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*Sunday of the Hemorrhaging Woman, February 28, 2021*

**Sunday, February 28, 2021 at 11 o'clock**

Antoine Touma

**Friday, March 5, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.**

Divine Liturgy and Benediction with the Holy Cross

**Sunday, March 7, 2021 at 11:00 o'clock**

**Friday, March 12, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.**

Divine Liturgy and Benediction with the Holy Cross

**Sunday, March 14, 2021 at 11:00 o'clock**

**Friday, March 19, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.**

Divine Liturgy in honor of Saint Joseph

**Sunday, March 21, 2021 at 11:00 o'clock**

Layla Nehme (mother of Houda Fattouche)

**Monday, March 22, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.**

Divine Liturgy in honor of Saint Sharbel

**Sunday, March 28, 2021 (Palm Sunday) at 11:00 o'clock**

**Reconciliation (Confession)** is available every Sunday between 10:15 and 10:45 a.m. before the Divine Liturgy.

The last Sunday of every month, a Holy Hour of Adoration will take place after the 11:00 a.m. Liturgy.

### *Let us Pray the Rosary*

Please join fellow parishioners as we pray the Holy Rosary every **Sunday at 10:15 a.m.** in preparation for the Divine Liturgy and in honor of our Blessed Mother, Mary.

### *Thank you for your generosity*

Summary of the Collection for **Sunday, February 21, 2021**

Regular Sunday Collection \$ 1582

Donation by Mail \$ 500

Bishop's Appeal \$ 765

Online Donation \$ 100

Thank you for your generosity and may God bless you all.

### *Lenten Devotion*

**Every Friday of Lent**, the Divine Liturgy followed by the Benediction of the Holy Cross will take **place at 7:30 p.m.**

### *Bishop's Annual Appeal*

Thank you for sending in your contribution to the Bishop's Annual Appeal for 2021. You may still send in your contribution, earmarked **Bishop's Appeal 2021**, before Easter Sunday. Thank you for your generosity.

### *Online Donation*

If you prefer to use online donation to support your church, you may do so by using Vanco Online.

- 1) Log on to: <https://secure.myvanco.com/YHC6>
- 2) Or visit the Parish's website: [www.Ololdc.org](http://www.Ololdc.org) and look for online donation to the right side of the screen
- 3) Select your funds and amount and click the "donate" button. From there, you can choose a donation amount and frequency, then proceed to payment
- 4) Enter Payment Method (credit card, debit card, etc.) Since Vanco charges 4% processing fee, you will be asked if you want to add the fee to your donation. You can even save your payment information for future donations
- 4) Review and submit your gift by clicking "submit"

### **Scripture Readings**

**Sunday, March 7, 2021, Parable of the Prodigal Son**

2 Cor 13: 5-13; Lk 15:11- 32

**Sunday, March 14, 2021, Healing of the Paralytic**

1 Tim 5:24 - 6:5; Mk 2:1-12

**Sunday, March 21, 2021, Healing of the Blind Man**

2 Cor 10:1-7; Mk10:46-52

### *FYI*

**On Monday, March 8, 2021, at 8 p.m.** Chorbishop Michael Thomas, Vicar General of the Eparchy of Saint Maron, will lead the eparchial rosary for the intentions of good health, peace and stability of our world. Here are the **Zoom link** information:

<https://tinyurl.com/OFSLROSARY>

Meeting ID: 883 4965 1080

PASSCODE: rosary

### *Chrism Liturgy*

**On Wednesday, March 24, 2021, at 7:30 p.m.**, Bishop Gregory Mansour will celebrate the Divine Liturgy for the Consecration of the Chrism and Holy Oils at Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Cathedral in Brooklyn, N.Y. If you wish you may follow this liturgy online that evening at [www.ololdc.org](http://www.ololdc.org).

### *Second Collection*

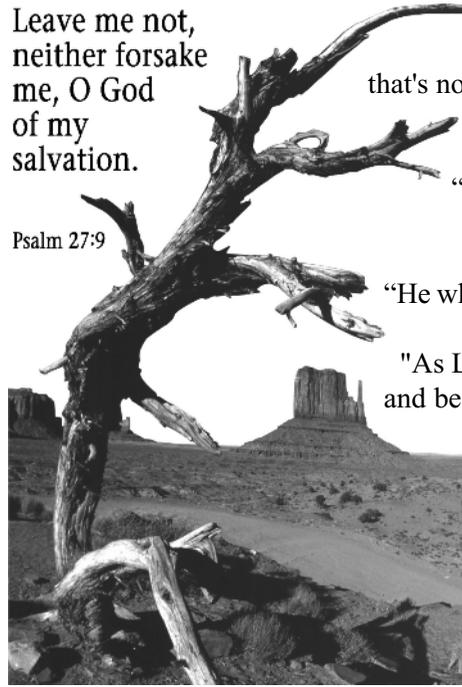
**On Palm Sunday, March 28, 2021**, a second collection will be taken for the Holy Land. The funds collected will be used for the preservation of Christianity in the Middle East and the holy places in Palestine. The Chancery Office will send a part of this collection through the USCCB to the Holy Land and another part is sent directly by our Chancery to the Maronite Eparchy of Haifa.

This collection is requested by the Holy See to be taken on Good Friday in all the Catholic Churches, however, I've moved it to **March 28, Palm Sunday**.



Leave me not,  
neither forsake  
me, O God  
of my  
salvation.

Psalm 27:9



### *Food For Thought*

“The media only writes about the sinners and the scandals, but that's normal, because a tree that falls makes more noise than a forest that grows.” **(Pope Francis)**

“Indifference is dangerous, whether innocent or not.”

**(Pope Francis)**

“He who doesn't pray to the Lord prays to the devil.” **(Pope Francis)**

"As Lent is the time for greater love, listen to Jesus' thirst...' Repent and believe' Jesus tells us. What are we to repent? Our indifference, our hardness of heart. What are we to believe? Jesus thirsts even now, in your heart and in the poor -- He knows your weakness. He wants only your love, wants only the chance to love you." **St. Teresa of Calcutta**

"There is still time for endurance, time for patience, time for healing, time for change. Have you slipped? Rise up. Have you sinned? Cease. Do not stand among sinners, but leap aside." **St. Basil**

### *If God is omnipotent and provident, why then does evil exist?*

To this question, as painful and mysterious as it is, only the whole of Christian faith can constitute a response. God is not in any way - directly or indirectly - the cause of evil. He illuminates the mystery of evil in his Son Jesus Christ who died and rose in order to vanquish that great moral evil, human sin, which is at the root of all other evils. (For further reading: Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) # 309-310, 324, 400)

### *Why does God permit evil?*

Faith gives us the certainty that God would not permit evil if he did not cause a good to come from that very evil. This was realized in a wondrous way by God in the death and resurrection of Christ. In fact, from the greatest of all moral evils (the murder of his Son) he has brought forth the greatest of all good (the glorification of Christ and our redemption). (For further reading: CCC 311-314, 324)

