

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross



The Exaltation of the Glorious Cross

"On this day, Queen Helen took pride in establishing the feast of the exaltation of the cross. On this day, King Constantine, with all faithful kings, was shaken with joy and pride. ...this day, we celebrate the feast of the saving cross, which redeemed us through suffering.

MASSES & CELEBRATIONS

Sundays – 11:30 a.m.

Daily Mass (Monday, Wednesday and Friday) at 7:00 p.m.

Blessed Sacrament Adoration Day –

First Thursday of each month 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

30 minutes before each mass

In case of emergency, contact the priest.

VISITING THE SICK

If you, or someone you know is ill, please contact Fr. Michel and he will arrange to visit the sick.

BAPTISMS

Please contact Fr. Michel at least *two weeks* prior to the baptism date.

MARRIAGES

Please contact Fr. Michel a *minimum of four months* in advance of the desired date of marriage.



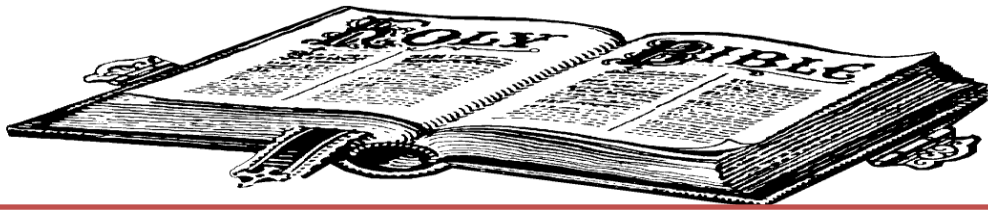
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A Reading from the second letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.
(1 Corinthians 1:18-25)

The message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written: "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the learning of the learned I will set aside." Where is the wise one? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made the wisdom of the world foolish? For since in the wisdom of God the world did not come to know God through wisdom, it was the will of God through the foolishness of the proclamation to save those who have faith. For Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.



A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John.
(John 12:20-32)

Now there were some Greeks among those who had come up to worship at the feast. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we would like to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me. "I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it and will glorify it again." The crowd there heard it and said it was thunder; but others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered and said, "This voice did not come for my sake but for yours. Now is the time of judgment on this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself."

EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

The feast of the Exaltation of the Cross sprang into existence at Rome at the end of the seventh century. Allusion is made to it during the pontificate of Sergius I (687-701) but, as Dom Bäumer observes, the very terms of the text (Lib. Pontif., I, 374, 378) show that the feast already existed. It is, then, inexact, as has often been pointed out, to attribute the introduction of it to this pope. The Gallican churches, which, at the period here referred to, do not yet know of this feast of the 14th September, have another on the 3rd of May of the same signification. It seems to have been introduced there in the seventh century, for ancient Gallican documents, such as the Lectionary of Luxeuil, do not mention it; Gregory of Tours also seems to ignore it. According to Mgr. Duchesne, the date seems to have been borrowed from the legend of the Finding of the Holy Cross (Lib. Pontif., I, p. cviii). Later, when the Gallican and Roman Liturgies were combined, a distinct character was given to each feast, so as to avoid sacrificing either. The 3rd of May was called the feast of the Invention of the Cross, and it commemorated in a special manner Saint Helena's discovery of the sacred wood of the Cross; the 14th of September, the feast of the Exaltation of the Cross, commemorated above all the circumstances in which Heraclius recovered from the Persians the True Cross, which they had carried off. Nevertheless, it appears from the history of the two feasts, which we have just examined, that that of the 13th and 14th of September is the older, and that the commemoration of the Finding of the Cross was at first combined with it.

**YOUTH MEETING BIWEEKLY ON FRIDAYS FROM 8:00 PM TO 10PM
COME AND JOIN US!**



OUR LADY OF PEACE
MARONITE CATHOLIC PARISH OF CALGARY

HALL RENTAL & SERVICES FEES

HALL RENTAL:

\$50.00 per hour (to a maximum of \$300.00 Per Night related to church services).

\$500.00 per night (6:00PM to 2:00 AM) for New Year's party, Easter and Special Events.

\$200.00 damage deposit paid in advance (returned upon board approval).

SERVICES:

WEDDINGS: \$300.00 includes rehearsal, service, and setup
+ \$100.00 deposit for clean-up

BAPTISM: \$100.00 + \$100.00 deposit for clean-up

MEMORIAL SERVICES: \$50.00

MEMORIAL SERVICES (OUTSIDE REGULAR SUNDAY MASS): \$100.00

FUNERALS: No Fees (Donations appreciated)

NOTES:

- ❖ Honorarium to the Priest is not included in the above listed fees
- ❖ Hall rental fees are not included in price of services

➤ No Tax receipts will be issued for the hall rental or service fees



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Family Nights on Fridays from 7:00 pm Holy Mass follow by gathering till 11:00 pm! Come and join us!

SUNDAY & ARABIC SCHOOLS WILL RESUME IN FIRST WEEK OF OCTOBER 2014. WELCOME BACK

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OLOP pastor and parishioners would like to welcome all visitors and families who are new to the parish family.