

Saint Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church

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May 12, 2019

Jesus Appears to the Disciples at Sea



Next Sunday

Jesus Delivers the Office of Shepherd to Peter

Eph 2:1-10 (Generosity of God's Plan)

Jn 21:15-19 (Jesus and Peter)

Your Gifts To God

Offering Report for April 28th - May 4th

Online.....\$275.00

Collection.....\$691.00

Weekly Total.....\$966.00

YTD Total.....\$32,740.65

YTD Goal.....\$33,228.00

YTD Difference.....**-\$487.35**

Liturgy Intentions

Sunday, May 12th 10:30 am

+Helen Attar Khalef

Monday, May 13th

Available

Tuesday, May 14th

Available

Wednesday, May 15th

Available

Thursday, May 16th

Available

Friday, May 17th

Available

Saturday, May 18th

Available

Sunday, May 19th

Grace Zogbi

Adoration/Exposition every Sunday at 9:30 am before the morning Liturgy.

Confession every Sunday at 9:45 am before the morning Liturgy.

Also join us to pray the Rosary on Sundays at 10:00 am before the Liturgy begins.

Altar Sponsorship

Sunday, May 12th

Available

Sunday, May 19th

Redmond Family

Parish / Community Events

Parish Council

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THURSDAY NIGHT **Carla Ramia** (Lebanese Vocalist)

FRIDAY NIGHT **Amir Yazbeck** (Lebanese Singer)

FRIDAY NIGHT **Wassim Kattan** (Local Favorite)

SATURDAY NIGHT **Ghassan Saliba** (Lebanese Singer)

EXCURSIONS and ACTIVITIES

Bayside Boat Tour Private Miami Tour Theology on Tap Everglades Tour

BBQ and Workshop Meet the Bishops Our Lady of Lebanon Pool and Beach Party

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Saturday, May 11TH
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Reflection

Jesus Appears to the Two Disciples at Sea

In the Season of the Resurrection, we celebrate Christ's life-giving Resurrection from the dead, which destroyed death and the slavery of sin. It is curious, then, to look at the prayers for the morning of Great Saturday, the day before Easter Sunday, and see a beautiful hymn about the Eucharist. As beautiful as it is, one may ask what connection the Eucharist has with the Resurrection, which the hymn answers in itself:

New life is found by whomever has eaten from Your Table

The Eucharist is truly the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, the same body and blood that worked miracles, suffered, died on the cross and rose for our salvation. Just as Christ's body brought mankind life and healing before His Ascension, which we will celebrate later this month, so too does it even now. The table referred to in the verse is the Table (or Feast) of Life – the holy altar, upon which is placed His body and blood.

Your blood which was poured forth on Golgotha killed death and destroyed Sheol.

Just as said above, the same body and blood that saved us is given to us in the Eucharist. The blood which was poured out from Christ on Golgotha, where He was crucified, destroyed death and the place where the dead were relegated before the Resurrection, which is Sheol. This pure blood that wiped away the transgression of Adam, which he committed in the Garden of Eden, and destroyed death is now given to us in communion. Each time we go to communion we receive the death-destroying blood of Christ.

Bread and wine, body and blood – any one who approaches shall live by them.

The body and blood of Christ that we receive in the Eucharist, however, is not dead. Christ rose from the dead and lives eternally; likewise His body and blood are living. This living flesh and blood of the living God are given to us that we may eat of the divine life and live. But the divine life is not simply a longer version of human life, but a life free of death and sin, joyfully united to the incomprehensible Holy Trinity in love.

May Your body, O Son of God, be the medicine which heals our wounds.

But until we arrive at the eternal life of heaven, we are still ailed by the sicknesses and weaknesses of this world, both in body and spirit. The body and blood of Christ, which we receive, has the capacity to heal us from both. God has given us His body because He loves us and wishes us to have present access to the salvation He wrought for us two thousand years ago. When we consume His flesh and blood, we receive the fullness of life and healing He wishes to impart – whether that is physical or spiritual.

The Eucharist is the Bread of Life – let us approach it in faith and eagerness!

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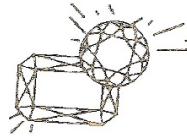
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