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February 19, 2023; Cana Sunday, Entrance into Great Lent

Sunday, February 19, 2023 at 11:00 o'clock

Monday, February 20, 2023 (Ash Monday) at 7:30 p.m.

Joseph and Nour Khawand and Fouad Imad

Wednesday, February 22, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.

Divine Liturgy in honor of Saint Sharbel

Friday, February 24, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.

Divine Liturgy and Benediction with the Holy Cross

Sunday, February 26, 2023 at 11:00 o'clock

Antoine, Charbel and Emile Touma

Friday, March 3, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.

Divine Liturgy and Benediction with the Holy Cross

Sunday, March 5, 2023 at 11:00 o'clock

Joseph Fayad

Friday, March 10, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.

Divine Liturgy and Benediction with the Holy Cross

Sunday, March 12, 2023 at 11:00 o'clock

Friday, March 17, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.

Divine Liturgy and Benediction with the Holy Cross

Sunday, March 19, 2023 at 11:00 o'clock

Melhem Halim Nemr (40 Day Anniversary)

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.

Ushers for Sunday, February 26, 2023

Roger Abou Jaoude, Elie Malkoun, Kevin Pitzer and George Choueiry

Ushers for Sunday, March 5, 2023

Halim Younes, Gebran Fattouche, Antoine Issa and Joseph Nasr

Altar Servers for Sunday, February 26, 2023

George Beasley and Jason Nasr

Thank you for your generosity

Summary of the Collection for Sunday, February 12, 2023

Regular collection \$2386

Pledge \$1770

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

Ash Monday



Ash Monday

The Liturgy for **Ash Monday [February 20]** will be at **7:30 p.m.** Ashes will be given at the Liturgy. Ash Monday is a day of complete fast and abstinence. Every Friday of Lent is a day of Abstinence.

Lenten Observances and Devotion

The following Lenten guidelines are observed in the Eparchy of Saint Maron.

- ★ All Maronites who are physically capable are to **abstain from meat** on Ash Monday (**February 20**) 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.

Lenten Services

Starting on Friday, February 24, 2023, and every Friday of Lent thereafter, we will have a Divine Liturgy followed by the Benediction

with the Holy Cross. Following the Liturgy a **simple lenten meal** will be served in the hall.

Mark Your Calendar (Parish Retreat)

Saturday, March 11, 2023, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Our Lady of Lebanon Church will hold a parish wide Lenten Retreat under the theme of **Living the Catholic Faith from a Maronite Perspective especially in the U.S.** Chorbishop Seely Beggiani is the retreat master.

Marriage Banns

The Marriage Banns are announced for the second time between Davis Matthew Lundberg and Marie Sonia Skaff. Anyone knowing why they should not be joined in marriage is bound in conscience to make it known to the priest. Thank you.

Scripture Readings

Sunday, February 19, 2023; Cana Sunday, Entrance into Lent

Rom 14:14-23; Jn 2:1-11

Monday, February 20, 2023 (Ash Monday)

2 Cor 5:20-6:7; Mt 6:16-21

Sunday, February 26, 2023, Sunday of the Leper

Rom 6:12-23; Mk 1:35-45

Attention All MYA

Sunday, March 5, 2023, there will be a meeting for all Maronite Young Adults (MYA) following the Divine Liturgy. The MYA is open to all young adults between the ages of 19-30 years old.

MYO Retreat

The weekend of March 24 -26, 2023, the Regional Retreat for the Maronite Youth Organization (MYO) will take place at St. Anthony Maronite Church in Glen Allen, [Richmond], Virginia. **Next Sunday**, following the Divine Liturgy, the MYO leaders will hold a meeting for those youth who will be attending the retreat and their families.

EPARCHY OF SAINT MARON



2023 ANNUAL
LENTEN
APPEAL

Bishop's Annual Lenten Appeal

The Bishop's Annual Lenten Appeal for 2023 will start on Ash Monday, [February 20], and will last until Easter Sunday. Please send in your contribution, earmarked Bishop's Appeal 2023 before Easter Sunday.

Here is a link to a video promoting the Appeal, as well as a link for the Appeal's webpage: <https://youtube.com/shorts/N5sEkbyB82U> ; <http://www.stmaron.org/lenten-appeal>.

You can make your contribution in one of three ways: 1) **Online at ololdc.org**; 2) make your **check payable to Our Lady of Lebanon Church, earmarked "2023 Bishop's Appeal,"** and mail your contribution to the Parish Office (7237 15th Place, NW, Washington, DC 20012); 3) **Drop your contribution** in the collection basket no later than Easter **Sunday 2023**. (If you decide to drop your contribution in the collection basket, please make sure it is in a separate envelope earmarked Bishop's Appeal.) Thank you for your continuous generosity.

