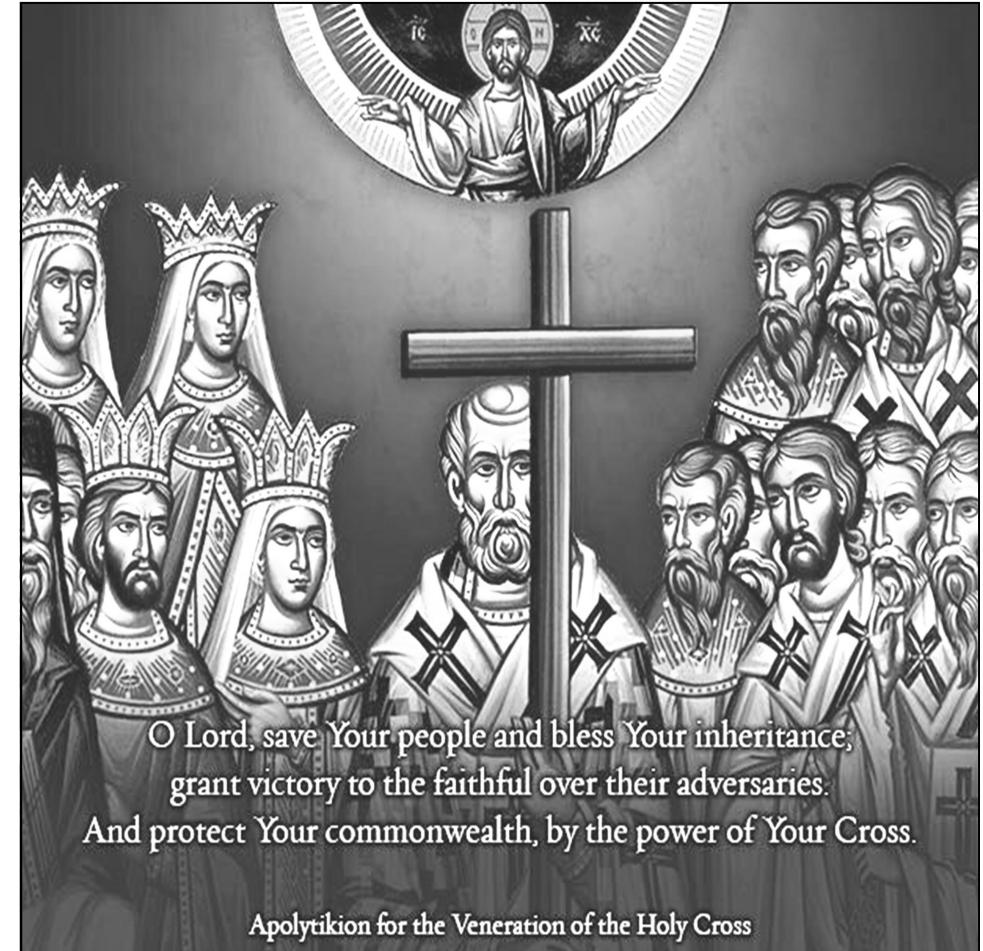


# OUR JOURNEY TO PASCHA! 2023

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SUNDAYS	THEMES / GOSPEL READING	HOW TO PARTICIPATE:
Fast - Free Week <b>FEBRUARY 5th</b>	<i>TRIDION WEEKS</i> <b>Publican and the Pharisee</b> Epistle: 2 Timothy 3:10-15 Gospel: Luke 18:10-14	Show compassion on the poor and distressed. Trust in God, not yourself and ask for His help before every task this week.
Normal Fast Week <b>FEBRUARY 12th</b>	<b>The Prodigal Son Returns!</b> Epistle: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 Gospel: Luke 15:11-32	Schedule a Confession. Every morning say, "Today I will be humble." Use up/freeze meats this week.
Meatfare <b>FEBRUARY 19th</b> FAREWELL TO MEAT TODAY	<b>The Last Judgement</b> Epistle: 1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2 Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46	Pray facing East this week. Christ is returning from the East and we wait for Him! Use up/freeze dairy this week.
Cheesefare <b>FEBRUARY 26th</b> FAREWELL TO CHEESE TODAY	<b>Adam and Eve are cast from Paradise!</b> <i>FORGIVENESS SUNDAY</i> Epistle: Romans 13:11-14:4 Gospel: Matthew 6:14-21	Ask each other for forgiveness each evening this week before bed.
1st Sunday of Lent <b>MARCH 5th</b>	<i>GREAT LENT BEGINS WITH FORGIVENESS VESPERS</i> <b>SUNDAY of ORTHODOXY</b> Epistle: Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-12:2 Gospel: John 1:43-51	Bring an icon to church for a procession.
2nd Sunday of Lent <b>MARCH 12th</b>	<b>ST GREGORY PALAMAS</b> Epistle: Hebrews 1:10-2:3 Gospel: Mark 2:1-12	Bring a prayer rope to be blessed today! Use it and pray the Jesus Prayer each day this week.
3rd Sunday of Lent <b>MARCH 19th</b>	<b>VENERATION OF THE HOLY CROSS</b> <i>HALF WAY TO PASCHA!</i> Epistle: Hebrews 4:14-5:6 Gospel: Mark 8:34-9:1	Wear your cross to church and kiss the cross each morning with a bowl!
4th Sunday of Lent <b>MARCH 26th</b>	<b>ST JOHN of the LADDER</b> Epistle: Hebrews 6:13-20 Gospel: Mark 9:17-31	Every time you climb stairs this week ask St. John to help you reach Paradise with the sign of the cross!
5th Sunday of Lent <b>APRIL 2nd</b>	<b>ST MARY of EGYPT</b> Epistle: Hebrews 9:11-14 Gospel: Mark 10:32-45	Ask the Theotokos to offer you and the world pure thoughts and ideas this week.
FLOWERY (PALM) SUNDAY! <b>APRIL 9th</b> GREAT WEEK BEGINS	<i>GREAT AND HOLY WEEK</i> <b>ENTRY OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM</b> Epistle: Philippians 4:4-9 Gospel: John 12:1-18	Place your palm branches and pussywillows behind an icon at home and in your car!
GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY <b>APRIL 14th</b>	<b>GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY</b> <i>JESUS DIES ON THE CROSS</i> CHECK WITH YOUR PARISH FOR ROYAL HOURS AND VESPERS SCHEDULE	Refrain from TV, Internet & Phones to honor Christ's Death.
FEAST OF FEASTS! <b>APRIL 16th</b> NO FASTING!	<i>BRIGHT WEEK</i> <b>HOLY PASCHA! (CHRIST IS RISEN!)</b> Epistle: Acts 1:1-8 Gospel: John 1:1-17	Greet everyone with "CHRIST IS RISEN!" & say it before good morning and goodnight!



Third Sunday of Great Lent  
The Veneration of the Precious and Life-Giving Cross

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# Saint Mary Orthodox Church of West Palm Beach

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## Welcome!

Whether you are a parishioner or a visitor, we are glad you have chosen to pray with us at Saint Mary's. As a friendly reminder, please observe the following upon entering the church for prayer.

- If you arrive after the services begin, try to enter the Church quietly and observe what is happening. Try not to interrupt the service by your entrance.
- Please silence your cellular telephones.
- Please place your offerings in the basket on the table in the Church Narthex (Entrance), or the Offering Tray when passed.
- You are invited join us in the Banquet Hall for coffee and refreshments following the Sunday Divine Liturgy.

## Lenten Reflections

*"As a traveler weary from a long journey rests under a broad, leafy tree, so do Orthodox Christians making their spiritual journey to the Heavenly Jerusalem—to the Pascha of the Lord—find at the halfway point of their path the "Tree of the Cross", that they might gather strength under its canopy for their onward journey. Or, as before the arrival of the king returning from victory is preceded by his standards and scepters, so also does the Cross of the Lord precede Christ's victory over death—His Bright Resurrection."*



## ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN ARCHDIOCESE OF NORTH AMERICA

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### **Beloved Antiochian Women throughout our God-protected Archdiocese,**

Greetings and blessings to you in this holy Lenten season of repentance and renewal.

Each year, March is a special time for us to recognize the essential contribution of women in our archdiocese. This month is so appropriate for such a reminder because it includes the Feast of the Annunciation and the singing of the Akathist Hymn, both of which celebrate the essential role of the Most Holy Theotokos in the economy of God for our salvation. This is, therefore, a time to reflect on her exemplary womanhood and to appreciate how the women of our archdiocese continue her legacy today.

At the Annunciation, Mary the Theotokos encountered Archangel Gabriel, who informed her that she, as a virgin, would give birth to the Son of God for the salvation of mankind (Luke 1:26–38). Imagine her shock and surprise! Consider what thoughts went through her mind! Yet none of this shook her faith in the sureness of the word of God sent to her. By accepting this word, she accepted God the Word into her womb; through her faith, she received the promised blessing, as the Only-Begotten Son of God took flesh within her. While remaining ever virgin, she thus became the Mother of God (the Theotokos), as well as an icon of obedience to the Lord. She said, "I am the handmaiden of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word" (Luke 1:38), and by this example she has inspired Christian women throughout the centuries to follow in her footsteps, bringing Christ into the world by faithfully and courageously embracing the word of God in their lives.

Dear sisters, this is the courageous faith we all need when God calls us to serve Him, in ways large and small. Setting aside doubts, fears, and any other distraction, let us embrace the word of God to us, the cosmic work of salvation that God even now calls us to participate in.

Antiochian Women across this archdiocese support the Church in so many ways. In particular, each year you work hard to raise funds for crucial needs in our archdiocese, through your annual project. In light of the recent devastation caused by the powerful earthquake in Syria and Turkey—including in the historical center of our patriarchate, Antakya—we have decided to shift this year's fundraising to support "Disaster Relief." I encourage you to redouble your efforts so that those suffering from unthinkable tragedy might receive the fruits of your labor as a life-sustaining support and a gesture of love.

Wishing you and your families—in the name of His Beatitude Patriarch John X and on my own behalf—a blessed remainder of the Great Fast and a most joyous Pascha, I remain,

Yours in Christ,

✠Metropolitan ANTONIOS

Metropolitan of Zahle, Baalbek, and Dependencies

Patriarchal Vicar of New York and All North America

*"The disciples were first called Christians in Antioch" (Acts 11: 26)*

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## The Prayer of St. Ephraim

*A Meditation*

### O Lord and Master of my life!

*Is Jesus Christ the master of my life, or am I a slave to another?*

### Take from me the spirit of sloth,

*Am I lazy?*

### faint-heartedness,

*Have I seen only the bad in life and become weak?*

### lust of power,

*Have I been self-centered?*

### and idle talk.

*Have I misused God's gift of speech to betray or deride myself and others?*

### But give rather the spirit of chastity,

*Let me seek after integrity*

### humility,

*Let me stand before You, as Your compassion allows.*

### patience,

*Let me wait on the working out of Your will for my life.*

### and love to Thy servant:

*grant me the self-less love of Christ.*

### Yea, O Lord and King! Grant me to see my own errors and not to judge my brother;

*Let me be aware of my faults and avoid falling into pride. Let me not "cast a stone" at my brother.*

### For Thou art blessed unto ages of ages. Amen.

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## Schedule of Church Services

### Sunday, March 19th

3rd Sunday of Great Lent

[Veneration of the Precious and Life-Giving Cross]

Matins at 8:50 AM; Divine Liturgy at 10:00 AM

\*\*Procession of the Cross at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy.

\*\*9 Day Trisagion (Memorial) Service for Archdeacon Joseph Harb.

### Monday, March 20th

Great Compline at 5:30 PM

### Wednesday, March 22nd

Presanctified Liturgy at 6:30 PM

### Friday, March 24th

Great Vespers and 4th Akathist Hymn at 6:30 PM

### Saturday, March 25th

Feast of the Annunciation

Matins at 9:00 AM; Divine Liturgy at 10:00 AM

### Sunday, March 26th

4th Sunday of Great Lent

[Commemoration of Saint John Climacus]

Matins at 8:50 AM; Divine Liturgy at 10:00 AM

Fr. Peter is available for Confession:

- *By appointment;*
- *30 Minutes prior to Sunday Matins;*
- *30 minutes prior to all Lenten Services*

### Weekly Bible Study

Bible Study on the Old Testament Book of Genesis led by Jim Gavrilos, concludes this coming Monday. Join us at 6:45 PM in the Conference Room.

\*\*The Book of Genesis is the theme of this year's Bible Bowl at the Parish Life Conference.

## Divine Liturgy Variables for the Third Sunday of Great Lent The Veneration of the Precious and Life-Giving Cross

*The Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great is celebrated on this day. The service text may be found beginning on page 91 in the Red Service Book in the pews. The 'Anaphora Prayers' usually found on pages 111—119 in the Red Service Book, can be found on pages 134-143.*

### THE FIRST ANTIPHON

The light of Thy countenance, O Lord, has been signed upon us. Thou hast given to those that fear thee a sign, to flee from the bow.

*Refrain. Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.*

Thou hast ascended on high, Thou hast led captivity captive. Thou hast given an inheritance to those that fear Thy Name, O Lord. (*Refrain*)

*Glory... Both now... (Refrain)*

### THE SECOND ANTIPHON

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Let us worship at the place where His feet have stood.

*Refrain. Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.*

God is our King before the ages; He has wrought salvation in the midst of the earth. (*Refrain*)

I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth. (*Refrain*)

*Glory... Both now... O, only begotten Son and Word of God...*

### THE THIRD ANTIPHON

Exalt ye the Lord our God, and worship at His footstool. O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance. Feed them, and lift them up forever.

- *During the Little Entrance, after the verses of the Third Antiphon, the Apolytikion of the Holy Cross is sung. The Eisodikon (Entrance Hymn) is "O come, let us worship... save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead..." as on ordinary Sundays. After the Little Entrance, chant these hymns in the following order:*

### RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE 7

Thou didst shatter death by Thy Cross, Thou didst open paradise to the thief; Thou didst turn the sadness of the ointment-bearing women into joy. And didst bid Thine Apostles proclaim a warning, that Thou hast risen O Christ, granting to the world the Great Mercy.

### APOLYTIKION FOR THE HOLY CROSS IN TONE 1

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance, granting to Thy people victory over all their enemies, and by the power of Thy Cross preserving Thy commonwealth.

### APOLYTIKION OF THE CHURCH (DORMITION) IN TONE 1

In thy birth-giving, O Theotokos, thou didst keep and preserve virginity; and in thy falling-asleep thou hast not forsaken the world; for thou wast translated into life, being the Mother of Life. Wherefore, by thine intercessions, deliver our souls from death.

### KONTAKION FOR SUNDAYS IN GREAT LENT IN TONE 8

To thee, the Champion Leader, do I offer thanks of victory, O Theotokos, thou who hast delivered me from terror; but as thou that hast that power invincible, O Theotokos, thou alone can set me free: from all forms of danger free me and deliver me, that I may cry unto thee: Hail, O Bride without Bridegroom.

### THE ANTI-TRISAGION HYMN *[Sung instead of "Holy God..."]*

Before Thy Cross we bow down in worship, Master, and Thy Holy Resurrection we glorify. (THRICE)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

And we glorify Thy Holy Resurrection.

Before Thy Cross we bow down in worship, Master, and we glorify Thy Holy Resurrection.

### THE EPISTLE

*Verse: O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance. Unto Thee, O Lord, will I cry, O my God!*

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (4:14-5:6)

Brethren, since we have a great High Priest, Who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast the confession. For we do not have a

### \*\* THE MONTH OF MARCH IS ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN MONTH \*\*

Throughout the month of March our Ladies Society will take the lead during the Divine Liturgy in ushering; collecting offering trays; and reading the Epistle lesson. As well on select Sundays, the Ladies Society will host Coffee Hour and the annual Annunciation Luncheon on March 26th.

### ANNUNCIATION LUNCHEON - SUNDAY, MARCH 26TH

Hosted by the Saint Mary's Ladies Society

11:30 AM in the Banquet Hall

*Featuring 'Bud's Fish & Chips' - Donation: \$15.00 per person.*

Proceeds to will go towards the Antiochian Women Project:

'Earthquake Relief for Syria and Turkey'

### GREAT LENT AND HOLY WEEK NEEDS

Donations are needed to help offset the cost of the following needs for Great Lent and Holy Week:

- Flowers to decorate the Cross and distribute on the 3rd Sunday of Lent: \$100.00 **Donated!**
- Palms & Pussy Willows for Palm Sunday: \$100.00 **Donated!**
- Flowers for Tomb for Great and Holy Friday: \$500
- Donations towards Potted Plants for Holy Friday and Pascha (Easter Lilies, Orchids, Peace Lilies, etc)
- Incense: \$50.00 **Donated!**
- Olive Oil for Holy Wednesday Unction Service: \$20.00 **Donated!**
- Altar Wine: \$75.00 **Donated!**
- Holy Bread for Lazarus Saturday; Palm Sunday **Donated!**; Holy Thursday; Holy Saturday; and Pascha **Donated!** : \$25.00 ea.

All donations may be offered for the good health of, or memory of loved ones, and will be acknowledged in the Pascha Bulletin. Please see either Fr. Peter or Sam Pasley to donate.

### SUMMER CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Again this summer, Saint Mary's will be providing scholarship assistance to those attending our archdiocese summer camps. If you have a child attending one of our archdiocese summer camps, please let Fr. Peter know by **March 26th**, so that they may be considered for scholarship assistance.



## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

### For the Living

*"Is any sick among you? Let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord." James 5: 14*

*For the Good Health of the Servants of God:* Archpriest Michael & Matushka Annette Zaparyniuk, Michael, Sub-Deacon William Hall, Jodet Rae, Leon & Judy Chalhub, Johnny & Joyce Chalhub, Jenna Welch, Raouf Saballeil, Jennifer Joseph Zicky, Marie-Therese Habib, Sabah, Luizette Aramouni, Craig Miller, Ralph Geeza.

*For the Shut-ins of our Church Community:* Gloria Yedlinsky, Lidia Pawlcuk, Angie Smith, Zakia Salloum.

For the preservation of all victims of the recent natural disaster in Syria and Turkey, and for the souls of all who have perished.

For all persecuted Christians and all people suffering from violence, war, captivity, hunger, and homelessness throughout this world.

*For those serving in our armed forces here and abroad:* Christopher Smith, Jonathan Shportun, Alexios Gavrilos.

### For the Departed

*"With the spirits of the righteous made perfect, give rest O Lord to the souls of Thy servants..."*

Archdeacon Joseph Harb *(newly departed 3/8/23)*, George Freije *(10/26/22)*, Ernest Shwayri *(9/29/22)*, Basil Dalack *(9/1/22)*, Sarah Nabhan *(9/5/22)*, Thomas Eissey *(5/4/22)*, Margo Fankhauser *(5/3/22)*.

*\*\*If you would like to have names offered in prayer during a Sunday Divine Liturgy, or a Feast Day Divine Liturgy, please text or email their names to Fr. Peter in advance of the service.*

## CONGRATULATIONS - MANY YEARS!

To Tamer & Nuhad Nezha on the baptism of their son Ryan on Friday, March 10th. May God grant them many years!

High Priest Who is unable to sympathize with our infirmities, but one Who has been in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore draw near with boldness to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy, and may find grace to help in time of need. For every high priest, being taken from among the people, is appointed on behalf of the people in things pertaining to God, that he may offer up both gifts and sacrifices for sins; who can have compassion on the ignorant and on those who are erring, since he himself also is encompassed with infirmity. Because of this he is bound, as for the people so also for himself, to offer up for sins. And no one takes the honor upon himself, but as being called by God, as was Aaron. So Christ also did not glorify Himself to become a High Priest, but it was by the One saying to Him, "Thou art My Son, today I have begotten Thee." As He says also in another place, "Thou art a Priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

### الرسالة

(لِلأَخْدِ الثَّالِثِ مِنَ الصَّوْمِ)

خَلِّصْ يَا رَبُّ شَعْبَكَ وَبَارِكْ مِيراثَكَ.

إِلَيْكَ يَا رَبُّ أَصْرُحْ إِلَهِي.

فَضْلٌ مِنْ رِسَالَةِ الْقَدِيسِ بُولْسِ الرَّسُولِ إِلَى الْعِبْرَانِيِّينَ.

يَا إِخْوَتِي، إِذْ لَنَا رَئِيسُ كَهَنَةٍ عَظِيمٍ قَدْ اجْتَاَزَ السَّمَاوَاتِ، يَسُوعُ ابْنُ اللَّهِ، فَلَنَتَمَسَّكَ بِالْإِعْتِرَافِ. لِأَنَّ لَيْسَ لَنَا رَئِيسُ كَهَنَةٍ

غَيْرِ قَادِرٍ أَنْ يَرْتَبِي لِأَوْهَانِنَا، بَلْ مُجَرَّبٍ فِي كُلِّ شَيْءٍ مِثْلَنَا مَا خَلَا الْخَطِيئَةَ. فَلَنَقْبَلِ إِذَنْ بِثِقَةٍ إِلَى عَرْشِ النِّعْمَةِ،

لِنَنَالَ رَحْمَةً وَنَجْدَ ثِقَةٍ لِلْإِعَاثَةِ فِي أَوَانِهَا. فَإِنَّ كُلَّ رَئِيسِ كَهَنَةٍ مُتَّخِذٍ مِنَ النَّاسِ يُعَامُ لِأَجْلِ النَّاسِ فِيمَا هُوَ لِلَّهِ، لِيُقَرَّبَ

تَقَادِمٍ وَدَبَائِحَ عَنِ الْخَطَايَا، فِي إِمْكَانِهِ أَنْ يُشْفِقَ عَلَى الَّذِينَ يَجْهَلُونَ وَيَضِلُّونَ، لِكُونِهِ هُوَ أَيْضاً مُتَلَبِّساً بِالضُّعْفِ.

وَلِهَذَا يَجِبُ عَلَيْهِ أَنْ يُقَرَّبَ عَنِ الْخَطَايَا لِأَجْلِ نَفْسِهِ كَمَا يُقَرَّبُ لِأَجْلِ الشَّعْبِ. وَلَيْسَ أَحَدٌ يَأْخُذُ لِنَفْسِهِ الْكِرَامَةَ، بَلْ مَنْ

دَعَا اللَّهَ كَمَا دَعَا هَارُونَ. كَذَلِكَ الْمَسِيحُ لَمْ يَمَجِّدْ نَفْسَهُ لِيَصِيرَ رَئِيسَ كَهَنَةٍ، بَلِ الَّذِي قَالَ لَهُ "أَنْتَ ابْنِي وَأَنَا الْيَوْمَ

وَلَدْتُكَ". كَمَا يَقُولُ فِي مَوْضِعٍ آخَرَ "أَنْتَ كَاهِنٌ إِلَى الْأَبَدِ عَلَى رُتْبَةِ مَلِكِيصَادَقَ".

## THE GOSPEL

**The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark. (8:34-9:1)**

The Lord said, "If any man would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? For what can a man give

in return for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels.” And Jesus said to them, “Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God come with power.”

الإنجيل

(للأحد الثالث من الصوم)

فَصَلِّ شَرِيفاً مِنْ بَشَارَةِ الْقَدِيسِ مَرْقَسِ الْإِنْجِيلِيِّ الْبَشِيرِ، وَالتَّلْمِيزِ الطَّاهِرِ قَالَ الرَّبُّ: مَنْ أَرَادَ أَنْ يَتَّبِعَنِي فَلْيَكْفُرْ بِنَفْسِهِ وَيَحْمِلْ صَلِيبَهُ وَيَتَّبِعَنِي، لِأَنَّ مَنْ أَرَادَ أَنْ يُخَلِّصَ نَفْسَهُ يُهْلِكُهَا، وَمَنْ أَهْلَكَ نَفْسَهُ مِنْ أَجْلِي وَمِنْ أَجْلِ الْإِنْجِيلِ يُخَلِّصُهَا. فَإِنَّهُ مَاذَا يَنْتَفِعُ الْإِنْسَانُ لَوْ رِيحَ الْعَالَمِ كُلُّهُ وَخَسِرَ نَفْسَهُ؟ أَمْ مَاذَا يُعْطِي الْإِنْسَانُ فِدَاءً عَنِ نَفْسِهِ؟ لِأَنَّ مَنْ يَسْتَحِي بِي وَيَكْلَامِي فِي هَذَا الْحَيْلِ الْفَاسِقِ الْخَاطِئِ. يَسْتَحِي بِهِ ابْنُ الْبَشَرِ مَتَى أَتَى فِي مَجْدٍ مَعَ الْمَلَائِكَةِ الْقَدِيسِينَ. وَقَالَ لَهُمْ: الْحَقُّ أَقُولُ لَكُمْ، إِنَّ قَوْمًا مِنَ الْقَائِمِينَ هُنَا لَا يَذُقُونَ الْمَوْتَ حَتَّى يَرَوْا مَلَكُوتَ اللَّهِ قَدْ أَتَى بِقُوَّةٍ.

- *The Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great continues as usual with the following variables.*

### ST. BASIL LITURGY MEGALYNARION

All creation rejoiceth in thee, O thou who art full of grace: the angelic hosts and the race of men. O hallowed temple and spiritual paradise, glory of virgins, of whom God was incarnate and became a little child, even our God who is before all the ages; for he made thy womb a throne, and thy body more spacious than the heavens. All creation rejoices in thee, O thou who art full of grace. Glory to thee.

### COMMUNION HYMN FOR THIRD SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT

The light of Thy countenance, O Lord, hath been signed upon us. Alleluia.

*After receiving Communion, please read the 'Prayers of Thanksgiving After Holy Communion' on pages 128–131 in the Red Service Book in the pews.*

- *Post-Communion Hymn: Instead of "We have seen the true light", the Apolytikion of the Holy Cross. Is sung.*

### PROCESSION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Following the Memorial Service, the Procession of the Cross will take place around the interior of the church with the priest, altar servers and children. At the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy, the blessed flowers will be distributed to all present.

### LITURGICAL OFFERINGS

- ◇ 9 Day Trisagion (Memorial) Service will be offered for the repose of Archdeacon Joseph Harb. Memory Eternal!
- ◇ Holy Bread for March 19th is offered in memory of Archdeacon Joseph Harb.
- ◇ Weekly Altar Candle offered for the week of March 19th in glory of the Most-Holy Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
- ◇ Flowers for the Veneration of the Cross are offered by Safawat Fahmey and family.

*\*\*If you wish to offer Holy Bread for a Divine Liturgy, or a Weekly Altar Candle for the health of, or memory of a love one, please speak with Fr. Peter.\*\**

### THIS SUNDAY

- ◇ Choir Rehearsal will be held each Sunday morning from 9:15 to 10:00 AM, during the month of March. All choir members, as well as those interested in singing in the choir are asked to attend. For more information, please speak with Steve Antolik.
- ◇ Lenten Luncheon hosted by David & Irene Zavdenak and The Ladies Society following the Divine Liturgy is hosted by the Ladies Society. Donation is \$10.00 per person, with ALL proceeds going towards the Antiochian Women Project: 'Syria/Turkey Earthquake Relief.'
- ◇ Food for Hungry People (FFHP) Alms Boxes have been placed on the table in the Church Narthex. Please take one with you to use during Great Lent.
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### SEVEN DAY PRAYER CANDLES

- ◇ Offered by Johnny & Joyce Chalhoub in memory of Deacon Joseph.
- ◇ Offered by Mark Samra, Alexis & Blake in memory of Dolly Samra on the 3 years of her passing (3/13/20).

*When offering a Seven Day Prayer Candle, please list only the names that you are praying for, and are asking the church community to pray for. Please do not include greetings, birthday and anniversary wishes, etc.*