

Saint George Maronite Catholic Church

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February 11, 2024 Sunday of the Wedding in Cana Entrance into Lent

Office Hours

Mon, Weds, Thurs, and Friday, from 9am-12pm The office is closed on Tuesday

Liturgical Schedule

Wednesday 7:00pm, Thursday and Friday 10:00am

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am (Latin rite) and 10:30 am

Exposition of the Holy Eucharist Thursday 6:00pm

Meet Your Clergy

Rev. Tony Saab, Pastor frtonysaab@gmail.com 401-400 1441 (Urgent calls only)

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Weekly collections



Making a generous donation from the hard work of your hands is your opportunity to participate in God's work and support the ministry of His Church.

Weekend 2/04 Total Collection \$996.00 Fuel \$307.00

Candles \$44.00

SACRAMENTS

Baptism & Confirmation: One month in advance with the Pastor.

Suggested Donation: Church: \$200 Priest: Free Will

Matrimony: Arrangements should be made by couples six months prior to the wedding date.

Suggested Donation: Church \$500. Priest: Free Will

Reconciliation:

One hour before liturgies, or by appointment

Anointing of the Sick: Please notify the Rectory if a member of your family is ill, or hospitalized,

Liturgical Intentions

2/10	
4:00pm	Nine year anniversary liturgy for George A Thomas , requested by his son George and his loving family.
2/11	
8:30am	
10:30am	Forty day Liturgy for Marie Nasr Bou-Abboud, and a memorial liturgy for Joseph Hanna Bou-Abboud, Jean Bou-Abboud, Najwa Deeb Aswad, and Dr Ibrahim Milhim Aswad, requested by their loving family.
2/17	
4:00pm	Memorial liturgy for Mary Michael, Ernest Mari, Vladimir Loskoutov, Donald Solomon, and all the deceased members of the Holy rosary sodality, requested by the members of the HRS.
2/18	
8:30am	
10:30am	Third Year anniversary for Edward Donovan, requested by his loving family.
2/24	
4:00pm	Birthday memorial for Donald Solomon , SR. , requested by his children Donald and Cheryl.
2/25	
8:30am	
10:30am	One year anniversary for Fr. Paul Mouawad , requested by his loving family.
3/2	
4:00pm	
3/3	
8:30am	
10:30am	Second anniversary liturgy for Malcolm Badway , requested by his loving family.
3/9	
4:00pm	Twenty-eight birthday remembrance of Alexandria M. Saker , requested by her loving
•	family.
3/10	الراحة الدائمة اعطهم يا رب
8:30am	
10:30am	ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O'LORD

Isaiah 55: 1+6-13

All you who are thirsty, come to the water! You who have no money, come, buy grain and eat; Come, buy grain without money, wine and milk without cost! Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near. Let the wicked forsake their way, and sinners their thoughts; Let them turn to the LORD to find mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways—oracle of the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, my thoughts higher than your thoughts. Yet just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down And do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, Giving seed to the one who sows and bread to the one who eats, So shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; It shall not return to me empty, but shall do what pleases me, achieving the end for which I sent it. Yes, in joy you shall go forth, in peace you shall be brought home; Mountains and hills shall break out in song before you, all trees of the field shall clap their hands. In place of the thornbush, the cypress shall grow, instead of nettles,* the myrtle. This shall be to the LORD's renown, as an everlasting sign that shall not fail.

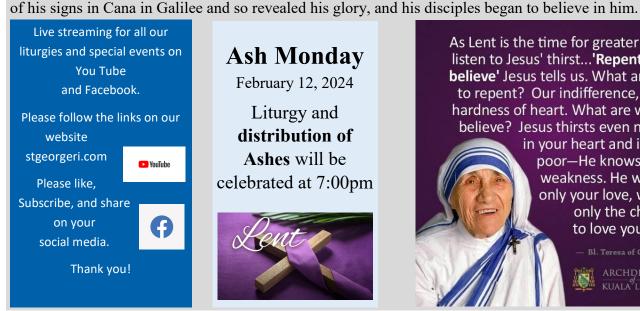
Romans 14:14-23

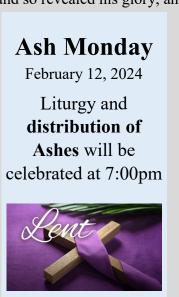
I know and am convinced in the Lord Jesus that nothing is unclean in itself; still, it is unclean for someone who thinks it unclean. If your brother is being hurt by what you eat, your conduct is no longer in accord with love. Do not because of your food destroy him for whom Christ died. So do not let your good be reviled. For the kingdom of God is not a matter of food and drink, but of righteousness, peace, and joy in the holy Spirit; whoever serves Christ in this way is pleasing to God and approved by others. Let us then pursue what leads to peace and to building up one another. For the sake of food, do not destroy the work of God. Everything is indeed clean, but it is wrong for anyone to become a stumbling block by eating; it is good not to eat meat or drink wine or do anything that causes your brother to stumble. Keep the faith (that) you have to yourself in the presence of God; blessed is the one who does not condemn himself for what he

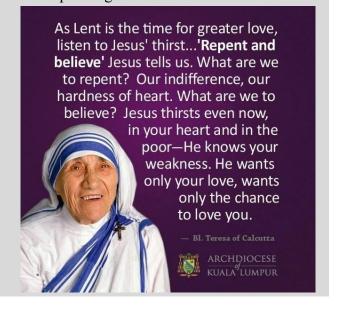
approves. But whoever has doubts is condemned if he eats, because this is not from faith; for whatever is not from faith is sin.

John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." (And) Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you." Now there were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons. Jesus told them, "Fill the jars with water." So they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, "Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter." So they took it. And when the headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine, without knowing where it came from (although the servers who had drawn the water knew), the headwaiter called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves good wine first, and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one; but you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this as the beginning









Please spread the word that our 75th Annual Hafli will be celebrated on Saturday March 16, 2024. Help promoting door admission tickets, raffle tickets, and Ad book advertising to your friends, relatives, and loved ones.

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Seven lessons from John 2:1-11

- 1. **God's Timing is Perfect**: Jesus chooses this moment to perform His miracle. This reminds us that God works according to His own timing, which is always perfect.
- 2. **Jesus Cares About Our Needs**: Jesus responds to a practical need at the wedding by turning water into wine. This shows us that Jesus is not only concerned with spiritual matters but also with our everyday needs and concerns.
- 3. **The Power of Obedience**: Mary, Jesus' mother, instructs the servants to do whatever Jesus tells them. This demonstrates the importance of obedience in experiencing God's miracles and blessings in our lives.
- 4. **Faith Precedes Miracles**: The servants filled the jars with water, even though they did not fully understand Jesus' intentions or how he would use the water. Their obedience and faith paved the way for the miracle to occur.
- 5. **Abundance in Christ**: Jesus didn't just provide enough wine to get by; He provided an abundance of the finest quality wine. This reflects God's nature of abundance and generosity when we trust in him.
- 6. **God's Revelation Through Miracles**: This miracle served to reveal Jesus' glory and power, leading the disciples to believe in him. Miracles can serve as signs that point people to the truth of who Jesus is.
- 7. **Transformation and New Beginnings**: The transformation of water into wine symbolizes the transformative power of Jesus in our lives. Just as water became wine, Jesus can take the ordinary and make it extraordinary, bringing new beginnings and blessings into our lives.