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Rectory open:

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

Fr. Michel N. Kassas,
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AVAILABLE

Tuesday and Thursday
Without appointment from
11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



EPARCHIE SAINT MARON
CANADA

Our Lady of Peace Parish Maronite Catholic Church

رعيّة سيّدة السلام - كالغاري
كنيسة كاثوليكيّة مارونيّة



Weekly Bulletin

January 13,

“Jesus reveals himself to John”

“الأحد الأول من زمن الدنح”



MASSES & CELEBRATIONS

SUNDAYS – 11:30 a.m.
Daily Mass (Monday, Wednesday and Friday)
at 6:30 p.m.

BLESSED SACRAMENT ADORATION
EVERY 1st FRIDAY 7:00 – 8:00 P.M.

CONFESSIONS

45 minutes before each mass
In case of emergency, contact the priest.

VISITING THE SICK

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

BAPTISMS

Please contact the Priest at least two weeks prior to the baptism date.

MARRIAGES

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

“SUNDAY READINGS”

Reading (*2 Corinthians 10:1-11*)
Gospel (*John 1:29-34*)

“**Next Sunday, January 20th, 2019 “**
2ND SUNDAY OF THE EPIPHANY

Reading (*2 Corinthians 4:5 -15*) - **Gospel** (*John 1:35-42*)

“**JANUARY 2019 FEASTS “**

Day 14: Saint Hilarius (Hilary), bishop of Poitier (France)

Day 15: Our Lady of plants

Day 16: Memorial of the chains of Saint Peter the Apostle.

Day 17: Saint Anthony the Great

Day 18: - Saint Kirillus (Cyril), Patriarch of Alexandria (Egypt)

- Memorial of the establishment of the chair of Saint Peter.

Day 19: Saint Macarius of Alexandria

Day 20: Saint Aphtimos the Great

“**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 “FORM” at the back of the church.

“**ARABIC CLASS**”

Every SATURDAY from 2:30 p.m. till 4:30 p.m.;

Encourage your children from 5 years to 12 to learn our native language

“**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 Rectory office.

“**SUGGESTIONS!**”

If you have any suggestions to enhance the spiritual, educational, or physical needs of the parish, please let us know. Thank you!

“**FAMILY NIGHT**”

You are all invited to gather every Friday at the Church hall.

We start by thanking God in the Holy Mass at 6:30 pm

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**

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“JESUS REVEALS HIMSELF TO JOHN”

John sees Jesus coming towards him. Jesus always comes to us, too. Why ? Because he loves us. He never imposes himself. He does not smash the door and does not force us to accept him or even recognize him. But he stays close, hoping that we will perceive his love and, at this moment, we'll recognize that it is all that our heart desires. What will happen if we open the door of our life, of our heart, to Christ? He will invite us to abandon the narrow confines of our egotism, our greed, our lust, our jealousy, and our selfishness. He will open unsuspected horizons and it will give a rich and new dimension to our dull and fleeting days on this earth. He will grant us a transcendent mission: to testify of him not only in words, but with all that we are.

SPIRITUAL MESSAGE

“OUR LADY OF PLANTS”

قَدْ عَيْنَ آبَاؤُنَا مُنْذُ الْقَدِيمِ، فِي هَذَا الْيَوْمِ، عِيداً خَاصّاً لِسَيِّدَتِنَا مَرْيَمَ الْعَذْرَاءِ، طَلِباً لِتَرْكِيَّتِهَا عَلَى سَتَابِلِ الزُّرُوعِ وَثِمَارِ الْأَشْجَارِ، لِتَقْيِهَا الصَّرْبَاتِ وَتَرْفَعِ عَنْهَا الْأَفَاتِ. فَعَمَلًا بِمَا رَسَمُوهُ، تَلَجًا نَحْنُ الْيَوْمَ إِلَى أَمْنَا الْحَنُونِ الْكَلِيَّةِ قَدَّاسَتِهَا، مُتَوَسِّلِينَ أَنْ تَسْتَعْطِفَ ابْنَتَهَا الْحَبِيبِ سَيِّدِنَا يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحَ لِئِبَارِكَ مَزْرُوعَاتِنَا وَبُحْصِنَهَا وَيَقْبِهَا. كُلُّ أَدْنَى. آمِينَ.

(عن السنكسار بحسب طقس الكنيسة المارونية).



“Pope Francis”

The passion of the Epiphany of the Lord is the feast of the manifestation of Jesus, symbolized by the light. In the prophetic texts, this light is promised. In fact, Isaiah turns to Jerusalem with these words: "Rise up, cover yourself with light, for your light comes, the glory of the Lord shines on you".

Today's celebration is for all who have celebrated Christmas and encourages us to let ourselves be touched by the light of Bethlehem. We, too, are invited not to stop at the outward signs of the event, but to follow our journey as believers in the new of life put forward.

Unlike Herod and the scribes, who were afraid of losing power and initially thought of their self-interest, the Three Wise Men let themselves be guided by the star and face a long and risky journey to get to their destination and know the truth about the Messiah. They were open to the novelty of seeking the truth and retrieving the greatest and most surprising novelty in history: God made man.

The Magi prostrated themselves before Jesus and offered him symbolic gifts: gold, frankincense and myrrh; because the search of the Lord implies not only perseverance on the path, but also the generosity of the heart. Finally, they returned to their country, carrying in them the mystery of this humble and poor king; and one can imagine that they told everyone the lived experience: the salvation offered by God in Christ is for all men, near and far.

We, too, let ourselves be illuminated by the light of Christ coming from Bethlehem. Do not allow our fears to close our hearts but let us have the courage to open ourselves to this soft and discreet light. Then, like the Magi, we will experience a great joy that we will not be able to keep for ourselves, concluded the Holy Father, inviting us to place our way under the protection of Mary.

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MARONITE CATHOLIC PARISH OF CALGARY**

**DONATIONS SUMMARY (JANUARY 6, 2019)
"THE EPIPHANY"**

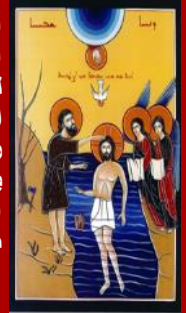
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تفسير أيقونة "كتاب ميلاد الرب"

أيقونة الإشراق هذه، عناصرها موجودة في معظم أيقونات الدنح لدى كل التقاليد الإيقونوغرافية. العنصر الثالثي، الأب بظهور اليد (خيروقانيا)، رمز للخالق ولصوته الذي سمعناه ولم نره إلا بصورة الإبن المتجسد، المعتمد في الأردن على يد سابقه وصابغه. الروح بشكل حمامة تنحدر من الأعلى، فوق رأس الإبن. الملائكة هرعوا حاملين المناديل لتتشيف الجمره المعتمده والتي يرمز لها بشعلة النار الطافية على المياه. إنها ميزة خاصة بتقليدنا السرياتي الماروني، إذ أن جمع النار والماء هو صورة لجمع اللاهوت والناسوت، بشخص ابن الله المتانس، بكمال ألوهيته وانسانيته.

الأب عبدو بدوي.



" SAINT ANTHONY THE GREAT "

was the first Christian to live a coenobitic consecrated life of solitude. As a hermit in the desert he lived a long and saintly life that influenced countless people both in his time and for generations thereafter, even to this day. Many of his ideas are still used to this day by modern monks and nuns nowadays. His life had a tremendous impact on the history of early Christianity, which is the basic history of all Christian churches all over the world. Most of what we know about St. Anthony comes from the writings of Saint Athanasius the Apostolic, a disciple and close friend of St. Anthony's, who wrote the story of his life.



"SAINT ANTHONY THE GREAT FEAST"

**WEDNSDAY, January 16th Arabic - English mass at 6:30 p.m.
(We will provide HALAWA after the Holy Mass)**

من أقوال القديسين

قبل أن ترفع عينيك إلى الله وتطلب منه المفقود
أنزل عينيك إلى الأسفل وأشكره على الموجود

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