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Sunday, November 17, 2024 – 9th Sunday After the Holy Cross

Epistle: 5:8-19 (Mirna Marji) + Gospel: Luke 10:25-37-

The Divine Liturgy will be offered for the repose of the soul of ✠ **Carmen Balesh** (Alicia Antous) ✠ **Clara Kane** (Michel & Hala Hourani); ✠ **Elias Taweh** (St. Ann Parish); ✠ **Lafi Khoury** (Farid & Laila Khouri and Family) *and for the health and salvation of* **Selim & Linda Noujaim** (St. Ann Parish); **Loretta DeLuca** (St. Ann Parish)

The Great Doxology (p. 1): *Glory to your, O Giver of Life, glory to God in the highest...*

Troparion Following the Great Doxology: Today Salvation has come to the World: let us sing to Him Who is risen from the tomb, the Author of Life, for He has crushed death by His death and bestowed upon us victory and abundant mercy.

Antiphon (Psalm 65: 1, 2, 3) (p. 15)

1: Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth, and sing praise to his name.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

2: Say to God: How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies cringe before you.

Be shafa'ati Walidatil Eelah, ya Mukhallisu, khallisna.

3: Let all the earth worship you and sing praises to you; let it sing praises to your name, O Most High!

Tes presvee tees Theotokou, Soter, soston imas

The Incarnational Hymn (p. 18): O Only-begotten Son and Word of God...

Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 1) (p. 21): After the stone was sealed by the Jews...

Troparion of Saint Ann (p. 30): O divinely wise Ann...

Kontakion of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin (p.142): The most pure Temple of our Holy Savior...

Prokimenon: May your kindness, O Lord, be upon us, for we have hoped in You.

Stichon: Exult, you just, in the Lord; praise from the upright is fitting.

Epistle: Eph 5:8-19: Brethren, walk as children of light (for the fruit of the spirit is in all virtue and holiness and truth), testing what is well pleasing to the Lord, and have nothing to do with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them. For of the things that are done by people in secret, it is shameful even to speak; but all things that are exposed are made manifest by the light: for all that is made manifest is light. Thus, there is a saying: Awake, sleeper, and arise from among the dead, and Christ will enlighten you. (Is.26: 19) See to it, therefore, brethren, that you walk with care, not as unwise but as wise, making the most of your time, because the days are evil. Do not become foolish, then, but understand what is the Lord's will. And do not be drunk with wine, for in that is wantonness; but be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and chanting in your hearts to the Lord.

Alleluia: O God, you granted me retribution and made peoples subject to me, and saved me from my raging enemies.

Stichon: Therefore, I will proclaim you, O Lord, among the nations, and I will sing praise to your name.

Gospel: Luke 12:16-21 & 8:8: The Lord told this parable: "The land of a certain rich man brought forth abundant crops. And he began to consider, saying, 'What shall I do, for I have no room to store my crops?' And he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store up all my grain and my

goods. And I will say to my soul, ‘Soul, you have many good things laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be merry.’ But God said to him, ‘You fool, this very night, you must give up your life; and the things you have provided, whose will they be?’ So is the man who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich as regards God.” After He had said this, He cried out, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

St. Ann Prayer List: *Please remember in your prayers the suffering handmaids and servants of God:* Marilyn Baiad, Khouria Simone Bustros, Robert Cheble, Paul Davis, Loretta DeLuca, Nicholas & Elsie Fatse, Abraham Fattouh, Karen Fattouh, Michael Haddad; Daniel Jowdy; Madelyn Madkour, Mariam Marji, Stephen McGrath, George Michael, Jillian Michalenko, Josephine Nassif, William Michael, Linda Noujaim, Doreen Parrella, Victoria Scalora, Gregory Sideleau, Claire Sirgy, and Alfonso & Laurene de la Vega.

Happy Birthdays to Selim & Linda Noujaim. May God grant you many years in peace, health, and happiness.

Bishop’s Annual Appeal is underway. Please consider a gift to help fund operations, foster vocations, strengthen parish and diocesan infrastructure, assist in forming our children and youth, support retired clergy, and meet the many other obligations of the diocese. Online donation link: <https://flocknote.com/melkite-bishops-appeal/>

Parish Council & Finance Council: Both councils will meet jointly at **6:00 pm on Tuesday, November 19, 2024.** All parishioners are welcome to attend.

November 21st, the Feast of the Presentation of the Virgin in the Temple, is a day of liturgical obligation for Melkite Catholics. Vespers will be celebrated on November 20 at 5pm and Divine Liturgy on the feast at 5 pm.

The Tabernacle Society will meet in the church hall on **Tuesday, Nov. 26, 2024, at a time TBD** to discuss plans for the annual Christmas Concert, select a date for the Spring Hafli, schedule and plan the parish Christmas party, and decide on Valentine’s Day event.

Thanksgiving Day, November 28, 2024: Divine Liturgy at 9:00 am.

The Christmas Concert, featuring The Larry Deming String Quartet: Sunday, December 22 @ 6 pm

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Sunday, November 24, 2024 – 13th Sunday After Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Epistle: Eph 6:10-17 (Nabil Takla) + Gospel: Luke 18: 18-28

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Sunday Collections:

10/20/2024	10/27/2024	11/3/2024	11/10/2024
Reg: \$815	Reg: \$2,337	Reg: \$1137	Reg: \$875
Memorials: \$35	Spec Proj: \$292	Fuel & Elec: \$113	Spec Proj: \$30
Spec Proj: \$5	World Mission: \$100		Fuel & Elec: \$60
World Mission: \$10	Memorials: \$630		

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Upcoming Events: Sun, 11/17: Divine Liturgy with Bishop François @ 10 am
 Sun, 11/17: Selim & Linda Noujaim Birthday Celebration/Luncheon following Liturgy
 Tues, 11/19: Parish and Finance Council & BOD meeting @ 6 pm
 Wed, 11/20: Vespers for the Feast @ 5 pm
 Thurs, 11/21: Divine Liturgy for the Feast @ 5 pm
 Tues, 11/26: Tabernacle Society, time TBD.
 Thurs, 11/28: Divine Liturgy for Thanksgiving Day @ 9 am