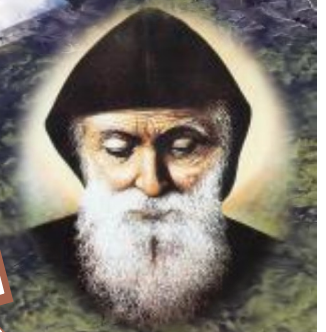


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PARISH SCHEDULE

SUNDAY LITURGY | at 1:00 P.M.

Chapel Of Mary Mother of the Angels

St Francis of Assisi
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Raleigh, NC 27613

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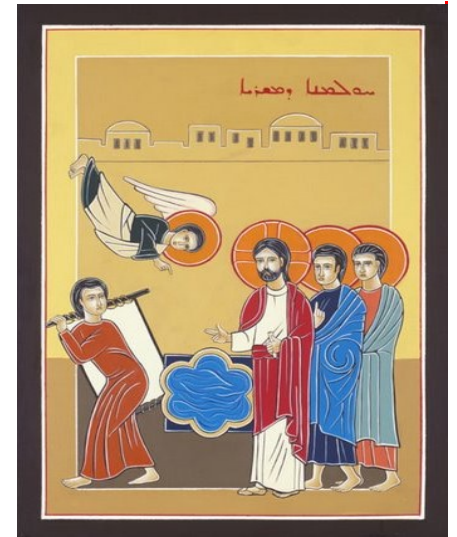
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READINGS

March-April/ 2019



Sun Mar 31	Healing of the Paralytic	
	Epistle	Gospel
	1 Tim 5:24 - 6:5	Mk 2:1-12
Sun April 7	Healing of the Blind Man	
	Epistle	Gospel
	2 Cor 10:1-7	Mk 10:46-52
Sun April 14	Hosanna Sunday	
	Epistle	Gospel
	Phil 1:1-13	Jn 12:12-22
Mon April 15	Passion Week	
	Epistle	Gospel
	Heb 6:1-9	Mt 21:17-27

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Remember your loved ones with Mass Intentions

Mar 31	1 PM	Elie Batouli	May Batouli & Family
April 7	1 PM	For all the sick in our Parish	
April 14	11:00 AM	Parishioners: St. Sharbel Church, Raleigh	
April 21	11:00 AM	Parishioners: St. Sharbel Church, Raleigh	

PARISH OFFERING	
Mar 24, 2019	
<i>Weekly offering</i>	<i>\$947.00</i>
<i>Donation</i>	<i>\$325.00</i>
<i>Stipend</i>	<i>\$580.00</i>
<i>Bishop's Appeal</i>	<i>\$254.00</i>
Total Income	\$2,106.00
<i>Thank You for your generosity and your support</i>	

Important Messages

You are all encouraged to read the letter of a Catholic Priest to the New York Times. You can find it by going to the following website:
www.elreporterosf.com

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Let us get ready for our move into the new Church. There are a lot of preparations to be made, please let me know if you are able to assist.



February 1st marked the date that we got possession of our new Church. We will be doing some renovation and getting it ready to celebrate our first Divine Liturgy at our new home. We hope to eventually move there before Palm Sunday.

Let us thank God for His generosity to us and pray for him to help our community to put our hands together to fulfill our dream.

May God bless all Donors

The 2019-2020 NAM Scholarships are open. Same as last year, rather than using only paper applications, NAM are now using an online application for a majority of the scholarships offered. The applications for all NAM scholarships can be found online.

USEK Scholarship: The University of the Holy Spirit-Kaslik, Lebanon. **10 Summer scholarships** will be awarded which will include full tuition and dormitory; and **\$500** once the semester is completed. Available for college students; Summer 2020.

NDU Scholarship: Notre Dame University-Louaize, Lebanon. **12 scholarships for the Spring or Fall semester**, both include full tuition and dormitory; and **\$500** once a semester is completed. Available for college students; Spring/Fall 2020.

HOSPITALITY - COFFEE HOUR / 2019

Mar 31	May Batouli
April 7	Available
April 14	Luncheon at the new Church
April 21 Midnight	No Coffee Hour
April 21 11:00AM	Available



*To sponsor a coffee hour pls. contact Mrs. Anna Franca Abi-Aad
Tel:(954) 806-9909 Or Email: abetriz@yahoo.com /Donation for coffee hour is appreciated*

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS - 2019

Mar 31	2nd Collection	Eparchial Charities Appeal
May 11	6:30 PM	Mother's Day Dinner at Jacoba Hall

Lent Schedule

Every Friday during Lent, starting on the 8th of March and until the 12th of April, we will pray the Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm.

Hosanna Sunday, Liturgy will be celebrated at the new Church at 11 am.

During Holy week, April 15 to April 17, we will daily celebrate the Liturgy at 7:30 pm.

Thursday of the Mysteries on the 18th, the Washing of the Feet, at 7:30 pm.

Great Friday of the Crucifixion on the 19th, Signing of the Chalice at 9:00 am, and Jesus's burial at 7:30 pm.

Saturday of the Light on the 20th, Prayer of Forgiveness, at noon.

Resurrection Sunday on the 21st, Rite of Peace: Midnight and Morning Liturgies.

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Healing of the Paralytic

The house Jesus went to was probably that of Simon Peter. By morning the house was filled with people. The crowd was filled with simple believers who wanted to listen to the Master, but mingled in the crowd were members of the Sanhedrin. The Sanhedrin had the function of guarding the orthodox teaching of the Jewish faith. The members of the Sanhedrin were not pleased with the teaching of this new master and were seeking a way to entrap him. In any case, there were many there who came to profit from the presence of the Lord. Many times Jesus comes to us, visits us. He comes to us with an idea, a word we hear, a person who is suffering or joyful. Jesus is present. However, many times we neglect to notice him. We do not take advantage of his presence and we simply let the moment pass. One of the people who had heard about Jesus' presence in Capernaum was a paralytic.

Since he was unable to go on his own, he sought the assistance of four friends who would carry him. The crowds were surrounding the house, so the men were forced to go on the roof and lower the paralytic through a hole. Such actions were proof of the faith of the paralytic and his friends.

Jesus looked at the man and said, "Child, your sins are forgiven." This was not a cure, but a promise of a cure. For the Jews believed that the sickness of the man was caused by his sins. In the Jewish mind, there is a very strong connection between sin and suffering. However, the forgiveness of sins was the prerogative of God alone. For any man to claim to do that was an insult to God and blasphemy, punishable by death.

The experts of the law who were present were afraid to confront Jesus publicly since the Master was too popular. But Jesus read their thoughts and questioned their doubts. Since no one could determine whether a man's sins had been forgiven or not, Jesus performed a physical cure; he told the man to get up and walk. In this incident, Jesus signed his own death warrant. From that moment, he was in opposition to the Jewish authorities who eventually seek his life. Jesus was on his way to glory.

Like the paralytic, we must expend all of our efforts to take advantage of the healing presence of the Lord. Let us seek the Lord with faith and humility, asking him to cleanse us.

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