



EPARCHY  
OF ST. MARON  
CANADA



## St. ANTHONY'S PARISH

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**Office Hours:** Tuesday to Friday 10:00 AM. – 2:00 PM.

### MASSES AND CELEBRATIONS

**Sunday: 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM.**

Daily Mass: 6:00 PM.

Daily dedication Prayers: 5:30 PM.

**Tuesday: Rosary & Litany: 5:30 PM.**

Wednesday: Our Lady's Confraternity: 5:00 PM.

Thursday: Adoration: 5:00 PM.

### CONFESSIONS:

15 Minutes before daily Mass at 5:45 PM.

### SICK / SHUT-IN VISIT:

Please call 519-322-2282

### BAPTISMS:

Please call the Church Office at least one month prior to Baptism date.

### MARRIAGES:

Please contact the Parish Priest a minimum of six months in advance of the desired date of marriage.

Weekly Bulletin

Sunday March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018



### Our Parish Mission Statement

The Faith Community of Saint Anthony's Parish, Leamington, open to the Spirit as disciples of Jesus Christ, envision our mission as proclaiming, witnessing and celebrating the Kingdom of God and keeping alive the Maronite Tradition among us through SERVICE, HEALING and RECONCILING LOVE.

**St. Anthony's is a Registered, Charitable, non-profit organization.**

## *Seventh Sunday of the Great Lent, Palm Sunday*

الأحد السابع من زمن الصوم، أحد الشعانين

March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018

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Our weekly bulletin is available online at: [www.stanthonyparish.com](http://www.stanthonyparish.com)

Designed and maintained by Acey Gaspard

# Parish Information

**HOLY WEEK:** The schedule for Holy Week was sent by e-mail and can be seen on bulletin board in Church Lobby.

**ROSES:** Roses for Good Friday Ceremony will be available in Church Lobby before the Mass.

**CHILDREN EASTER PARTY:** The Youth Group is doing a Children Easter Party for all children up to age 14, on Saturday March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018 from 3:00 PM till 5:00 PM at Saint Anthony's Parish.

Join us for many fun activities, such as Easter Egg Hunt, Face Painting and others... Food will also be served.

Please sign your Children names on the sheet in Church Lobby.

**E-MAILS:** We are using e-mails to provide you with all the announcements and Church activities, please contact the church office at: 519 322 2282, or send your e-mail address to stanthony.learmington@maronites.ca

**FIRST COMMUNION:** First Communion practices are every Tuesday from 4:45 PM until 6:00 PM. Mrs. Jihane Mouawad is preparing our 8 children for their First Holy Communion. First Communion ceremony will take place on Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 1:00 PM at Saint Anthony's Maronite Church. May God bless them all.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Volunteers are needed for the Bingo of Saint Anthony's Parish. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the office at 519-322-2282, or the Bingo Coordinator Abdallah Khalifeh.

## UPCOMING MEMORIAL MASSES

INTENTION	DATE	TIME
1- Soussane Loutfallah Hanna (1 Year Memorial Mass)	Sunday, April 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2018	11:00 AM
2- Knouh Sarkis (40 Day Memorial Mass)	Sunday, April 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2018	9:30 AM
3- Mario Boula Tannous (6 Month Memorial Mass)	Sunday, April 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2018	11:00 AM
4- Father Antoine Sleiman (40 Day Memorial Mass)	Sunday, April 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2018	3:00 PM
5- Shaba Jejou Hedou (6 Month Memorial Mass)	Sunday, April 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2018	9:30 AM

## Last Week's Collection

47 Envelopes	\$	695.00
Loose	\$	142.00
Candles	\$	172.65
Memorial Mass	\$	100.00
Calendar	\$	20.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,129.65</b>

## Income of the Shrine – January & February 2018

Canadian	\$	1,804.50
US	\$	446.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,250.50</b>

## الخبز المحروق

بعد يوم طويل وصعب من العمل وضعت أمي الطعام أمام أبي على الطاولة وبجانبه خبزاً محمصاً لكن الخبز كان محروقاً تماماً.

أذكر أنني انتظرت كي يلحظ أبي ذلك ولا أشك على الإطلاق أنه لاحظته إلا أنه مد يده إلى قطعة الخبز وابتسم لوالدتي وسألني كيف كان يومي في المدرسة؟!

أذكرُ أنني رأيتُ يدهنُ قطعة الخبز بالزبدة والمربي ويأكلها كلها.

عندما نهضتُ عن طاولة الطعام تلك الليلة أتذكر أنني سمعتُ أمي تعتذر لأبي عن حرقها للخبز وهي تحمضه، ولن أنسى رد أبي على اعتذار أمي: حبيبتني أنا أحب أحياناً أن أكل الخبز محمصاً زيادة عن اللزوم وأن يكون به طعم الإحترق.

وفي وقت لاحق تلك الليلة عندما ذهبتُ لأقبل والدي قُبلة تصبح على خير سألته إن كان حقاً يحب أن يتناول الخبز أحياناً محمصاً إلى درجة الإحترق؟

فضمني إلى صدره وقال لي هذه الكلمات التي تبعث على التأمل

يا بني: أمك اليوم كان لديها عمل شاق وقد أصابها التعب والإرهاق في يومها. إن قطعاً من الخبز المحمص زيادة عن اللزوم أو حتى محترقه لن تضر حتى الموت.

الحياة مليئة بالأشياء الناقصة وليس هناك شخص كامل لا عيب فيه.

علينا أن نتعلم كيف نقبل النقصان في الأمور وأن نتقبل عيوب الآخرين وهذا من أهم الأمور في بناء العلاقات وجعلها قوية مستديمة.

خبزٌ محمصٌ محروقٌ قليلاً لا يجب أن يكسر قلباً جميلاً.

فليعذر الناس بعضهم البعض، لا أحد يعرف ظروف الآخرين

# Masses & Celebrations



## Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Seventh Sunday of the Great Lent,

*أحد الشعانين / Palm Sunday*

- 9:30 AM – Mass for the Intention of all Children with Procession
- 11:00 AM – Mass for the Intention of all Children with Procession

## Holy Monday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018

- 5:30 PM – Stations of the Holy Cross
- 6:00 PM – Mass for Adele & Louie Thomas (Family) Veneration of the Holy Cross

## Holy Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018

- 5:30 PM – Stations of the Holy Cross
- 6:00 PM – Mass for Elias & Claude Obeid (Youssef Obeid) Veneration of the Holy Cross

## Holy Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018

- 4:45 PM – Stations of the Holy Cross
- 6:00 PM – Mass for Bakhos Aziz (Family) Ceremony of the Holy Oil during Mass

## Holy Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018

- 6:00 PM – Mass & Ceremony of Washing the feet
- 8:00 PM – Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament till 12:00 Midnight

## Good Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018

- 10:30 AM – Stations of the Holy Cross at Our Lady of Lebanon Shrine
- 3:00 PM – Ceremony of the Burial of Jesus

## Great Saturday of the Light, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018

- 11:30 AM – Reconciliation Rite
- 3:00 PM – Children Easter Party till 5:00 PM
- 11:30 PM – Easter Vigil Mass

## Easter Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018

Sunday of the Glorious Resurrection

*أحد القيامة المجيدة*

- 11:00 AM – Easter Day Mass
- JESUS HAS RISEN, ALLELUIA! حقاً قام، المسيح قام،**  
**HAPPY EASTER! فصح مجيد!**

## Easter Monday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018

Solemnity of the Virgin Mary

- 6:00 PM – Mass

## PALM SUNDAY

Palm Sunday is the final Sunday of Lent, the beginning of Holy Week, and commemorates the triumphant arrival of Christ in Jerusalem, days before he was crucified.

In the Gospels, Jesus entered Jerusalem riding a young donkey, and to the lavish praise of the townspeople who threw clothes, or possibly palms or small branches, in front of him as a sign of homage. This was a customary practice for people of great respect.

Palm branches are widely recognized symbol of peace and victory, hence their preferred use on Palm Sunday.

The use of a donkey instead of a horse is highly symbolic, it represents the humble arrival of someone in peace not for war.

## Contemplation of Palm Sunday

Gospel: John 12: 12 - 22

Reading: Philippians 1: 1 - 13

The news had spread that Jesus had raised his friend Lazarus from the dead and He is now on his way to Jerusalem for the Passover. The crowds gathered in great excitement, holding palms and olives branches, to greet him. The people of Jerusalem were ready to hail him as their Messianic King! Little did they know what it would cost this king to usher in his kingdom. Jesus' entry into Jerusalem astride a colt was a direct fulfillment of the Messianic prophecy of Zechariah (9:9): "Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion. Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem. Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey". The colt was a sign of peace. Jesus enters Jerusalem in meekness and humility, as the Messianic King who brings victory and peace to his people. Jesus Christ came to bring us the kingdom of God. He is the true King who offers peace, joy, and everlasting life for those who accept his kingship.

*"Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord, the King of Israel!"*

## Next Sunday:

Sunday of the Glorious Resurrection

*أحد القيامة المجيدة*

Gospel: Mark 16: 1 - 8

Reading: 1 Corinthians 15: 12 - 26