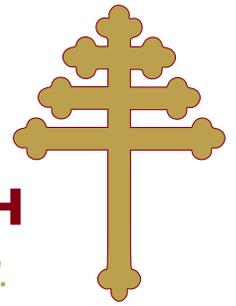




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**SAINT MARON
 MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH**



A prayer to begin every day: *Good morning my good and my beloved Lord.*

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SAINTS FOR THIS WEEK

- 22 St. Sergius Paulus, C
- 23 St. Rafka, V
- 24 St. Artemon, Bishop of Seleucia, C
- 25 The Annunciation to the Virgin Mary
- 26 St. Gabriel the Archangel, An
- 27 St. Matrona of Thessalonica, M
- 28 St. Philetus and His Wife St. Lydia, and Their Children, M

SIXTH SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT

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SATURDAY, MARCH 21

Adoration 4:00 p.m.; Liturgy at 4:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 22

Rosary at 9:30 a.m.; 10:00a.m.

GOSPEL

MARK 10:46-52



They came to Jericho. And as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a sizable crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind man, the son of Timaeus, sat by the roadside begging. On hearing that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me." And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he kept calling out all the more, "Son of David, have pity on me." Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." So they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take courage; get up, he is calling you." He threw aside his cloak, sprang up, and came to Jesus. Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way. This is the Truth. Peace be with you.



THE HEALING OF BARTIMAEUS THE BLIND
 The Maronite Icons: Modern Sacred Art.
 Dar Sader Publishers: Beirut 1999.
 Via Maronite Heritage.com/icons

The blind beggar cries out to Jesus Christ for mercy. Jesus heals him because of his faith. In fact, true faith means recognizing Jesus. And then following Him with a transformed life.

WISDOM FROM THE SAINTS

Remember God more often than you breathe. -- St Gregory of Nazianzen

Father will pray the
THE ANAPHORA OF THE TWELVE APOSTLES
 beginning on page 754

MASS INTENTIONS

- **Saturday, March 21 at 4:30 p.m.**
For the repose of the soul of Edward Piechocki, Jr.
Requested by Deacon Steven and Renee Marcus
- **Sunday, March 22 at 10:00 a.m.**
For the repose of the soul of Annessa Borla
Requested by Jane and Sam Slaiby
- **Friday, March 27 - Stations of the Cross 5:00 p.m.**
- **Saturday, March 28 at 4:30 p.m.**
For the intentions of the Parishioners of St. Maron's
- **Hosanna Sunday**
- **Sunday, March 29 at 10:00 a.m.**
For the intentions of the Parishioners of St. Maron's
- **Great Saturday of the Light**
- **Saturday, April 4 at 4:30 p.m.**
For the intentions of the Parishioners of St. Maron's
- **Easter Sunday**
- **Sunday, April 5 at 10:00 a.m.**
For the intentions of the Parishioners of St. Maron's

PASSION WEEK SCHEDULE

There are many beautiful liturgies during Passion Week. They only happen once a year - don't miss this chance to experience the re-telling of Jesus' great love for us all and his triumph over death. Come join us!

Sunday, March 29 - Hosanna Sunday
10:00 a.m. Procession with Palms

Wednesday, April 1 - Rite of the Lamp
7:00 p.m. Blessing the oil & anointing for the healing of body & soul

Thursday, April 2 - Thursday of the Mysteries
7:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Washing of the feet,
followed by Exposition of the Holy Eucharist

Friday, April 3 - Great Friday of the Crucifixion
11:00 a.m. - Signing of the Chalice Liturgy
7:00 p.m. - Adoration of the Cross/Burial of the Lord

Saturday, April 4 - Great Saturday of the Light
4:30 p.m. - Liturgy of the Glorious Resurrection

Sunday, April 5 - The Glorious Resurrection
10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy

CHURCH SUPPORT

Weekend of March 14/15

- Saturday Offering
1st Collection **\$328.00**
- Sunday Offering
1st Collection **\$2875.00**
- Mail in: **\$125.00**
- Bingo: **\$783.00**

Thank You!

The second collection during Lent is for the Eparchial Charities Appeal.



SOUP AND STATIONS

Each Friday in Lent, Stations of the Cross will be held at 5:00 p.m.

Before the Stations, we invite everyone to the rectory at 4:30 for some soup. Each Friday there will be two soups to choose from and the company of friends and parishioners to enjoy.

Please join us!



TWO INVITATIONS FROM FATHER FADI

I will celebrate Mass for the elderly at Litchfield Woods on April 4 at 10:30 a. m.

I will celebrate Mass for the elderly at Wolcott Hall on April 10 at 11:00 a. m.

Anyone who would like to join me and share a sweet and grace-filled time is most welcome.

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Give something, however small, to the one in need, for it is not small to one who has nothing.

- St. Gregory Nazianzen



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EPISTLE

2 CORINTHIANS 10:1-7

Now I myself, Paul, urge you through the gentleness and clemency of Christ, I who am humble when face to face with you, but brave toward you when absent, I beg you that, when present, I may not have to be brave with that confidence with which I intend to act boldly against some who consider us as acting according to the flesh. For, although we are in the flesh, we do not battle according to the flesh, for the weapons of our battle are not of flesh but are enormously powerful, capable of destroying fortresses. We destroy arguments and every pretension raising itself against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive in obedience to Christ, and we are ready to punish every disobedience, once your obedience is complete. Look at what confronts you. Whoever is confident of belonging to Christ should consider that as he belongs to Christ, so do we. Praise be to God always.



Recently, Sub Deacon Mike, Nick Spino, and Mark Garrison attended a men's weekend retreat at Holy Family Retreat Center. The theme of the weekend was *Pilgrims of Hope*. We discussed how to make a pilgrimage,

whether to a Shrine, a Basilica or the Holy Land. If anyone is interested in making a retreat, please make sure to talk to one of us about attending next year. We would love to have you join us.



The Pastor's Corner

SHORT ARTICLES AND NOTES

My Dear Friends:

In Revelations chapter 3 Jesus Christ speaks to several Churches, calling them to repentance and faithfulness. He warns the Church of Sardis to wake up because their faith has come weak. He encourages the faithful believers in Philadelphia. He rebukes the Church of Laodicea for being lukewarm. Christ invites them to renew their zeal and promises that those who overcome will share in His Victory and Eternal Life.

The chapter reminds believers that Jesus Christ knows the heart and calls His people to remain faithful and alive in faith.

I wish you all a blessed week ahead.

Fr. Fadi

THE OLD TESTAMENT: 2 KINGS

The second book of Kings continues the story of the Kings of Israel and Judah. It shows how some kings were faithful to God while many turned to idols and injustice.

The message of the book reminds believers that fidelity to God brings life, while turning away leads to suffering and loss.

OUR PARISH PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH IS PLANTING THE WORD OF OUR BELOVED LORD IN THE HEARTS OF OUR TEENAGERS

Heavenly Father, we entrust our teenagers to Your loving care. May Your word dwell in their hearts as You commanded in the book of Deuteronomy (6:6-7). Help us, as parents and teachers, to guide them gently in Your instruction. Fill them with wisdom, faith, and true love. Strengthen them to follow You all the days of their lives.

Amen



Last week, Fr. Fadi along with all of the priests from our Eparchy were on retreat with Bishop Gregory.

God bless all of our faithful priests who said yes to their vocation call. God bless you, Fr. Fadi.



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