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Sunday, March 9, 2025 - Sunday of Orthodoxy
Commemoration of the Forth Holy Martyrs of Sebastea
Epistle: Hebrews: 12:1–10 (*Nabil Takla*); **Gospel:** John 1:43-51

The Divine Liturgy will be offered for the repose of the soul of ✠Edmond & Agnes Riachy (Hoda Riachy); ✠Leila Azzi (Joseph & Therese Hanna); ✠Takla Hage (Frederick & Randa Antous); ✠Carmen Balesh (Nicholas & Barbara Borrello); ✠Clara Kane (Michel & Hala Hourani) **and for the health and salvation of Pope Francis** (St. Ann Parish); **Louise Ryan Perrine** (St. Ann Parish); **Sister Victoria Michalenko** (Birthday) (St Ann Parish)

The Great Doxology (Hymnal p. 97): Glory to you, O Giver of Life, glory to God in the highest...

Troparion After 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 Prayer: O Christ God, you condescended to be incarnate, taking the form of a slave. You became like one of us by the body to make us participants in your glorious likeness. Wherefore we paint your image on icons, and we honor it by mouth and heart asking for the grace to be healed by its power. For it belongs to you to have mercy on us and to heal us, O Christ God, and to you we render glory, thanksgiving and worship, and to your Eternal Father, and your all-holy, good and life-giving Spirit, now and always and forever and ever.

Antiphon:

1- The Lord is King, in splendor robed; robed is the Lord and girt about with strength.

O Son of God, who are risen from the dead, save us who sing to You, Alleluia

2- Who can tell the mighty deeds of the Lord, or proclaim all his praises?

Khallisna Ya-Bnallah, Ya Man qama min baynil-amwaat, nahnun muranneemeena Laka. Haleloueya.

3- Thus let the redeemed of the Lord say, those whom He has redeemed from the hand of the foe.

O Son of God, who are risen from the dead, save us who sing to You, Alleluia

SPECIAL INSTRUCTION: *Procession of the Holy Icons will take place during the Little Entrance. Please assemble during the chanting of the Antiphon*

The Incarnational Hymn: O Only begotten Son and Word of God, immortal as you are ...

Resurrectional Troparion (Tone 1) (Hymnal p. 1): After the stone was sealed by the Jews ...

Troparion of the Icons (Hymnal p. 202): Before your most pure image we bow in worship, O good Lord...

Troparion of Martyrs (Hymnal p. 66): Regard the sufferings which your holy martyrs have endured...

Troparion of St. Ann (Hymnal p. 187): O divinely wise Ann, you carried in your womb the pure Mother of God...

Lenten Kontakion (Hymnal p. 106): Triumphant Leader to you belongs our prize of victory! And since you saved us...

Prokimenon: You, O Lord, will keep us and preserve us always from this generation.

Stichon: Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any holy man, for truthfulness has vanished from among the children of men.

Epistle: Hebrews: 12:1-10: Brethren, let us also, have such a cloud of witnesses over us, put away every encumbrance and the sin entangling us, and run with patience to the fight set before us; looking towards the author and the fulfiller of faith, Jesus, who, instead of the joy set before him, endured the cross, despising shame, and sits at the right hand of God's throne. Consider, then, the one who suffer such opposition from sinners against him, so that you may not grow weary and lose heart. For you have not yet resisted to the point of bloodshed in the struggle against sin; and you have forgotten the extortion addressed to you as sons, which says, "my son, neglect not the Lord's discipline, neither be weary when you are rebuked by him for when the Lord loves he chastises; and he scourges every son he receives." (Prv. 3:11, 12). Continue under discipline. God deals with you as with sons; for is there any son his father does not, correct? But if you are without discipline, in which

all have had a share, then you are illegitimate children, and not sons. Furthermore, we had fathers of our flesh to correct us, and we respected them. Shall we not much more obey the Father of spirits and have life? They indeed corrected us for a few days, as they saw fit; but he, for our benefit, that we may share his holiness.

Alleluia: Shout joyfully to God, all you earth, sing praise to the glory of his name, proclaim his glorious praise.

Stichon: For, you have tested us, O God, you have tried us as silver is tried by fire.

Gospel: John 1:43-51: At that time Jesus was about to leave for Galilee, and he found Philip. And Jesus said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the town of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found the one of whom Moses in the Law and the Prophets wrote, Jesus the son of Joseph of Nazareth." And Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him and said of him, "Look, a true Israelite in whom there is no guile!" Nathanael said to him, "Where do you know me from?" Jesus answered him and said to him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered him and said, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God, you are King of Israel." Answering, Jesus said to him, "Because I said to you that I saw you under the fig tree, you believe. Greater things than these shall you see." And he said to him, "Amen, amen, I say to you, you shall see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Hirmos (Hymnal p. 111): In you, O Full of Grace, all creation rejoices, the orders of angels and the human race as well...

St. Ann Prayer List: Please remember in your prayers the suffering handmaids and servants of God: George Ayoub, Marilyn Baiad, Nicholas Baiad, Anne Goebel, Paul Davis, Nicholas & Elsie Fatse, Abraham Fattouh, Karen Fattouh, Michael Haddad; Daniel Jowdy; Madelyn Madkour, George Michael, Jillian Michalenko, Linda Noujaim, Doreen Parrella, Louise Ryan Perrine, Victoria Scalora, Gregory Sideleau, Claire Sirgy, Alfonso & Laurene de la Vega, and Paloma Velez.

Lent Service Schedule

All services at 5:00 pm (Note New Time)

Flower donations for Akathist are now being accepted.

Monday - Great Compline

Wednesday - Presanctified Liturgy

Friday - Akathist Hymn

The Tabernacle Society will meet on Tuesday, March 11 @ 6:30 pm to select a date for a spring Hafli (preliminary suggestion is Saturday, May 3). This is a parish wide assembly. Please make every effort to attend.

Lent Film Series: Sundays of Great Lent at 11:30 am (in lieu of Coffee Hour). Beginning this Sunday, March 9, followed by discussion and a potluck meal.

- **3.9.25: I Confess**, Hitchcock's classic 1953 film noir
- **3.16.25: A Man for All Seasons**, winner of 6 Academy Awards including Best Picture, Best Director & Best Actor
- **3.23.25: Central Station**, Academy Award for Best Actress & Best Foreign Language Film
- **3.30.25: Peanut Butter Falcon**, an unheard of 95% critics approval and 96% audience approval on Rotten Tomatoes
- **4.6.25: The Mission**, Winner of the Palme d'Or at the Cannes Film Festival; nominated for 7 Academy Awards

Sunday, March 16, 2025 - Sunday of the Holy Relics

Epistle: Hebrews 1:10-2:4 (*Hala Hourani*); **Gospel:** Mark 2:1-12

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Sunday Collections:

2/9/2025	2/16/2025	2/23/2025	3/2/2025
Reg: \$880	Reg: \$775	Reg: \$956	Reg: \$1,415
Spec. Proj: \$20	Spec. Proj: \$271	Clergy Ret: \$10	Fuel/Elec: \$330
Clergy Ret: \$40	Memorials: 200	Spec. Proj: \$10	Easter flowers: \$55
Fuel/Elec: \$200		Xmas & Flowers: \$30	Fundraising: \$4,359
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