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Tue-Fri 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

### **Divine Liturgy**

Sunday: 9:00 AM - 11:15 AM

### Pastoral Emergencies and anointing of the sick

(401)722-1345

**Holy Mysteries** 

### Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available before and after the Divine Liturgy or by appointment

### **Baptism**

Please arrange with the pastor

### Marriage

A notice of at least 6 months should be given to the pastor, before the proposed wedding date to arrange for the required interview and instructions

# ST. BASIL THE GREAT MELKITE GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH



### Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

### Troparion of the resurrection (Tone 4)

The women disciples of the Lord, having learned from the angel the joyful announcement of the resurrection, and having rejected the ancestral sentence, proudly told the apostles: Death is despoiled. Christ God is risen, bestowing to the world great mercy."

### **Troparion of Mid-Pentecost (Tone 8)**

At the middle point of this festive season, give my thirsty soul to drink from the waters of true worship, for You called out to all men and said: "Whoever is thirsty, let Him come to me and drink." O Christ God, fountain of Life, glory to You!

### **Troparion of St Basil**

Your voice has sounded all over the earth, that accepted your preaching. You gave a divine explanation of doctrine, and made clear the nature of creatures, and set a rule of life for men. Holy Father, and Kingly Priest, intercede with Christ God to grant us great mercy.

### **Kondakion of Pascha**

Though You went down in the tomb, O immortal One, You overthrew the power of Hades and rose victorious, O Christ God. You greeted the ointment bearing women, saying "Rejoice!" You gave peace to Your apostles, and to those who had Fallen resurrection.

### نشيد القيامة باللحن الرابع

إن تلميذات الرب تعلمنَ من الملاكِ بشرى القيامةِ البهيجة. ونبذنَ القضاءَ على الجدين، وقلن للرسلِ مفتخراتٍ: لقد سُلب الموت، ونهض المسيحُ الاله، واهباً للعالمِ عظيمَ الرحمة.

### نشيد نصف الخمسين باللخن الثامن

في أنتصاف العيد أسقِ نفسي العطشى من مياه التقوى، لأنك يا مخلصي، هتفتَ بالجميع: إن عطش أحد فليأتي إلىّ ويشرب، فيا أيها المسيح الاله، ينبوع الحياة، المجد لك.

### طروبارية القديس باسيليوس

لقد ذاع منطقُكَ في كل الأرض. فانها قد قَبِلَتْ كلامك، الذي به بيَّنت العقائدَ بياناً إلهيّاً، وأوضحتَ طبيعةً الكثنات، ونظَّمتَ أخلاقَ البشر. فيا أيها الآبُ البارُ ذو الكهنوت الملوكي، إبتهل إلى المسيحِ الإله في خلاص نفوسنا.

### القنداق باللحن الثاني

وإن نَزَلتَ إلى القبرِ يا مَن لا يموت، فقد نقضتَ قُدرةَ الجحيمِ وقمتَ كَظافِر، أَيها المسيحُ الإله. وللنسوةِ حاملاتِ الطيبِ قُلتَ افرحن. ولرسُلك وَهَبتَ السَّلامَ، يا مانِحُ الواقعينَ القيام.





### **Our church organizations:**

MAYA: Organization of Melkite Catholics ages 18 - 26 (and at least 1 year out of high school) under patronage of our bishop, the Most Reverend Nicholas Samra. https://melkite.org/maya

MYO: Provides a common forum for all the young people of St. Basil's Church, and that the Organization initiate, coordinate, and direct religious, social, educational, and humanitarian programs designed to promote the involvement of its membership in the Christian Faith and the Melkite tradition. www.stbasilthegreatchurch.co m/myo.html

NAMW: Promotes and supports vocations to the priesthood and religious life in the United States. https://melkite.org/namw



Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 11:19-30

How great are your works O Lord! In wisdom you have wrought them

Stichon: Bless the Lord, O my soul! You are very great indeed, O Lord my God!

**READING from the Acts of the Apostles**In those days when the disciples were dispersed by the persecution that had broken out over Stephen, they went all the way to Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to none but the Jews. But some of them were Cypriots and Cyreneans, and as they reached Antioch, they were speaking to the Greeks, announcing the Good News of the Lord Jesus. And the Lord's hand was with them, and a great number believed and turned to the Lord.

And word concerning them came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem and they sent Barnabas as far as Antioch. And when he got there and saw the grace of God, he rejoiced and encouraged them all to stay in the Lord with steadfast hearts: for he was a good man, and full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great multitude was added to the Lord. And Barnabas traveled to Tarsus, looking for Saul, and when he found him, he brought him back to Antioch. And it happened that for a whole year they took part in the church meetings and taught a large number of people, and it was in Antioch that the disciples were first called "Christians".

"Christians."

Now in those days some profits from Jerusalem came down to Antioch, and one of them named Agabus got up and revealed through the Spirit that a dire famine was threatening the whole world — and it occurred during the reign of Emperor Claudius. And so, the disciples decided to send relief to the brethren living in Judea — each one as much as he could afford — and this they did, sending it to the presbyters by the hands of Barnabas and Saul. ALLELUIA (Tone 4)

String your bow, go forth, reign for the sake of truth, meekness and righteousness, and your right hand shall lead you wonderfully. Stichon: You loved righteousness and hated iniquity: therefore God, your God, anointed you with the oil of joy above your companions.

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At that time Jesus came to a town of Samaria called Sichar, near the field that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, wearied as he was from the journey, was sitting at the well. It was about the sixth hour. There came a Samaritan woman to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me to drink," for his disciples had gone away into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman therefore said to him, "How is it that you, although you are a Jew, ask drink of me, who am a Samaritan woman?" For Jews do not associate with Samaritans. Jesus answered and said to , her. "If you only knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, (Give me to drink,' you perhaps would have asked of him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no pail, and the well is deep. Where can you get living water from? Are you greater than our father Jacob who gave us the well, and drank from it, himself, and his sons, and his flocks?" In answer Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again. He, however, who drinks of the water I will give him shall never thirst; but the water I will give him shall become in him a fountain of water, springing up unto life everlasting." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water that I may not thirst, or come here to draw." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband and come here." The woman answered and said, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You have said well, I have no husband, for you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. In this you have spoken truly. "The woman said to him, "Sir, I see you are a prophet. Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, but you say Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship." Jesus said to her, "Woman believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth. For the Father also seeks such to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth." The woman said to him, "I know that the Messiah is coming (who is called Christ), and when he comes, he will tell us all things." Jesus said to her, "I who speak with you am he." And at this point his disciples came; and they wondered that he was speaking with a woman. Yet no one said, "What do you seek?" or "Why do you speak with her?" The woman therefore left her water-jar and went away into the town, and said to the people, "Come and see a man who has told me all I have ever done. Can he be the Christ?" They went out from the town and came to meet him. Meanwhile, his disciples begged him, saying, "Rabbi, eat." But he said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." The disciples therefore said to one another, "Has someone brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of the one who sent me, to accomplish his work. Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, and then comes the harvest'? Well, I say to you, lift up your eyes and behold that the fields are already white for the harvest. And the one who reaps receives a wage, and gathers fruit unto life everlasting, so that the sower and the reaper may rejoice together. For herein is the proverb true, 'One sows, another reaps.' I have sent you to reap that on which you have not labored. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labors." Now many of the Samaritans of that town believed in him because of the word of the woman who bore witness, "He told me all I have ever done." When, therefore, the Samaritans had come to him, they begged him to stay there; and he stayed two days. And far more believed because of his word. And they said to the woman, "We no longer believe because of what you have said, for we have heard for ourselves and we know this is in truth the Savior of the world," the Christ spirit and in truth. For the Father also seeks such to worship him. God is

الرسالة (أعمال الرسل 11: 19 – 30)

ما أُعظمَ اعمالكَ يا ربّ، لقد صنعتَ جميعَها بحكمة باركي يا نفسي الربّ، أيها الربُّ إلهي لقد عَظُمتَ جداً

ق تلك الآيّام، لما تبدَّدَ الرسلُ من أَجلِ الضيق الذي حصلَ بسبب استفانس، اجتازوا إلي فينيقية وقبرص وانطاكية، وهم لا يكلمون أحداً بالكلمة إلا اليهود فقط. ولكنَّ قوماً خدوا يكمون اليونانيين، ميشرين بالربَّ يسوع. وكانت يدر أخذوا يكلمون اليونانيين، ميشرين بالربَّ يسوع. وكانت يدر للك ال مسامع الكنيسة التي بأورشليم، فأرسلوا برنابا ليجتاز إلى انطاكية. فلما اقبل وأرى نعمة الله فرح، ووعظهم ذلك الى مسامع الكنيسة التي بأورشليم، فأرسلوا برنابا كلهم بأن يثبُرتوا في الرب بعزيمة القلب. لأنه كان رجلاً الرب جمع كثير، ثم حرج برنابا إلى طسوسَ في طلب صالحا وممتلنا من الروح القدس ومن الأيمان. فأنضم المارب جمع كثير، ثم حرج برنابا إلى طسوسَ في طلب شاول، ولما وجده أيّ به إلى انطاكية. وتردّدا معا سنة كاملة التلاميذ، مسيحيين. وفي تلك الإيام انحدر أنبيا؛ من أورشليم الى انطاكية. فقام واحدٌ منهم أسمه أغابس، فأنبأ واحد منهم أسمه أغابس، فأنبأ واحد منهم أسمه أغابس، فأنبأ وقد وقع ذلك في أيام كلوديوس. فعزم التلاميدُ أن يُرسلوا وشاول. في اليهودية. ففعلوا ذلك وبعثوا الى الشيوخ على أيدي برنابا والول.

هللونا هللونا استل وسِرْ الى الأمام. وأملكْ في سبيلِ الحقّ ِ والدعةِ والبِرّ، فِتهديكَ يمينكِ هديا عجيباً إلى الله المراجعة عجيباً الله المراجعة والبِرّ، تُ إِلْبِرَّ وِأَبغضتُ الْإِثْمَ، لذلك مسحك اللهُ إِلهُك بدُهن البهجةِ أفضَل من شركائِكُ ا

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### Prayer for the dead



O God of all spirits and of all flesh, who have destroyed death, overcome the devil, and given life to the world: grant, O Lord to the souls of your servants, who have departed from this life, that they may rest in a place of light, in a place of happiness, in a place of peace, where there is no pain, no grief, no sighing. And since You are gracious God and Lover of mankind, forgive them every sin they have committed by thought, or word, or deed, for there is not a man who lives and does not sin: You alone are without sin, your righteousness is everlasting, and your word is true.

For You are the Resurrection and the Life, and the Repose of your departed servants, O Christ our God, and we render glory to You, together with your Eternal Father and your Allholy, Good and Life-giving Spirit, now and always and forever and ever. Amen.





### **Divine Liturgy Intentions**

THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024: FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER. SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN.

### 9:00 a.m.:

- + WILLIAM T. ASERMELY by Dr. & Mrs. Joseph Gaglione & Family (SC).
- + JAMES L. & LILLIAN KOURY SALOME by the Family.
- + KIM NASSANEY CULPAN (10<sup>th</sup> Anniv.) by her father Zaky, and brothers.
- + JOSEPH & ANGELA KAYATA by Michael & Barbara O'Rourke & Family.
- + CHARLES & ANNE O'ROURKE by Michael & Barbara O'Rourke & Family.
- + LAYLA ANGELA CHARETTE by Uncle Michael, Auntie B., Greg & Katie.

### 11:15 a.m.:

- + ROUBA KHOURI (1st Anniv.) by Amal Daoud & Family.
- + FADILA TOUBIA by Samir & Hanaa Boudjouk.
- + NAJAT CHARCHAFLIAH by Tony, Andree, Camron & Briana Charchafliah.
- + YOUSEF GEORGI DEEB by Anthony & Jayne Mardo.
- + NICOLA HANNA ZABOURA by Deacon Gilbert & Mimi Altongy.
- + **GEORGETTE S. SAGGAL (Memorial Remem.)** by Joseph & Yolanda Saggal.





**SACRIFICIAL GIVING:** April 21, 2024: Budgets: \$2,104.00 (Envelopes: \$1,980.00; Loose: \$124.00); Candles: \$.99.00; Stole offerings: \$25.00; Building Fund: \$515.00.

Father Ephrem has now been here almost four years come June 15, 2024, and has been fully available for parish services. Just email him at office@stbasilthegreatchurch.com and leave him your message. PLEASE! NO GRATUITIES! A cup of coffee or tea is just fine. He looks forward to in-person contact this New Year.

PLEASE NOTE: Anyone who is planning an ENGAGEMENT/BAPTISM/MARRIAGE RECEPTION PLANS is kindly requested to notify a member of the clergy <u>BEFORE</u> reception/party plans are made. The Clergy may be already scheduled for something else on the day that you have rented a hall/restaurant. Following this policy will help avoid any later misunderstandings.

PLEASE NOTIFY THE CHURCH OFFICE of any change of address or telephone number information. This will cut down on returned mail and time waste. Unfortunately, this has been an ongoing request but to no avail. Kindly give this your undivided attention and as Our Lord says in His parables: "He who has ears to hear, let him hear. "

APRIL 24, 2024: Mid-Pentecost is a one-week feast which begins on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of Pascha and continues until the following Wednesday. Also, it has an After feast of seven days. Throughout these eight days (including the day of the feast) hymns of Mid-Pentecost are joined to those of the Paschal season. Many of the hymns from the first day of the feast are repeated on the Apodosis (leave-taking of the feast). Although it is ranked as a Feast of the Lord and has an After feast, Mid-Pentecost itself is not considered to be one of the Great Feasts of the church year. The liturgical texts for the feast are found in the Pentecostarion (the liturgical book containing propers for the period from Pascha to Pentecost).

The Troparion of the Feast hints at the encounter of Jesus with the Samaritan Woman, which will be celebrated today: "In the middle of the Feast, O Savior, fill my thirsting soul with the waters of godliness, as Thou didst cry to all: 'If anyone thirst, let him come to Me and drink' (John 7:37). O Christ God, Fountain of our life, glory be to Thee!

We live in mortgaged homes; drive mortgaged cars; but sometimes we forget that as Christians, we live mortgaged lives. God created me; He gave me His only Son for me; daily He gives me all I have - my life, my food, the very air I breathe. This is what I am called upon to acknowledge in my stewardship to Him.

**APRIL 30:** Holy Apostle James, brother of John the Evangelist. James and John were the sons of Zebedee. The Lord called them "Boanerges," or "Sons of Thunder" because of the violence of their temper. James was put to death by order of King Herod in the year 42.

There will be a SPECIAL COLLECTION TODAY for MELKITE DIOCESAN SUPPORT. Please help defray the expenses, upkeep and maintenance of our Diocese which encompasses the whole U.S.A. Kindly be generous in your offering.

O Jesus, Who has said, "Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and it shall be opened," through the intercession of the Theotokos, Your Most Holy Mother, I knock, I seek, I ask that my prayer be granted.

O Jesus, Who has said, "All that you ask of the Father in My Name, He will grant you," through the intercession of the Theotokos Your Most Holy Mother, I humbly and urgently ask your Father in your name that my prayer will be granted.

O Jesus, Who has said, "Heaven and earth shall pass away but My word shall not pass away," through the intercession of the *Theotokos* Your Most Holy Mother, I feel confident that my prayer will be granted.



REFLECTION: "When you say one thing, the clever person understands three." - Chinese (on wisdom)



## **Sunday School Graduation**

will take place this Sunday, April 28, 2024

PRE-K through 7<sup>th</sup> GRADE

FOLLOWING THE 9:00 A.M. DIVINE LITURGY.

### **8<sup>th</sup> GRADE GRADUATION**

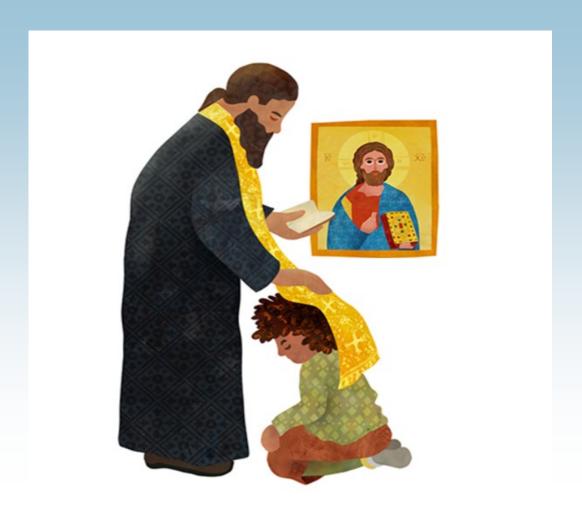
will take place, at 9:00 A.M. DIVINE LITURGY, REPLACING THE CUSTOMARY HOMILY WITH

NAJAT AL-KHOURY PRESIDING.



All are invited to attend the Social Committee
Meeting to plan for the upcoming Eid El Saydeh
Festival and to discuss the 2024 Annual Church
Calendar Events on

Monday, April 29 at 6:30 p.m.



### **SPECIAL SCHEDULE CHANGE**

There will be **ONLY ONE DIVINE LITURGY** next

Sunday, MAY 5, 10:00 A.M.

celebrated for the intentions of the

FIRST RECONCILIATION CLASS.

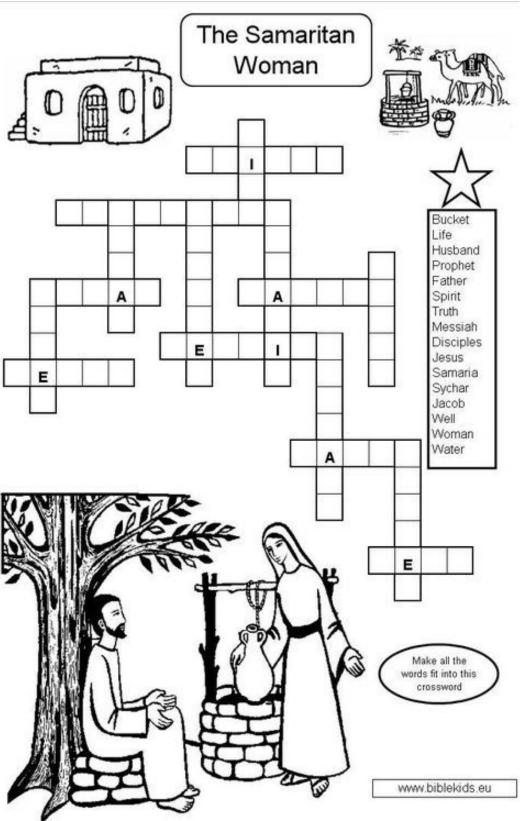
Congratulations and best wishes to these children on the reception of this Sacrament.

Following Divine Liturgy, a reception will take place in the Cultural Center in their honor.

We encourage and urge the entire Parish to attend.

# Following Jesus - Kids bulletin







الحجاج والمؤمنين المحتشدين في ساحة القديس بطرس وقبل الصلاة صامت أحيانًا - يرتفع إلينا كل يوم ويطلب منا أن نعتني بعطش ألقى الأب الأقدس كلمة قال فيها يقدم لنا إنجيل هذا الأحد أحد أجمل الآخرين. اسقني يقولها لنا الأشخاص المُتعطِّشين - في العائلة، في وأروع لقاءات يسوع، اللقاء مع المرأة السامرية. توقف يسوع وتلاميذه العمل وفي الأماكن الأخرى التي نتردد عليها - للقرب، والاهتمام، بالقرب من بئر في السامرة. فجاءَتِ امرَأةً مِنَ السَّامِرَةِ تَستَقي. فقالَ لَها والاصغاء؛ ويقولها لنا أيضًا الأشخاص الذين يتعطشون لكلمة الله يسوع: "إسْقيني". أود أن أتوقّف عند هذا التعبير: اسقيني.

تابع البابا فرنسيس يقول يظهر لنا المشهد يسوع عطشانًا ومُتعبًا، يسمح لامرأة سامرية بأن تجده عند بئر السامرة عند الظهيرة، ومثل متسول يطلب منها أن تُسقيه. إنها صورة لتنازل الله: في يسوع صار الله واحدًا منا؛ عطشان مثلنا ويعاني من الحر مثلنا. من خلال التأمل في هذا عطشان أيضًا. المشهد، يمكن لكل فرد منا أن يقول: "الرب، والمعلّم، ذلك الذي يتكلم يطلب منى أن أسقيه. وبالتالي هو يعطش مثلي، ولديه عطشي. أنت وختم البابا فرنسيس كلمته قبل تلاوة صلاة التبشير الملائكي بالقول قريب منى حقًّا يا رب! أنت مُرتبط بفقرتى ...لقد أخذتني من الأسفل، من أدنى مستوى في نفسى، حيث لا يستطيع أحد أن يصل إلى. إن عطش يسوع في الواقع، ليس جسديًا فحسب، وإنما هو يعبر عن أعمق

> يعطينا لكي نشرب: ففي لقائه مع المرأة السامرية، يحدثها عن ماء معنا مثلما فعل مع المرأة السامرية: يأتي للقائنا في حياتنا اليومية، مسيرتنا. ويشاركنا عطشنا، ويعدنا بالماء الحي الذي يجعل الحياة الأبدية تتفجّر فبنا

تلا قداسة البابا فرنسيس ظهر الأحد صلاة التبشير الملائكي مع وفود ليست فقط طلب يسوع من المرأة السامرية، ولكنها أيضًا نداء -ويحتاجون لأن يجدوا في الكنيسة واحة يستقون منها. اسقنى هو نداء مجتمعنا، حيث تولُّد السرعة وسباق الاستهلاك واللامبالاة الجفاف والفراغ الداخلي. ولا ننسينَّ ذللك أبدًا، اسقني هو صرخة الكثير من الإخوة والأخوات الذين يفتقرون إلى الماء لكي يعيشوا، بينما نستمر في تلويث وتشويه بيتنا المشترك؛ الذي وإذ قد أنهك واستُنفِدَ هو

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### ماء الحياة



### Christ the source of living water

Pope Francis reflects on the Gospel passage recounting Jesus' meeting with the Samaritan woman at the well before reciting the Angelus this Sunday.

Pope Francis began by recalling how Jesus was on a journey with His disciples when He decided to take a break in Samaria near a well.

"Jesus is tired. He is thirsty", said the Pope. When a woman arrives to draw water, He asks her for a drink. By doing so, added Pope Francis, Jesus broke every barrier, because the Samaritans were despised by the Jews.

### The mystery of living water

"Jesus initiates a dialogue in which He reveals the mystery of living water to this woman, of the Holy Spirit, God's gift", continued Pope Francis.

"The focus of this dialogue is water", he added. "On the one hand, water as an essential element that slakes the body's thirst and sustains life. On the other, water as a symbol of divine grace which gives eternal life".

### God is the source of living water

"In the biblical tradition, God is the source of living water", explained the Pope, "distancing oneself from Him and His Law brought on the worst type of drought".

Pope Francis gave the example of the people of Israel in the desert, and how "God willed that Moses made water flow from a rock, as a sign of God's providence".

### The spring from which the Spirit flows

"The Apostle Paul, too, interprets that rock as a symbol of Christ", continued the Pope.

"Those who thirst for salvation can draw freely from Jesus", he said. "The promise of living water that Jesus made to the Samaritan woman becomes a reality in His Passion", added Pope Francis.

"Christ, the Lamb, immolated and risen, is the spring from which flows the Holy Spirit who remits sins and regenerates to new life".

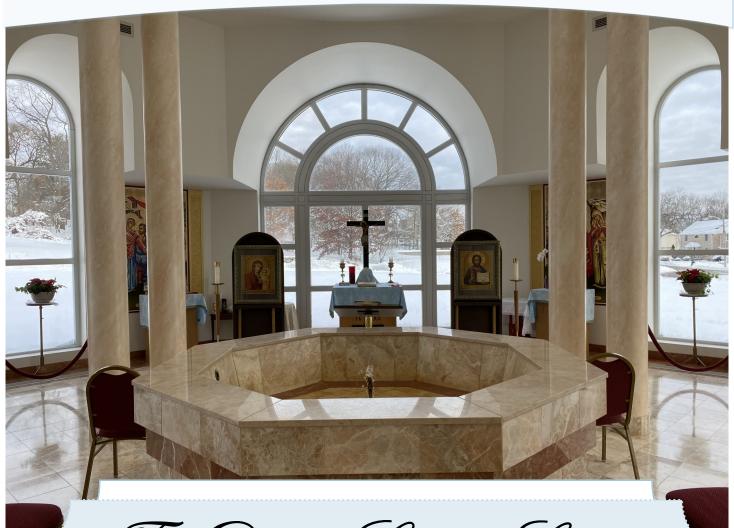
### Testifying to life and hope

"Like the Samaritan woman", continued the Pope, "whoever personally encounters the living Jesus feels the need to talk about Him to other so that everyone might arrive at the point of professing that Jesus 'is truly the Savior of the world".

"We too are called to testify to the life and hope that are within us", concluded Pope Francis.

"May Mary, Most Holy, help us cultivate a desire for Christ, source of living water, the only one who can satisfy the thirst for life and love which we bear in our hearts".

### Weekly Divine Liturgy Schedule



# The Divine Liturgy Schedule

### **Divine Liturgy**

Sunday at 9:00 am & 11:15 am

The Holy Sacrament of Reconciliation is available before and after the Divine Liturgy or by appointment.

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### Campaign Facts:



Campaign Goal: \$1,000,000



Outstanding Goal: \$307,000



Contribution Ranges: \$20 to \$50,100

### **Parish Community Facts:**



Total Registered Families: 410



Active Families: 200



% of Active Families Participation: 56%

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-Mother Teresa

### **Current & Future Projects:**



**Church Roof Replacement**: Project completed, final cost \$321,000.



**Rectory Roof Replacement:** Project completed, final cost \$18,850.



**Church Window Repairs:** Project initially completed, final cost \$9,000. Additional window was found to need repair, estimated cost of \$1,665.



estimated cost \$196,000. Boiler does need immediate replacing, awaiting timeframe. HVAC system is okay for now.



Flooring Upgrades: Proposal received, estimated cost \$50,000 (carpeting for Church, Cultural Center, office & hallway), awaiting samples and timeframe.



Parking Lot Sealing: Project completed at both Rectory & Church, final cost \$14,000.



Interior Repairs, Expand Storage & HVAC Vent Cleaning: Partial proposals received. Vent cleaning completed, final cost \$9,020



**Power Washing/Masonry/Walkway Repairs**: Awaiting proposals. Maintenance to mosaic of The Blessed Mother completed, cost \$8,000.



Security Cameras/Door Upgrades: Camera system complete, final cost \$10,500. Electrification of doorway proposal received, pending completion.



**Central Air Conditioning and HVAC improvements to Rectory:** Project completed, final cost \$56,845. Additional upgrades are necessary.

### Important Highlights

- We are extremely grateful to all of those who have contributed and supported the campaign thus far.
- The finance committee has begun strategy planning on maximizing the return of current financial reserves for future projects. God willing, this will prevent the need for another capital campaign and allow for a more spiritual focus!
- As reflected above, donations have varied in amounts, we do not expect everyone to support with the same amount...However, we do pray that
   everyone will support this important campaign!
- This is an open and transparent campaign, if you have any questions, suggestion, or concerns Fr. Ephrem or any of the committee members would be more than happy review/discuss during coffee hour or feel free to call them at the numbers listed below.



For more information contact any of the committee members, <u>click here</u>, or scan this code with your Smartphone Camera! Jeff Boudjouk: 401-441-2737

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# PRAYER BOX DECORATING

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Please encourage men that you know in your parish to avail themselves of this opportunity and join us Friday, May 3,2024.

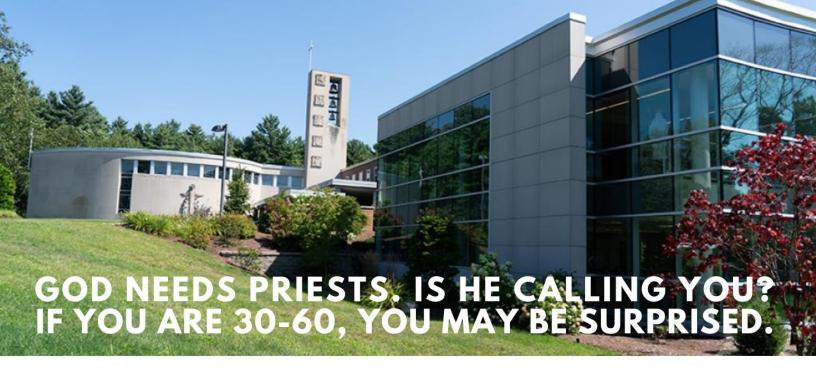
If you know of a man who might be interested in pursuing a possible vocation or who might benefit from a brief visit to Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary, please have him reach out to Msgr. William Fay to arrange the visit.

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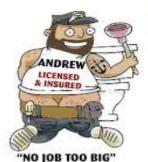
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