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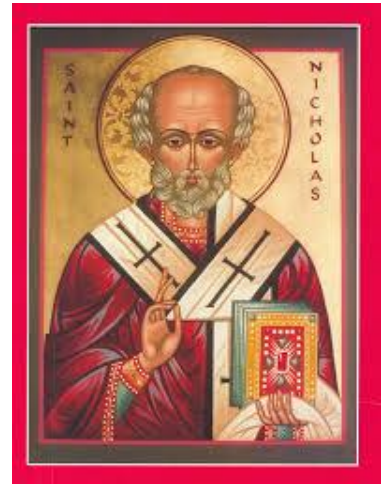
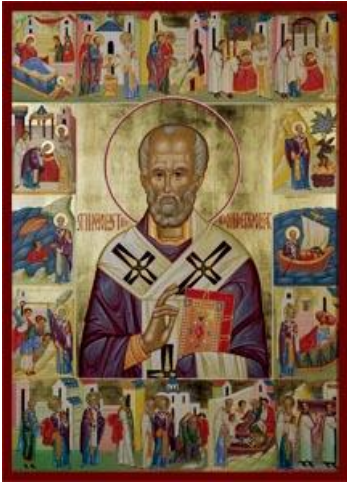
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**Sunday, March 03, 2019**

**Sunday of the Last Judgment (Meat Fare)**

أحد مرفع اللحم (الدينونة)

**Memorial Service:**

- ❖ Three and Nine Day Memorial Service for the Handmaiden of God **Seham Khoury** offered by her family.
- ❖ Six Month Memorial Service for the Servant of God **Yonas Hadera** offered by his family. May their memory be eternal!

**THE EPISTLE: St. Paul to the Corinthians. (8:8-9:2)** Brethren, food will not bring us closer to God; for neither if we eat, are we the better, nor if we do not eat, are we the worse. But take heed lest by any means this authority of yours become a stumbling block to those who are weak. For if any one sees you, as someone who has knowledge, reclining at a table in an idol's temple, will not the conscience of the one who is weak be emboldened to eat of the things sacrificed to idols, and through your knowledge the weak brother perishes, for whom Christ died? And thus, sinning against the brethren, and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food causes my brother to stumble, I will not eat meat forever, lest I cause my brother to stumble. Am I not an apostle? Am I not free? Have I not seen Jesus Christ our Lord? Are not you my work in the Lord? If to others I am not an apostle, yet at least I am to you; for the seal of my apostleship are you in the Lord.

الرسالة: ١ كورنثوس ٨ : ٨-١٣ ، ٩ : ١-٢ يا إخوة إنَّ الطعام لا يُقرِّبنا إلى الله، لأنَّنا إن أكلنا لا نزيد وإن لم نأكل لا ننقص. ولكن انظروا ألا يكون سلطانكم هذا معثرة للضعفاء، لأنَّه إن رآك أحد، يا من له العلم، متكئاً في بيت الأوثان، أفلا يتقوى ضميره وهو ضعيف على أكل ذبائح الأوثان، فيهلك بسبب علمك الأخ الضعيف الذي مات المسيح لأجله. وهكذا إذ تُخطئون إلى الإخوة وتجرحون ضمائرهم وهي ضعيفة إنما تُخطئون إلى المسيح. فلذلك إن كان الطعام يُشكِّكُ أخي فلا أكل لحمًا إلى الأبد لنلأ أشكك أخي. ألسنتُ أنا رسولاً؟ ألسنتُ أنا حرّاً؟ أما رأيتُ يسوع المسيح ربنا؟ ألسنتم أنتم عملي في الرب؟ وإن لم أكن رسولاً إلى آخرين فإنِّي رسول إليكم، لأنَّ خاتم رسالتي هو أنتم في الرب.

**THE GOSPEL: St. Matthew. (25:31-46)** The Lord said, "When the Son of man comes in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate the sheep from the goats, and he will place the sheep at his right hand, but the goats at the left. Then the King will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry

and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.’ Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see thee hungry and feed thee, or thirsty and give thee drink? And when did we see thee a stranger and welcome thee, or naked and clothe thee? And when did we see thee sick or in prison and visit thee?’ And the King will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.’ Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see thee hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to thee?’ Then he will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to me.’ And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

الإنجيل: متى ٢٥: ٣١-٤٦

قال الرب: متى جاء ابن البشر في مجده وجميع الملائكة القدّيسين معه، فحينئذ يجلس على عرش مجده، وتُجمع إليه كلّ الأمم، فيُميز بعضهم من بعض كما يميز الراعي الخراف من الجداء، ويُقيم الخراف عن يمينه والجداء عن يساره. حينئذ يقول الملك للذين عن يمينه: تعالوا يا مباركي أبي رثوا الملك المُعدّ لكم منذ إنشاء العالم لأنّي جُعتُ فأطعمتموني وعطشتم فسقيتموني وكنتم غربياً فأويتموني وعرياناً فكسوتموني ومريضاً فعدتموني ومحبوساً فأنتيم إليّ. حينئذ يجيبه الصديقون قائلين: يا ربّ متى رأيناك جائعاً فأطعمناك أو عطشاناً فسقيناك، ومتى رأيناك غربياً فأوييناك أو عرياناً فكسوناك، ومتى رأيناك مريضاً أو محبوساً فأنتينا إليك؟ فيجيب الملك ويقول لهم: الحقّ أقول لكم بما أنكم فعلتم ذلك بأحد إخوتي هؤلاء الصغار فبي فعلتموه. حينئذ يقول أيضاً للذين عن يساره: اذهبوا عنّي يا ملاعين إلى النار الأبديّة المُعدّة لإبليس وملائكته، لأنّي جُعتُ فلم تُطعموني وعطشتم فلم تسقوني وكنتم غربياً فلم تأوؤوني، وعرياناً فلم تكسوني ومريضاً ومحبوساً فلم تزوروني. حينئذ يجيبونه هم أيضاً قائلين: يا ربّ متى رأيناك جائعاً أو عطشاناً أو غربياً أو عرياناً أو مريضاً أو محبوساً ولم نخدمك؟ حينئذ يجيبهم قائلاً: الحقّ أقول لكم بما أنكم لم تفعلوا ذلك بأحد هؤلاء الصغار فبي لم تفعلوه. فيذهب هؤلاء إلى العذاب الأبديّ، والصديقون إلى الحياة الأبديّة.

**Saturday of the Dead:** March 2 is Saturday of the Dead. On Sunday March 3 a General memorial Service “For All Those Who Have Fallen Asleep Since The Ages” will take place. We will remember in particular all our departed ones who has fallen asleep in this year.

**سبت الأموات** هو يوم السبت 2 اذار : سنقيم يوم الاحد 3 اذار تذكارا عاما لجميع الراقدين منذ الدهر من ابائنا واخوتنا على رجاء القيامة والحياة الابدية. نذكر بشكل خاص احياءنا الذين سبقونا الى الحياة الابدية جميع الذين سبق انتقالهم منذ بداية هذا العام.

### **Altar Candle Offering:**

- ❖ Offered by **Khalil, Leila, and Sana Sayegh** for the four year memorial of **Georgette Sayegh**. May her memory be eternal!
- ❖ Offered by the **Sahouria** family commemorating the 14 year anniversary of the passing of beloved mother, grandmother, and great grandmother **Nimeh Saba Sahouria**. May her memory be eternal!
- ❖ Offered by **Michael & Nadia Rantisi** in loving memory of **Yousef & Naeimah Rantisi and Jaber & Najah Hanhan**. May their memories be eternal+

## **MARCH IS LADIES' MONTH**

In keeping with the tradition in our Archdiocese, ladies will show their involvement in the life of the church in the most visible way during the month of March.

They will usher, collect trays, read the Epistle and deliver sermonette...

*Our Ladies Auxiliary usually prepares a Lenten Luncheon on Sundays. This year they are asking for your help by donating or preparing food.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS:

- ❖ **YOUNG ADULT CHURCH SERVICE & LUNCH OUTING:** Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup> & Sunday March 24<sup>th</sup> @ 11AM @ St. Nicholas Church and lunch to be followed immediately after Sunday School. Location will be determined. RSVP with Shadi Azar (415) 279-2533
- ❖ **SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDENTS AND STAFF PARTICIPATION IN THE PROCESSIONS DURING LENT SEASON:** Sunday School students and staff are asked to stay in church after communion to participate in the following processions, classes would resume as normal after the procession. **Sunday, March 17th - Holy Icons Procession.**  
**Sunday, March 31st - Holy Cross Procession**
- ❖ **2019 CREATIVE ARTS FESTIVAL:** 2019 Creative Arts Festival Theme: Antiochian Village (AV) Past, Present, & Future. (*"I Can Do All Things Through Christ, Who Strengthens Me"* Philippians 4:13.) Main Website : <http://www.antiochian.org/festivals/cf>  
**Due Date for Submission: Sunday, March 24th to the Sunday School teachers.**  
**Attention Sunday School Students and Parents:** We will be preparing arts submissions for the Creative Arts Festival for the 2019 Parish Life Conference (<https://antiochianevents.com/la.html>). It is important that ALL students be present in Sunday School every Sunday during the months of February and March to participate and complete their projects. Students may take their projects and work on them on their own time as well.
- ❖ **CAMP THREE HOLY YOUTHS:** June 16-21<sup>st</sup>. [campthy.com](http://campthy.com)
- ❖ **2019 BIBLE BOWL:** 2019 Bible Bowl : St Paul's Letters to the Ephesians, Philippians, and Colossians. Main Website : <https://orthodoxyouth.org/bible-bowl/>  
\*\* We are seeking members to join the Bible Bowl Team Divisions; Juniors (ages: 13-15) , Seniors (ages:16-18) and Adults (ages: 18 and over). For those who would like to participate in this year's Bible Bowl and be part of the St. Nicholas Bible Bowl teams, please see Fr. George Baalbaki or Tariq Rantisi for more details.

## **Meat Fare Sunday Luncheon**

Join us this Sunday. Meat Fare Luncheon offered by:

**KH. Eman Baalbaki, Randa Shatara, Odette Najjar, Janet Baqleh, Gladys Maalouf, Jehan Saadeh. Thank you for all your hard work!**

### *Food for Hungry:*

- ❖ Please pick up a donation box and donate what you can for the poor and needy people during this holy season. The boxes will be collected after Easter.

## 2019 Great Lent

Lent Period: March 11th – April 28th

Strict Fast: NO Dairy, Meat, Cheese, Eggs, and Fish

Day	Date	Celebration
Sunday	March 3rd	Judgment Sunday (Meatfare Sunday)
Sunday	March 10 <sup>th</sup>	Forgiveness Sunday (Cheesefare Sunday)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>March 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>FIRST MONDAY of GREAT LENT</b>
Sunday	March 17 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday of Orthodoxy
Monday	March 25 <sup>th</sup>	Annunciation of the Theotokos (Fish Allowed)
Sunday	March 31 <sup>st</sup>	Sunday of the Holy Cross
Sunday	April 21 <sup>st</sup>	Palm Sunday (Fish Allowed)
Friday	April 26 <sup>th</sup>	Great and Holy Friday
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>April 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>GREAT AND HOLY PASCHA</b>

### The Services program during the period of Great Lent 2019

### برنامج الصلوات خلال فترة الصوم الأربعيني المقدس لعام ٢٠١٩

Wednesdays	Great Compline Service	7 pm	٧ مساءً	خدمة النوم الكبرى " يا رب القوات "	الإربعاء
Fridays	Akathist Service	7 pm	٧ مساءً	خدمة مديح والدة الاله	الجمعة
Sundays	The Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great	11 am	١١ صباحاً	القديس الإلهي للقديس باسيليوس الكبير	الأحد

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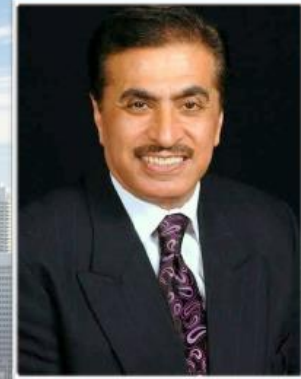
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