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February 3, 2019, Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday, February 3, 2019

- Samir Shaia

Saturday, February 9, 2019

- For the Parish

Sunday, February 10, 2019

Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, February 17, 2019

- Aida Khalil

Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

Every Sunday at 10:15 a.m., a group of people meet to pray the Rosary.

Every Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m., there will be an evening prayer service in honor of St. Sharbel followed by the Divine Liturgy and benediction with the icon of St. Sharbel sponsored by *Saint Sharbel Family*.

Last Sunday of every month, a Holy Hour of Adoration and Prayer for Vocations will take place after the 11:00 a.m. Liturgy.

Altar Servers

Sunday, February 10, 2019

Peter Epperly, Charbel Nasr, Shady Nasr and Yoshua Rizk

Ushers

Sunday, February 10, 2019

Fawzi Abou Chabki, Victor Beasley, Kevin Pitzer and Tony EL-Khoury. (If you will not be attending the Liturgy on that day, please get in touch with **Halim Younes** to find a replacement. The ushers will also help Tom Karam count the collection and make the deposit before they give it to the priest to take it to the bank.)

Thank you for your Generosity

Summary of the Collection for Sunday, **January 27, 2019**

Collection:	\$ 1415
Tuesday, January 22	\$ 131
Donation by mail:	\$ 65
Second Collection:	\$ 428

Mark Your Calendar

Holy Day of Obligation

Saturday, February 9, 2018, Feast of St. Maron, is a Holy Day of Obligation. Liturgy will be **at 11:00 a.m.**

On Sunday, February 10, 2019, Our Lady of Lebanon Parish will hold its annual Saint Maron Feast Day Luncheon in the Church's Social Hall following the Divine Liturgy. Tickets are \$30 per person (adults) and \$20 (children). For tickets or more information please get in touch with Gebran Fattouch.

Scripture Readings

Sunday February 10, 2019, Sunday of the Priests

1 Tim 4:6-16; Lk 12:42-48

Youth Liturgy

On Sunday, February 3, 2019, the youth of the parish will serve the Divine Liturgy. They will serve as ushers, greeters, readers, bring the offerings to the priests and be the choir. This is the first attempt of what we hope to have them do on a monthly basis. They will be

practicing following the Divine Liturgy on **Sunday, January 20 and on Sunday, January 27**. Thank you.

FYI

- If you wish to schedule a Liturgy please do it soon and in advance. You are kindly asked to contact the **pastor directly**. He **alone** can schedule a Liturgy. Now that we have more than one priest celebrate the Divine Liturgy every Sunday, the Pastor can assign a separate intention for each priest if needed. It is customary that a **voluntary donation (stipend)** is given to the priest who celebrates the Liturgy.
- If you would like to convey a message to the Pastor, please speak with him directly and not through a third party. All Parish business (no matter what they are) have to come to the Pastor first. The office's phone number as well as the Pastor's email address and cell number are published in the bulletin.

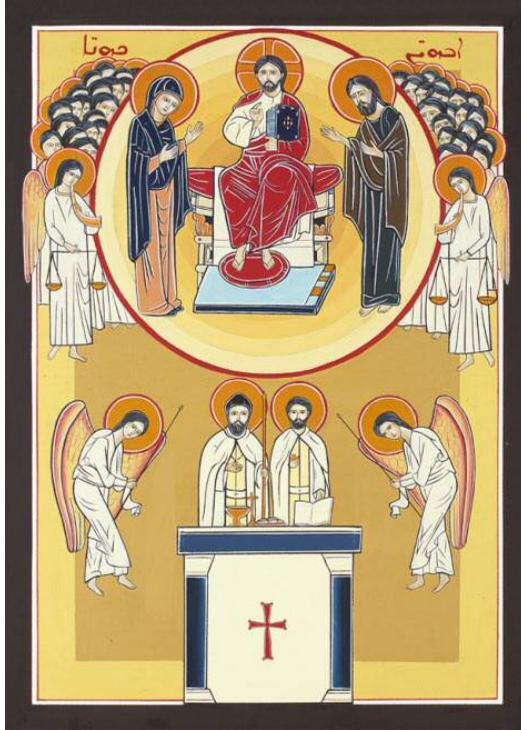
"In a world of selfishness, we are called to be a gift. In a world of egotism, we are called to serve each other."

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Prayer for Fostering Vocations to the Priesthood



The deceased priests by Fr. Abdo Badawi of Holy Spirit University (USEK), Kaslik, Lebanon.

Blessed be God, the Father, who chose shepherds after his own heart;

Blessed be the Beloved Son, who entrusted the service of his Mysteries to them;

Blessed be the Holy Life Giving Spirit, who sanctifies their offerings.

O Heavenly Father, we pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life for the service of your holy people.

We ask You to send laborers into your vineyard. Your faithfulness is unconditional and you accompany your church and invite us to cooperate in your plan of salvation.

May we contribute to creating and preserving conditions in which the good seed, sown by your Holy Spirit, can take root and bring forth abundant fruit in us.

We petition you, O Christ Our Lord, to enlighten the paths of those considering a call to priesthood and religious life and bring them close to you, so that their calling may become a pure sacrifice for the glory of God.

To you be glory, and upon us your mercy, now and forever. Amen. ☐





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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The recent New York State Bill promoting abortion through the last trimester of pregnancy is a very sad reality. Sometimes we can only respond by prayer (and fasting).

Recently, the Eparchy gathered in Washington, DC to join the March for Life. We prayed with our feet and filmed this video. The photo is below and the link is here <https://youtu.be/FhcmYQdzonc>

But more is needed, and for this reason I echo the sentiments of the New York Bishops who have been courageous defenders of life here in the State and who have been clear that “the primary purpose of this legislation is to expand late term abortion”. Professor Robby George, who after seeing the standing ovation given in the New York State Senate wrote that he was “physically ill” to see the applause for something so inhumane, and how we as a nation became so indifferent to the child in the womb and to her mother.

Dear Brothers and Sisters, the enemy of life is not people who disagree with us, the enemy is a certain way of thinking that promotes the rights of some and callously disregards the rights of others, namely the innocent child in the womb. Unfortunately, all of this passes under the false guise of science and/or progress. True science proves that life begins at conception. Please see the link <https://youtu.be/WH9ZJu4wRUE>

May God spare us from such thinking and help us promote and defend life courageously. May God restore us to be a nation of just laws and respect for life.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Gregory John Mansour

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