

# OUR LADY OF PEACE MARONITE CATHOLIC PARISH OF CALGARY



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## THIRD SUNDAY of the Holy Cross Season

Sunday October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016



Next Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF THE HOLY CROSS

Reading (*1Thess 5:1- 11*)

Gospel (*Matthew 24: 45 –51*)

### MASSES & CELEBRATIONS

Sundays – 11:30 a.m.

Daily Mass (Monday, Wednesday and Friday)  
at 6:30 p.m.

**BLESSED SACRAMENT ADORATION**  
**EVERY FRIDAY 7:00 – 8:00 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.

# SUNDAY MASS READING & GOSPEL

## **A Reading from Saint Paul to the Philippians (*Philippians 3: 17- 4: 1*)**

Join with others in being imitators of me, brothers, and observe those who thus conduct themselves according to the model you have in us. For many, as I have often told you and now tell you even in tears, conduct themselves as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is destruction. Their God is their stomach; their glory is in their "shame." Their minds are occupied with earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself. Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, in this way stand firm in the Lord, beloved.

## **A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew (*Matthew 24: 23-31*)**

If anyone says to you then, 'Look, here is the Messiah!' or, 'There he is!' do not believe it. False messiahs and false prophets will arise, and they will perform signs and wonders so great as to deceive, if that were possible, even the elect. Behold, I have told it to you beforehand. So if they say to you, 'He is in the desert,' do not go out there; if they say, 'He is in the inner rooms,' do not believe it. For just as lightning comes from the east and is seen as far as the west, so will the coming of the Son of Man be. Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather. "Immediately after the tribulation of those days, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will fall from the sky, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming upon the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And he will send out his angels with a trumpet blast, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other.

## **THANKSGIVING DAY (Monday October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016)**

We want to thank God first for all the blessings and graces He poured upon us and we want to thank you all the families of this parish for all your support and being as one family remembering the words of Christ – *“. . . whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me”*.

## **Welcome!**

We welcome all parishioners back for another year of cooperation and prosperity in our Lord, Jesus Christ. Our Lady of Peace pastor and parishioners would like to welcome all visitors and families who are new to the parish family.

## The liturgical memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary,

inspires us to rediscover this traditional prayer, so simple yet so profound. The word “Rosary” means a crown of roses, a spiritual bouquet given to the Blessed Mother. In the 16th century the rosary was developed to its present form—with the 15 mysteries (joyful, sorrowful and glorious). In 2002, Pope John Paul II added the Mysteries of Light to this devotion. The purpose of the rosary is to help us meditate on the great mysteries of our salvation. The main focus is on Jesus—his birth, life, death and resurrection. The Our Fathers remind us that Jesus' Father is the initiator of salvation. The Hail Marys remind us to join with Mary in contemplating these mysteries. They also make us aware that Mary was and is intimately joined with her Son in all the mysteries of his earthly and heavenly existence. The Glories remind us that the purpose of all life is the glory of the Trinity. The constant repetition of prayers helps create an atmosphere in which to contemplate the mysteries of God. We sense that Jesus and Mary are with us in the joys and sorrows of life. We grow in hope that God will bring us to share in the glory of Jesus and Mary forever.



*Praying always with all prayer  
and supplication in the Spirit,  
and watching thereunto  
with all perseverance and  
supplication for all saints*  
Ephesians 6:18

## CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

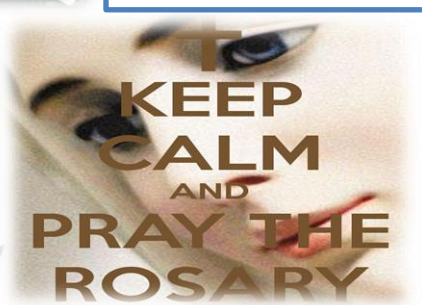
As every year Our Lady of Peace prepares a Christmas party for the children. The success of the party is dependant on the generosity of its parishioners. Now is the time to start donating money or gifts (brand new).

**Thank you for your continued support!**

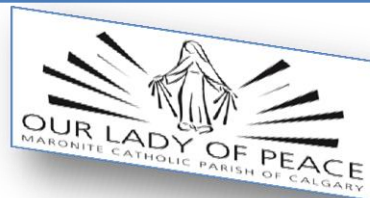


## ARABIC SCHOOL

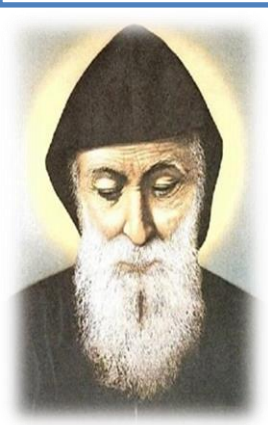
We will resume the Arabic Classes on the second Saturday of October 2016 from 2:30 pm till 4:30 pm



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**DONATIONS SUMMARY (September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016)**



**2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF THE HOLY CROSS COLLECTION: \$799.85**



**INVITATION FOR  
THE DEVOTION OF SAINT CHARBEL**

Maronite parishes often celebrate a special votive Mass of Saint Charbel. Therefore, I am very happy to invite you to this special Mass on Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at Saint Joseph Church, followed by special prayers and anointing with the oil of Saint Charbel.

**Fr. Jaroslaw "Yarek" Dziuba SDS, Pastor**

We are pleased to announce to you that our  
**NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY**

will take place at

**SHERATON CAVALIER CALGARY HOTEL**

2620 32 Ave NE, Calgary, AB T1Y 6B8

On Saturday December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016

More details to be announced

**MEMBERSHIP UPDATE:**

If you are new to our parish, or have not yet been registered in our Parish, please submit a registration form and drop it off in the office.

**PLEASE REMEMBER OUR LADY OF PEACE  
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