

THIRD SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION
APRIL 15, 2018



MASS INTENTIONS

- Sat. 4/14**
4:00 pm For Elie Bitar, by Reggie Thomas.
- Sun. 4/15** **3rd Sunday of the Resurrection**
11:00 am For Frederick Andrew,
by Samir and Vivianne Sfeir.
- Mon. 4/16** **Saint Bernadette Soubirous**
12:00 noon For Salibe Tartak and family,
by Antoinette Tartak.
- Tue. 4/17**
12:00 noon For Salibe Tartak and family,
by Antoinette Tartak.
- Wed. 4/18**
12:00 noon For Youssef Tartak and family,
by Antoinette Tartak.
- Thurs. 4/19**
12:00 noon For Boutros Bakhos and family,
by Antoinette Tartak.

NO MASS Friday, April 20

- Sat. 4/21**
4:00 pm For the intentions of Chris Saheed,
by Carol Rondeau & Jeanette Ferguson.
- Sun. 4/22** **4th Sunday of the Resurrection**
11:00 am For Stella Succar,
by George Succar and family.

PARISH FINANCES

Good Friday Collection (3/30) -	\$ 545.00
(For the Holy Land forwarded to the Eparchy)	
Easter Sunday Collections (4/01) -	\$2,734.00
Candles (during Holy Week)	\$ 366.00
Collection (4/7-8) -	\$1,261.00
Candles	\$ 71.00
Total	\$1,332.00

SECOND COLLECTION

A Second Collection will be taken this weekend (April 14-15) for the **Catholic Missions in the United States**. Our own parish has received yearly grants from this collection!

WARM WELCOME

We welcome Sister Marla Marie Lucas, Superior of the Maronite Servants of Christ the Light, who will be with us this Sunday, at the 11:00 am Mass.



POPE FRANCIS CALLS US TO HOLINESS

On April 9, 2018, Pope Francis published a new document entitled "Gaudete et Exsultate", in Latin, which translates as "Rejoice and Be Glad".

In it, Pope Francis explains that holiness is the mission of every Christian, and gives practical advice for living out the call to holiness in ordinary, daily life, encouraging the practice of the Beatitudes and performing works of mercy. But, to walk the path of holiness, Pope Francis says, requires prayer and contemplation alongside action; the two cannot be separated.

The Pope highlights several qualities he finds especially important for living holiness in today's culture including: perseverance, patience, humility, joy, a sense of humor, boldness, and passion. Boldness and passion, he says, are important in order to avoid despondency or mediocrity, which can weaken us in the ongoing spiritual battle against evil.

About the importance of prayer on the path to holiness, the Pope says that though "the Lord speaks to us in a variety of ways, at work, through others and at every moment ... we simply cannot do without the silence of prolonged prayer."





Maronite Servants of Christ the Light

As of June 1, 2008, under Bishop Gregory Mansour, the Maronite Servants of Christ the Light became the first Maronite Religious Congregation of Women to be founded in the United States.

The primary purpose of the Maronite Servants of Christ the Light is to give God praise by striving for holiness as prescribed by the rule of the Congregation. Inspired and sustained by a vowed life in a community of prayer and joyful fraternity, the sisters are formed to live the Gospel in service to the pastoral needs of the Eparchy in the Church's mission on the New Evangelization. They are called as servants of the Lord to radiate the light of His merciful love and hope through works of mercy.

The sisters serve alongside our priests in various ministries addressing the pastoral needs of our communities.

Their religious habit is a visible sign of their total consecration to the Congregation, and it also serves as a witness to poverty and an ascetic continuity with their Maronite monastic heritage.

If you wish to make a tax deductible donation to support the Maronite Servants of Christ the Light, you can choose one of the two options below:

- 1) Make a donation via PayPal at the "Donate" button on their website: www.maroniteservants.org; or
- 2) Make a donation by mailing your check to:
Maronite Servants of Christ the Light
856 Tucker Road
Dartmouth, MA 02747

Your donations will really help the sisters meet their expenses.

For further information, please call the Monastery at: 508-996-1753.