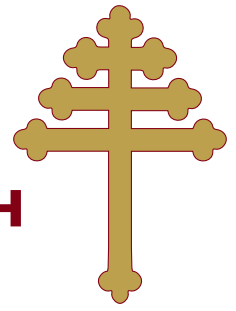




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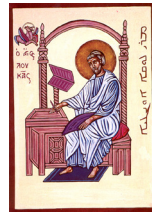
**THIRD SUNDAY OF  
 RESURRECTION SEASON**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 13**  
 Adoration 4:00 p.m.; Liturgy at 4:30 p.m.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 14**  
 Rosary at 9:30 a.m.; Liturgy at 10:00 a.m.

**GOSPEL**

LUKE 24:13-35



Now that very day two of them were going to a village seven miles from Jerusalem called Emmaus, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. He asked them, "What are you discussing as you walk along?" They stopped, looking downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, said to him in reply, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know of the things that have taken place there in these days?" And he replied to them, "What sort of things?" They said to him, "The things that happened to Jesus the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, how our chief priests and rulers both handed him over to a sentence of death and crucified him. But we were hoping that he would be the one to redeem Israel; and besides all this, it is now the third day since this took place. Some women from our group, however, have astounded us: they were at the tomb early in the morning and did not find his body; they came back and reported that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who announced that he was



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This week Father will pray the  
**ANAPHORA OF ST. MARK**  
 beginning on page 835

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, April 13 at 4:30 p.m.

For the repose of the soul of Joseph Nader  
Requested by his mother Dulce & his family

For the repose of the soul of Elias Noujaim  
Requested by his wife Afaf & his family

### Sunday, April 14 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the soul of Joseph Haddad  
Requested by Sam and Jane Slaiby

For the repose of the soul of Kathleen Kelly  
Requested by her family

In thanksgiving for all the babies baptized at  
St. Maron's in 2023 and for the intentions of their  
families.

### Saturday, April 20 at 4:30 p.m.

In thanksgiving and gratitude for Ron Leible  
Requested by Deacon Steve

### Sunday, April 21 at 10:00 a.m. - First Communion

For the intentions of the First Communion class

### Saturday, April 27 at 4:30 p.m.

Available

### Sunday, April 28 at 10:00 a.m.

Available

### Saturday, May 4 at 4:30 p.m.

For the repose of the soul of John Nejaime  
Requested by his sisters Dulce, Lili and Jemeli

### Sunday, May 5 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the souls of Bill Dunning  
and all of the deceased of the Assumption College  
Class of 1968  
Requested by Sam and Jane Slaiby

### Saturday, May 11 at 4:30 p.m.

Birthday remembrance for Maurice Theeb, Jr.  
Requested by Michael & Lisa Soliani and  
Donald & Sharon Newkirk

### Sunday, May 12 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the souls of Deirdre and Sheila Ivain  
Requested by David Leard and Marilyn Vencel

## CHURCH SUPPORT

### Weekend of March April 6/7

Saturday, April 6 Offering:

1st Collection **\$1108.00**

Sunday, April 7 Offering:

1st Collection **\$639.00**

Mail In: **\$20.00**

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*Thank You!*

## UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

**The second collection on April 21:  
CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL**

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the church steeple roof fund. We still have a way to go to raise the \$15,000, so if you haven't yet made a donation, please consider it. We are grateful for every donation. Thank you.

### Sunday, April 21, 2024 - 10:00am Mass



Please join us to celebrate the **First Holy Communion** of our religious education class who have been preparing for this sacrament since September. The class and their families will have reserved pews at the front of the church, and the class, along with their families, will lead the procession for communion.

Following Mass, please join us in the church hall for cake and other refreshments in honor of the First Communicants. They have worked hard in getting ready for this sacrament, and it would be wonderful to show the support of the parish community.

Thank you.

NO COFFEE HOUR SUNDAY APRIL 14



Next Coffee Hour is Sunday April 21  
after the 10:00 a.m. Mass & First Communion!

## EPISTLE

2 TIM 2:8-13

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David: such is my gospel, for which I am suffering, even to the point of chains, like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore, I bear with everything for the sake of those who are chosen, so that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, together with eternal glory. This saying is trustworthy: If we have died with him we shall also live with him; if we persevere we shall also reign with him. But if we deny him he will deny us. If we are unfaithful he remains faithful, for he cannot deny himself. Praise be to God always.

## GOSPEL *continued from page 1*

alive. Then some of those with us went to the tomb and found things just as the women had described, but him they did not see." And he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them what referred to him in all the scriptures. As they approached the village to which they were going, he gave the impression that he was going on farther. But they urged him, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning (within us) while he spoke to us on the way and opened the scriptures to us?" So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of the bread. This is the Truth. Peace be with you.



## The Pastor's Corner

SHORT ARTICLES AND NOTES

My Dear Friends:

There was a lot of talk, and many articles on, the solar eclipse last Monday. Many of the articles were written to explain the reasons for an eclipse; its orderliness; its mathematical elegance. Almost every article left God out of its equations. The authors took it for granted that everything needed to make an eclipse just randomly happened. There didn't seem to be a lot of amazement that Earth, because of the precise sizes and distances of the sun and the moon, is the only planet in our solar system on which a full solar eclipse can occur. It is as if everyone is willing to believe that all this precision - this elegant precision - just randomly occurred.

In Romans 1:20, St. Paul writes that *Ever since the creation of the world his invisible nature, namely, his eternal power and deity, has been clearly perceived in the things that have been made.*

A man of our times, Albert Einstein, said, *Coincidence is God's way of remaining anonymous.* Certainly, for those who have eyes to see, the "coincidence" of the size and distance of the sun and moon has God's handwriting all over it.

In the one of the rare articles published this past week in which God is mentioned in relation to the eclipse, Eric Sammons writes: *All celestial activity, including solar eclipses, lead some to believe that man is insignificant compared to the universe. Atheists like to note that the earth is simply a pale blue dot in the expansive universe, less significant than a single grain of sand on a massive beach. But they see things backward. The truth is that the universe, with its trillions of galaxies each containing trillions of stars and with planets beyond counting, is itself insignificant compared to the Almighty God. Yet this same God takes a personal interest in each and every one of us. The vastness of the universe demonstrates not only God's power and immensity, but also His love for us.*

Three weeks ago on Good Friday, we saw just how much God loves us; and now as we continue to celebrate and enjoy the Resurrection season, we have another instance of God's love - His giving us something so beautiful to delight in. God never stops loving us or giving us wonderful things. I challenge you this week to see the many signs of His love that He continually sends your way.

Have a blessed week,

Fr. Fadi

## SATURDAY JUNE 8 BREWFEEST RETURNS!

BrewFest is our major fundraiser of the year and much of our operating budget comes from the money we raise there. PLEASE consider volunteering - there are many jobs to be filled. See Subdeacon Mike for more details.



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