

#### **PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

You are welcomed and loved by St Anthony Community. We are transformed through prayer, acts of love, forgiveness, service and stewardship.

#### **MEET OUR PRIESTS**

#### **Pastor**

Fr. Elie Mikhael .... 305.807.9087 pastor@stanthonylawrence.org

#### **Parochial Vicar**

Fr. Andrawos El Tabchi .... 978-241-2977 pv@stanthonylawrence.org

#### **SACRAMENTS**

#### **Baptism & Confirmation:**

1 month in advance with the Pastor **Donations:** Church & Priest: \$200

#### Matrimony:

Couples should make arrangements six months prior to the wedding date

**Donations:** Church \$500—Priest : Free Will

#### Reconciliation

One hour Before Thursday & Saturday Liturgies, or by appointment

#### Anointing of the Sick

Please notify the Rectory if a member of your family is ill, hospitalized, or unable to come to Church and would like to receive communion at home

Please refer to our website for more Sacrament Celebrations Guidelines

#### **OUR CHURCH AT PRAYER**

Hours of Liturgical services changed due to COVID-19

#### **Daily Liturgies**

Mon - Thu: 9:00 AM

#### Weekend Liturgies:

Saturday: 4:00 PM Vigil

#### **Sunday Liturgies:**

8:00 AM -Arabic

9:00 AM - English

11:30 AM - English& Arabic

#### Holy days of obligation:

Vigil Liturgy @ 7 PM

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

M-TH: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM-2:00 PM Saturdays: By Appointment

#### **PARISH SECRETARY:**

Pat McKeever:

rectry@stanthonylawrence.org

#### **MEET OUR DEACONS**

Deacon Nadim B. Daou Visiting Deacon Michael Charchaflian Sub-Deacon James T. Demers Sub-Deacon Antoine Nammour

# LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

#### THE GLORIOUS RESURRECTION

# أحد القيامة المجيدة

# Liturgies intentions offered for The Health, Protection and Safety of Our Parishioners

Sat	APR. 11	4:00 PM	Easter Vigil Liturgy - English	
Sun	APR. 12	8:00 AM	Easter Liturgy - Arabic	
		9:00 AM	Easter Liturgy - English	
		11:00 AM	Easter Liturgy - English & Arabic	
Mon	APR. 13	9:00 AM	Felicitations to Mary - For: Private Intentions	
Tue	APR. 14	9:00 AM	For: Souls of Purgatory, Larry, Dorra Maria By Dora Periera	
Wed	APR. 15	9:00 AM	For: Souls of Mtanios, Cecilia, Doumit, George Hbaiter By Kamil Hbaiter and family	
Thu	APR. 16	9:00 AM	For: Rani & Colette Sadek (Anniversary) By The Pastor	
Fri	APR. 17		NO Liturgy	
NEW SUNDAY - DIVINE MERCY أحد ألجديد $-$ ألرحمة ألاهية				
Sat	APR. 18	4:00 PM	For: Roy & Donna Rossi (Anniversary) By The Pastor	
Sun	APR. 19	8:00 AM	For: George & Natalie Chaya (Anniversary) By The Pastor	
		9:00 AM	For: +Stephanie Ota	

11:00 AM For: Wissam & Gretta Merheb (Anniversary) By The Pastor



The Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Jesus, I trust in You!

Praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy is a glorious way to enter into the abundant Mercy of God. It only takes a few minutes and can easily be prayed almost anywhere. Using a rosary, follow the guide below to offer this wonderful prayer. It is especially good to pray it at the three o'clock hour.

Begin with the Sign of the Cross, 1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary and The Apostles' Creed.

Then on the Our Father Beads say the following:

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

On the 10 Hail Mary Beads say the following:

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world. Repeat for all five decades.

Conclude with (three times):

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

# MONTHLY OPERATIONAL EXPENSES

Weekly Collection Needed	\$6,250.00
<b>Monthly Operational Costs</b>	\$25,260.25
<b>Total Eparchial Dues</b>	\$3,721.67
<b>Total Maintenance &amp; Utilities</b>	\$ 6,278.58
SALARIES & INSURANCE	\$ 15,260.00



#### TREE OF LIFE

REMEMBER YOUR LOVED ONES BY PUTTING THEIR NAMES ON TREE OF LIFE BRASS ALUMINUM PLAQUES SIZES:

1.5" X 3" = \$75 / 3"X 6" = \$150 / 4"X8" = \$250

Please submit your request either by

phone: 978.685.7233

E-mail: rectory@stanthonylawrence.org

# FORMED Parish Code: N3CCNK Stanthonychurch.formed.org



<u>WELCOME</u>: Formed.org has been purchased by our parish for you, as a parishioner, to enjoy a multitude of media, at no cost to you! It includes movies, documentaries, books, audiobooks, podcasts, study materials, and so much more!

<u>WHAT IS IT?</u> Think of it like Netflix for Catholics. And there is a lot to see and hear! And best of all, there is no charge to you.

# **TITHES & OFFERINGS**

**SAINT ANTHONY'S Parish** depends on donations from our parishioners and benefactors to live and expand our Mission, "Loving as Christ Loves, Serving as Christ Serves."

Your donations fund the many ministries and activities of the parish: Sunday and weekly Masses; faith formation for children, youth and adults; fellowship for our welcoming community; and outreach to those in need.

We deeply appreciate your important role within the Church, your integral part of St Anthony's Parish, and the giving of your special gifts of time, prayer, and monetary donations.

Together we glorify God in thanksgiving for the wonderful gifts we have been given.

# STEP UP YOUR WEEKLY / MONTHLY / ANNUAL GIVING COMMITMENT

REGISTER FOR ONLINE DONATION: TO KEEP UP WITH OUR NEEDS AND, NOT TO FALL SHORT OF OUR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP GOAL.

**Apply Online:** 

stanthonylawrence.org/donate-now/

# Prayer for Doctors and Nurses

O merciful Father, who have wonderfully fashioned man in your own image, and have made his body to be a temple of the Holy Spirit, sanctify, we pray you, our doctors and nurses and all those whom you have called to study and practice the arts of healing the sick and the prevention of disease and pain. Strengthen them in body and soul, and bless their work, that they may give comfort to those for whose salvation your Son became Man, lived on this earth, healed the sick, and suffered and died on the Cross. Amen.

The LORD sustains them on their sickbed and restores them from their bed of illness. Psalm 41:3

#### **EPISTLE READING - 1 Corinthians 15:12-26**

Brothers and sisters, If Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

#### **GOSPEL READING - Saint Mark 16,1-**8.

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?' When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, 'Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.' So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

RIGHT & LEFT Sanctuary Lamps will burn: The Health, Protection and Safety of Our Parishioners Offered by Fr. Elie Mikhael and Fr. Andrawos El-Tabchi

#### AS WE PRAY ON YOUR BIRTHDAY

April 13: Michael Archambault, Mary-Jo Matta, Gianny Ramey

April 14: Joseph Abdulnour ,Connor Blanchet ,Jonathan Maroun

April 15: Theresa Cherabie, Anthony Daccach, Winifred Di Tommaso, Ryan Fontaine, Kenneth Gabriel

Sanaa Kosseifi, Anthony Mansour , Abigail Martino, Noreen Quinlan , Timothy Shea

April 16: Ann Harb

April 17: Benjamin Hajj. Elie Kanaan, Arthur Switala

April 18: Agia Bou Saada

April 19: Tony Abdilmasih, Marie Mouawad, Simon Mouawad, Estelle Mullen

#### AS WE PRAY ON YOUR ANNIVERSARY

April 14: Chaya, George & Natalie Ap

April 15: Sadek, Rani & Colette

April 16: Lahood, Albert & Linda

April 18: Fontaine, Ryan & Renee—Kalil, Joseph & Joan

Merheb, Wissam & Gretta

April 19: Rossi, Roy & Donna

# رسالة القدّيس بولس إلى أهل فيليبي 1:1-13

يا إخوَتِي، إِنْ كَانَ المَسِيحُ يُبَشَّرُ بِهِ أَنَهُ قَامَ مِنْ بَيْنِ الأَمْوَات، فَكَيْفَ يَقُولُ بَعْضٌ مِنْكُم أَنْ لا قِيَامَةَ لِلأَمْوَات؛ فَإِنْ كَانَ المَسِيحُ لَمْ يَقُم، فبَاطِلٌ لِلْمَوْات؛ فَإِنْ كَانَ اللهِ المُلكَ وَاحِدٍ في رُتْبَتِهِ: المَسِيحُ المُلكَ اللهُ اللهِ الأب، بَعْدَ أَنْ يَكُونُ اللهُ المَلكَ المَلكَ اللهُ جَمِيعَ أَعْدَائِهِ تَحْتَ قَدَمَيهُ المُلكَ اللهُ عَلَى اللهُ جَمِيعَ أَعْدَائِهِ تَحْتَ قَدَمَيهُ المُلكَ اللهُ جَمِيعَ أَعْدَائِهِ تَحْتَ قَدَمَيهُ المُلكَ اللهُ جَمِيعَ أَعْدَائِهِ تَحْتَ قَدَمَيهُ وَلَيْ اللهُ جَمِيعَ أَعْدَائِهِ تَحْتَ قَدَمَيهُ وَلَيْ اللهُ اللهُ جَمِيعَ أَعْدَائِهِ تَحْتَ قَدَمَيهُ وَلَيْ اللهُ عَمْ اللهُ عَمْ المَوْت.

# إنجيل القديس مرقس 1:16-8

لَمَّا ٱنْقَصَى السَّبْت، ٱشْتَرَتْ مَرْيَمُ الْمَجْدَلِيَّة، ومَرْيَمُ أُمُّ يَعْقُوب، وسَالُومَة، طُيُوبًا لِيَأْتِينَ وَيُطَيِّبْنَ جَسَدَ يَسُوع. وفي يَوْمِ الأَحَدِ بَاكِرًا جِدًّا، أَتَيْنَ إلى القَبْرِ مَعَ طُلُوعِ الشَّمْس. وكُنَّ يَقُلْنَ فِيمَا بَيْنَهُنَّ: »مَنْ يُدَحْرِجُ لَنَا الْحَجَرَ عَنْ بَابِ القَبْر؟ . «وتَقَرَّسْنَ فَشَاهَدْنَ الْحَجَرَ قَدْ دُحْرِج، وكَانَ كَبِيرًا جِدًّا. وَخَلْنَ الْقَبْر، فَرَأَيْنَ شَابًا جَالِسًا عَنِ الْيَمِين، مُتَوَشِّحًا حُلَّةً بَيْضَاء، فَٱنْذَهَلْنَ. فَقَالَ لَهُنَّ: »لا تَنْذَهِلْنَ! وَدَخُلْنَ الْقَبْر، فَرَأَيْنَ شَابًا جَالِسًا عَنِ الْيَمِين، مُتَوَشِّحًا حُلَّةً بَيْضَاء، فَٱنْذَهَلْنَ. فَقَالَ لَهُنَّ: »لا تَنْذَهِلْنَ! أَنْثُنَ تَطْلُبْنَ يَسُوعَ النَّاصِرِيَّ الْمَصْلُوب. إِنَّهُ قَام، وَهُو لَيْسَ هُنَا. وهَا هُو الْمَكَانُ الَّذِي وَضَعُوهُ فِيه. أَنْثُنَ تَطْلُبْنَ يَسُوعَ النَّاصِرِيَّ الْمَصْلُوب. إِنَّهُ قَام، وَهُو لَيْسَ هُنَا. وهَا هُو الْمَكَانُ الَّذِي وَضَعُوهُ فِيه. أَلْا ٱذْهَبْنَ وَقُلْنَ لِتَلامِيذِهِ وَلِبُطْرُس: إِنَّهُ يَسْبِقُكُم إلى الجَلِيل. وهُنَاكَ تَرَوْنَهُ، كَمَا قَالَ لَكُم. «فَوْفِينَ لَمْ يَقُلْنَ لِأَحَدٍ شَيْئًا...

# **Scholarship Application**

Applications are now available for the **DCG Scholarships** for incoming CCHS Freshman, 2020-2021, school year. If you have been accepted into CCHS and you are a parishioner of Saint Anthony's, to download the scholarship application, please visit **www.dcgfoundation.com**.

# \*\*Applications are due April 15th\*\*

To download your application, visit their website or contact Ken @ 508-633-0704

www.americanlebaneseawarenessassociation.org/scholarships/guidelines

Sections 1–6 must be completed in full, mailed and postmarked on or before March 1, 2020 and forwarded to ALAA, P. O. Box 2244, Methuen, MA

# **PARISH MINISTRIES**

**Religious Education** 

ccd@stanthonylawrence.org

Knights of Mary

kom@stanthonylawrence.org

Maronite Youth: MYO

myo@stanthonylawrence.org

**Publishing: Bulletin** 

bulletin@stanthonylawrence.org

Choirs (English, Arabic & Syriac)

Daughter's of St. Anthony

Family of St. Sharbel

Kids Choir

Knights of the Altar

**Maronite Young Adults** 

M-WINE

**Bereavement Ministry** 

Cenacle of the Rosary

Cenacle of Divine Mercy

Sacristan (s)

Sunshine Committee

Women's Ministry

# **PARISH RESOURCES**

#### **AVAILABLE ONLINE**

www.stanthonylawrence.org

Membership Registration Under Welcome

**Baptism & Confirmation:** 

**Guidelines & Registration** 

Under Sacraments –Baptism

Sacrament of Marriage:

**Guidelines, Foccus & Pre-Cana** *Under Sacraments-Marriage* 

**Banquet Hall Guidelines:** 

**Contract Form & Donations** 

Under Events

**Burial Guidelines:** 

Charges, Fees & Lot Sales

**Under Cemetery** 

# **Meetings & Events**

#### **GOING LIVE:**

https://www.stanthonylawrence.org/weekly-bulletin/

Facebook: St Anthony Lawrence

# Live Stream of Liturgies, Rosary, Adoration and Stations of the Cross

- ⇒ SATURDAY 4:00 PM LITURGY
- ⇒ SUNDAY LITURGIES 8:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:30 AM LITURGIES
- ⇒ ROSARY PRAYERS- EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 6:00 PM
- ⇒ LITURGY AND ADORATION THURSDAY AT 6:00 PM
- ⇒ ORGANIZATIONS AND MINISTRIES: VIRTUAL MEETINGS

# **Bible Study**

- ⇒ ENGLISH SESSION: THROUGH ZOOM
- ⇒ CONTACT DEACON MICHAEL TO ADD YOUR EMAIL
  - -SUBJECT BIBLE STUDY -
    - RECTORY@STANTHONYLAWRENCE.ORG
- ⇒ ARABIC SESSION: GotoMeeting -MONDAY AT 7AM

# The POPE Prayer to Virgin Mary for protection

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

## **CONDOLENCES**

Our heartfelt sympathies to the families of : Thomas Solomon, Mariam Abou Khalil and Michael Bistany. May their souls be rested and may their loved ones be comforted

# Ronald Rolheiser

### THE MEANING OF JESUS' DEATH

Jesus' death washes everything clean, including our ignorance and sin. That's the clear message from Luke's account of his death.

As we know, we have four Gospels, each with its own take on the passion and death of Jesus. As we know too these Gospel accounts are not journalistic reports of what happened on Good Friday but more theological interpretations of what happened then. They're paintings of Jesus' death more so than news reports about it and, like good art, they take liberties to highlight certain forms so as to bring out essence. Each Gospel writer has his own interpretation of what happened on Calvary.

For Luke, what happened in the death of Jesus is the clearest revelation, ever, of the incredible scope of God's understanding, forgiveness, and healing. For him, Jesus' death washes everything clean through an understanding, forgiveness, and healing that belies every notion suggesting anything to the contrary. To make this clear, Luke highlights a number of elements in his narrative.

First, in his account of Jesus' arrest in the Garden of Gethsemane, he tells us that immediately after one of his disciples struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his ear, Jesus touched the man's ear and healed him. God's healing, Luke intimates, reaches into all situations, even situations of bitterness, betrayal, and violence. God's grace will ultimately heal even what's wounded in hatred.

Then, after Peter denied him three times and Jesus is being led away after his interrogation by the Sanhedrin, Luke tells us that Jesus turned and looked straight at Peter in a look that made Peter weep bitterly. Everything in this text and everything that comes after it suggests that the look from Jesus that caused Peter to weep bitterly was not one of disappointment and accusation, a look that would have caused Peter to weep in shame. No, rather it was a look of such understanding and empathy as Peter had never before seen, causing him to weep in relief, knowing that everything was alright and he was alright.

And when Luke records Jesus' trial before Pilate, he recounts something that's not recorded in the other Gospel accounts of Jesus' trial, namely, Pilate sending Jesus to Herod and how the two of them, bitter enemies until that day, "became friends that same day." As Ray Brown, commenting on this text puts it, "Jesus has a healing effect even on those who mistreat him."

Finally, in Luke's narrative, we arrive at the place where Jesus is crucified and as they are crucifying him, he utters the famous words: Father, forgive them for they know not what they do. Those words, which Christians forever afterwards have taken as the ultimate criterion as to how we should treat our enemies and those who do us ill, encapsulate the deep revelation contained in Jesus' death. Uttered in that context as God is about to crucified by human beings, these words reveal how God sees and understands even our worst actions: Not as ill-will, not as something that ultimately turns us against God or God against us, but as ignorance – simple, non-culpable, invincible, understandable, forgivable, akin to the self-destructive actions of an innocent child.

In that context too, Luke narrates Jesus' forgiveness of the "good thief". What Luke wants to highlight here, beyond the obvious, are a number of things: First, that the man is forgiven not because he didn't sin, but in spite of his sin; second, that he is given infinitely more than he actually requests of Jesus; and finally, that Jesus will not die with any unfinished business, this man's sin must first be wiped clean.

Finally, in Luke's narrative, unlike the narratives of Mark and Matthew, Jesus does not die expressing abandonment, but rather dies expressing complete trust: "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit". Luke wants us to see in these words a template for how we can face our own deaths, given our weaknesses. What's the lesson? Leon Bloy once wrote that there is only one true sadness in life, that of not being a saint. At the end of the day when each of us face our own death this will be our biggest regret, that we're not saints. But, as Jesus shows in his death, we can die in (even in weakness) knowing we are dying into safe hands.

Luke's account of the passion and death of Jesus, unlike much of Christian tradition, does not focus on the atoning value of Jesus' death. What it emphasizes instead is this: Jesus' death washes everything clean, each of us and the whole world. It heals everything, understands everything, and forgives everything — despite every ignorance, weakness, infidelity, and betrayal on our part. In John's passion narrative, Jesus' dead body is pierced with a lance and immediately "blood and water" (life and cleansing) flow out. In Luke's account, Jesus' body is not pierced. It doesn't need to be. By the time he breathes his last he has forgiven everyone and everything has been washed clean.

#### Brothers and sisters in Christ:

During this time of increased fear and anxiety, we pray that you are all remaining safe and healthy. This pandemic has challenged us to be responsible and maintain the mandated social distance while continuing to remain spiritually and emotionally close to God and our loved ones.

We regret to inform you that effective immediately, Saint Anthony's Church will be temporarily closed to all parishioners due to the continued and worsening spread of the coronavirus. We will continue to practice our faith by providing a live stream of all spiritual liturgies, events and activities without parishioners in attendance. Based upon the guidance at the Federal and State level, we feel this decision, although not an easy one, is in the best interest of our parishioners, pastors and protection of our church community. We have made some adjustments to the liturgical schedule and we ask for your understanding through these difficult times:

#### **Daily Liturgies**

Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM

- Monday/Wednesday English
- Tuesday/Thursday Arabic)

#### **Bible Study**

- Monday 6:00 PM (Arabic)
- Wednesday 6:00 PM (English)

Adoration of the Eucharist - Thursday 6:00-7:00 PM

This is truly a time like no other. We must continue to be united in prayer and hope. We encourage everyone to join us in rejecting the panic and embracing our faith. We must remember that this is only temporary and that with the help of God's grace and mercy, we will get through this together. Though our Church is empty, our hearts are always full.

#### Blessings,

Fr. Elie Mikhael, Fr Andrawaos El Tabchi and Parish Council

Go, my people, enter your rooms and shut the doors behind you; hide yourselves for a little while until his wrath has passed by. Isaiah 26:20

# **Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

## During the time of communion, recite the following in place of receiving physical communion:

O Divine Ocean of Mercy and Compassion, be with us in our time of trial and difficulties. Today I make an act of spiritual communion with you, the Life-Giving Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. At this time I am not able to receive the sacred body and blood of my Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ, but I choose to live in union with him and in the unity of the Holy Spirit. I offer my day, my daily life, my joys and sorrows to you, for those around me, and for the whole world. Be with us O life-giving Triune God, for we know that nothing in this world has power over us. O Lover of all people, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

#### Prayer to the Most Holy Redeemer (Anima Christi)

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, embolden me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesus, hear me. Within thy wounds hide me. Never permit me to be parted from you. From the evil Enemy defend me. In the hour of my death call me. and bid me come to thee, that with your saints I may praise thee for age upon age. Amen.

#### COMMUNICATION

# **GOING LIVE: LITURGIES AND DEVOTIONS**

إلى أبنائنا في رعية مار أنطونيوس لورانس—عليكم النعمة والرحمة والسلام من لدن الله الآب والمسيح يسوع ربنا بناءً على التطورات الأخيرة لإنتشار فيروس COVID-19 وتماشيًا مع القرارات الصادرة عن الجهات الرسمية الروحية والمدنية بخاصة قرار الإلتزام بالحجر المنزلي وإلتزامًا منّا بالحدّ من إنتشار الفيروس المذكور حفاظًا على سلامتنا جميعًا وتداركًا لتفاقم الوضع نتوجّه إليكم، في هذه الأيّام الصعبة، بهذه السلسلة من التوجيهات ليتم العمل في ضوئها حتّى إشعار آخر

# أوِّلًا، وابتداءً من تاربخه، تُقفل الكنيسة، وتكون القداسات قاصرة فقط على الآباء الكهنة دون مشاركة أفراد الشعب.

ثانيًا، أمام تعذّر الذهاب إلى الكنيسة، بالإمكان متابعة الصلوات والإحتفالات الليتورجيّة ورتب الزمن الطقسي الحالي عبر صفحة الرعيّة على موقع Facebook.

ثالثًا، تقام الذبيحة الإلهيّة كلّ يوم الساعة 9.00 ص

يوميّ الإثنين والأربعاء باللغة الإنجليزيّة

وأمّا يوميّ الثلاثاء والخميس باللغة العربيّة

رابعًا، تبقى السهرات الإنجيليّة في مواعيدها أي كل يوم إثنين باللغة العربيّة وكل يوم أربعاء باللغة الإنجليزيّة الساعة السادسة مساءً.

خامسًا، ساعة سجود كل يوم خميس الساعة 6.00 م

أطلّ علينا هذا العيد بحلّة إستثنائيّة هذه السنة ولكن نحن مدعوون إلى نبذ الخوف والتحلّي بالإيمان. فلنتحدّ بالصلاة متكلين على رحمة الله وحنانه. لنصلِّ بحرارة في بيوتنا حتّى يُبعد الله عنّا شرّ الآفات والأوبئة. "عليكم نعمة ربنا يسوع المسيح" (1 تس 5/28).

سلام الرّب يسوع المسيح

الخوري ايلى مخايل - الخوري أندراوس الطبشى - المجلس الرعوي

"هلّم يا شعبي وادخل مخدعك، واغلق مخادعك، وأغلق أبوابك عليك. توارَ قليلًا إلى أن يجوز السُّخط" (أش 26/20)

# البابا فرنسيس أمام انتشار فيروس كورونا يوكل العالم إلى حماية مريم العذراء

يا مريم، أنتِ تشعين دائما في طريقنا كعلامة خلاص ورجاء. نُسلِّم أنفسنا إليكِ، أنتِ شفاء المرضى، يا من كنتِ عند أقدام الصليب مشترِكة في آلام يسوع وراسخة في الإيمان. أنتِ يا خلاص شعب روما، تعلمين ما نحتاج إليه ونحن واثقون أنك ستلبين حاجتنا لكي، وكما في قانا الجليل، يعود الفرح والعيد بعد لحظة الاختبار هذه. ساعدينا يا أم المحبة الإلهية على أن نتبع مشيئة الآب وأن نفعل ما سيقول لنا يسوع الذي حمل آلامنا كي يقودنا عبر الصليب إلى فرح القيامة. آمين.

تحت ذيل حمايتك نلتجأ يا والدة الله القديسة، فلا تغفلي عن طلباتنا نحن الذين نعيش التجربة وخلصينا من كل خطر، أيتها العذراء المجيدة المباركة.