

"Where shall I begin to weep for the actions of my wretched life?
What first-fruit shall I offer, O Christ, in this my lamentation?
But in Thy compassion grant me forgiveness of sins.
Come, wretched soul, with thy flesh to the Creator of all.
Make confession to Him, and abstain henceforth from
thy past brutishness; and offer to God tears of repentance."
+ St. Andrew of Crete



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9:00am-12:00pm

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For Metropolitan Boulos,
Archbishop John, and for
their quick release from
captivity and safe return,
let us pray to the Lord.

THE HOLY EPISTLE (Hebrews 9:11-14)

Brethren, when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), He entered once for all into the Holy Place, taking not the blood of goats and calves but His own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, Who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, purify your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

يا اخوة إن المسيح إذ قد جاء رئيس كهنه للخيرات المستقبلة فبمسكن اعظم واكمل غير مصنوع بايدي أي ليس من هذه الخليفة* وليس بدم ثيوس وعجول بل بدم نفسه دخل الأقداس مرة واحدة فوجد فداءً ابدياً* لأنه إن كان دم ثيران وثيوس ورماد عجلة يرش على المنجسين فيقدسهم لتطهير الجسد* فكم بالأخرى دم المسيح الذي بالروح الأزلي قرب نفسه لله بلا عيب يطهر ضمائرکم من الأعمال الميتة لتعبدوا الله الحي.

THE HOLY GOSPEL (St. Mark 10:32-45)

At that time, Jesus took His twelve Disciples, and began to tell them what was to happen to Him, saying, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem. And the Son of man will be delivered to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn Him to death, and deliver Him to the Gentiles. And they will mock Him, and scourge Him, and spit upon Him, and kill Him; and after three days He will rise." And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Him, and said to Him, "Teacher, we would that thou shouldest do for us whatsoever we shall desire" And Jesus said to them, "What do you want Me to do for you?" And they said to Him, "Grant us to sit, one at Thy right hand and one at Thy left, in Thy glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to Him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized. But to sit at My right hand or at My left is not Mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. And Jesus called them to Him and said to them, "You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be servant of all. For the Son of man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many."

في ذلك الزمان أخذ يسوع تلاميذه الاثني عشر وابتداً يقول لهم ما سيعرض له* هوذا نحن صاعدون إلى اورشليم وابن البشر سيسلم إلى رؤساء الكهنة والكتبة فيحكمون عليه بالموت ويسلمونه إلى الأمم* فيهزأون به ويصقون عليه ويجلدونه ويقتلونه وفي اليوم الثالث يقوم* فدنا إليه يعقوب ويوحنا ابنا زبدي قائلين يا معلم نريد أن تصنع لنا مهما طلبنا* فقال لهما ماذا تريدان أن أصنع لكما* قال له أعطنا أن يجلس أحدنا عن يمينك والآخر عن يسارك في مجدك* فقال لهما يسوع إنكما لا تعلمان ما تطلبان. أتستطيعان أن تشربا الكأس التي أشربها أنا وأن تصطبغا بالصبغة التي أصطبغ بها أنا* فقالا له نستطيع. فقال لهما يسوع أما الكأس التي أشربها فتشربانها وبالصبغة التي أصطبغ بها فتصطبغان. وأما جلوسكما عن يميني وعن يساري فليس لي أن أعطيها إلا للذين أعد لهم* فلما سمع العشرة ابتدأوا يغيظون على يعقوب ويوحنا* فدعاهم يسوع وقال لهم قد علمتم أن الذين يحسبون رؤساء الأمم يسودونهم وعظماؤهم يتسلطون عليهم* وأما أنتم فلا يكون فيكم هكذا* ولكن من أراد أن يكون فيكم كبيراً فليكن لكم خادماً* ومن أراد أن يكون فيكم أولاً فليكن للجميع عبداً* فإن ابن البشر لم يأت ليخدم بل ليخدم وليبذل نفسه فداءً عن كثيرين.

"St. Nicholas Annual Deli-Night"

Wednesday, April 26 2017 at 6:30pm – \$25/ticket. Contact: Carol Maker or any member of the Parish Council; or the Church Office.

Palm Sunday Decorated Candles: \$10.00 Our Antiochian Women have a selection of beautifully decorated Candles for Palm Sunday, great for your children to carry for our outdoor procession. The candles are available during the Coffee Hour today! The annual BAKE SALE will also take place on Palm Sunday (see insert).

St. Nicholas Arabic School: Every Saturday 3pm-5pm. For registration info, please speak with Hala Zakaib or Kh. Rola Wyatt.

St. Nicholas English Byzantine Choir practice (Hanna Ayoub): Every Saturday following Vespers. And for children, every Sunday following the Divine Liturgy.

St. Nicholas Arabic Byzantine Choir practice (Zaher Samaan): Every Sunday following the Divine Liturgy.

Bible Bowl practice (all teams) - Every Sunday following the Divine Liturgy.

Antiochian Women: Next meeting April 4, 2017

Parish Council: Next meeting: April 18, 2017

Teen SOYO: Fun Day, Saturday April 8, 2017 at 12:00pm (see insert)

Sunday School: St. Lazarus Lenten Pancake Brunch, Saturday April 8 (after D.Liturgy)

YAM (Young Adult Ministry) meetings & activities will resume after Holy Pascha.

Cedars Homes: Fr. Mark will make his next monthly pastoral visit to both Cedars Homes on April 27 in the morning.

Antiochian Orthodox Union of Canada — Family Brunch on May 22 at 11:30am - at Monastere de la Vierge Marie la Consolatrice (946 chemin de la Carriere, Brownsburg, QC J8G 1K5). Tickets: Adult/\$50, Children 2-12yrs \$25, Under 2yrs/Free. For info: 514-999-0428, or Hala Zakaib 514-449-0882.

Today's Memorial Service is for the departed Servants of God:

*Nicholas, George, Issa, Sister Melanie, Maggie, Shafika, Michael & Toufic. Offered by Laura Barbara & Family.

*Marie Acoury Helal (7th year), Habib Acoury. Offered by the Family.

- ❖ Wednesday, March 1 at 7:30pm— 1st Presanctified Divine Liturgy.
- ❖ Thursday, March 2 at 7:30pm — 1st Great Compline.
- ❖ Friday, March 3 at 7:30pm— 1st Akathist with anointing of Miraculous Oil from Mt. Athos.
- ❖ Saturday, March 4 at 5:00pm — Great Vespers.
- ❖ Sunday, March 5, 9:00am-12:00pm — “Sunday of Orthodoxy” Orthros & Divine Liturgy with indoor Procession of Holy Icons. *Bring your favourite Icon from home!*
- ❖ Wednesday, March 8 at 7:30pm — 2nd Presanctified Divine Liturgy.
- ❖ Thursday, March 9 at 7:30pm — 2nd Great Compline.
- ❖ Friday, March 10 at 7:30pm — 2nd Akathist with anointing of Miraculous Oil from Mt. Athos.
- ❖ Saturday, March 11 at 5:00pm — Great Vespers.
- ❖ Sunday, March 12, 9:00am-12:00pm — “Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas” Orthros & Divine Liturgy.
- ❖ Wednesday, March 15 at 7:30pm — 3rd Presanctified Divine Liturgy.
- ❖ Thursday, March 16 at 7:30pm — 3rd Great Compline.
- ❖ Friday, March 17 at 7:30pm — 3rd Akathist with anointing of Miraculous Oil from Mt. Athos.
- ❖ Saturday, March 18 at 5:00pm — Great Vespers.
- ❖ Sunday, March 19, 9:00am-12:00pm — “Sunday of the Holy Cross” Orthros & Divine Liturgy with indoor Procession with the Holy Cross. *Bring your Cross from home!*
- ❖ Wednesday, March 22 at 7:30pm — 4th Presanctified Divine Liturgy.
- ❖ Thursday, March 23 at 7:30pm — 4th Great Compline.
- ❖ Friday, March 24 at 7:30pm-10:00pm — Great Vespers & 4th Akathist Stasis & Anointing of Miraculous Oil.
- ❖ Saturday, March 25 at 10:00am Orthros & Divine Liturgy for the Feast of Annunciation at St. Mary Church with H.G. Bishop ALEXANDER & Montreal Clergy. At 5:00pm — Great Vespers at St. Nicholas Church.
- ❖ Sunday, March 26, 9:00am-12:00pm — “Sunday of St. John Climacus” Orthros & Divine Liturgy.
- ❖ Wednesday, March 29 at 7:30pm — Small Compline with Canon of St. Andrew & Life of St. Mary of Egypt.
- ❖ Thursday, March 30 at 7:30pm — 5th Presanctified Divine Liturgy.
- ❖ Friday, March 31 at 7:30pm — 5th Akathist with anointing of Miraculous Oil from Mt. Athos.
- ❖ Saturday, April 1 at 5:00pm — Great Vespers.
- ❖ Sunday, April 2, 9:00am-12:00pm — “Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt” Orthros & Divine Liturgy.
- ❖ Wednesday, April 5 at 7:30pm — 6th Presanctified Divine Liturgy.
- ❖ Thursday, April 6 at 7:30pm — 6th Great Compline.
- ❖ Friday, April 7 at 7:30pm — Small Compline “St. Lazarus” with anointing of Miraculous Oil from Mt. Athos.
- ❖ Saturday, April 8 at 10:00am — Orthros & Divine Liturgy “St. Lazarus”. At 5:00pm — Great Vespers.
- ❖ Sunday, April 9, 9:00am-12:00pm — “Palm Sunday” Orthros & Divine Liturgy. Followed by outdoor Procession & Bake Sale. At 7:30pm — 1st Bridegroom Orthros.
- ❖ Monday, April 10 at 7:30pm — “Holy Monday” 2nd Bridegroom Orthros.
- ❖ Tuesday, April 11 at 7:30pm — “Holy Tuesday” 3rd Bridegroom Orthros.
- ❖ Wednesday, April 12 at 7:30pm — “Holy Wednesday” Holy Unction.
- ❖ Thursday, April 13 at 10:30am — “Holy Thursday” Divine Liturgy (Mystical Supper). At 7:30pm — Holy Passion Gospels.
- ❖ Friday, April 14 at 9:00am — “Holy Friday” Paramon. At 7:30pm — Orthros & Lamentations with outdoor Procession and distribution of blessed flowers.
- ❖ Saturday, April 15 at 10:00am — “Saturday of Light” Divine Liturgy. At 10:00pm — Paschal Vigil. Followed by distribution of Blessed Eggs and Late-night reception.
- ❖ Sunday, April 16 at 1:00pm — “Holy Pascha” Agape Vespers with indoor Candle Procession.
- ❖ Monday, April 17 at 10:30am — Bright Monday Divine Liturgy with H.G. Bishop ALEXANDER & Montreal Clergy at St. Nicholas Church.