

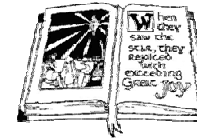


February 28, 2010
Healing of the Hemorrhaging Woman
Year for Priests



You are the Light who overcomes darkness in the world and the Life without whom there is not life. Place your teachings before our eyes and your grace in our hearts, that in seeing and acting we may be witnesses of your joyful truth. Waiting for your return, with lighted lamps, we shall go out to meet you, and give glory to you, your Father, and your Holy Spirit, for ever. Amen.

-from Safro for the Third Sunday of Lent



Next Sunday, March 7th, is the Sunday of the Prodigal Son! Please read before then: Genesis 17: 15-22, Jeremiah 17: 5-10, 2 Corinthians 13: 5-12 (Final Warnings and Appeals), and the Gospel of LUKE 15: 11-32 (Parable of the Lost Son).

Great Lent: All Maronites who are physically capable are to **abstain from meat** on all Wednesdays and Fridays of Lent. **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.

Receiving the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** during Great Lent is a great way to prepare ourselves for Christ's Glorious Resurrection! Msgr. Don is available for Confessions throughout the season of Great Lent. In addition to before Divine Liturgies, he is available Fridays before and after the 12:05 p.m. Divine Liturgy.

The Saint Joseph's Men's Club's
\$10,000

Dream Shopping Spree Drawdown

The Drawdown is Saturday, April 24th, at 7:00 p.m. One ticket gets you two wonderful bar-be-cue dinners and a chance to get in on the \$10,000.00 worth of Visa Gift Cards. Only 300 tickets will be sold, so get your tickets today! Please call John Kocian, 836-3167, or the church office, 458-3693, to buy tickets.

A barrel has been placed in the vestibule to collect items for the **Gabriel Project**. The Gabriel Project is an apostolate that helps mothers in crisis pregnancies through counseling and material assistance. The Pro-Life Committee is busily preparing for our parish to participate in this apostolate. First, we must have the necessary supplies to help mothers. A list is attached to the barrel detailing supplies that are needed. In addition, please contact Audra Kubelka, 940-2440, if you wish to participate in this apostolate. People are needed in several capacities.

Liturgy Intentions for the Week:

Saturday, February 27th, 5:00 P.M.; Chapel

-FOR ALL THE PARISH, LIVING AND DECEASED

-FOR IGNAC ERMIS by Kerry & Jim Hutchinson

-FOR DAVID LANGSTON by Lillian Langston

Byzantine Liturgy, 6:00 P.M.; Chapel

-FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THE COMMUNITY

Sunday, February 28th, 10:00 A.M.; Church

-FOR ALL THOSE REMEMBERED IN THE BRICKS OF LOVE, LIVING AND DECEASED

-FOR JULIA JOSEPH SAWYER by Marleine & Elie Jreij

-FOR JESSE BARRERA by Olga Barrera

-FOR RAYMOND GHALEB by Mary Ghaleb & Family

No Divine Liturgy on Wednesday, March 3rd

Friday, March 5th, 12:05 P.M.; Chapel

-FOR IGNAC ERMIS by Leon Peters

-FOR WERNER SCHMIDT by Carolyn & Richard Grosskopf

Saturday, March 6th, 5:00 P.M.; Chapel

-FOR JULIA JOSEPH SAWYER by Toufic Abihabib

-FOR GEOFFREY FERGUSON by Barbara & Carl Daywood

-FOR (LIVING) JOHN E. LYON (B-Day) by Theresa Lyon

Sunday, March 7th, 10:00 A.M.; Church

-FOR WERNER SCHMIDT by Roberta & Najib Wehbe

-FOR IGNAC ERMIS by Cora Holujah

Please call the office, 458-3693, to schedule intentions.

Msgr. Don will be out of town next week giving a retreat at St. Elias Parish in Birmingham, Alabama. There will be no Liturgy on Wednesday, March 3rd.

Year for Priests Traveling Icon: Our Lady's is celebrating the Year for Priests with a traveling icon program. This Sunday, February 28th, **Maria and Stan Seidner** will take the icon home. Next Sunday, March 7th, **Salma Manzur** will take the icon home.

Parish-Wide Garage Sale: The Maronite Youth's annual parish-wide garage sale is coming up on **April 17!** Please start setting aside furniture, appliances, tools, books, DVDs, toys, and other items in good condition. Thanks for your support!

Parish Calendar:

Sunday, February 28th:

Hamburgers-n-Falafel

Wednesday, March 3rd:

No Divine Liturgy or Classes

Sunday, March 7th:

R.E. Classes and Confessions

Altar Society Meeting

Pro-Life Activities Meeting

Sunday, March 14th:

No R.E. Classes

Sunday, March 21st:


Men's Club Meeting

MYO Car Wash and Meeting

No R.E. Classes

Save the Date! The annual **Pro-Life Benefit Gala** on Saturday, March 27, will feature **Dr. Janet Smith**, an expert on Catholic teachings on sexuality and bioethics. The Pro-Life Benefit Gala will benefit the Diocese of Austin Office of Pro-Life Activities and Chaste Living, which includes Gabriel Project, Project Rachel, and other pro-life efforts. For more info or to buy your table, call (512) 949-2486 or e-mail marie-seale@austindiocese.org. They also need donations for the silent auction!

The **National Apostolate of Maronites** is offering **three scholarship programs** this year, two for high school seniors and one for current college students. The deadline is **May 15th**. See www.namnews.org for applications and more information. Please turn in recommendation requests well before the deadline.

 **Happy Birthday in March to Cynthia, Amanda, Matthew, Rawad, John Raul, Vicki, Henri-Xavier, Joseph, Isabel, Tareza, & Hadi!**

Heroic Media (Majella Society) is hosting its annual event on April 29 at the Austin Convention Center. This year's speaker is Sarah Palin. She will be speaking about pro-life topics, and it should be a fascinating address. Please see www.heroicmedia.org, or call 340-0999 for information.

Special Collection This Sunday:

Lenten Eparchial Appeal

Our second collection this weekend is for the Lenten Eparchial Appeal. This annual appeal helps to meet the many needs of our Eparchy: supporting our missions, youth activities, eparchial offices, assistance to Lebanon, and more. You can give a gift to the Appeal with your church support offering envelope today, or use the envelope you receive in the mail. Thank you for your support!

Ministers for March 6th and 7th:

Readers: Rowena Parks, Carolyn Crowley, Geoffrey Miller

Ushers: (John Kocian), Alfredo Dacarett

Acolytes: Jojo V., Arman R., Christian R., Jason N.

Greeters: March 6th: Mary Lou & Bill Suhanin
March 7th: Sharon & Clint Gehrke

This week's flowers are provided by the **Kattoura Family**. Next week's flowers are provided by **Merlin Stephen**. The Altar Society's ministry is caring for the upkeep of the Lord's Temple. We meet the first Sunday of the month. Everyone is invited to join us and get involved. Please contact Gena Meyer at 371-0146 for more information.

SCHEDULE CHANGE: Starting in March, the **Byzantine Catholic Liturgy** will be celebrated on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 5:00 p.m. instead of the 2nd and 4th Saturday.

