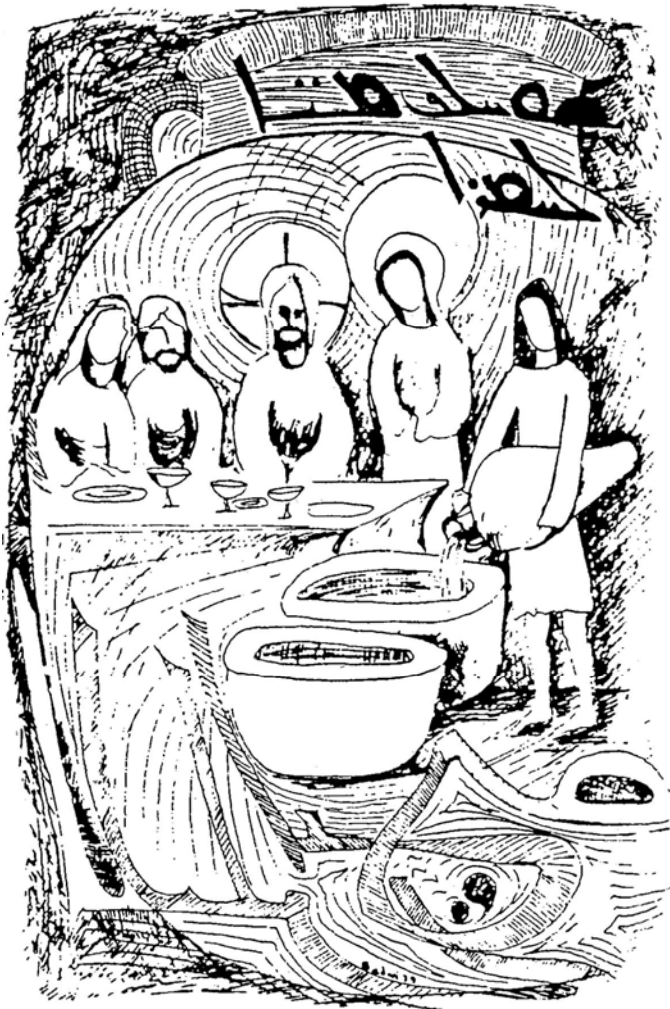


February 14, 2010

***Cana Sunday, Entrance into Great Lent
Year for Priests***



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Next Sunday is the Cleansing of the Leper. Please read before then: Genesis 9: 1-6, Leviticus 14: 1-9, St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 6: 12-23 (Freedom from Sin; Life in God), and the Gospel of MARK 1: 40-45 (Cleansing of a Leper).  
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**Year for Priests Traveling Icon:** Our Lady's is celebrating the Year for Priests with a traveling icon program. Each family can sign up for one week with the traveling icon. Please sign up in the narthex for a week when you're sure you can bring the icon back the following Sunday! This Sunday, February 14th, **Selua & Juan Dacarett** will take the icon home. Next Sunday, February 21st, **Marian Romero** will take the icon home.  
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**Seniors' Coffee, Games, and Lunch:** Our next senior morning will be Thursday, February 25th. Join us at 9:30 a.m. for coffee and snacks, followed by bingo and other games, and then a good lunch. All seniors are invited. Please sign up in the narthex!

**Liturgy Intentions for the Week:**

**Saturday, February 13th, 5:00 P.M.; Chapel**  
-FOR ALL THE PARISH, LIVING AND DECEASED  
-FOR TONY LABARBERA by Lena Labarbera  
-FOR SALWA COX by Michelle  
-FOR IGNAC ERMIS by Joyce Best  
-FOR HELEN E. PEARSALL (3 yrs.) by Paula Joyce  
**Byzantine Liturgy, 6:00 P.M.; Chapel**  
-FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THE COMMUNITY  
**Sunday, February 14th, 10:00 A.M.; Church**  
-FOR WERNER SCHMIDT by Johnell McKee  
-FOR EMMA BARRIENTOS by Marian Romero  
-FOR (Living) DOUG DEVENDORF (B-Day) by Theresa Lyon  
**Ash Monday, February 15th, 7:00 P.M.; Church**  
-FOR FR. PATRICK JONES by Msgr. Don J. Sawyer  
**Wednesday, February 17th, 12:00 P.M.; Chapel**  
-FOR (Living) VIRGINIA MCPHEE by Theresa Lyon  
**6:00 P.M.; Chapel**  
-FOR JULIA JOSEPH SAWYER by Patricia & Michael Kudlak  
**Friday, February 19th, 12:05 P.M.; Chapel**  
-FOR IGNAC ERMIS by Msgr. Don J. Sawyer  
**Saturday, February 20th, 5:00 P.M.; Chapel**  
-FOR ALL THE PARISH, LIVING AND DECEASED  
-FOR JULIA J. SAWYER by Lina & Simon Najm & Family  
-FOR IGNAC ERMIS by Bernie & Alan Anderson & Billie Jean Anderson  
-FOR DALE LOREE SOLIZ by Terry Waddle  
**Sunday, February 21st, 10:00 A.M.; Church**  
-FOR GREATER RESPECT OF ALL HUMAN LIFE  
-FOR WERNER SCHMIDT by Marian Romero  
-FOR YOUSEF BOURBARA, HANNA BOURBARA, MICHEL BOURBARA, AND ANTOINE KATTOURA by Their Family  
Please call the office, 458-3693, to schedule intentions.

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The National Apostolate of Maronites is offering four scholarship programs this year, two for high school seniors and two for current college students, including a new scholarship which entitles the student to study for a summer semester at Kaslik University in Lebanon and earn a \$2,000.00 award if successfully completed with a 3.0 GPA. The deadline for the Kaslik University award is **March 1st**; for the other three scholarships, the deadline is **May 15th**. See www.namnews.org for applications and more information. Please turn in all recommendation requests to Msgr. Don well before the deadline.
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**FROM ASHES TO EASTER:** In the bulletin this morning, you will find an Ashes to Easter box. You are invited to keep it on your dining room table. Put some coins in each day during Great Lent and pray for the missions. Return your container to the parish on Easter. Money collected will help Missions Abroad, Central Texas Home Missions, and International Mission projects.  
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If you have **Liturgy Books** at home or have borrowed books or videos from Msgr. Don or the parish library, please return them as soon as possible. Thank you for your consideration!

**Ash Monday**  
**February 15<sup>th</sup>**  
*Day of Fasting and Abstinence*



Divine Liturgy: 7: 00 P.M.,  
 followed by a Lenten Meal

**Great Lent:** All Maronites who are physically capable are to **abstain from meat** on Ash Monday (February 15th) and all Fridays of Lent. Ash Monday and the Great Friday of the Crucifixion are also days of **fasting**. Fasting in the Maronite Church involves eating and drinking nothing at all (except water and medicine) from midnight until noon. The rest of the day normal meals can be taken, but without meat. All Maronites who are physically capable are to fast on these two days. **Divine Liturgy** is celebrated every Friday of Lent at 12:05 p.m. **Safro** (Morning Prayer) is prayed at 9:35 a.m. each Sunday.

**The Lenten Retreat for Children and Teens** is coming up on Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 a.m. to Noon. Children and teens should come for a morning of prayer and Lenten crafts which deepen each child's appreciation for the Season of Lent. A continental breakfast and lunch will be served.

The Maronite Youth met last Sunday and elected the following officers: **Stephanie**- President  
**Charlice**- Vice-President  
**Jason** - Secretary  
**Jojo** - Treasurer

Congratulations and thank you to these dedicated youth!

**40 Days for Life** is a community-based campaign that draws attention to the evil of abortion through the use of a three-point program: Prayer and fasting, constant vigil, and community outreach. There is constant vigil outside abortion facilities for 40 days, at least 12 hours each day. The next campaign takes place February 17 through March 28. In Austin, there will be two prayer vigil locations. Please consider signing up for an hour of prayer each week. If you are too far away to be physically present at the prayer vigil locations, remember that prayer is the foundation for the ministry we do outside the abortion facilities. The two locations are: *Austin Women's Health Center*, 1902 S IH 35, Austin TX 78704 and *International Healthcare Solutions*, 9805 Anderson Mill Rd., Austin, TX 78750. Director: Austin Coalition for Life. For more information and to sign up: <http://www.40daysforlife.com/austin>

**Special Collection This Weekend: Catholic Home Missions:** This year, the Catholic Home Missions Appeal turns its focus to youth ministry, an essential component of the life and vibrancy of the Church. In youth ministry programs, young Catholics grow in faith and gain valuable leadership skills. Without this Appeal, poorer dioceses in the United States cannot sustain vital youth programs. Please be generous and help strengthen the Church at home.

**Ministers for Ash Monday, February 15th:**

Readers: Merlin Stephen, Rowena Parks, Rania Kattura  
 Ushers: (**Glen Johnson**), Joe Gonzales  
 Greeters: All Available



**Ministers for February 20th and 21st:**

**Readers:** Geoffrey Miller, Carolyn Crowley, Liz Morgan  
**Ushers:** (**Alfredo Dacarett**), John Kocian  
**Greeters:** Sat., Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>: Lillian Langston  
 Sun., Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>: Sharon and Clint Gehrke  
**Acolytes:** Mario R., Shawn M., William A., Christian A., Gabriel W.

Thank you to **Suha Vargas** who provided this week's flowers. Please sign up to provide next week's flowers. The sign-up sheet is in the narthex; if you prefer to give a donation for flowers, please leave it in the office. The Altar Society's ministry is caring for the upkeep of the Lord's Temple. Everyone is invited to join us and get involved. We meet the first Sunday of the month after Divine Liturgy. Please contact Gena Meyer at 423-6610 for more information.

