

The Saints submitted to whatever
God sent them with childlike simplicity:
"That's the way You want it... Let Your will be done!"

Blessed Elder Amphilochios Makris



ST. NICHOLAS
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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 (Timothy 4:9-15)

Timothy, my son, the saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance. For to this end we toil and strive, because we have our hope set on the living God, Who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. Command and teach these things. Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Until I come, attend to the public reading of scripture, to preaching, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophetic utterance when the council of elders laid their hands upon you. Practice these duties; devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress.

يا ولدي تيموثاوس، صادقة هي الكلمة وجديرة بكل قبول* فإننا لهذا نتعب ونعير لأننا ألقينا رجاءنا على الله الحي الذي هو مخلص الناس أجمعين ولا سيما المؤمنين* فوص بهذا وعلم به* لا يستهن أحد بفطوتك بل كن مثالا للمؤمنين في الكلام والتصرف والمحبة والإيمان والعفاف* واظب على القراءة إلى حين قدومي وعلى الوعظ والتعليم* ولا تهمل الموهبة التي فيك التي أوتيتها بنبوّة بوضع أيدي الكهنة* تأمل في ذلك وكن عليه عاكفا ليكون تقدمك ظاهرا في كل شيء.

THE HOLY GOSPEL (St. Luke 19:1-10)

At that time, Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector, and rich. And he sought to see Who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Jesus, for He was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham; for the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost."

في ذلك الزمان فيما يسوع مجتاز في أريحا إذا برجل اسمه زكا كان رئيسا على العشارين وكان غنيا* وكان يلتمس أن يرى يسوع من هو فلم يكن يستطيع من الجمع لأنه كان قصير القامة* فتقدم مسرعا وصعد إلى جميزة لينظره لأنه كان مزمعا أن يجتاز بها* فلما انتهى يسوع إلى الموضع رفع طرفه فراه فقال له يا زكا أسرع انزل فاليوم ينبغي لي أن امكث في بيتك* فأسرع ونزل وقبله فرحا* فلما رأى الجميع ذلك تدمروا قائلين إنه دخل ليحل عند رجل خاطئ* فوقف زكا وقال ليسوع هاءنذا يا رب أعطي المساكين نصف أموالي. وإن كنت قد غبنت أحدا في شيء أردت أربعة أضعاف* فقال له يسوع اليوم قد حصل الخلاص لهذا البيت لأنه هو أيضا ابن إبراهيم* لأن ابن البشر إنما أتى ليطلب ويخلص ما قد هلك.

The following is printed here upon the request of H.G. Bishop ALEXANDER:

Claim your Lebanese Nationality!

Benefit from the new Lebanese law to claim your Lebanese Nationality and preserve your heritage as well as your consular, social and political rights! The Ministry of Foreign affairs and Emigrants is launching a campaign all over the world to encourage you, the descendants of Lebanese emigrants, to reconnect with the land of your forefathers and to claim your Lebanese nationality. The process is easy, free of charge and takes 6 to 12 months to be finalized To know all the benefits and advantages of acquiring the Lebanese Nationality, visit the following website: www.lebanity.gov.lb

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(514) 276-2638 ext. 2344. Gibran Khalil Gibran once said: "If Lebanon were not my country, I would have chosen Lebanon for homeland" Claim what is rightfully yours!

**"NOTHING ELEVATES THE SOUL,
NOTHING GIVES IT WINGS AS A LITURGICAL HYMN DOES"
(ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM)**

We have 3 Church Choirs that share our Holy Services on Sundays and throughout the year. Some are very active with weekly practices and attend every service, and others are less active - but all 3 are welcoming new members. If you are interested in learning Byzantine Music (English or Arabic) OR English 4-part Harmony Music (Russian Tones), please approach the appropriate Choir Director for consultation. Although we have 3 Choirs, they are not in competition with each other. We are praying, not performing! Each Choir has its own musical beauty and special interest from our parishioners. Our new Byzantine Choir, under the direction of Hanna Ayoub, has been attracting our younger parishioners, and their main focus is English. Our Arabic Byzantine Choir, under the direction of Zaher Samaan, attracts new-comers to our parish as their main focus is Arabic. And the St. Nicholas Choir, under the direction of Mary Jane Puiu for 51 years now, has witnessed a major decline in membership over the years as they attract the older generation of parishioners, and their main focus is English in 4-part Harmony (Russian Tones). There is a place for everyone in our parish and we remain proud to be so welcoming and diverse. No matter what style of music we may prefer, we all share the same Antiochian identity. We are happy to see a healthy transition of our youth getting involved with the Church services. And we are also happy to continue to welcome new & young families to join our St. Nicholas Church family. As our beloved Patriarch JOHN X says: **"Our language is one. Our language is Antiochian!"**

**** St. Nicholas Arabic School for Children (on Saturdays) ****

There is a high demand for Arabic lessons for our active youth. Before the Christmas holidays, some of our parents met to discuss the possibility of re-starting Arabic lessons for our parish, but this time to focus more on our children, and to include reading & writing. Therefore, we will be opening our school very soon. All teaching materials will be supplied. If you are interested in teaching, or if you would like to register your children, please speak with Hala Zakaib or Kh. Rola Wyatt during the Coffee Hour. Your immediate input and communication will help us for a healthy start. Awaiting your reply!

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

*Victoria Genest (1st year). Offered by her husband Edmund & Her Children Larry, Allen, Lorraine & John Zakaib.

*Asaad Habacouk. Offered by Maya Abboud.

*Sadie, Jamily & Nadine. Michel, Solomon, Lily, Wadih, Dee, Yvonne, Mary, Ronnie & Jennifer. Offered by Sub Deacon Alex Zabatany.

ST. NICHOLAS PRE-LENTEN TURKEY LUNCHEON

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2017

TICKETS: \$15/ADULT — \$10/KIDS (6-12)

KIDS 5 & UNDER - FREE

REGISTERED SUNDAY SCHOOL KIDS - FREE

HELENE ZAKAIB: 450-466-9205

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