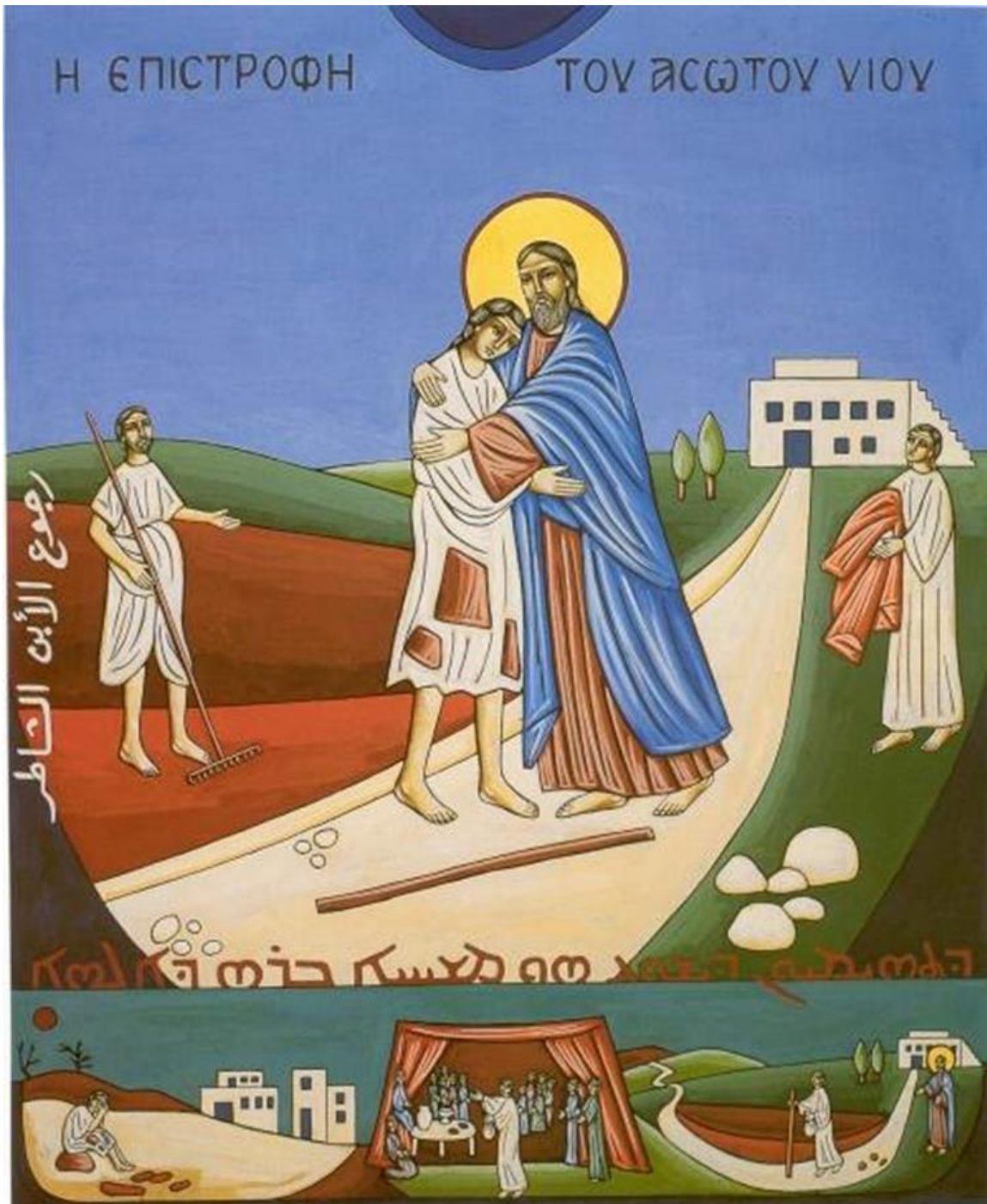


Fourth Sunday of Great Lent Sunday of the Prodigal Son



**Saint Anthony Maronite Church
Lawrence, MA**

Liturgical Year 2020 - 2021

LIGHTING HYMN

Syriac: *hasyo oo-qadeesho*



Je - sus Christ, O Source of Light, in you we see light.
Ho - ly Lord, you dwell in light in realms of glo - ry.

Al-le-lu-ia! Vir - gin Ma - ry, you are blest a - mong all wo - men.

Bles - sed mar - tyrs, you pro - claimed be - fore your jud - ges:
Son of God, you died and rose to give us newlife.



Tru - ly Light from Light, you shine on all cre - a - tion.
Keep us free from sin and shame; dis - pel all dark - ness.

You were cho - sen by the Lord to be his Mo - ther.

"We will not re - nounce our Lord, the Cru - ci - fied One,
Those who sleep in death have hope and con - so - la - tion.

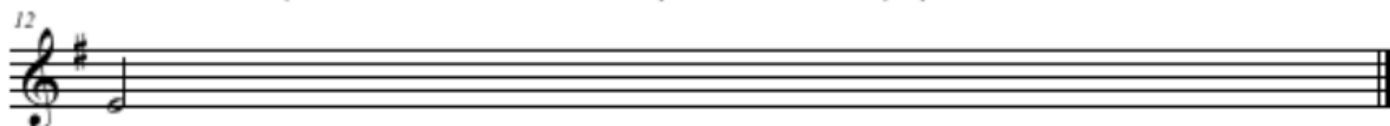


Shine your light up - on us all; grant us joy with your bright
Grant us pur - i - ty of heart; may your jus - tice guide our —

The E - ter - nal Son took flesh, dwell - ing nine months in your —

but with fer - vent love for him we will suf - fer pain and —

Je - sus, you will raise them up, for they praised the Tri - ni -



dawn.

lives.

womb.

death."

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ENTRANCE HYMN

Syriac: *toobai k'eedto*

5 The youn - ger son broke his lov - ing fa - ther's heart when he went a -
The Fa - ther's Son came to earth from heav - en's heights to res - tore our

9 way from home. Spo - ken of from age to age, this be - lo - ved
sin - ful world. Jes - sus took on hu - man form from his Vir - gin

13 youn - ger son squan - dered his in - her - i - tance and was left in
Mo - ther's womb to bring back the stray - ing sheep and raise them to

17 mis - er - y. Roam - ing in a de - sert place, with - out an - y
par - a - dise. So we praise the Son of God who saved us from

food or drink he was all a - lone, in _____ tears. _____
Ad - am's sin and re - vealed his Fa - thers' love. _____

ENTRANCE DIALOGUE

Revised 2013



6 labi-tokh a-lo-ho 'eh-let waq-dom beem dee-lokh segh-det, mal-ko shma-yo-

11 no ha-so lee khool dah - teet lokh. Mal-ko shma-yo -

16 no ha-so lan khool dah - tai-nan lokh. Sal-aow 'a-lai

21 meh-tool mo - ran. Al-lo-hon nqa-bel

qoor-bo-nokh oo-net-tra-ham 'a-lain bas - loo - tokh.

Cel: I have entered your house, O God, and have worshiped before your throne. O King of heaven forgive all my sins.

O King of heaven, forgive all our sins.

Cel: Pray to the Lord for me.

May the Lord accept your offering and have mercy on us through your prayer.

DOXOLOGY

Cel: Glory ✠ be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever.
Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

Cel: Merciful Father, you sent your only-begotten Son, who, by his life and parables taught us about your fatherly love. Make us worthy to celebrate today your great mercy as revealed in the parable of the prodigal son who repented and returned to his father. Like him, bring us back from the exile of sin to your fatherly house, that we may glorify you, your only Son, and your Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

REETING AND HYMN OF THE ANGELS

Cel: Peace ☩ be with the Church and her children.

2012 Revision Father M. Labaky

Glo-ry to God in the high - est and on earth peace.

Glo-ry to God in the high - est and good hope to all.

HOOSOYO

PROEMION *Please stand.*

To the glory and honor of the Most ☩ Holy Trinity.

Cel: Let us raise glory, honor, and praise to the Merciful Father, who loves all men and accepts their repentance; and to the Beloved Son, who became man and invited all people to his Father's house; and to the Holy Spirit, who enlightens our hearts and consciences. To the Good One be glory and honor, on this blessed Sunday, and all the days of our lives, and forever.

Amen.

SEDRO

Cel: O Christ our God, you are the true light who has come into the world. You are the way that leads to the Father, and no one comes to the Father except through you. You showed us your love when you lived among us, and you told us of the Father's compassion and his love for repentant sinners. You spoke to us of repentance, of mercy, and of living water. Today we meditate on the parable of the prodigal son, who, trusting his father, turned from his life of corruption, and repented of his sin.

Now, O Lord, we ask you, with the fragrance of this incense, to have compassion on us, as you have compassion on all sinners. May we humble ourselves before you and repent of our sins. Enlighten us that we may know you. Strengthen us with your power, and do not turn your face away from us lest the darkness of sin surround us.

Send your Spirit to us sinners during this forgiving season of Lent, so that we may return to you seeking forgiveness. Open your blessed arms to us, and bring us close to you, so that we may meet you with joy and find happiness in knowing you. * Be our strength and our help, that we may glorify you, your Father, and your Holy Spirit, forever.

Amen.

QOLO

Syriac: *bo'ooto dmor ya'qoob* (Lent)

The pro - di - gal son, de - jec - ted, cried
The Fa - ther we praise, who o - pens his
5 out in tears: "Who will al - low me to plead with my
arms to all. The Son we a - dore, who wel - comes those
9 fa - ther's heart? Can an - y - one do this for me and
who re - pent. The Spi - rit we thank, who par - dons those
13 plead my cause? My fool - ish - ness has been so great. What
who have sinned. May God's great love be up - on us, from
17 shall I do?
age to age.

ETRO

Cel: O God, accept our incense for the forgiveness of our sins. May those who have strayed from your fatherly house return there, that they may ask for pardon and forgiveness. As for us, your weak children, strengthen our resolve to remain with you, * and glorify you, forever.

Amen.

TRISAGION

The congregation stands and the Trisagion is then sung three times.

Qa-dee-shat a-lo-ho.

Qa-dee-shat ha-yel-to-no.

Qa-dee-shat lo-mo-yoo-to.

It-ra-ham 'a-lain.

Cel: Holy and immortal Lord, sanctify our minds and purify our consciences, that we may praise you with purity, and listen to your Holy Scriptures. To you be glory, forever.

Amen.

The congregation is now seated.

READINGS

MAZMOORO

Syriac: ramremain 2 (Departed)



The true love of the — Fa - ther far sur - passed his
Priest: "I have sinned a - gainst — hea - ven and be - fore you,"
5 Lord our God, you ac - cep - ted what the just had
son's great sin. — He ran out to em - brace him
said the son. — "Though my heart now con - demns me,
9 of - fered you; — now ac - cept in your mer - cy,
when at last his son came home.
you are great - ter than my heart."
our pure sac - ri - fice and prayers.

EPISTLE

Reader: A reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians, Your blessing, Father.

Cel: Glory to the Lord of Paul and the apostles! ✠ May the mercy of God descend upon the reader and the listeners, and upon this parish and her children, forever.

Reader: *(Second Letter to the Corinthians 13: 5-13)*

Brothers and sisters, examine yourselves to see whether you are living in the faith. Test yourselves. Do you not realize that Jesus Christ is in you? unless, indeed, you fail to pass the test! I hope you will find out that we have not failed. But we pray to God that you may not do anything wrong not that we may appear to have passed the test, but that you may do what is right, though we may seem to have failed. For we cannot do anything against the truth, but only for the truth. For we rejoice when we are weak, and you are strong. This is what we pray for, that you may become perfect. So, I write these things while I am away from you, so that when I come, I may not have to be severe in using the authority that the Lord has given me for building up and not for tearing down. Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree

with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Praise be to God, always!

The congregation now stands.

FETGOMO (Gospel Acclamation)

The musical notation consists of two staves. The first staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It contains two phrases of 'Alleluia'. The first phrase is 'Al - le - lu - ia!' with a melodic line starting on a quarter rest, followed by quarter notes for 'Al', 'le', and 'lu', and a half note for 'ia!'. The second phrase is 'Al - le - lu - ia!' with a melodic line starting on a quarter note for 'Al', followed by quarter notes for 'le' and 'lu', and a half note for 'ia!'. The second staff also has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. It begins with the instruction 'Verse by Cantor' and a whole rest. The melodic line then consists of quarter notes for 'Al', 'le', and 'lu', followed by a half note for 'ia!'.

Cantor: "I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you.'" *(Luke 15: 18)*

GOSPEL

Deacon/Cantor: Before the proclamation of the Gospel of our Savior, announcing life for our souls, we offer this incense, and ask for your mercy, O Lord.

The celebrant burns incense.

Cel: Peace ☩ be with you.

And with your Spirit.

From the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke, who proclaimed life to the world. Let us listen to the proclamation of life and salvation for our souls.

The celebrant incenses the Book of Gospels three times. Meanwhile, the deacon proclaims:

Deacon/Cantor: Remain silent, O listeners, for the Holy Gospel is about to be proclaimed to you. Listen, and give glory and thanks to the Word of the living God.

Cel: *(Luke 15: 11-32)*

The Lord Jesus says: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, "Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me." So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and travelled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to

feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, "How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.'" So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son." But the father said to his slaves, "Quickly, bring out a robe the best one and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!" And they began to celebrate. 'Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, "Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound." Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, "Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!" Then the father said to him, "Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found."

This is the Truth, ✠ Peace be with you!

KOROZOUTO (Acclamation of Praise)

L. Hage, O.L.M.
2012 Revision

Lil Ma-see-hee ya-soo' at-tas-bee-hoo wal ba-ra-
Praise, and bless-ings to Je-sus Christ our Lord and
kat min aj-lee ka la-mee-heel ha-yee la na. Lil Ma-
God for giv-ing us His words of life. Praise, and
see hee ya-soo' at-las-bee-hoo wal-ba-ra-kat.
bless-ings to Je-sus Christ our Lord and God.

Homily

Profession of Faith

We believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. We confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins, and we look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Approach to the Altar

Cel: I will go to the altar of God, to God who gives joy to my youth. Through the abundance of your goodness I will enter your house and worship in your holy temple.

Guide me, O Lord, in your fear, and instruct me in your justice.

Ee-tel-wot ma-deb-hed a-lo-ho wal-wot a-lo-ho dam-ha-deh tal-yoot. weh-nob soo-ghod tai-boo-tokh eh-'ool-lal bai-tokh wes-ghood-deb hai-yek-lod qood-shokh. bdeh-hel-tokh mor-yo da-ba-rain wab-za-dee-qoo-tokh a-leh-fain.

Cel: Pray to the Lord for me.

May the Lord accept your offering and have mercy on us through your prayer.

Sa-laow 'a-lai meh-tool mo-ran.

A-lo-hon qa-bel qoor-bo-nokh ^{oo}-net-ra-ham 'a-lain bas-loo-tokh.

Transfer and presentation of the Offerings

The Lord Reigns *Syriac: fsheeto*

Cong: The Lord reigns clothed in majesty. Alleluia!
Our Lord Jesus said: “I am the Bread of Life.
From the Father I was sent
as Word without flesh to give new life.
Of the Virgin Mary I was born, taking flesh as man;
as good earth receives a seed, her womb received me.
Priestly hands now lift me high above the altars.”
Alleluia. Our gifts, Lord, receive.

The Celebrant raises the paten in his right hand and the chalice in his left, saying:

Cel: Almighty Lord and God, you accepted the offerings of our ancestors. Now accept these offerings that your children have brought to you out of their love for you and for your holy name. Shower your spiritual blessings upon them and, in place of their earthly gifts, grant them life and your kingdom.

Amen.

The Celebrant places the offerings on the altar and covers them with the palls. He extends his hands in the form of a cross upon them, saying:

Cel: As we remember our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ, and his plan of salvation for us, we recall upon this offering all those who have pleased God from Adam to this day, especially Mary, the blessed Mother of God, Saint Maron, Saint **N.** (*the patron of the church*), and Saint **N.** (*the saint of the day*).

Remember, O God, the children of the holy Church: our fathers and mothers, and our brothers and sisters, both the living and the departed, especially those for whom this sacrifice is offered, **N.** Remember also all those who share with us today in this offering.

Amen.

Honor Mary, Mother of Our Lord *Syriac: lmaryam yoldat aloho*

Cong: Alleluia!

Honor Mary, Mother of our Lord and God,
and with her remember all the righteous ones,
prophets and apostles, martyrs and the priests,
and the children of the Church, from age to age.

Anaphora of Saint Peter

RITE OF PEACE

Doxology

The congregation stands.

Cel: Glory be ✠ to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Prayer for Peace

Cel: O Father, God of peace and Lord of security, make us worthy to embrace one another with a sincere kiss in the spirit of your unending love, that we may raise glory and thanks to you, and to your only Son, and to your Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Exchange of Peace

Cel: Peace to you, O Altar of God. Peace to the holy mysteries placed upon you. Peace to you, O server of the Holy Spirit.

Diaconal Proclamation

Deacon: Let us give the greeting of peace to our neighbor with love and faith that are pleasing to God.

The people exchange the greeting of peace with joined hands.

Another hymn may replace the one below.

Ziad Alrahbani
English Adaptation: Music Commission, USA, 1994

Too - ba lis - sa - 'ee - na ee - la sa - la - mee
Those who work for peace are tru - ly blest!

fa - in - na - hom ab - na - al - la - hee yoo d'aown.
They will be called the child - ren of God.

Prayer of the Imposition of the Hand

Cel: O Lord, we bow before you to receive your blessings and assistance because we are weak and you are the support and refuge of all. We raise glory to you, and to your only Son, and to your Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Prayer of the Veil

Cel: O Lord, may the light of your face shine upon us. Deliver us from every evil and blot out all our transgressions, that we may raise glory and thanks to you, and to your only Son, and to your Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Dialogue

Cel: The love of God the ✠ Father, and the grace of the only-begotten ✠ Son, and the communion and indwelling of the ✠ Holy Spirit be with you, my brothers and sisters, forever.

And with your Spirit.

Cel: Let us lift up our thoughts, our minds, and our hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Cel: Let us give thanks to the Lord with reverence and worship him with humility.

It is right and just.

Great Prayer of Triumph

Cel: Truly it is right and just to glorify and exalt you, O Maker of all creation. With the angels we glorify you, and with voices of praise we cry out and proclaim:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Chanted: **Holy, holy, holy, mighty Lord God of Hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your great glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who has come and will come in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Cel: You are holy, O God the Father, and abundant in mercy. Because of your love for us, you sent your Son into the world and became flesh of the Virgin Mary for our salvation.

Institution Narrative

The Words of Institution of Our Lord are sung in Syriac.

Cel: *Byow-mo how daq-dom ha-sho-dee-leh ma'-bed hy-eh nsa-bel-lah-mo be-dow qa-dee-sho-to. Ou-b-rek ou-qa-desh waq-so ou-ya-bel-tal-mee-dow kad o-mar. Sab-a-khool men-neh kul-khoun: Ho-no den ee-tow faghro-deel dah-lo-fy-koun wah-lof sagee-yeh meh-teq-she ou-meh-tee-heb lhoo-soyou dhow-beh wal-ha-yeh dal-'o-lam 'ol-meen.*

(Translation) And on the day before his life-giving passion, He took bread in his holy hands. He blessed, sanctified, and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take this, all of you, and eat of it, for this is my body which is broken and given for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins and for eternal life.

Amen.

Cel: *Ho-kha-no 'al ko-so dam-zeegh wo man ham-ro ou-men ma-yo ba-reh ou-qa-desh ya-bel-tel mee-dow kad o-mar: Sah esh-tow meh-neh kul-khoon: Ho-no den ee-tow dmo deel deeya-tee-gee had-to Dah-lo-fy-koon wah-lof sa-gee-yeh Meh-the-shed ou-meh-tee heb. Lhoo-so-yo dhow-beh wal-ha-yeh Dal-o 'lam 'ol-meen.*

In a similar way, over the chalice of wine mixed with water, he blessed and sanctified it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take this, all of you, and drink from it, for this is my blood of the new covenant, which will be poured out and given for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins and for eternal life.

Amen.

Anamnesis

Cel: He then commanded and instructed them, saying: Each time you celebrate these Mysteries, you remember my death and resurrection until I come again.

We remember your death, O Lord. We profess your resurrection. We await your second coming. We implore your mercy and compassion. We ask for the forgiveness of sins. May your mercy rest upon us.

Cel: O Lord, we remember your coming that saved us and, as we await your second coming, we offer praise and ask you: On the day when you will judge the righteous and sinners, do not condemn us because of our sins, but have compassion and mercy on us. Turn your face away from our sins and assist us. For this your Church implores you and, through you and with you, implores your Father, saying:

Have mercy on us, Almighty Father. Have mercy on us.

Cel: O Lord, as we, your sinful children, receive your graces, we thank you for them and because of them.

We praise you. We bless you. We adore you. We glorify you. We profess our faith in you, and we ask you: Have compassion on us, O God, have mercy on us, and hear us.

Epiclesis

Deacon: How awesome is this moment, my beloved, for the living Holy Spirit descends and rests upon this offering for our sanctification. Let us stand with reverence as we pray:

Cel: (At the same time, silently and bowing, he flutters his hands three times over the Mysteries)

Cel: Have mercy on us, O God; have mercy on us. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these offerings, that he may assist and pardon us.

The celebrant, kneeling on both knees, extends his hands and sings in English or in Syriac:

Cel: *Hear us, O Lord. Hear us, O Lord. Hear us, O Lord. And may your living Holy Spirit come and rest upon us and upon this offering.*

'a-noon mor-yo. 'a-noon mor-yo. 'a-noon mor-yo. °°-nee-the mor roo-hokh ha-yo °°-qa-dee-sho. °°-na-gen 'alain o°- 'al qoor-bo-no ho-no.

Cel: That by his descent he make this bread the Body of Christ our God.

Amen.

Cel: And make the mixture in this chalice ☩ the Blood of Christ our God.

Amen.

Cel: May those who share in these Mysteries be cleansed, body and soul, from every sin and receive eternal life.

Amen.

Intercessions

Congregation sits.

Cel: O Lord, accept our intercessions and prayers, and grant security to your people and peace to your flock. Protect our shepherds: **N.**, the Pope of Rome, **N.** Peter, our Patriarch of Antioch, **N.**, our Bishop, and all the bishops of the true faith. Assist the priests, the deacons, and all those who serve your holy Church, so that they may intercede and pray to you on our behalf. We pray to you, O Lord.



To each Intercession we respond:

Lord have mercy.

Cel: Favorably remember, O Lord, our parents, brothers and sisters, teachers, and all the faithful departed here and everywhere who have gone to their rest, (especially N.) and all inscribed in our Book of Life. Forgive us and them of all sins and offences. Through our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ, who is without sin, we hope to find mercy and forgiveness for our sins and for theirs.

Grant rest, O God, to the departed, and forgive the sins we have committed, with or without full knowledge.

Cel: O God, pardon and forgive us and the departed ✠ so that your blessed name may be glorified in us and in all things, with the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, and that of your living Holy Spirit, now and forever.

As it was, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.

COMMUNION RITE

Fraction, Signing, Sprinkling, Mingling, and Elevation

All stand and sing

Then all recite together:

O Lord, you are the pleasing Oblation who offered yourself for us. You are the forgiving Sacrifice who offered yourself to your Father. You are the High Priest, who offered yourself as the Lamb. Through your mercy, may our prayer rise like incense which we offer to your Father through you. To you be glory, forever.

Lord's Prayer

Cel: O God the Father, you strengthen and encourage us because we are weak. We implore you to purify us from every sin and to accept our offering, so that in one spirit we may call upon you, praying:

The celebrant and congregation extend their hands and pray in English:

Our Father...but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, ✠ the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Cel: O Lord, lead us not into the trials and temptation that we do not have the strength to overcome, but deliver us from every evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, with your only Son, and your Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Penitential Rite

Cel: Peace ☩ be with you.

And with your Spirit.

Deacon: Bow your heads before the God of mercy, before his forgiving altar, and before the Body and Blood of our Savior, who gives life to those who partake of him, and receive the blessing from the Lord.

Meanwhile the priest prays quietly:

Cel: The grace ☩ of the most Holy Trinity, eternal and consubstantial, be with you, my brothers and sisters, forever.

And with your Spirit.

Deacon: Let each one of us look to God with reverence and humility, and ask him for mercy and compassion.

Invitation to Communion

Cel: Holy Gifts ☩ for the holy, with perfection, purity, and sanctity.

The celebrant and the congregation prepare for communion. They extend their hands in prayer and say:

Chanted: One holy Father; One Holy Son; One Holy Spirit! Blessed be the name of the Lord, for He is One in heaven and on earth; to Him be glory, forever.

All extend their hands in prayer and say:

Make us worthy, O Lord God, so that our bodies may be sanctified by your holy Body, and our souls purified by your forgiving Blood. May our communion be for the forgiveness of our sins and for new life. O Lord our God, to you be glory, forever.

Communion of the Clergy Communion of the People

Communion is now distributed to the faithful. Communion is received by all on the tongue, not in the hand in the Maronite Church.

Communion Hymns

Other hymns may be sung.

Blessing with the Mysteries

After communion, the celebrant blesses the congregation with the mysteries.

Cel: Again and again we thank you, O Lord, and raise glory to you for giving us your Body to eat, and your living Blood to drink. O Lover of all people, have mercy on us.

Have mercy on us, O Lord, O compassionate and merciful One, O Lover of all people, have mercy on us.

Thanksgiving Hymn

Thanksgiving

Cel: We thank you, O Father, for this Gift that you have given us though we are unworthy. Do not shame us because of our sins, but help and save us, that we may raise glory and thanks to you, and to your only Son, and to your Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Final Blessing

Cel: Peace ☩ be with you.

And with your Spirit.

Cel: Go in peace my beloved brothers and sisters, with the nourishment and blessings you have received from the forgiving altar of the Lord. May the blessing of the Most Holy Trinity accompany you: The Father ☩, and the Son ☩, and the Holy Spirit ☩, the One God, to whom be glory, forever.

Amen.

Concluding Hymn