرِ. فَيَا أَيُّهَا الْآبُ الْبَارُّ ذُو الْكَهَنُوتِ الْمَلُوكِيِّ، إِبْتَهِلْ إِلَى الْمَسِيحِ الْإِلَهِ فِي خِلَاصِ نَفُوسِنَا.

القنداق

إِنَّ وَالِدَةَ الْإِلَهِ الَّتِي لَا تَغْفَلُ فِي الشَّفَاعَاتِ، وَالرَّجَاءِ غَيْرِ الْمُرْدُودِ فِي النِّجْدَاتِ، لَمْ يَضْبِطْهَا قَبْرٌ وَلَا مَوْتُ، وَلَكِنْ بِمَا أَنَّهَا أُمُّ الْحَيَاةِ، نَقَلَهَا إِلَى الْحَيَاةِ الَّتِي حَلَّتْ فِي مَسْتَوْدَعِهَا الدَّائِمِ الْبَتُولِيَّةِ.

النشيد لوالدة الإله

جَمِيعَ الْأَجْيَالِ تَغْبِيطُكَ، يَا وَالِدَةُ الْإِلَهِ وَحْدَكَ ابْتِهَاجَ الْبَتُولِ النَّقِيَّةِ، أَنْ حُدُودَ الطَّبِيعَةِ قَدْ غَلَبَتْ فِيكَ. لِأَنَّ الْوِلَادَةَ حَفَظْتَكَ بَتُولًا، وَالْمَوْتَ صَارَ لَكَ عَرَبُونًا لِلْحَيَاةِ. يَا مَنْ هِيَ بَعْدَ الْوِلَادَةِ بَتُولٌ، وَبَعْدَ الْمَوْتِ حَيَّةٌ. فَيَا أُمَّ الْإِلَهِ خَلَصِي مِيرَانِكَ دَائِمًا

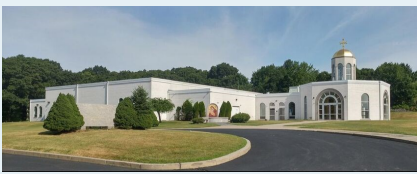
رسالة الليتورجيا الالهية :

مقدمة الرسالة

رَتِّمُوا لِلْإِلَهِ رَتِّمُوا، رَتِّمُوا لِمَلِكِنَا رَتِّمُوا يَا جَمِيعَ الْأُمَمِ صَفَّقُوا بِالْأَيْدِي، هَلِّلُوا لِلَّهِ بِصَوْتِ الْابْتِهَاجِ

الرسالة 1 كورنثس 15 : 1-11

يَا أَخُوهُ، أَذْكُرُكُمْ الْآنَ الْجِيلَ الَّذِي بَشَّرْتُمْ بِهِ، وَقَبِلْتُمُوهُ وَأَنْتُمْ ثَابِتُونَ فِيهِ، وَتَخْلُصُونَ بِهِ أَيْضًا إِنَّ حَافِظَتُمْ عَلَيْهِ كَمَا بَشَّرْتُمْ بِهِ، إِلَّا أَنْ تَكُونُوا قَدْ آمَنْتُمْ بِاطْلًا. لِأَنِّي سَلَّمْتُ إِلَيْكُمْ أَوَّلًا مَا قَدْ تَسَلَّمْتُمْ أَنَا أَيْضًا أَنَّ الْمَسِيحَ مَاتَ مِنْ أَجْلِ خَطَايَانَا، عَلَى مَا فِي الْكِتَابِ، وَأَنَّهُ قُبِرَ، وَأَنَّهُ قَامَ فِي الْيَوْمِ الثَّلَاثِ عَلَى مَا فِي الْكِتَابِ، وَأَنَّهُ تَرَاءَى لِكَيْفَا ثُمَّ لِلثَّلَاثِي عَشَرَ. ثُمَّ تَرَاءَى لِأَكْثَرِ مِنْ خَمْسِي مِئَةِ أَخٍ مَعَهُ أَكْثَرَهُمْ بَاقِي حَتَّى الْآنَ، وَبَعْضُهُمْ رَقَدُوا.





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

****Sunday School and all other church activities are suspended due to COVID-19 .**



had also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, and that He appeared to Kephaz, and after that, to the Twelve. Then He was seen by more than five hundred brethren at one time, many of whom are still with us, while some have fallen asleep. After that, He was seen by James, then by all the apostles, and last of all, as by one born out of due time, He was seen also by me. For I am the least of the apostles, and am not worthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted God's Church. But by God's grace, I am what I am, and His grace in me has not been fruitless — in fact, I have labored more than any of them, yet not I, but God's grace with me. Whether it be I or they (who speak), this is what we preach, and this you have believed.

ALLELUIA: Ps.30: 2,3 (Tone 3) In You, O Lord, I have hoped: let me never be put to shame. In Your justice, save me and deliver me. Stichon: Be for me a protecting God, a sheltering house to save me.

The Holy Gospel

GOSPEL: Matthew 19:16-26

At that time a certain young man came to Je-sus and said, "Good Master, what good work shall I do to have eternal life?" He said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but God. But if you will enter into life, keep the commandments." He said to Him, "Which?" And Jesus answered, - 'Thou shalt not kill, thou shalt not commit adultery, thou shalt not steal, thou shalt not bear false witness, honor thy father and mother, and, thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.' The young man said to Him, "All these I have kept; what is still lacking in me?" Jesus said to him, "If you will be perfect, go, sell what you have, and give to the poor, and you shall have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." But when the young man heard these words, he went away sad, for he had great possessions. But Jesus said to His disciples, "Amen I say to you, with difficulty will a rich man enter the kingdom of heaven. And further I say to you it is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven." The disciples, hearing this, were exceedingly astonished, and said, "Who then can be saved?" And looking upon them, Jesus

Special Petitions

- For all your people who have proven positive with the Covina virus, that they may be restored to full health and offer you their praise and thanksgiving, we pray to you, Lord, hear us and have mercy.
- For all those who have died as a result of the corona virus that he may be granted rest with the Saints and the mercy of God in the Heavenly Kingdom, we pray to You, Lord, hear us and have mercy.
- For doctors, nurses, and all in health care, risking their lives to minister to those afflicted with the corona virus, that they remain safe, and in good health as they serve others, we pray to You, Lord, hear us and have mercy.
- For all your people in Lebanon who were hurt during the disastrous explosion, that they may be restored to full health, and for those who died that they may be granted rest among the Saints, we pray to You, Lord, hear us and have mercy.

ثم تراءى ليعقوب، ثم لجميع الرسل. وآخر الكل تراءى لي انا

ايضا كانه للسقط. لأني انا اصغر الرسل، بل لسبب اهلًا لأن أسس رسولاً، لكوني قد اضطهدت كنيسة الله. غير اني بنعمة الله صرت على ما انا عليه، ونعمته التي في لم تكن باطلة، بل تعبت أكثر من جميعهم، ولكن لا أنا بل بنعمة الله التي معي. فسوء كنت أنا أم اولئك، هكذا نكرز وهكذا آمنتم.

هللوا

عليك يارب توكلت فلا أخزى الى الابد، بعدلك نجني وانتشلي كن لي إلهاً محامياً وببيت ملجأ خلاصي

الانجيل متى 19 : 16 – 36

في ذلك الزمان، دنا الى يسوع شاب وجئت له وقال: أيها المعلم الصالح، ماذا أعمل من الصلح لتكون لي الحياة الابدية؟ فقال له: لماذا تدعوني صالحاً ما صالح الا واحد هو الله. ولكن ان كنت تريد ان تدخل الحياة، فأحفظ الوصايا. قال له: ما هي؟ قال يسوع: لا تقتل، لا تزني، لا تسرق، لا تشهد بالزور، أكرم أباك وأمك، أحب قريبك كنفسك. قال له الشاب: هذه كلها قد حفظتها منذ صباي، فماذا ينقصني بعد؟ قال له يسوع: ان كنت تريد أن تكون كاملاً، فأذهب وبع ما هو لك وأعطه للمساكين، فيكون لك كنز في السماء، وتعال اتبعني. فلما سمع الشاب هذا الكلام، مضى حزينا فإنه كان ذا مال كثير. فقال يسوع لتلاميذه: الحق أقول لكم: أنه يسير على غني أن يدخل ملكوت السماوات. بل أقول لكم: انه لأسهل أن يدخل جمل في ثقب ابرة من أن يدخل غني ملكوت الله. فلما سمع تلاميذه يهتوا جداً وقالوا: من يستطيع أن يخلص؟ فحدث إليهم يسوع وقال لهم: ذلك غير مستطاع عند الناس، وأما عند الله فكل شيء مستطاع.

طلبات خاصة

- من أجل شفاء جميع المصابين بوباء الكورونا، لكي يمجّدوك ويرفعوا إليك الشكر، إليك نطلب يا رب، فاستجب وارحم.
- من أجل جميع الذين توفوا بوباء الكورونا، وراحه نفوسهم مع القديسين، وتمتعهم برحمتك في الملكوت السماوي، إليك نطلب يا رب فاستجب وارحم.
- من أجل الأطباء والممرضين والعاملين في المجال الصحي، الذين يعتنون بالمصابين بوباء الكورونا، معرضين حياتهم للخطر، أن تحميهم وتمنّ عليهم بالصحة الجيدة في خدمتهم، إليك نطلب يا رب فاستجب وارحم.
- من أجل الشفاء التام لأفراد شعبك في لبنان، الذين أصيبوا بجراح من جراء كارثة الانفجار، والراحة الأبدية مع القديسين لضحايا الانفجار، إليك نطلب يا رب فاستجب وارحم.
- من أجل السلام في ربوع الشرق الأدنى، لا سيما في لبنان وسورية وفلسطين والعراق، إليك نطلب يا رب فاستجب وارحم.



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: AUGUST 16, 2020: Budgets: \$1874.00, Envelopes: \$1,844.00; Loose: \$30.00; Building Fund: \$365.00; Stipends: \$285.00; Candles: \$73.00.

Any parishioner, young or old, interested in reading the Epistle in English or Arabic at the Liturgies should contact Father Ephrem or the Deacons as soon as possible. Presently, during the summer, there is no schedule and Father Joe has been calling for volunteers. If you wish to read at this time, please call Fr. Joe. This is the last time for new or past readers. You must register your name or you will not be included in the schedule.

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.

"Work for the Lord, the pay isn't great, but the retirement plan is out of this world."

Due to the escalating situation in Lebanon and the Middle East, please remember in your prayers and sacrifices, the victims and their families of this unfortunate devastation. Let us open our hearts and offer any assistance to this noble cause. Envelopes have been placed at the entrance to the church where you can place your generous gifts in the basket provided to aid our brothers and sisters in Lebanon in their recovery from the disastrous explosion in Beirut. Gifts and donations will be forwarded to the Diocese so that they may arrive to the proper beneficiaries. All Checks should be payable to the DIOCESE OF NEWTON. May Christ God have mercy on His people.

Today, August 23rd, 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.

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.

ST. BASIL'S FELLOWSHIP will meet after the Divine Liturgy in Cultural Center. Because there was a little hiatus since the last one, we urge and encourage all members to be in attendance. Please mind your social distancing to keep everyone safe.

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.



Divine Liturgy Intentions



TODAY, AUGUST 23, 2020: TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. LEAVE-TAKING OF THE FEAST OF THE DORMITION OF OUR BLESSED LADY THE MOTHER OF GOD; COMMEMORATION OF THE HOLY MARTYRS LUPPUS AND OF THE HOLY HIEROMARTYR IRENAEUS, BISHOP OF LYONS.

10:00 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY:

- + **REV. ALBERT AZRAK** by M/M Zaky Nassaney.
- + **CABRINA PASQUALINE CIPRIANO** by Hon. Thomas Lazieh & Family.
- + **HON. LOUIS E. AZAR, ESQ.** by Michael & Afaf Ashkar.
- + **DONALD AJMO** by Ron & Mary Di Gregorio.
- + **VICTORIA PROCHNIAK** by Kawsar Boudjouk & Children.
- + **RICHARD S. PROCHNIAK** by his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.
- + **MICHAEL FAYAN** by his Family.
- + **MARY LAMONTAGNE** by Ron & Mary Di Gregorio & Family.
- + **STEVEN KILSEY** by his brother Jeffrey Kilsey.
- + **JOSEPH P. AZAR, JR** by Faiz & Susan Albatal.
- + **ANITA & JOSEPH BRULE** by the Family.
- + **YUSEF AGHIA** by M/M Tony, Andree & Janet Charchafiah.
- + **JAY PAUL** by his parents, Dr. & Mrs. Biswa N. Paul.
- + **RIZKALLAH DEKKI** by Gloria Deckey.
- + **GEORGE BOUDJOUK** by Jared & Stephanie Hart.
- + **ALBERT J. KISHFY** by Edmond Shabo.
- + **YUSUF & BLANCHE MUSSALLI** by Georgette F. Saggal.
- + **GEORGE DECKEY** by Jane Jabren.
- + **GEORGEANNA DECKEY** by Joanne & Thomas Sabbagh.
- + **ROSE KHOURY** by Dr. & Mrs. Roland Ghanem.
- + **JULIA & FRED KISHFY** by the Family.
- + **ELIAS J. KISHFY** by the Aleppian Aid Society & Ladies' Auxiliary.
- + **YOUSSEF MADOUR** by Paul Ashkar & Family.
- + **FRANCIS A. SAGGAL** by Bud & Mary Saggal.
- + **WAYNE LACY** by Vinnie & Barbara Soucar.
- + **MARK HADDAD** by Mrs. Catherine Kando.
- + **VINCENT H. CAPALDI, JR.** by Marcos & Marie Valentin.
- + **GEORGE P. BANNA, JR.** by Mrs. Shirley Moon Lemay.
- + **LOUIS SIMON SARKAS & MATHILDE SARKAS** by their granddaughter, Dr. Jennifer Sarkas.
- + **ELIAS JOSEPH SARKAS** by his daughter, Dr. Jennifer Sarkas.
- + **HALA ASHKAR KARRAZ** by M/M George Mardo & Family.
- + **MARJORIE & ANTHONY TAGER** by the Family.
- + **JOSEPH BERETTA, SR. & ADRIANNE BERETTA** by the Family.
- + **ANN BERETTA MORFILI & NORMAN BERETTA, JR.** by the Family.
- + **HOLY & FORGOTTEN SOULS IN PURGATORY** by M/M Joseph Saggal.

For the wellbeing, health, protection and salvation of the servants of God; Archdeacon George Yany, Jackson Scholz, Sally Gravino, Leigh-Ann Di Gregorio, Francine Robat, Fred Koussa, and Samir Boudjouk.

NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2020: THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. COMMEMORATION OF OUR FATHERS AMONG THE SAINTS ALEXANDER, JOHN AND PAUL THE LATTER, ARCHBISHOPS OF CONSTANTINOPLE.

10:00 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY:

- + **Souhail Albatal & Haia Neima** by their children.
- + **REV. ALBERT AZRAK** by Mr. Dennis Dakake.
- + **JOSEPH & ANGELA KAYATA** by Michael & Barbara O'Rourke & Family.
- + **CHARLES & ANNE O'ROURKE** by Michael & Barbara O'Rourke & Family.
- + **LAYLA ANGELA CHARETTE** by Uncle Michael, Auntie B., Greg & Katie.
- + **GEORGE & ELLA (LAZIEH) HARRIS** by Hon. Thomas Lazieh & Family.
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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.



HAPPY DIACONATE ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY!

This Monday, August 24, 2020,

Deacon Dr. Gilbert Altongy

will celebrate his 6th Anniversary of Ordination to the Diaconate.

We offer our heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to
Deacon Gilbert, his wife Mimi and his Family.

We thank God for the generous and selfless ministry
rendered to our community.

Many more blessed years filled with Peace, health and joy!



Relationship of love with God

The three synoptic Gospels – Matthew, Mark and Luke – all record Christ's meeting with a rich young man who sought His guidance. The young man (Luke calls him a "ruler") seeks to know what to do to have eternal life. Christ responds by telling him to keep the commandments. When pressed to be more specific, the Lord begins by listing the Ten Commandments. Then He quotes the Great Commandment from Leviticus, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

The young man says that he has kept all these commandments from his youth and presses the Lord to tell him what more he should do. The Lord Jesus then attempts to lead him from a stage of merely being obedient to God's commandments, to one of being in a relationship of love with God.

Christ tells the young man what must happen "If you want to be perfect" (v. 21): he must give his wealth to the poor and follow Jesus as He went from place to place proclaiming the kingdom of God. The Lord offered this inquirer the chance to join the company of His disciples, to show that he preferred life with Christ to enjoying his possessions. The young man declined.

What Does It Mean to Be Perfect?

The Lord has held out this goal of "perfection" before, in the Sermon on the Mount. Being "perfect" seems an impossible task if we think it means absolute perfection without any fault or stain. In the Greek of the New Testament (and our Liturgy), however, to be "perfect" or to be "complete" might best be translated "to be all that we were meant to be:" living in the light of the Lord, walking in His way. Jesus pushed His hearers to go beyond the commandments to arrive at a more godly way of life.

The path to perfection, as Christ teaches, begins with making a choice between following Him and devoting oneself to enjoying the things of the world. As He said so clearly, "No one can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon" (Mt 6:24).

Do I Serve Mammon?

Most of us do not think that we are "serving mammon." We may even look down on the obviously greedy or on people driven by addictions. Yes, there are people who "serve" money, drugs or sex. They may be slaves to alcohol or tobacco. We don't believe that we are controlled like that.

To reflect on just how our ego may be tied to the things of this world, consider how difficult it is to fast for any length of time: how much we feel the loss of a favorite food and to what lengths we go to find a pleasing substitute... and how happy we are when the Fast is over.

In addition, "mammon" can also include the non-material wealth of this world: power, prestige or social position. How do we feel



when another is promoted over us, receives a bigger bonus or a more lucrative assignment. Serving mammon takes many forms and they all interfere in some way with our relationship to God.

The Fathers on the Power of Mammon

When St John Chrysostom commented on this Gospel passage, he noted that being devoted to the things of this world did not make you free. "The rich man is a slave, being subject to loss, and in the power of everyone wishing to do him harm" (Homily 46 on Matthew). Serving mammon is a form of slavery.

In another place, Chrysostom said, "If you see someone greedy for many things, you should consider him the poorest of all, even if he has acquired everyone's money. Be accustomed to judge poverty and affluence by the disposition of the mind, not by the substance of his possessions. Serving mammon is a kind of poverty. As some people today phrase it, "What you own, owns you."

Asceticism and the Pursuit of Perfection

The choice between serving God and mammon is at the heart of Christian asceticism, where making that choice is lived and experienced on a daily basis. It is most intensely observed by monastics, but also by Christians living in this world, married or single. A person living an ascetic life tries to distance himself or herself from being tied to the passing pleasures of the world so as to be more open to following Christ and living the life of God.

People often consider life with God as something of the world to come. It is clear to most people, even in the wider society, that our earthly attachments have no place in heaven. A recent installment in Dan Piraro's widely syndicated cartoon strip, Bizarro! makes this point. Two long-time residents of heaven are observing two younger ones. "Most of the new arrivals seem incapable of conversation," the eldest notes. "They just stare at their hands in despair," trying to text, but there are no electronic devices in heaven!

Yes, there are no cigarettes, no movies, no alcohol in heaven. To be without them would surely frustrate someone who has made enjoying these things the focus of life. Thus some Christian thinkers have observed that to be in heaven without the object of one's passions would actually be to dwell in hell.

But the differences between this age and the age to come are not really the point. Life with God, transformation into the image of God, begins now, with baptism. That life is meant to be experienced in ever deeper ways as we mature in the Christian life here, as well as in the life of the age to come. The Christian seeks to avoid anything which can captivate our minds and, at best, distract us from that relationship to God. Following Christ is meant to be the real source of our joy here on earth, as well as in the world to come. Serving Christ in worship and ministering to Him in the needy should be our joys, rather than obligations to be gotten through as quickly as possible. The Christian life, to paraphrase St Catherine of Siena, is meant to be "heaven all the way to heaven."



AUGUST LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 13th Sunday after Pentecost الأحد الثالث عشر بعد العنصرة 1 Corinthians 16:13-24 Matthew 21:33-42	31 Cincture of the Theotokos وضع زئار والدة الإله Hebrews 9:1-7 Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28			Liturgical Symbols: Abstain from meat Church Major Feasts Fast from midnight until noon Lenten Season		1 Procession of the Cross Beginning of the Theotokos Fast بدء قطاعة السيدة العذراء Hebrews 11:33-12:1 Matthew 10:16-22
2 9th Sunday after Pentecost الأحد التاسع بعد العنصرة 1 Corinthians 15:1-17 Matthew 14:22-34	3 Sts Isaac, Dalmatos and Faustos 1 Corinthians 15:12-19 Matthew 21:18-22	4 Seven youths of Ephesus 1 Corinthians 15:29-38 Matthew 21:23-27	5 Preparation of the Transfiguration 1 Corinthians 16:4-12 Matthew 21:28-32	6 Transfiguration of our Lord Jesus Christ عيد تجلي الرب 2 Peter 1:10-19 Matthew 17:1-9	7 St Dometios 2 Corinthians 1:12-20 Matthew 22:23-33	8 St Mary Mackillop St Emilian of Cyzica Romans 15:30-33 Matthew 17:24-18:4
9 10th Sunday after Pentecost الأحد العاشر بعد العنصرة 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 Matthew 17:14-23	10 St Lawrence 2 Corinthians 2:4-15 Matthew 23:13-22	11 St Euplos 2 Corinthians 2:14-3:3 Matthew 23:23-28	12 Sts Photios and Anicetos 2 Corinthians 3:4-11 Matthew 23:29-39	13 Leave-taking of Transfiguration وداع عيد تجلي الرب 2 Corinthians 4:1-12 Matthew 24:13-28	14 Vigil of the Feast of the Dormition of our Lady 2 Corinthians 4:13-18 Matthew 24:27-33,42-51	15 Dormition of the Theotokos رقدة والدة الإله Philippians 2:5-11 Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28
16 11th Sunday after Pentecost الأحد الحادي عشر بعد العنصرة 1 Corinthians 9:2-12 Matthew 18:23-35	17 St Myron 2 Corinthians 5:10-15 Mark 1:9-15	18 Sts Floros and Lauros 2 Corinthians 5:15-21 Mark 1:16-22	19 St Andrew and his companions 2 Corinthians 6:11-16 Mark 1:23-28	20 Holy Prophet Samuel 2 Corinthians 7:1-10 Mark 1:29-35	21 St Thaddeus the Apostle 2 Corinthians 7:10-16 Mark 2:18-22	22 St Agathonicos and his companions 1 Corinthians 1:26-2:5 Matthew 20:29-34
23 12th Sunday after Pentecost الأحد الثاني عشر بعد العنصرة 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Matthew 19:16-26	24 St Eutyches 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 Mark 3:6-12	25 Relics of St Bartholomew 2 Corinthians 8:16-9:5 Mark 3:13-19	26 St Mary of Jesus Crucified (Bawardy) 2 Corinthians 9:12-10:7 Mark 3:20-27	27 St Poemen 2 Corinthians 10:7-18 Mark 3:28-34	28 St Augustine of Hippo 2 Corinthians 11:5-21 Mark 4:1-9	29 Beheading of St John the Baptist قطع هامة يوحنا المعمدان Acts 13:25-33 Mark 6:14-30

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



Jesus and the rich young man



The rich man in today's Gospel reading wanted to follow Jesus. But he was sad when Jesus told him that he should sell his things and give his money to the poor.

Do you think Jesus wants everyone to give away everything they have?

God calls some people to give up all their things so they can live a special life for Him, like religious brothers and sisters.



But God also wants people who are rich to use their money and things for Him- to help the poor and the Church.

What do you have that is really special? Would you be ready to give it up if God wanted you to?



The rich young man in today's Gospel reading was sad because Jesus told him to sell his things and give his money to the poor.

Jesus said that it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the Kingdom of Heaven.

But all things are possible with God!

Can you find the way from the camel through the needle?

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 25 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 50 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 4th of July celebrations subject to beach/park rules. Plans for July 4 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

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