# SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON

#### OUR LADY OF PEACE MARONITE CATHOLIC PARISH OF CALGARY

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#### SUNDAY FEBRUARY 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2016



Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016 SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC Reading (1 Timothy 5:24-6:5) Gospel (Mark 2:1-12) NLASSES & 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.

<u>Visiting the sick</u>

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

#### BAPTISNIS

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

#### <u>MLA:RRIA:GES</u>

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

# SUNDAY MASS READING & GOSPEL

#### A Reading from the Second letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (2 Corinthians 13:5-13)

Examine yourselves to see whether you are living in faith. Test yourselves. Do you not realize that Jesus Christ is in you?--unless, of course, you fail the test. I hope you will discover that we have not failed. But we pray to God that you may not do evil, not that we may appear to have passed the test but that you may do what is right, even though we may seem to have failed. For we cannot do anything against the truth, but only for the truth. For we rejoice when we are weak but you are strong. What we pray for is your improvement. I am writing this while I am away, so that when I come I may not have to be severe in virtue of the authority that the Lord has given me to build up and not to tear down. Finally, brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the holy ones greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the holy Spirit be with all of you.

#### A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke (Luke 15:11-32)

Then he said, "A man had two sons, and the younger son said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of your estate that should come to me.' So the father divided the property between them. After a few days, the younger son collected all his belongings and set off to a distant country where he squandered his inheritance on a life of dissipation. When he had freely spent everything, a severe famine struck that country, and he found himself in dire need. So he hired himself out to one of the local citizens who sent him to his farm to tend the swine. And he longed to eat his fill of the pods on which the swine fed, but nobody gave him any. Coming to his senses he thought, 'How many of my father's hired workers have more than enough food to eat, but here am I, dying from hunger. I shall get up and go to my father and I shall say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers."' So he got up and went back to his father. While he was still a long way off, his father caught sight of him, and was filled with compassion. He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him. His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Quickly bring the finest robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Take the fattened calf and slaughter it. Then let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost, and has been found.' Then the celebration began. Now the older son had been out in the field and, on his way back, as he neared the house, he heard the sound of music and dancing. He called one of the servants and asked what this might mean. The servant said to him, 'Your brother has returned and your father has slaughtered the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.' He became angry, and when he refused to enter the house, his father came out and pleaded with him. He said to his father in reply, 'Look, all these years I served you and not once did I disobey your orders; yet you never gave me even a young goat to feast on with my friends. But when your son returns who swallowed up your property with prostitutes, for him you slaughter the fattened calf.' He said to him, 'My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours. But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.""



# **PASTORAL VISIT**

#### **BISHOP PAUL MARWAN TABET**

will be visiting our Parish from Friday May 13, 2016

till

Sunday May 15, 2016 The Pastoral Visit details will be announced at a later time

# PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The Pastoral Council will meet on Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. All members are asked to attend the meeting.

## A NIGHT WITH JESUS CHRIST

All parishioners, young and old, are invited to spend a night with Jesus Christ as we pray, sing, meditate, and reflect. Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 till Saturday morning 10:00 a.m.

## WASHING THE FEET

If you would like to be one of the 12 men needed for the Washing of the Feet on Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, please sign your name on the sign up sheet at the back of the church prior to March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016

### BRING MARY INTO YOUR HOME

Would you like to have the statue of Mary in your home for one week, (Sunday to Sunday)? If so, please sign your name on the sign-up sheet. With the statue in your home you and your family can pray with her, ask her for her help, and share your responsibilities and problems with her.

## 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. OUR LADY OF PEACE MARONITE CATHOLIC PARISH OF CALGARY

HEALING OF THE HEMMOREGING SUNDAY



DONATIONS SUMMARY (FEBRUARY 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2016) OUR LADY

SUNDAY COLLECTION: \$805.20

PROCESSION (STATIONS) OF THE CROSS

The Procession of the Cross and the Ziyah will be held every FRIDAY AT 6:30 P.M.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION SATURDAY, MAY 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2016 CLASSES EVERY FRIDAY AT 7:00 PM TO 8:00 PM

# FAMILY NIGHT

will continue on Fridays from 6:30 p.m. till 11:30 p.m. (Holy Mass, Bible Discussion, Food and Fun) Join us every Friday!

# MEET THE POLICE OF CALGARY



(YOU AND THE LAW PRESENTATION) SATURDAY, MARCH 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2016

From 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Main Target to the new comers from Syria & Iraq Everyone is welcome to attend

16 years and up

# FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE www.maroniteparishcalgary.com