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#### THE GOSPEL

#### SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

#### THE EPISTLE

Jesus said: "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in Him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.'

I give you a new commandment, that you love one another.

Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.

By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Jn 13:31-35



Next Sunday's Readings
Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2: 1 - 21 Jn 14: 15 - 20 I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know Him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints.

God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Eph 1:15-23

#### PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Heavenly Father,
You gave us the commandment
"LOVE ONE ANOTHER,
JUST AS I HAVE LOVED YOU".



I ask you to open my eyes so that
I may always see Love...
Open my ears so that I may
always hear Love...
Open my mouth so that I may
only speak with Love...
Most importantly open my heart Lord so
that I may always give Love...
Open my hands so that I may
Always greet with Love...
Open my mind so that I may
Increase in the
knowledge of Your Love...

vledge of Your **LOVE**... Loving Father, Send forth Your Holy Spirit So that I may be **LOVE**... **Amen!**  BLESSINGS FOR THE MONTH OF MARY



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CONVENTION
FRI 24TH - SUN 26TH

For further details Please refer to page 5

# FEAST OF PENTECOST

#### (Next Sunday)

To celebrate this **FEAST**,
We have the Rite of Blessing and Sprinkling
of the Holy water at all our
Pentecost Sunday Masses.
Don't forget to bring your own
small bottle of water.

### **QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

"If we really want to LOVE,

we MUST LEARN

How to forgive..."

~ Mother Theresa~

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#### **SUNDAY HOLY LITURGIES (Masses)**

OLOL Co Cathedral - Harris Park 8am (Arabic), 9:30am (English Family), 11am (Ar/Eng), 5pm (Ar/Eng), 7pm (English Youth)

Mass Centres - St Patrick's, Guildford 6pm (Ar/Eng)

#### **WEEKDAY HOLY LITURGIES (Masses)**

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 7am, 8.45am & 6pm. Wed 7am, **8.45am** & 5:30pm; 7pm (English Youth) Sat 7:30am & 6pm (Ar/Eng) **CONFESSIONS** 

Before and during Saturday 6pm and Sunday Masses or by appointment on weekdays

#### WEEKDAY DEVOTIONS

Rosary: Mon & Tues 8pm, Wed 6:30pm, Thurs 7:30pm Sun 6:30pm Divine Mercy followed by Rosary Fri 7:30pm

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# Light from the word COMMANDMENTS



In this last Sunday of the Season of the Resurrection we are given Jesus' New Commandment. Next week we commence the Season of Pentecost. For now let us focus on the teachings of Jesus.

We all know there are the Ten Commandments which outline the expectations and prohibitions. The greatest and first commandment in Ex 20:2-3 reads, 'I am the Lord your God... you shall have no other gods before me.' God was to be the one and only God in the people's lives.

Following from the Ten Commandments came the Great commandment found in the Jewish prayer the Shema. It reads in Dt 6:5, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.' This Great commandment called for more than just an acknowledgment of the One God. It asked for a loving relationship.

The Great commandment was taught alongside the second great commandment in Lev 19:17, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' There is a development of understanding here. One cannot love and worship God without truly reflecting that praise through relationship with others.

Then Jesus comes along and gives us a new commandment in Jn 13:34, 'That you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.' Here again we see a further development of understanding. It is no longer sufficient to believe in a God and to respect others. Christ has taught us that love is essential in our relationship with God and humanity. More so, it is unconditional love that we must practice. Only such love makes us truly children of the One God. Amen.

Sr Margaret Ghosn MSHF

# Saint Rita - Saint of the Impossible MAY 22



St. Rita was born at Spoleto, Italy in 1381. At an early age, she begged her parents to allow her to enter a convent. Instead they arranged a marriage for her.

Rita became a good wife and mother, but her husband was a man of violent temper.

In anger he often mistreated his wife. He taught their children his own evil ways.

Rita tried to perform her duties faithfully and to pray and receive the sacraments frequently.

After nearly twenty years of marriage, her husband was stabbed by an enemy but before he died, he repented because Rita prayed for him.

Shortly afterwards, her two sons died, and Rita was alone in the world. Prayer, fasting, penances of many kinds, and good works filled her days.

She was admitted to the convent of the Augustinian nuns at Cascia in Umbria, and began a life of perfect obedience and great charity.

Sister Rita had a great devotion to the Passion of Christ. "Please let me suffer like you, Divine Saviour," she said one day, and suddenly one of the thorns from the crucifix struck her on the forehead.

It left a deep wound which did not heal and which caused her much suffering for the rest of her life.

St Rita died on May 22, 1457. She is the patroness of impossible cases. Her feast day is May 22.

## Shepherd's Corner - in honour of our grandparents



Brothers and Sisters, Welcome to the seventh and final week of the Season of the Resurrection. Today we celebrate the pivotal meaning of our faith through the new commandment that our Lord gives us — "Love one another...just as I have loved you." If we take a moment to think about these words: Love one-another just as much as Jesus loved us. Are we able to do this? He loved us so much that He sacrificed His life for us. Are we able to sacrifice our lives for those we love? Our mothers and fathers sacrifice so much for us, husbands and wives sacrifice so much for each other and for their children, a priest sacrifices so much for his parish. But how can we love each other if

we don't love Him first and sacrifice of ourselves for Him. There are so many people that cannot afford to spend one hour with Him so that He can show them how much He loves them. They are more concerned about the material things about this world, the things that will not last. His love on the other hand will last forever.

Our grandparents are great examples of this love. When we think of our grandparents we think of the beautiful Lebanese saying: "there is no-one dearer than the child, other than the child of the child." We see this saying in action in our parish when we see the abundant love that grandparents have for their grandchildren. I remember from my childhood how much my own grandfather played a big role in my life. He was a very wise man from whom I learnt so much.

Pope Francis tells us that grandparents play a key role in the lives of the youth. Reflecting on his own experience with his grandmother, he says that when the hearts of our grandparents are free from "past resentments and present selfishness," they become attractive for the youth, "who hope to find in them a strong support in their faith and meaning for their lives." He specifically pointed to the importance of prayer for grandparents, in which they are able to thank the Lord for many blessings that would otherwise go unnoticed, and intercede for the needs and hopes of the youth. This purifying ability of faith and prayer can also help society to find "the wisest way to teach the young that the true meaning of life is found in self-sacrificing love and concern for others."

In our parish today we celebrate and Honour the life giving love of our Mothers and Grandmothers who truly manifest the commandment of our Lord by not only being examples but a living testimony to these words. No amount of thanks can exclaim the gratitude and love that we feel for them. No words can express exactly how much we love them. As I said last week, they teach us how to pray and how to communicate with God. Besides the gift of life, there is nothing on this earth that can be more valuable than this gift. Thank you for all that you do for your families, for your parish and for the world.

Don't forget to look out for everything that is happening in our parish. We are bustling with the Marian spirit in this blessed month through all the spiritual celebrations, home visits, faith formation talks and we will be emanating the fragrance of roses this Friday as we celebrate the feast of St Rita. I look forward to seeing you throughout the week.

Fr Tony Sarkis

#### Our Lady of Lebanon Co-Cathedral Adult Faith Formation Committee



**Adult Faith Formation** 

Recently we have formed an Adult Faith Formation committee. Father Yuhanna Azize is the Chaplain and the committee members are Theresa Simon, Joe Chiha, Rob Mourad, Christina Maksisi, Myrna Mokdassi and Mary Raffoul on behalf of the vouth.

The aim of the committee is to organize and promote talks, devotions and courses to promote faith formation for English speakers and to develop our own talented speakers within the Parish. The committee has organized a program for the coming three months and is also working on other initiatives including Monday night courses for the second half of the year. The Wednesday night talks follow the mid-week English Mass at 7pm. Together with the Parish Media committee we will also be recording and providing talks and other educational resources to encourage Parishioners in their faith.

We encourage your feedback and look forward to seeing you at the events.

#### 'Theotokos - Mary the God bearer' led by Sr Margaret

20 May – 8pm
In this month of Mary, Sister will explore themes relating to Mary through iconography.

#### Feast of Our Lady of Christians

25 May - 8pm

Rosary for persecuted Christians, followed by tea and coffee

#### "30 Pieces of Silver" - Sr Noelene Simmons sm

<u> 3 June – 8pm</u>

Sister is from the Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking of Humans. This talk will give you practical ways to help in the fight against human trafficking.

#### 'My Brother's Keeper" A testimony of two brothers.

24 June – 8pm

Pope Francis and more recently our Maronite Patriarch Boutros Bechara Al Rai have encouraged the gift of organ donation. This talk will be a testimony of Chahine Chahine and his brother Tony Chahine who gave him his kidney. They will be joined by Dr Sayék Khan.

#### Blessed Massabki Brothers Novena

1 - 9 July

Over 9 days, inspired by these great Maronite martyrs who were killed for there faith in Syria over 100 years ago, we will be praying for different countries in which Christians are persecuted each day.

### Tim Staples

2 July – 7.30pm

He really needs no introduction. More details to follow.

#### "A Biblical Search for the Eucharist" - Tony Mattar

15 July – 8pm

Our very own Tony will explore the biblical basis for the Eucharist and answer many of those questions you have been wondering about.

We have also developed our own committee prayer to be prayed before all our talks and together with you we pray:

Inspired by the words of St Ephrem, the harp of the Holy Spirit, we pray at this gathering, that the minds of the teacher and the hearers are enlightened by Christ's teaching. Like the pupil of the bear may the ears of the hearer be illuminated, for the voice to provide its rays of light.

Theresa Simon on behalf of the Adult Faith Formation Committee

## Fersen Al Adra-Knights of Mary



Fersen Al Adra originated in Lebanon, where young children gathered to learn about their faith. Fersen was brought to Australia and translates to 'Knights of Mary'. The Fersen are the youngest of the Marian Sodality within our church. Our aim is to gather our future leaders at a young age, to help educate them about the Maronite Catholic Tradition.

There are over 25 dedicated leaders of the Fersen that teach the children every Saturday from 1-3pm. At Our Lady of Lebanon we have a continuously growing number of Fersen children, this year there are over 250 Knights of Mary. The Fersen caters for kids from Kindergarten to Year 6.

Our leaders take time out of their busy lives to help prepare lessons and activities for the children. Our Fersen children are dedicated to learning about our faith. The children and leaders are consecrated to Mary and re-new their consecration every year during a special mass. They make a commitment to the Mother of Jesus, vowing to learn and live out the Fersen Laws. These include praying every day and committing to the Eucharist and mass every Sunday. The Fersen also commit to becoming knights of Mary and to live in purity, honesty and sacrifice.

The Fersen have many other activities other than lessons on Saturday. Every Monday the Fersen Leaders along with their Chaplain, Fr. Youhanna Khalife visit the Fersen Children in their homes with the Statue of Mary to pray the Rosary. The Fersen Leaders also organise other fun activities such as a family day retreat, rock-climbing day, processions and BBQ's.

Christina Maksisi



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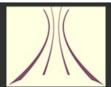


**OLOL Pastoral Council Meeting** held on Tuesday night.



#### **OLOL ANNUAL GALA - 19 JUNE 2015**





OUR LADY OF LEBANON **ANNUAL GALA** 

FRIDAY 19 JUNE 2015 AT 7PM

PROCEEDS FOR THE COMMUNITY, YOUTH & PASTORAL CENTRE

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#### **FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS & FUNERALS**

Sunday 17 May - SEVENTH SUNDAY OF RESURRECTION 9:00am 40 Day Edwar Abdou Ziade from Chwayfat-Beirut **11:00am** Mothers' Day Mass celebrated by His Excellency

Bishop Antoine-Charbel

40 Day Therese Kaysar Azzi widow of the late Joseph 5:00pm

Assaad Hatem from Jieh

#### **Monday 18 May**

10:00am Mtanios Gerges Al Boustani from Jieh

6:00pm Saiideh Tannous from Kobayat, widow of the late

Gergi Nehmetallah Khoury from Bekaakafra

#### **Tuesday 19 May**

Chekir (Shekrallah) Semaan ElBayeh from Kfardlakos 6:00pm

#### Wednesday 20 May

**10:00am** Evelyn Saliba widow of the late Toni Ayoub El hasayrati from Bann

#### **Thursday 21 May**

6:00pm 40 Day Salim Bou Salim

#### Friday 22 May

6:00pm St. Rita Feast Mass with the Blessing of the Roses, oil

and bread

#### Saturday 23 May

**6:00pm** Kabalan Daaboul from Diman (died in Lebanon)

#### Sunday 24 May - PENTECOST SUNDAY

11:00am 1 Year Michael Lahoud from Toula

5:00pm 40 Day Ibrahim Ghaleb from Mazraet El Nahr

#### قدّاسات الأسيوع

أبار: الأحد السابع من زمن القياماً

أربعون المرحوم أدوار عبدو زيد من الشويفات – بيروت قداس إحتفالي بمناسبة عيد الأم يترأسه سيادة المطران أنطوان شربل 9:30 11:00

5:00

أربعون المرحومة تريز قيصر قزي أرملة المرحوم جوزف أسعد حاتم من

#### الاثنين 18 أيار

10:00 دفن المرحوم مطانيوس جرجس البستاني من الجيّة 6.00 المرحومة سعيدة ضاهر طنوس من القبيّات أرملة المرحوم جرجي الخوري نعمة الله من بقاعكفرا

الثلاثاء 19 أيار 6:00 المرحوم شاكر سمعان البايع من كفرد لاقوس

#### الأربعاء 20 أبار

10:00 دفن المرحومة إفلين صليبا أرملة المرحوم طوني أيوب الحصيراتي من بان الخميس 21 أيار

أربعون المرجوم سليم حنّا بو سليم من الديمان

الجمعة 22 أيار

قداس إحتفالي بمناسبة عيد القديسة ريتا مع رتبة تبريك الورد، الزيت 6:00 والخبز

السبت 23 أيار

المبينة 23 البار 6:00 المرحوم قبلان دعبول من الديمان الأحد 24 أيار: أحد العنصرة 11:00 السنة للمرحوم مايكل لحود من تولا 5:00 أربعون المرحوم إبراهيم بطرس غالب من مزرعة النهر

#### FROM THE COMMUNITY YOUTH & PASTORAL CENTRE



#### Family & Adult Events

### Family Brunches

After 9.30am Sunday Masses
21June 2015 -1August 2015 - 11October 2015
6December 2015 - 31January 2016

Give an Extra Hour to God Volunteers needed for 11am Sunday Children's Liturgy fortnightly 10.30am -11.30am to help our children participate in the Sunday Liturgy of the Word. Contact Mons Shora 0418 969 844

Our Lady of Lebanon

40 Alice St Harris Park 2150 May 17, 2015 @ 11 am

For Tickets Call **02 9689 2899** 

\$25 \* 5 -15 Years old



#### Saint Rita Novena & Feast

Wed 13th May to Thurs 21st May
At St Patrick's Mass Centre - 32 Calliope St Guildford.
Starting at 7.30pm everyday except Tuesday at 8.15pm.

Celebrated on **Friday 22 May at 6pm** at OLOL Cathedral. For more information contact Danny Nouh on 0477008787.



### "Loved you then. Love you still."

Sun 16th August at 9.30am Mass Organised by OLOL family committee A Special recognition of couples

celebrating 5,10,15,20,25...years of marriage in 2015

If you fall into this category SMS Juliette on **0403 133 502**Registrations close on Sun 26th July 2015

dult Arabic classe Will be held next term

Whom ever would like to join

Please contact Margo on 0400 001 758

#### Youth Events

**Blood Donation** contact Myrna 0421677998 Nursing Home Visit contact Therese 0431792205 Youth Meeting TBA contact Maroun 0410656099

### MaroniteCare Services

Youth Drop in Recreation Room & Library & Study Centre open 10am – 10pm for Youth 18 & over. Under 18s only with adult supervision Homework Help for Students K-10 Tues 3:30pm - 6pm Bookings essential call Anthony Chidiac 0411 217 103

Counselling Services (English/ Arabic)
Nada Coorey-Psychologist provides confidential counselling to individuals and couples in her private consulting rooms. Her areas of specialisation include relationship difficulties, family/parenting and the treatment of Anxiety and Depression.

Mobile: 0434 642 509 Phone: 8840-9475.

MaroniteCare Counselling Service
For young people 12-18 years and their families.
Call Lina Ishac 0433 217 063 or Anthony Chidiac 0411 217 103
Email: counselling@maronitecare.org.au

Women's Well-being Office – Nelly—9689 2899
Natural Fertility Services We offer evening appointments.
For further info., please contact Nelly Azize 0430 332 888
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#### Diocesan Notice



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ولدت القديسة رينا سنة 1381، في إيطاليا. أرغمت على الزواج من رجل عذبها كثيرا في حياتها ورزقت منه بولدين. صلت كثيرا لتوبته، فتاب ولكن أصدقاءه قتلوه لما تخلى عنهم. لما علمت بقرار ولديها في الانتقام لأبيهما، صلت لكي يأخذهما الله إليه فلا يرتكبان خطيئة القتل. واستجاب الله لصلاتها.

عندها، قررت الدخول إلى دير راهبات مار أغوسطينوس. قضت حياتها الرهبانية بالصلاة والصوم وشاركت المسيح في آلامه إذ غُرزت شوكة خفية في جبينها. توفيت سنة 1457 في كاسيا، وظهرت الشوكة على جبينها بشكل جوهرة. ونظراً لكثرة العجائب التي أفضها الله على طالبي شفاعتها نادى بها الشعب قديسة قبل أن تثبت الكنيسة قداستها ولما تكاثرت الخوارق التي جرت بعد موتها قررت السلطة الكنسية و المدنية معاً وضع جثمانها في محل لائق معروضاً في تابوت من السرو مكشوفاً وكان الله قد حفظه من كل فساد وينضح رائحة لذيذة و هكذا وضع في المصلى داخل الدير تحت مذبح العذراء و بقى مكرماً على هذه الحالة حتى سنة 1595 حيث نقلوه إلى الكنيسة وبعد سنوات احترق هذا التابوت بسبب شمعة مضاءة



وقعت عليه ولكن جسم القديّسة لم تمسه النار بأى أذي والأعجب في هذا الجسم هو انه من حين إلى أخر يتحرك الجسم بأنواع مختلفة.

أن دعوى التطويب و تثبيت القداسة تبرهن عن هذا باثباتات راهنة و شواهد مثبتة من 1626إلى 1900 ففي سنة 1628 منح قداسة الباب اوربانوس الثامن ريتا شرف الطوباوية وفي عام 1900منحها قداسة البابا لاون الثالث عشر لقب قديسة وبعد أن فحصت العجائب فحصاً غاية في التدقيق نظم لها قداس خاص و صلوات عديدة إكرامها وعين الثاني و العشرون من شهر أيار في كل سنة عيداً لها. فلتكن شفاعتها معنا دائماً

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## أحبب الرب إلهك من كل قلبك وأحبب قريبك كنفسك

إخوتي الأحباء وكأن يسوع يختم تعاليمه بتعليم خاص و وصية جديدة هي المحبة. لكن من يقرأ الكتاب المقدس ويفهمه ويبحث عمًا جاء فيه من تعاليم قد يستغرب هذا الكلام لأن الكتاب المقدس يتكلم كثيراً عن المحبة ويعتبرها محور الإيمان بالله.



فمن يقرأ قانون الإيمان العبري يعرف إنه يرتكز على محبة الله: "أحبب الرب الهك من كل قلبك وبكل نفسك وبكل قوتك" (تث6: 5) ويُذكر أن أحد المعلمين اليهود كان في زمن الرب يسوع وكان يقول إنّ التوراة تتلخص بالعبارة التالية: "أحبب الرب إلهك من كل قلبك وأحبب قريبك كنفسك".

هذه العبارة ينسبها الكثير من الناس الى يسوع ولكن في الحقيقة أعطاها الرب جواباً عندما سئلَ عن خلاصة الشريعة والأنبياء. إذاً يسوع بهذه العبارة يُلخِّص ما قيل قبله من دون زيادة أو نقصان.

لقد كان حبّ القريب في العهد القديم تعبيراً عن محبة الإنسان لله وثمرة إيمانه به، أما مع يسوع فحب القريب هو الإيمان بعينه، وهنا أسمح لنفسي أن أقول إنّ حبّ الله في العهد الجديد يصبح ثمرة لحبّ القريب.

وهنا لا بد أن نتذكر قول يوحنا في رسالته الأولى: "إذا قال أحد إنّي أحب الله وهو يبغض أخاه كان كاذباً لأن الذي لا يحب أخاه وهو يراه لا يستطيع أن يحب الله وهو لا يراه." (1 يو 20: 42)

إذاً حُبّ القريب في العهد الجديد هو جوهر الإيمان. ويؤكد يسوع على هذا بقوله: "بهذا يعرف الجميع أنكم تلاميذي إن كان فيكم حُب بعضكم لبعض". من هنا تصبح هذه المحبة "هويّة" الإنسان المسيحي، فبالمحبة نُعرف وبدونها لسنا بمسيحيين. ونلاحظ أيضاً أنّ يسوع يطلق هذه الوصية في معرض كلامه عن تمجيده لله الذي سيتمّ على الصليب. فكما يمجّد المسيح الآب بالصليب هكذا يمجد المسيحي الله بالمحبة.

في النهاية تبقى المحبة فضيلة سامية بسمو الله لأن الله محبة. لكن للأسف أصبحت المحبة اليوم مبتذلة. فكلما النقينا بإنسان أقول له حبيبي، وكلما احتاج إنسان إلى شيء من شخص آخر سعى اليه تحت شعار المحبة. وأبعد من ذلك فالمحبّة تطلب مني المغفرة حتى للأعداء وأما نحن فماذا نفعل؟ ألا نرد الكيل كيلين؟ ومن ضربنا على خدنا ألا نقطع له يده؟ ومن مسّ كرامتنا ألا نهرق دماءه؟

لقد عُرف المسيحيين في أنطاكيا ودعوا بهذا الإسم (مسيحيين) لأنهم تميزوا بمحبتهم لبعض، أما اليوم فالعكس صحيح فعندما ترى اثنين متخاصمين أو جماعةٍ منقسمة على بعضها أو إخوة مبعدين عن البيت الأبوي، عندها نتأكد أنهم مسييحيون !!!!!!

و بعد المسلح المسلح بسلم و مور البديل على قدر الوصية والمسؤولية التي سلّمنا إياها المسلح؟ ألا يجب أن نبدأ حياتنا المسلحيّة من جديد؟ إخوتي هلّا عدنا الى ذواتنا وتفحصناها؟ هل نحن على قدر الوصية والمسؤولية التي سلّمنا إياها المسلح؟ ألا يجب أن نبدأ حياتنا المسلحيّة من جديد؟ فماذا تنتظر إذاً لتسير في طريق المحبة؟

#### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

Lord, may all the faithful departed whom we entrust to Your care, be held securely in Your Loving embrace for all eternity especially those we Pray for:



(A) All departed souls, Fr Elias Ayoub, Antoun Azar, All the lost souls, Hanna Antoun, All the departed, Michael Anjoul (B) Raymond, Hanne & Charbel Bazouni, Joseph Saad Boutros, Sobhi & Saudie Bazouni and their departed, Debi Boumelhem, Hanneh Abboud Becharra (C) (D) (E) Tony El Rahi, Tannous & Chmouni El Housen, Youssef & Hani El Housen and their children (F) (G) Colleen Madeline George, Helen George, Majid George, Youssef Salim El Khoury Gebrael (H) Madeline & Paul Haddad and son Joseph, Anis Haddad, Maurice & Martha Jamil Haddad, Youssef & Amina Hallal and their children (I) Leila Ishac, Tansa & Thouraya Ishah and their departed, Julia & Tony Ishac (K) Naim & George Khattar, Hani Khouboura (J) (L) Peter Lichaa and his wife Marie, Youssef Lichaa, Simon & Hannah Licha, Peter Loulach (M) Anthony Mamah Moses and Moses Family, Arthur (Otre) Moses, Elias Barbar Moussa, Boutros & Johra Moussa, John Toufic Merhi, Youssef & Ghousoub Maroun, Ghantous Jabbour Mikhael and his wife Jamile, Youssef & Licha Malkoun, Malvina & Hined Malkoun, Rabieha Moussa (N) Jamil, Badwi, Hasna & Yasmine Ndaira, Abed Almassih Naoum (R) Milia Bou Raidan, Jamil & Labibi Roumanus, Raymond & Etour Romanos and their son Joseph, Rouhana & Elaine Rahme, Raphael & Wajiha Rahme, Elie Saba Rahme (S) Boutros Kozhaya Sassine, Joseph John Saad & his wife Marie, Souls in Purgatory, Houda Raphael Saleh, Youseff Serhan, Marina Hanna Semaan (T) (W) Jamil & Barbara Wehbe (Y) (Z)

### الحوار والمصالحة والمغفرة هي الحجارة اللازمة من أجل بناء السلام

"السلام لا يعني غياب الحرب" بهذه الكلمات استقبل البابا فرنسيس يوم أمس الاثنين تلامذة المدارس الإيطالية المشاركين في مبادرة "مصنع السلام" حاثًا إياهم على ضرورة العمل من أجل بنيان السلام مشيرًا الى أنّ "السلام ليس سلعة يمكن إنتاجها في المصنع بل إنها حرفة يدوية إذا جاز التعبير تُبنى يومًا فيومًا من خلال العمل والحياة ومحبة الآخرين والقرب منهم" بحسب ما أفاد موقع فاتيكان إنسايدر.



وأضاف البابا في حديثه الى الطلاب: "عندما لا نحب بعضنا بعضًا وعندما نغار ونحسد ونبخل ونستملكك ما للآخرين يزول السلام". وأشار البابا الى أنّ كل عمل يقود الى السلام مثل الحرص على عدم ترك أطفال جائعين

وأطفال مرضى من دون رعاية أو علاج، يساعد على أن يعمّ الفرح والصداقة بين الجميع ثم ركّز على أنّ في غياب العدالة غياب للسلام.

وفسر البابا معنى كلمة "مصنع" التي يشار اليها "بمصنع السلام" وقال بأنّ كلمة مصنع توحي بأنّه علينا أن نصنع السلام بحكمة وحزم. "علينا أن نبدأ من عالمنا الخاص لنصنع السلام أي في البيئات التي نعيش فيها في حياتنا اليومية مثل العائلة والمدرسة وقاعة الرياضة والرعية..." وأما عن البالغين والمؤسسات الخاصة بالتربية فحثّ البابا على ضرورة الوعي من أجل تربية الأطفال والشباب على القيم الحقيقية مشيرًا الى أنّ كل مبادرة يقوم بها هؤلاء الأطفال هي خطوة نحو بنيان السلام.

كذلك شدد البابا على ضرورة الحوار من خلال تخطي الخلافات الصغيرة قائلاً: "إنّ الحوار والمصالحة والمغفرة هي الحجارة اللازمة من أجل بناء السلام". ولم ينسَ في نهاية حديثه مع طلاب "مصنع السلام" أن يفكّر في المسيحيين الذين يُطردون من بيوتهم ويقتلون لمجرّد أنهم مسيحيين مؤكدًا بأنّ السلام هو هبة من الله علينا أن نسألها من خلال الصلاة "إنّ للسلام وجهًا وقلبًا وهما وجه وقلب يسوع ابن الله الذي مات على الصليب وقام ليهب الحياة لكل رجل وامرأة".

البابا فرنسيس

### تدعونا الكنيسة اليوم

إنّه الأحد الأخير من زمن الفصح وهو الأحد الوحيد في هذا الزمن الّذي لا يروي الإنجيل فيه ظهوراً ليسوع القائم من بين الأموات.

• في الرسالة إلى أهل أفسس، نتأمّل في دعوة المسيحيّين إلى القداسة.

•أمّا في إنجيل يوحنًا، فيحتّنا الربّ يسوع على المحبّة كسبيل للشهادة له بين النّاس.

تدعونا الكنيسة إذاً، في هذا الأحد، إلى "نفض" نفوسنا والانطلاق في مسيرة المحبّة التي بها نؤكّد انتماءنا للمسيح يسوع وبها نشهد له في كلّ آنٍ ومكان نحلّ فيه.

Month of May 2015 - Mary Home Visits			
	GROUP 1		
	Mon 18th May 15	Therese Kizana	3 Happ Street, Auburn
	Tue 19th May 15	Joelle & Maroun Maroun	29 Hampdon Road, South Wentworthville
	Wed 20th May 15	Sandra Georges	8 Tara Street, Merrylands
	Thu 21st May 15	Rita Nassif	37 Montrose Avenue, Merrylands
	Fri 22nd May 15	George & Norma Maroun	25 Cusack Street, Merrylands
	Sat 23rd May 15	Theresa Coorey	35 Rousehill Street, Parramatta
	Sun 24th May 15	Manouche Roumanos	41 Prospect Street, Rosehill
	GROUP 2		
	Sun 17th May 15	Australian Kfarzghab Asso	c OLOL Church - Bottom Car Park
	Mon 18th May 15	Evette Nehmeh	6 Lena Place, Merrylands
	Tue 19th May 15	Hindie Younes	207 Robertson Street. Guildford East
	Wed 20th May 15	Josephine Hassrouni	8 Chouwne Place, Yennora
	Thu 21st May 15	Charbel & Elmaze Bazoun	i 39 Morris Street, Merrylands
	Fri 22nd May 15	Steven Rizk	5 Rochle Place, Merrylands West
	Sat 23rd May 15	St Raymond Charity of Hadc	hit 13 Jamieson Street, Granville



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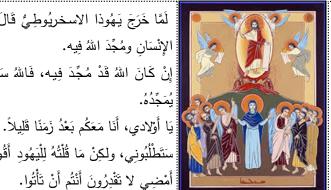
### الأحد السابع من زمن القيامة

يا إِخْوَتِي، أَنَا أَيْضًا، وقَدْ سَمِعْتُ بإِيْمَانِكُم بالرَبّ يَسُوع، ومَحَبَّتِكُم لِجَمِيع الإخْوَة القِدِّيسِين، لا أَزَالُ أَشْكُرُ اللهَ مِنْ أَجْلِكُم، وأَذْكُرُكُم في صلَواتِي، لِيُعْطِيكُمْ إلهُ رَبِّنَا يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيح، أَبُو الْمَجْد، رُوحَ الْحِكْمَةِ والوَحْي في مَعْرِفَتِكُم لَهُ، فَيُنِيرَ عُيُونَ قُلُوبِكُم، لِتَعْلَمُوا مَا هُوَ رَجَاءُ دَعْوَتِهِ، ومَا هُوَ غِنَى مَجْدِ مِيراثِهِ في القِدِّيسِين، ومَا هِيَ عَظَمَةُ قُدْرَتِهِ الفَائِقَةِ مِنْ أَجْلِنَا، نَحْنُ الْمُؤْمِنِين، بِحَسَبِ عَمَل عِزَّة قُوَّتِهِ، الَّذي عَمِلَهُ في الْمَسِيح، إِذْ أَقَامَهُ مِنْ بَيْنِ الأَمْوَات، وأَجْلَسَهُ إلى يَمِينِهِ في السَّمَاوَات، فَوقَ كُلِّ رِيَّاسَةِ وسُلْطَان وقُوَّةِ وسِيَادَة، وكُلِّ اسْمٍ مُسَمَّى، لا في هذَا الدّهْرِ وحَسْبُ، بَلْ في الآتي أَيْضًا؛ وأَخْضَعَ كُلَّ شَيءٍ تَحْتَ قَدَمَيْه، وجَعَلَهُ فَوْقَ كُلِّ شَيء، رَأْسًا لِلكَنِيسَة، وهِيَ جَسَدُهُ ومِلْؤُهُ، هُوَ الَّذِي يَمْلأُ الكُلَّ في الكُلِّ.

الر ساله

### أف ۱ : ۱۵ – ۲۳

لا نتسوا إحضار قناني مياه للتبريك



قراءات الأحد القادم أحد العنصرة أع ۲ : ۱ – ۲۱ يو ۱۶ : ۱۵ – ۲۰

# الأحد القادم هو أحد العنصرة

### صلاة الأسبوع

یو ۱۳: ۳۱ – ۳۵

الانجيل

لَمَّا خَرَجَ يَهُوذا الاسخريُوطِئُ قَالَ يَسُوع: "أَلآنَ مُجِّدَ ابْنُ

إِنْ كَانَ اللهُ قَدْ مُجِّدَ فِيه، فَاللهُ سَيُمَجِّدُهُ فِي ذَاتِهِ، وحَالاً

سَتَطْلُبُوني، ولكِنْ مَا قُلْتُهُ لِلْيَهُودِ أَقُولُهُ لَكُمُ الآن: حَيْثُ أَنَا

بهذَا يَعْرِفُ الجَمِيعُ أَنَّكُم تَلامِيذِي، إِنْ كَانَ فيكُم حُبُّ

وَصِيَّةً جَديدَةً أُعْطِيكُم، أَنْ تُحِبُّوا بَعْضُكُم بَعْضًا.

أَجَل، أَنْ تُحِبُّوا بَعْضُكُم بَعْضًا كَمَا أَنَا أَحْبَيْتُكُم.

أَمْضِي لا تَقْدِرُونَ أَنْتُم أَنْ تَأْتُوا.

إ بَعْضِكُم لِبَعْض"

نشكرك أيّها المسيح، لأنّه كما تمجّدتَ بالقيامة، أنت اليوم مَجّدتنا بِتناولنا جسدك المقدّس، ووَحدتنا بك ومع بَعضنا، نشكرك لأنّك أحببتنا، وبمَحبّتك لنا علّمتنا كيف نحبّ بعضنا بعضًا،

نشكرك على وجودك الذي أوجدنا وأعطى معنّى لِوُجودنا، نشكرك على حكمتك التي ترفع البُرقُعَ عن عيوننا والغشاوة عن قلوبنا، فنَعرف رجاء دعوتك وغنى مجد ميراتك، نشكرك على كنيستك، التي أنت رأسها وبِرَحمتك جعلتنا أعضاءً بها،

> لك الشكر أيها الآب والابن والروح القدس، من الآن والى الأبد. آمين!

## شهر مريمي مبارك



# "أم الله إتّحدت عقليًا بالله بدوام الصلاة والتأمل وفتحت طريقًا نحو ا<mark>لسماء جديدًا"</mark>

من اقوالهم

~القديس اغريغوريوس~

### قدّاسات يوم الأحد

كاتدرائية سيدة لبنان – هاريس بارك 8:00 (عربي)، 9:30 (إنكليزي)، 11:00 (عربي، إنكليزي)، 5:00 (عربي، إنكليزي)، 7:00 (إنكليزي) مركز قداس 6:00 ب. ظ. في كنيسة سانت باتريك، غيلدفورد (عربي، إنكليزي)

### قدّاسات الأسبوع

الإثنين - الجمعة 7:00، 8.45 صباحاً و 6:00 مساءً، الأربعاء 8.45،7:00 صباحاً و 5:30؛ 7:00 مساءً (انكليزي) السبت 7:30 صباحاً و 6:00 مساءً الإعترافات

> مؤمنة قبل وخلال قداس السبت الساعة 6:00 مساءً وقدّاسات الأحد أو بتحديد موعد خلال أيام الأسبوع ساعات السجود

كل يوم خميس 8:00 – 9:00 مساءً 24 ساعة سجود أمام القربان: كل أول جمعة من الشهر من الساعة 9:30 صباحاً لغاية السبت 7:30 صباحاً