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# EASTER SUNDAY Saturday, April 11 & Sunday, April 12, 2020



#### SEASON OF LENT - WEEKLY SERVICES

Daily Liturgy: Monday-Friday at 8:30AM Holy Liturgy: Saturday at 4:30PM, Sunday at 11:00AM Matins/Orthos: Every Sunday at 9:00AM

Great Compline: Wednesday at 6:00PM

**Holy Confession:** Every Monday at 4-6PM

**Vespers:** Every Saturday at 3:00PM **Holy Rosary:** Every Sunday at 10:30AM

**Akathestos:** Friday at 6:00PM

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Please continue to pray for our convalescing friends, including Archdeacon George Yany, Nadia Casab, Wael and his son Jordan Barahmeh, Maggy Atallah, Nancy Gazzal, Rose Pawlinga, Julia Nassimos, Jean Benoit and Brian Sagrestano. Please notify Fr. Shofany in case of illness.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS: THANK YOU!

Weekly Collection April 4/5: \$ 00.00 Syrian Cheese Sale: \$ 00.00 Easter Flowers Donation: \$ 00.00 Memorial Offering: \$ 00.00

St. Pauly Textile: \$ 00.00

## THIS SATURDAY, APRIL 11, EASTER EVE

† Eugene Hutchinson, By Carol Chantry and Family

## THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 12, EASTER DAY

† Eugene Hutchinson, By Tom Moran

## NEXT SATURDAY, APRIL 18

† Eugene Hutchinson, By Carol Chanatry and Family

## **NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 19**

† Eugene Hutchinson, By Tom Moran

\* ANNOUNCEMENT \*

The next Parish Pastoral Council meeting will be held on Mon May. 4, 6:30 PM, Rectory Meeting Rm

#### \*\*IMPORTANT GUIDELINES\*\*

- 1. Take all precautionary measures according to the directives issued by medical and local authorities.
- 2. All Faithful of the Eparchy are dispensed from the obligation of attending Sunday and Holy Day Divine Liturgies.
- 3. All Melkite churches must follow the restrictions of the local government and Latin dioceses in which they are located, i.e. if the local Latin diocese has cancelled Mass, then cancel Liturgy, at least until the end of March. Public Lenten Services and parish dinners are suspended.
- 4. Funerals should be served only with the immediate family members of the deceased. A date can be chosen later for a public memorial service when the pandemic subsides.
- 5. Each parish may celebrate a Sunday Divine Liturgy with two or three present and *live stream* it to the parish members.
- 6. Lenten week-day services (Presanctified, etc.) may also be celebrated in the church with two or three and *live streamed*.
- 7. Churches may be open at designated times after the *live streamed* Liturgy for those who wish to receive the Eucharist.

These guidelines remain in effect till further notice.



# Christ is Risen, Truly Risen

From the fullness of his love and Grace, we received one blessing after another. (John 1, 16) May the risen Lord fill your hearts with his divine grace, and grant you a life full of joy happiness, health, and prosperity. We keep you all in our prayers beseeching God to protect you and keep you safe from the corona virus and all kinds of wrath danger, need and illnesses, and grant you the joy of resurrection.

Chairman and Members of the Parish Council Fr. Saba & Family

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"In His humility, Christ entered the dark regions of our fallen world and He is glad that He became so humble for our sake: glad that He came and lived among us and shared in our nature in order to raise us up again to Himself. And even though we are told that He has now ascended above the highest heaven – the proof, surely of His power and godhead –His love for mankind will never rest until He has raised our earthbound nature to glory, and made it one with His own in heaven. "So let us spread before His feet – not garments or soulless olive branches, which delight the eye for a few hours and then wither – but ourselves, clothed in His grace, or rather, clothed completely in Him. We who have been baptized into Christ must ourselves be the garments that are spread before Him. Now that the crimson stains of our sins have been washed away in the saving waters of baptism and we have become white as pure wool, let us present the Conqueror of death, not with mere branches of palms, but with the real rewards of His victory. Let our souls take the place of the welcoming branches as we join today in the children's holy song: *Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is the king of Israel.*" (*AprilLeaflets*2020)