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Sunday, Feb. 23, 2025

Sunday of Meat Fare

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Liturgy Intentions

Sun. Feb. 23, 2025. Sunday of Meat Fare.

9:30 AM:

PHS Sahra Jouki by Yvette & Michel Mhanna.
 Good Health of Fr. Alexei Wolternist.
 +Jean Saroufim (Memorial Service) by his Family.
 +Joseph Botaish by Ann Botaish & Family.
 +Jean Wagner (7Yrs.) by the Hamway Family. ✝
 +Robert Gamel by Ronald & Geraldine Gamel.
 +Archbishop Joseph Tawil.
 +Fr. Elias Akel.
 +Dn. Joseph Daratony (Michigan).

11:30 AM:

PHS Sahra Jouki by Yvette & Michel Mhanna.
 +Nabil Saad by George & Mona Chahine.
 +Jean Saroufim by William & Eileen Meckenzie.
 +Btlm Astlianids & +Costy Khoukaz by Mona Bekandi.
 +Thérèse ElKhoury by her Family.
 +Ibrahim Bitar by Nuhad El Eid & Family.
 +Abdul-Karim Rafeq by his Family.
 +Fr. Philip K. Sayegh.
 +Fr. Athanasius Simon.

Wed. Feb. 26, 2025.

7:00 PM: Divine Liturgy. ✝

Sat. March 1, 2025.

5:00 PM: Vespers.

Sun. March 2, 2025. Sunday of Cheese-Fare.

9:30 AM:

PHS Sahra Jouki by Yvette & Michel Mhanna.
 Good Health of Fr. Alexei Wolternist. ✝
 +Lillian Dolabany by her Family.
 +Joseph Botaish by Ann Botaish & Family.
 +Robert Gamel by Janice & Samuel Attaya.
 +Dn. Joseph Daratony (Michigan).
 +Fr. Elie Antoun.

11:30 AM:

PHS Sahra Jouki by Yvette & Michel Mhanna.
 +Salimeh & +Nicholas Homsy by their Family.
 +Nabil Saad by Ghassan & Alissar Audi.
 +Jean Saroufim by Mario Mansour.
 +Btlm Astlianids & +Costy Khoukaz by Mona Bekandi.
 +Thérèse ElKhoury by her Family.
 +Ibrahim Bitar by Nuhad El Eid & Family.
 +Fr. Philip Azoon. ✝

Sunday Readings: 1Tim. 4:9-15 Lk. 19:1-10

Please pray for the health and divine protection of

Tony Abdi, Michele Domaney, Elizabeth Higgins, Saleem Ghazaleh, Daniel Jabbour, Harry McKannon, Teresa Mattar, Theresa Quinn, Jim Reardon, Edward Rezek, Maggie Rosenthal.

Parish Financial Support Feb. 16, 2025

(Weekly donations needed for budget: \$3,000)

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| Candles: | \$ | 119.00 |
| 9:30 Liturgy: | \$ | 787.00 |
| 11:30 Liturgy: | \$ | 475.00 |
| Baptism: | \$ | -.00 |
| Mail: | \$ | 1,360.00 |
| Memorials & Lit. Int. : | \$ | 600.00 |
| Total: | \$ | 3,222.00 |

Many thanks to all of you for your weekly contributions. We depend greatly on your steady stewardship. God bless you for your generous support.



The Sanctuary Lamp
 Keeps vigil this week for
 Peace in the World

Saturday of the Dead

We will observe the Saturday of the Dead with a Vigil Divine Liturgy and Memorial Service on this Friday, February 21, at 7 pm. You may write the names of your departed on a piece of paper and place the paper on the Memorial Table. We will pray for those departed souls.



+**Salwa (Samaha) Zarzour**, the sister of our parishioner Ghassan Samaha, passed away in Lebanon on Feb. 8, 2025. We extend our condolences to all her family and children in USA and abroad.

Her 40 Day Memorial Service will be on March 16, 2025 at 11:30 AM Liturgy.

May Her Memory be Eternal

Spiritual Evening

There will be a Spiritual Evening and discussion on Tuesday, February 25 at 7 PM in the Function Room of the Hall. All are welcome. The event is sponsored by Remember Me in Your Kingdom.

Father Marwan Away

On February 3 Father Marwan left to visit his parents in the Emirates for 3 weeks. We wish him good travels and a good visit with his family. He will be back on the 1st week of March.

Weekly Liturgy Schedule

Sunday:

Orthros 8:45 a.m.

Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday:

Divine Liturgy 7:00 p.m.

Saturday:

Vespers 5:00 p.m.

Feast Days:

Great Vespers: 7:00 p.m. Evening before Feast

Divine Liturgy: 7:00 p.m. Day of the Feast.

Fasting

Fasting for the Last Week Before Great Lent

Strict Fast: During Cheese-faire week no meat is eaten, but all other foods including wine, dairy and fish are eaten, even on Friday. On Wednesday and Friday there is fasting from midnight until noon.

Modified Fast: Abstain from meat on Friday. Do more if possible.

Lenten Retreat Day

We will hold a Lenten Retreat Day on Saturday, March 15 from 10 AM to 3 PM. The guest speaker will be Bishop Francois Beyrouti. The day will begin and end with a short prayer service. Children's activities and care will be provided, and there will be lunch as well. Try to join us for this day of spiritual retreat and rejuvenation.

Inter-parish Lenten Retreat Day

"Remember Me in Your Kingdom" will sponsor an Inter-parish Lenten Retreat day on March 29 in our Hall. The Day will begin at 9 AM with a Divine Liturgy and end at 3 PM. There will be lunch as well as coffee and snacks. Once you arrive you can relax and enjoy the spiritual day. There will be two speakers.

Digging for Divine Treasure Men's Retreat

Join St. Peter's Men's Council for a retreat that invites you to dig for the hidden treasure in your life (Matt 13:44) which can only be mined by the effort of reflection, prayer, and fellowship. April 4-6, 2024

Rolling Ridge Retreat Center, North Andover, MA
Bede Benjamin Bidlack, Retreat Master

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Remember Me In Your Kingdom: The Liturgy & Memorial Service for the departed is on the third Wednesday of the month (Mar. 19) at 7 PM.

Keep in touch with us!

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MAYA Reorganization:

MAYA is the Melkite Catholic Diocesan Group for Young Adults, aged 18-30. It is currently being reorganized by Father Musil Shihadeh of Yonkers, NY. We need someone to be a contact person for our parish for this group. If you can help, please let Father Philip know.

Lent is Coming in March

Great and Holy Lent will begin on

Monday, March 3. During Lent there will be Lenten Services on **Wednesday, Thursday (in Arabic), and Friday evenings.**

On Fridays, after the Akathist Hymn to the Mother of God, there will be a religious movie and a pot-luck supper in the Function Room.

These are great evenings of prayer, learning and fellowship.

Plan from now to attend.

Also, arrangements are being made for a Lenten Retreat Day on one of the Saturdays of Lent (**March 15 with Bishop François Beyrouti**).

When plans are finalized, it will be announced. Lent is called the springtime of the soul. It is a period of spiritual work and struggle that leads to our renewal in Christ. The more effort that is expended, the greater the result will be.



Annual Lenten Charity Supper

Our Annual Lenten Charity Supper will be on Friday, April 11 at 6 PM. Ghassan Samaha has graciously agreed to chair this event, please cooperate with him, and help in any way that you can. Our goal is to have 400 people in attendance. With your cooperation it will happen.

TheBuilding Committee is working on a master plan for the maintenance of the parish plant. If you notice anything to repair, or think one project should take precedence over another, please let them know. The members are: Jeffrey Bashara, Alan Crede, Neil Foley and Ron Kfoury, email rk4e@aol.com

PRAY FOR OUR PARISH: A successful parish is the parish that prays, not just at formal church services, but at home as well. Prayer keeps us connected to God and each other. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for people to pray for the parish. You sign up for the same date each month. If you sign-up for the 10th, then on Jan 10, Feb. 10 & March 10 etc... you would pray for the parish. You pray at home and remember the clergy, parishioners, parish activities, and groups. We all need each other's spiritual support. Please sign up so that not a day goes by when our parish is without prayer.

PASTORAL STAFF

Rector: Rt. Rev. Philip Raczka, PhD.
Weekend Ministry: Rev. Thomas Moses
Deacons: Rev. Deacon John Moses
 Rev. Deacon Ibrahim Zeinieh
 Rev. Subdeacon George Saikali
Administrative Assistant: Gracia Skaf

✠ **Sacramental Guidelines** ✠

HOLY MYSTERY OF CONFESSION: Before or after any service, or by appointment.
HOLY MYSTERIES OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION: Please contact the clergy in advance to arrange for the required baptismal instructions.
HOLY MYSTERY OF CROWNING (Marriage): Please contact the clergy to arrange for the required interview and instructions.
HOLY MYSTERY OF ANOINTING (and Communion) OF THE SICK: Please contact the rectory to arrange a home or hospital visit.



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