



Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." Jesus answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly. Mt 15:21-28

Message from the Bishop

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The Universal Church celebrates this Tuesday the Blessed Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady. We contemplate Mary at the pinnacle of her earthly journey, and in her, we witness the culmination of God's divine plan—an assurance of hope for us all.

"Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled" (Luke 1:45). The exclamation of Elizabeth upon seeing Mary resonates with us on this sacred feast. In her quiet humility, Mary offers a reflection of the receptive heart that opens itself to the sacred currents of grace. Through her "yes" to the angel's message, she stepped into a role that transcended her personal identity and took on a role in the salvation of humanity. This act of submission was not just a duty, but a conscious partnership with the divine plan.

Elizabeth's words take on their ultimate significance in the glorious event of the Assumption. This wondrous occasion marks the completion of Mary's earthly life as she is received fully into the embrace of her Son, body and soul. Her Assumption stands as a radiant testament to the fulfilment of God's promise and His infinite love for His creation.

This year's celebration holds a unique significance, as it falls within the Golden Jubilee Year of our Maronite Eparchy in Australia. In this year, we are reminded of the immense blessings that have been bestowed upon us throughout these fifty years and beyond that, from the arrival of the first Maronites to this land. This year has already been filled with many wonderful celebrations, and now we look ahead, we anticipate the visit of His Eminence and Beatitude, Mar Bechara Boutros Cardinal Rai, in September 2023.



Twelfth Sunday of Pentecost Ru 1: 15-19a Eph 3: 1-13 Mt 15: 21-28

The Golden Jubilee Solemn Mass, which His Beatitude will celebrate at Ken Rosewall Arena in Homebush NSW, with an expected attendance of up to 10,000 people, is at the heart of the Jubilee year celebrations. I hope you have all secured your free tickets as we have very few left. If you have booked more tickets than you need, please count them, allocate them, and share any remaining ones with friends and family or bring them back to your parish office. Let us ensure that no one misses out on this opportunity if you have spare tickets.

A Dinner Reception will also be held on Thursday, 21 September, in honour of His Beatitude at Rosehill Gardens, Rosehill. Proceeds from the Dinner will be directed towards providing assistance to students in need in Lebanon. I invite you all to join us.

As we reflect upon the numerous blessings we have in this year of jubilee, we turn our hearts to our blessed Mother. May Elizabeth's exclamation hold true for each and every one of us: "Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled!" May we, in the midst of this world, throughout our earthly lives, be among those who listen to the words addressed to them by God, who know how to recognise them and trust in them. May Our Lady watch over and protect her children wherever they may be, guiding us closer to her Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

+ Antoine-Charbel Tarabay

SUNDAY HOLY LITURGIES

OLOL Co-Cathedral, Harris Park 8am (Arabic)

5pm (Ar/Eng) 7pm (English) Live Streaming Through Social Media

WEEKLY HOLY LITURGIES

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri 7am, 9am & 6pm

Wed 7am, 9am & 5:30pm(Ar) 7pm (English Youth) Sat 7:30am & 6pm (Ar/Eng)

CONFESSIONS

Before and during Saturday 6pm and Sunday Masses or by appointment on weekdays

WEEKDAY DEVOTIONS

Rosary: Mon - Sat 8:30am (Arabic)| 7pm(English)

Divine Mercy followed by

Rosary Fri 7:30pm Adoration Hour & Confessions Thur 8 pm - 9 pm

24 Hour AdorationEvery first Friday of the month from 9:30 a.m - Saturday 7:30

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And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked with And Mary Said, My Sout Magnines the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has tooked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever." Lk 1: 46-55



On behalf of our Bishop, His Excellency Antoine-Charbel, all the priests, deacons, staff and committees, we would like to wish you all a blessed Feast of the Assumption.

May Our Lady always inspire you to be icons of the Father's Mercy



The Assumption of the Virgin Mary

> Rom 12: 9-15 Lk 1: 46-55

"Great Faith = great miracles"

Perseverance is for the saints, and that is God's plan for each of us. Jesus told us that if we have Faith the size of a mustard seed, we can move mountains! So...what is stopping us from following our Call to Holiness? Look to Mary, the Mother of God, united from all eternity with Jesus Christ, and you will find the strength and courage to persevere on the path to Heaven.

Our Blessed Mother had Faith in the Divine Will far greater than the size of a "mustard seed" and thereby gained the supreme crown of her privileges - to be preserved immune from the corruption of the tomb. Like her Son, when death had been conquered, she was carried up body and soul to the exalted glory of heaven, to sit in splendour at the right hand of her Son, the immortal King of the ages. We must strive to attain the virtues of Mary, especially her humility and simple obedience to the Word of God. Our Faith should inspire and empower us every day, to repeat those words: "Let it be done unto me, according to Thy Word." With such great Faith as this, we can be assured of daily miracles in our lives, even in the smallest of experiences. Not all miracles are those of instant healing of body. The most important and noteworthy are the miracles of conversion within our heart, mind, and soul. All of heaven rejoices over one repentant sinner, and that is the greatest miracle. We can learn much from the persistent Canaanite woman in today's Gospel – unworthy in the eyes of man, yet her Faith granted a miracle by the Grace of God's Mercy.

It is a privilege to be a Maronite during this season - to celebrate and honour the Feast of the Assumption with so much splendour

and gratitude to God for the gift of His Mother. No other community gives such reverence to our Blessed Mother, as we do. My heart yearns for my homeland during this time, as I recall my last visit to Our Lady of Lebanon in Harissa. But, no matter how distant we may be from family or friends, we will always be united in the Eucharist. Each day, before the Blessed Sacrament, my soul sees what my eyes could never perceive, and what my heart will ever long for. If Mary had not said "yes" there would be no Church...no Jesus and no Eucharist. Thanks be to God that Mary surrendered her unconditional obedience to the Will of God the Father. May we aspire to do the same with every heartbeat and every breath.

Salwa Elias

QUESTION

Why is the Christian family called a domestic church 3

The Christian family is called the domestic church because the family manifests and lives out the communal and familial nature of the Church as the family of God. Each family member, in accord with their own role, exercises the baptismal priesthood and contributes toward making the family a community of grace and of prayer, a school of human and Christian virtue and the place where the faith is first proclaimed to

ANSWER

PARISH NOTICE BOARD

Sunday 13 August:

12th Sunday of Pentecost, Novena Day 9

Masses 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 5:00pm and 7:00pm

7:00am Rosary Prayers 8:00am Fatima Mass

10:30am to 3:00pm Family Fun Day Entry \$20 per child including unlimited Rides, Free Sausage Sizzle

5:00pm The late Elie Roumanos Maroun from Blouza (died in Lebanon)

6:30pm Rosary Prayers and Procession

Monday 14 August:

Eve of the Feast of the Assumption - Departure of the Relics of the Saints

6:00pm Solemn Mass for the Eve of the Feast of the Assumption celebrated by His Excellency Bishop Antoine-Charbel Tarabay, Unveiling, Lighting and Blessing of the new statue of Our Lady of Lebanon, followed by Hrissi Night and Entertainment. Church open until midnight

Tuesday 15 August: Feast of the Assumption

Masses 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am and 6:00pm

Thursday 17 August:

6:00pm 40 Day Mass for the late Georgette Badawi widow of the late Joseph Asmar from Batroun

Friday 18 August:

6:00pm 40 Day Mass for the late Hanna Gerges Sahyoun

Saturday 19 August: Masses 7:30am and 6:00pm

Sunday 20 August:

13th Sunday of Pentecost

11:00am One Year Mass for the late Sultane Habib Moussa widow of the late Hanna Doumit Katrib from Karem Al Mohr

5:00pm 40 Day Mass for the late Nadim Kabalan Esber from Kfarsghab

7:00pm 40 Day Mass for the late Michel Tansa Laoulach from Kfarsghab

PARISH WEEKLY COLLECTION & LOANS REPAYMENTS

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS For week ending: 06/08/2023

Plates: \$9,127 | **Donations:** \$55 | **Candles:** \$968

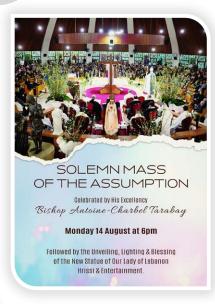
PARISH LOANS **MONTHLY LOAN REPAYMENTS**

CYPC: \$3,414,444 CYPC: \$37,681 INTEREST + PRINCIPAL **UNITS:** \$1,121,810 UNITS: \$12,352 INTEREST + PRINCIPAL



UPCOMING EVENTS









COMMUNITY BUSINESS ADVERTISING





The Golden Jubilee Dinner in the presence of His Beatitude & Eminence Mar Bechara Boutros Cardinal Rai, Patriarch of Antioch and All the East is our opportunity to come together as one community around our Patriarch, and help students in need in Lebanon.

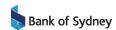
Schools are on the brink of unwillingly closing their doors and many students are having to work, which is forcing them to attend school less frequently. While this may come as a surprise to so many of us, this is the reality of the situation in Lebanon. Shortly, we will also be sharing video assets to continue to promote the Golden Jubilee Dinner.

Table sales are now open, and everyone is invited to be a part of this event on Thursday 21 September 2023 at 7.00pm at the Grand Pavilion, Rosehill Gardens. We are calling for your help. Please secure your table or sponsorship now. Call 02 8831 0000 or email events@maronite.org.au













Golden Jubilee Dinner Sponsorship Packages

Gold Sponsorship

\$25,000 (ex GST)

- Premium Reserved Seating for 10 at the Dinner (1 table with company logo)
- Reserved Parking for 2 cars at Rosehill Gardens
 Half page advertisement in the Dinner Event Booklet
- Master of Ceremonies on the night
- On-Screen advertising as Gold Sponsor throughout the night
- 1 complimentary bottle of Blue Label
- Scotch Whiskey on dinner tables ~ Promotion of Dinner Gold sponsorship on website and Eparchy social media pages in July, August and September 2023
- Company logo to be placed on the red carpet sponsorship wall
- ~ Presentation of an Appreciation Plaque during the formalities of the Event

Silver Sponsorship

\$10,000 (ex GST)

- Reserved Seating for 10 at the Dinner (1 table with company logo)
- Reserved Parking for 2 cars at Rosehill Gardens
- · Quarter page advertisement in the Dinner Event Booklet Acknowledgement of Silver Sponsorship by the
- Master of Ceremonies on the night
- On-Screen advertising as Silver Sponsor throughout the night
- ~1 complimentary bottle of Blue Label Scotch Whiskey on dinner tables ~ Promotion of Dinner Silver sponsorship on website and Eparchy social media pages in August and September 2023
- Company logo to be placed on the red carpet sponsorship wall
- ~ Presentation of an Appreciation Plaque during the formalities of the Event

Bronze Corporate Sponsorship

\$5,000 (ex GST)

- Reserved Seating for 10 at the Dinner (1 table with company logo) Advertisement in the Dinner Event Booklet
- Acknowledgement of Corporate Sponsorship by the Master of Ceremonies on the night
- On-Screen advertising as Corporate Sponsor throughout the night
- ~1 complimentary bottle of Blue Label Scotch Whiskey on dinner tables ~ Acknowledgement of Dinner Corporate sponsorship on website and Eparchy social media pages in September 2023 ~ Company logo to be placed on the red carpet sponsorship wall

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Please contact Claudia Azzi at the Chancery Office, Maronite Eparchy of Australia, New Zealand and Oceania on 02 8831 0000 or email events@maronite.org.au

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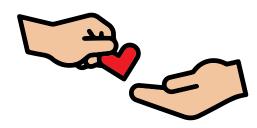












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عَالَتْ مَرْيَم: "تُعَظِّمُ نَفْسِيَ الرَبِّ، وتَبْتَهِجُ رُوجِي باللهِ مُخَلِّضٍي، لأَنَّهُ نَظرَ إلى تَواضْع أَمْتِهِ. فَهَا مُنْذُ الآنَ تُطَوِّبُنِي جَمِيعُ





لوحة إعلانات الرعية

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الأحد ١٣ آب: الأحد الثانى عشر من زمن العنصرة واليوم التاسع من التساعية

القداسات ۸٬۰۰۰ ۹٬۳۰ و۱۱٬۰۰۰ صباحاً ، ۵٬۰۰۰ و۷٬۰۰۰ مساءً

٧:٠٠ صياحاً صلاة المسيحة

۸٬۰۰۰ صباحاً قداس على نيّة العائلات والشبيبة والمرضى لمناسبة

مأكولات وألعاب. أسعار بطاقات الدخول ٢٠ دولار لكل الألعاب ٥٠٠٠ المرحوم إيلي رومانوس مارون من بلوزا (متوفي في لبنان)

٦:٣٠ مساءً صلاة المسبحة وزياح العذراء

الاثنين ١٤ آب

ليُلة عيد إنتقال مريم العذراء ومغادرة ذخائر القدّيسين

··· مساءً قداس ليلة عيد إنتقال مريم العذراء يحتفل به صاحب إنارة وإزاحة الستار عن مجسّم التمثال الجديد لسيَّدة لبنان، يليه مريسة العيد، مأكولات لبنانية و منوعات موسيقية الكاتدرائية مفتوحة إلى منتصف الليل

الثلاثاء ١٥ آب:

عيد إنتقال مريم العذراء

القداسات: ٧٠٠٠ و ١١ صباحًا و ٢٠٠٠ مساءً

الخميس ١٧ آب:

۱:۰۰ أربعون المرحومة جورجيت البدوى أرملة المرحوم جوزيف الأسمر من البترون

الجمعة ١٨ آب:

··· أربعون المرحوم حنا جرجس صهيون من كفرفو

السبت ١٩ آب:

القداسات ٧:٣٠ صباحاً و٢٠٠٠ مساءً

الأحد ١٠ آب:

ضوميط القطريب من كرم المهر

- ···• أربعون المرحوم نديم قبلان إسبر من كفرصغاب
- ··· البعون المرحوم ميشال طنسا لولش من حدشيت ··· الارجون المرحوم ميشال طنسا لولش من حدشيت



قالَ مِيِّ الْرَسُول؛ إِنْصَرَفَ يَسُوعُ إِلَى نَواكِي صُورَ وصَيْدا، وإِذَا بِإِمْرَأَةٍ كَنْعَانِيَّةٍ مِنْ تِلْكَ النَّواحي خَرَيَتْ تَصْرُخْ وتِقُول: "إِرْحَمْنِي، يَا رَبِّ، يَا ابْنَ دَاوُد! إِنَّ إِبْنَتِي بِهَا شَيْطَانُ يُعَذِّبْهَا جِدًّا". فَلَمْ يُجِبْهَا بِكَلِمَة. ودَنَا تَلامِيذُهُ ونفون؛ ۚ إركمي، يا رَبّ، يا ابن داود؛ إن ابني بِها سيضان يعدبها جِداً . مَنَمْ يَجِبهَا بِحِبْهَا. وَدَنَا لَرَمِيدَه فَأَخَذُوا يَتَوَسَّلُونَ إِلَيْهِ قَائِلِين؛ "إَضْرِفْهَا، فَإِنَّهَا تَضْرُخُ فِي إثْرِنَا!". فَأَجَابَ وقال؛ "لَمْ أُزْسَلْ إِلاَّ إِلى الخِرَافِ الضَّالَةِ مِنْ بَيْتِ إِسْرَائِيل". أَمَّا هِيَ فَأَتَتْ وَسَجَدَتْ لَهُ وقَالَتْ؛ "سَاعِدْنِي، يَا رَبّ!". فَأَجَابَ وقال؛ "لا يَحْسُنُ أَنْ يُؤْخَذَ خُبْزُ البَنِين، ويْلْقَى إِلى حِرَاءِ الكِلاب!". فقَالَتْ: "نَعْم، يَا رَبّ! وجِرَاءُ الكِلابِ أَيْضًا تَأْكُلُ مِنَ الفُتَاتِ الـمُتَسَاقِطِ عَنْ مَائِدَةِ أَرْبَابِهَا". حِينَئِذٍ أَجَابَ يَسُوعُ وقَالَ لَهَا: "أَيْتُهَا الـمَرْأَة، عَظِيْمٌ إِيْمَانُكِ! فَلْيَكُنْ لَكِ كَمَا تُريدِين". وَمِنْ تِلْكَ السَّاعَة شُفْيَت انْنَتْهَا. مِت ١٥:١٥ - ٢٨



في هذا اليوم تعيّد الكنيسة المقدّسة عيد انتقال سيَّدتنا مريم الْعذراء بنفسها وجسدها الى السماء كما حدِّدها عقيدةً إيمانية البابا بيوس الثاني عشر سنة ١٩٥٠.

بُعد رجوع المسيح إلى الآب عاشت العذراء على الأرض حوالي ٢٣ سنة. وقبل حلول الروح القدس كانت مع الرسل "المثابرين على الصلاة بقلب واحد" (اعمال ١/ ١٤).

ماتت العذراء بين أيدي الرسل بعمر يقارب ال ٧٢ سنة. يقال انها دفنت قرب بستانُ الزَيْتُونَ حَيْثُ نَازِعَ يَسُوعُ. إذا كان الموت نتيجة الخطيئة فلماذا ماتت مريم وهي التي حفظها الله من

ماتت مريم اولاً – لأن يسوع ذاته مات ليخلّص الإنسان من الخطيئة، وبما أن مريم هي شريكة يسوع بفدائنا كان عليها أن تموت مثله. ثانياً – ان موتها يجعلها اكثر تشبّهاً بنا. فهي مثل يسوع اختبرت كل ما في

طبيعتنا البشرية ما عدا الخطيئة.

ثالثًا – كانت مريم مثالاً لنا في الحياة والموت، فهي شفيعة الحياة الصالحة والميتة الصالحة.

ماتتٍ مريم ومثل ابنها لم تخضع لفساد الموت.

ويعلّم المجمع الفاتيكاني الثاني: "ان مريم بعدٍ أن كملت حياتها الزمنية، انتقلتُ بنفسهًا وجسدهًا إلى مُجد السماء ، وعظَّمها الرب كملكة العالمين لتكون اكثر مشابهة لابنهاً ربّ الأرباب (رؤيا ١٩/ ١٦) المنتصر على الخطيئة

ونحن نقول لها: يا قديسة مريم صلَّى لأجلنا الآن وفي ساعة موتنا. آمين. عن السنكسار بحسب الكنيسة الانطاكية المارونية



الأحد الثاني عشر مزس العنصرة

سفر راعوت ۱:۱۹،۱۵أ أَفُ اللهِ: ١ ـ ١٣ مت ۱۰:۱۵ – ۲۸

صلاة

لأنَّك نظرْتَ إلى مريم واصطفَيْتَها من بين جميع النساء، وصنعتَ بها العظائم، نحن يا ربّ نشكرك.

لأنَّك أُعطَيتنا نعمة القيامة، على مثال مريم، ولأنَّ جسدنا سيكون يومًا ما بقربك، نحن يا ربّ نشكرك.

لأنَّك وعدتنا كما وعدتَ مريم، ومواعدك ثابتة تتحقَّق دائمًا، نحن يا ربّ نشكرك.

نشكرك على تجسّدك في أحشاء بتول متواضعة وأمٍّ طوباويّة، نشكرك على جسدك ودمك الَّذي كلَّما تناولناه، نتحوَّل على مثال مريم، هياكل لك.

لك الشكر والحمد أيّها الآب والابن والروح القدس، من الآن وإلى الأبد،

IN OUR PRAYERS



Lord, may all the faithful departed whom we entrust to Your care, be held securely in Your Loving embrace for all eternity especially those we Pray for: Lord, may all the faithful departed whom we entrust to Your care, be held securely in Your Loving embrace for all eternity especially those we Pray for: (A) All the departed souls, All the lost souls, All the faithful departed, All the souls in Purgatory, All souls who have no one to pray for them, Tony Abdul-Ahad (B) Milia Bou Raidan (C) (D) (E) Tanious Elias Kazzi & the deceased of his family, Matthew Essey (F) (G) Helen George, Majid George (H) Maurice & Martha Jamil Haddad, Paul & Madeline Haddad & Son Joseph & daughter Colleen George (I) (J) Jamil Kamel Mtanios Jabbour (K) Genevieve Khoury & the departed souls of the Khoury and El-Zahoul families, Baraban Georges Karam (L) (M) Youssef Maroon & his wife Ghsoun, Therese Melhem (N) (O) (P) (Q) (R) Jamil & Labibi Roumanus and all the deceased from their family, Rouhana Rahme, Elaine Rahme (S) Youssef Mikhael Shaheen, Boutros & Therese Sassine and their son Kenny, Nabih Nassim Saad & Children Kevin & Emile Saad (T) Therese Tanna, Bernadette Tanna (U) (V) (W) (X) (Y) (Z)