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***Sunday, March 15, 2020, Sunday of the Prodigal Son***

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**Sunday, March 15, 2020 at 11:00 o'clock**

Alec Aoun

Joseph ElHallal

**Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.**

**Thursday, March 19, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. (Feast of St. Joseph)**

**Sunday, March 22, 2020 at 11:00 o'clock**

Joseph and Salwa Maatook

**Tuesday, March 24, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.**

Divine Liturgy and Benediction with the Holy Cross

**Sunday, March 29, 2020 at 11:00 o'clock**

Claude Jabalie (40 Day Anniversary)

**Tuesday, March 31, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.**

**Sunday, April 5, 2020 at 11:00 o'clock (Palm Sunday)**

**Scripture Readings**

**Sunday, March 22, 2020, Healing of the Paralytic**

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

***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***

**Sunday, March 15, 2020**

Halim Younes, Mark Malkoun, Billy Haddad and Joseph Nasr

***Bishop's Annual Appeal***

The Bishop's Annual Appeal for 2020 will last until **Easter Sunday, April 12, 2020**. Please send in your contribution, earmarked **Bishop's Appeal** before Easter Sunday. **We are still \$1000 short** of our **Bishop's Appeal quota** not to mention the annual Eparchial Assessment and contribution to eparchial retirement program. Thank you for your generosity.

***Marriage Banns***

The Marriage Banns are announced for the second time between **Maria Ayoub** (daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jean Ayoub) and **Nicholas James Henninger**. Anyone knowing why they should not be joined in the Sacrament of Holy Marriage is bound in conscience to make it know to the priest.

***Second Collections***

**On Palm Sunday, April 5, 2020**, 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. This collection is requested by the Holy See to be taken on Good Friday in all the Catholic Churches, however, due to the solemnity of the Burial of the Lord, I've moved it to Palm Sunday.

Bishop Gregory Mansour, Bishop of the Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn, has authorized a special collection on **Easter Sunday, April 12, 2020**. This special collection is a gift for the personal use of the Pastor. Thank you for your generosity.

***Lenten Devotion***

**Every Friday of Lent at 7:00 p.m.**, we will have Benediction with the Holy Cross (*Ziyah Al-Saleeb*).

***Attention All Members of the MYO***

As a precaution and in consideration of all people involved, St. Anthony Church in Richmond, Va., **has canceled the regional youth retreat scheduled for March 27 -29, 2020**. Let us pray that this health crisis will pass fast and safely.

***Parish Lenten Luncheon***

Depending on the development of the COVID19 (Corona virus) a final decision concerning the parish lenten luncheon scheduled **for Sunday, March 22, 2020**, will be made later this week. If circumstances will force us to cancel the luncheon, an email message will be sent to all parishioners. Thank you for your understanding and I pray that you will remain safe and healthy.

***Thank you for your generosity***

Summary of the Collection for **Sunday, March 8, 2020**

Regular Sunday Collection	\$ 660
Pledges	\$ 500
Tuesday Event	\$ 60
Donation by mail	\$ 210



**Easter Flowers**

If you would like to donate for Easter flowers, please do so no later than Sunday, April 14, 2019. All donations will be acknowledged in Easter Sunday Bulletin. Donations could be in memory of loved ones or in thanksgiving to

God for special favors granted or for whatever intentions you may have. **Easter lilies are \$20 each**. Please fill out the form below and return to Church Office with check (earmarked Ester Flowers):

Name of Donor:

Number of Lilies:

In Memory (or in honor) of:

*Prayer to stop the spread of  
Corona Virus*

Most Glorious Queen of Heaven and  
Mother of God, You, whom the Blessed  
Trinity has crowned with unequalled  
glory.

You are the Sovereign Queen over all  
God's Creation. I place myself and all my  
loved ones under the power, protection  
and sovereignty of your Crown.

Under the protection of your crown I will  
fear no other crown<sup>1</sup> and through your  
immense intercessory power  
I ask you to spare us all from the effects  
of the corona virus.

Dearest Mother and Queen,  
(*more Mother than Queen*),

we, your children in Christ Jesus, ask you  
to obtain for us an end to the spread of  
this virus. Amen.

(*Now Pray the Memorare*)

*Memorare*  
Remember,  
O most gracious Virgin Mary,  
that never was it known  
that anyone who fled  
to your protection,  
implored your help,  
or sought your intercession  
was left unaided.  
Inspired by this confidence,  
I fly unto you,  
O Virgin of virgins, my mother;  
to you do I come,  
before you I stand,  
sinful and sorrowful.  
O Mother of the Word Incarnate,  
despise not my petitions, but  
in your clemency hear  
and answer me. **Amen.**

*-prayer composed by St. Bernard*

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<sup>1</sup> Corona comes from the Latin word for crown