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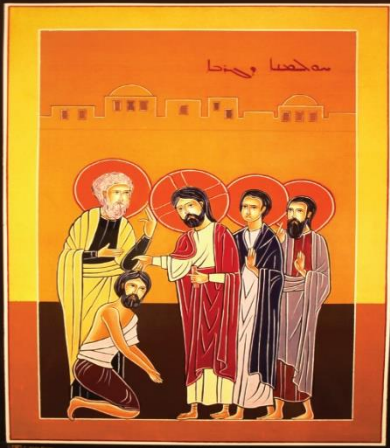
Weekly Newsletter

March 5, 2017

SPIRITUAL MESSAGE

“The Healing of the Leper”

This Icon of the Healing of the Leper, like the following icons of healing, is drawn on a luminous background that highlights the Holy City and its walls. The Lord with some of the Apostles, among them Peter, blesses the leper, who is kneeling in front of him, and heals and purifies him. This icon is similar to those inspired from healings and miracles in Vaticanus Syriacus 559 and British Library 7170.



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From Monday to Saturday
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Fr. Michel N. Kassas, Pastor
Available Tuesday and
Thursday
Without appointment from
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PROCESSION (STATIONS) OF THE CROSS

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

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.

SUNDAY REFLECTION

Observing Lent : Lent, or “*As-Sawm*” in Arabic, is the period of 40 days (some churches count Sundays, others do not) before the Easter Feast. Traditionally, Lent is a period of fasting, prayer and penitence that culminates in Holy Week with the commemoration of Jesus Christ’s arrest, trial, crucifixion, burial and resurrection. The 40 days are symbolic of the time that Jesus spent in the desert when he was tested by the Devil. Lent is a time for “reconsidering discipleship and examining life and obedience to God.”

Despite their concurrence, the Great Lent of the Maronite Church is not the same as the Lent of the Roman Catholic Church, a fact that reflects the unique historical position of this community of Catholics in the East. The Church, which is western by virtue of its longstanding communion with Rome, is also eastern in that it uses an eastern rite and Syriac liturgy, in addition to observing a more or less orthodox Lent. Maronites, unlike Roman Catholics, do count the Sundays in Lent as part of the 40 days, which means that the liturgical season begins two days earlier and ends a full week earlier, marking off Holy Week as a separate liturgical period. Fasting, however, lasts through Holy Week to Easter, adding up to a total of eight weeks.

MARCH FEASTS

Day 6: Saint Conan of Aisor (Asia minor)

Day 7: Saint Narsis, bishop of Jerusalem

Day 8: Saint Francesca of Rome

Day 9: The 40 martyrs of Cappadocia

Day 10: Saint Oksinios & Saint Agathon.

Day 11: Saint Safronios, patriarch of Jerusalem.

Day 12: Saint Gregory I, the great.



MASSES & CELEBRATIONS

Sundays – 11:00 a.m.

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

BLESSED SACRAMENT ADORATION
EVERY THIRD 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.

Hemorrhaging Woman Sunday, March 12th, 2017

Reading (2 Corinthians 7:4-11) \ Gospel (Luke 8:40-56)

OUR LADY OF PEACE

MARONITE CATHOLIC PARISH OF CALGARY

DONATIONS SUMMARY (FEBRUARY 26TH, 2017)

CANA OF GALILEE SUNDAY

COLLECTION: **\$ 756.95**



THE SUNDAYS MASS TIME CHANGED TO

11:00 A.M.

FAMILY NIGHT

We are all invited to gather every Friday at the Church hall. We start by thanking God in our Holy Mass at 6:30 pm. we will gather to eat, play cards and have fun at the church hall.

FIRST COMMUNION

If your child will be receiving their First Holy Communion this year, please add your name, your child's name, and your phone number to the "sign up" sheet at the back of the church.

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.

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR LADY OF PEACE
MARONITE CATHOLIC PARISH OF CALGARY IN YOUR WILL.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE

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