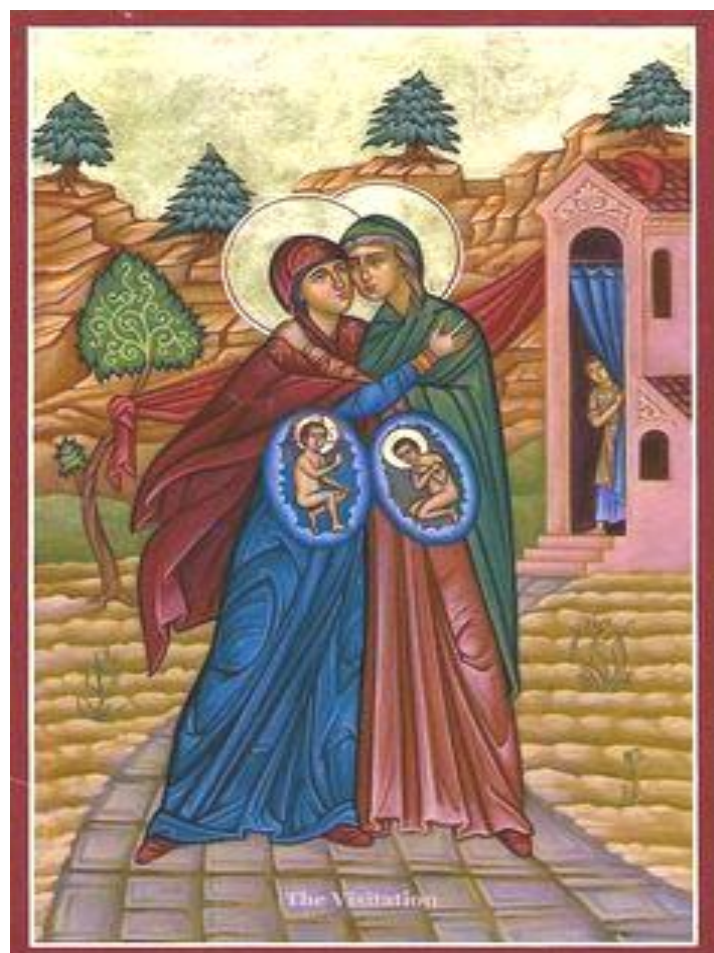




Saint Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church Las Vegas

Sunday of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth

**December
2018**



*“Blessed are
you among
women, and
blessed is the
fruit of your
womb!
Luke 1:42*

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Pray for us!**

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English

SATURDAY VIGIL: 4:30 p.m. English

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& 11:30 AM Arabic/Aramaic/English

1st Sunday : 4:30pm

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1st SUNDAY 9:30 a.m. & 11:30am

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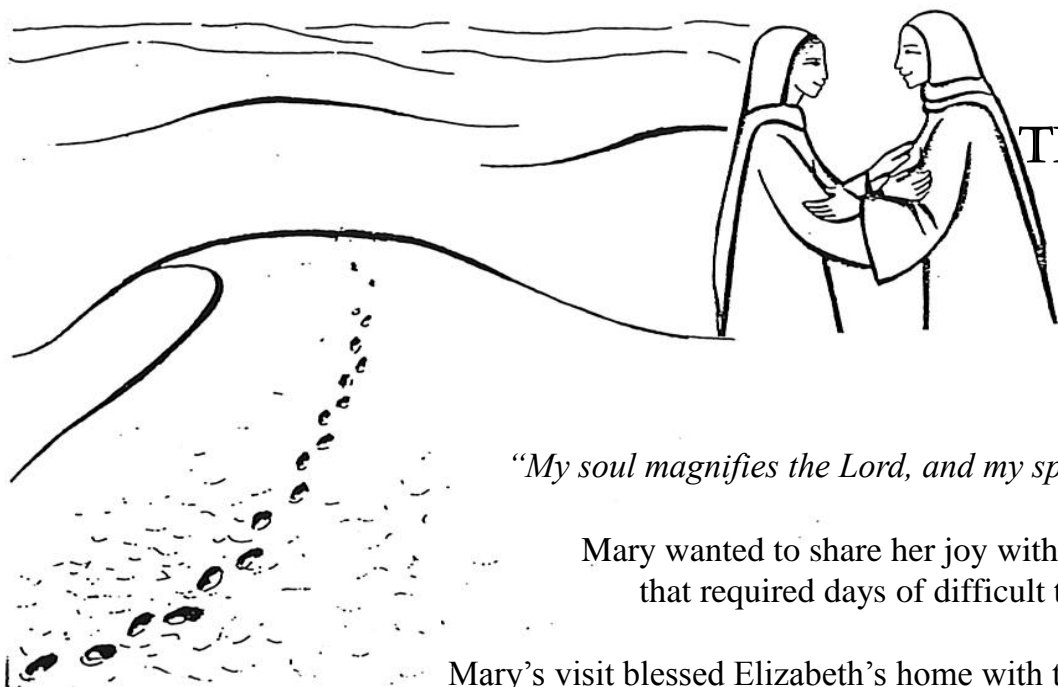
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SUNDAY OF THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY TO BLESSED ELIZABETH

READING: Ephesians 1:1-14

GOSPEL: Luke 1:39-45

"My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God, my Savior." (Luke 1:46-47)

Mary wanted to share her joy with her cousin Elizabeth and embarked on a journey that required days of difficult travel through the mountains in order to visit her.

Mary's visit blessed Elizabeth's home with the presence of the Lord: As Elizabeth saw Mary, she and her child in her womb were filled with the Holy Spirit. Mary's song is like a battle hymn, it is filled with compassion, it is a song that give hope to the poor and the oppressed.

This visitation explains the principles of kindness, friendship, and initiative to us. Kindness is not a difficult concept, everyone knows what one means when one talks about kindness and charity. If we are true Christians we too have to share God's love with others. We have to take the initiative and show kindness and friendship to others. We can do this by turning these into joyous occasions.

Rev. Fr. Nadim Abou Zeid

OBEDIENCE OF THE "THEOTOKOS"

"In accordance with this design, Mary the Virgin is found obedient, saying, 'Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word.' But Eve was disobedient; for she did not obey when as yet she was a virgin. And even as she, having indeed a husband, Adam, but being nevertheless as yet a virgin (for in Paradise 'they were both naked, and were not ashamed,' inasmuch as they, having been created a short time previously, had no understanding of the procreation of children: for it was necessary that they should first come to adult age, and then multiply from that time onward), having become disobedient, was made the cause of death, both to herself and to the entire human race; so also did Mary, having a man betrothed [to her], and being nevertheless a virgin, by yielding obedience, become the cause of salvation, both to herself and the whole human race. And on this account does the law term a woman betrothed to a man, the wife of him who had betrothed her, although she was as yet a virgin; thus indicating the back-reference from Mary to Eve, because what is joined together could not otherwise be put asunder than by inversion of the process by which these bonds of union had arisen;



so that the former ties be cancelled by the latter, that the latter may set the former again at liberty... Wherefore also Luke, commencing the genealogy with the Lord, carried it back to Adam, indicating that it was He who regenerated them into the Gospel of life, and not they Him. And thus also it was that the knot of Eve's disobedience was loosed by the obedience of Mary. For what the virgin Eve had bound fast through unbelief, this did the virgin Mary set free through faith." St. Irenaeus, Against Heresies, 3:22 (A.D. 180).

OUR POPE FRANCIS POPE TO CHURCH MUSICIANS:

'YOU HAVE AWAKENED THE VATICAN'

'Your Music and Your Song are a True Instrument of Evangelization'

"He who sings prays twice," according to #1156 of the Catechism of the Catholic Church – citing St. Augustine. And if that is true, the people meeting from November 23-25, 2018, in Paul VI Hall in the Vatican are vital prayer warriors for the Church.

It is the Third International Meeting of Choirs is taking place, attended by singers and musicians from all over the world. The event is organized by the Pontifical Council for Promoting New Evangelization, in collaboration with the *Nova Opera Onlus*.

The group had a special guest on November 24, someone who knows a little bit about prayer" Pope Francis.

"Your presence in this hall has somehow allowed music and songs to resonate beyond the walls: you have awakened the Vatican!" the Holy Father told the group (which it seems has made enough joyful music to reach far beyond Paul VI Hall). "Your music and your song are a true instrument of evangelization to the extent to which you become witnesses of the profoundness of the Word of God which touches the heart of people, and permits a celebration of the sacraments, in particular, the Holy Eucharist, which allows the beauty of Paradise to be perceived."

The Pope also noted the international makeup of the group. He explained that is emblematic of the universal nature of the Church.

"Your presence, while it emphasizes the international nature of your respective countries, enables the universality of the Church and her diverse traditions to be grasped," Francis said. "Your song and music, especially in the celebration of the Eucharist, makes it clear that we are one Body and that we sing with one voice alone our single faith. Even if we speak different languages, everyone can understand the music with which we sing, the faith we profess and the hope that awaits us."

Full Address of the Holy Father

Dear brothers and sisters,

Your presence in this hall has somehow allowed music and songs to resonate beyond the walls: you have awakened the Vatican! It is nice to listen to your melodies and to feel the joy and the seriousness with which you give voice all together to the beauty of our prayer. I thank Archbishop Rino Fisichella for his creativity, and for his words, and for the initiative that allows you to experience directly the many paths of evangelization.

In recent days, as you know, the Synod of Bishops took place, dedicated to young people, and a topic that was treated with interest was indeed music: "Entirely particular is the importance of music, which is a genuine environment in which young people are constantly immersed, as well as a culture and language capable of arousing emotions and shaping identity. Musical language also represents a pastoral resource, which particularly challenges the liturgy and its renewal" (*Final Document*, 47).

Your music and your song are a true instrument of evangelization to the extent to which you become witnesses of the profoundness of the Word of God which touches the heart of people and permits a celebration of the sacraments, in particular, the Holy Eucharist, which allows the beauty of Paradise to be perceived. Never cease this commitment that is so important for the life of your communities; in this way, with song, you give voice to the emotions that are in the depth of the heart of every person. In moments of joy and sadness, the Church is called always to be close to people, to offer them the company of faith. Very often music and song along these moments to be made unique in the life of a person, as they conserve them as a precious memory that has marked their existence. Vatican Council II, in implementing the renewal of the liturgy, reiterated that the "musical tradition of the Church constitutes a patrimony of inestimable value" (Constitution *Sacrosanctum Concilium*, 112). It is exactly thus. I think, in particular, of the many traditions of our communities dispersed throughout the whole world, that make the most rooted forms emerge in popular culture, and which also become a genuine prayer.



That popular piety that knows how to pray creatively, that knows how to sing creatively; that popular piety that, as an Italian bishop said, is the "immune system" of the Church. And song carries this piety forward. Through this music and song, one also gives voice to prayer and in this way a true international choir is formed, in which there rises to the Father all the praise and glory of His people.

Your presence, while it emphasizes the international nature of your respective countries, enables the universality of the Church and her diverse traditions to be grasped. Your song and music, especially in the celebration of the Eucharist, makes it clear that we are one Body and that we sing with one voice alone our single faith. Even if we speak different languages, everyone can understand the music with which we sing, the faith we profess and the hope that awaits us.

You study and you prepare yourselves to make your song a melody that favors prayer and liturgical celebration. Do not give in, however, to the temptation of protagonism that overshadows your commitment, and humiliates the active participation of the people in prayer. Please, do not be the "prima donna". Be animators of the song of the whole assembly and do not replace it, depriving the people of God of the possibility of singing with you and giving witness to an ecclesial and community prayer. At times I am saddened when, in some ceremonies, one sings so well but the people cannot sing those things... You who have understood more deeply the importance of singing and music, do not devalue the other expressions of popular spirituality: saint's day festivals, processions, dances and religious songs of our people are also a true patrimony of religiosity that deserves to be valued and supported as this too is an action of the Holy Spirit in the heart of the Church. May the Spirit help us to go forward in song.

May music, therefore, be an instrument of unity to make the Gospel effective in today's world, through the beauty that still fascinates and makes it possible to believe by relying on the love of the Father.

I accompany you with my blessing and I entrust you to St. Cecilia, your Patron, but above all, I ask you not to forget to pray for me; pray for me also with your song! Thank you.

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Padina from Iran had always been faithful to Islam. As a child, she was diligent in reciting daily prayers and would memorize the Quran before going to school. She believed every word and worked hard to follow Islam's strict rules. She would go out of her way during her prayer sessions, thinking it would please Allah.

She grew up hating Christians and would rejoice each time she heard of a Christian being persecuted. She was taught that if a Muslim killed a Christian they would receive a one way ticket to Heaven as a reward from Allah.

But one day, despite her hard work to please Allah, she felt distant from him. Padina became depressed and thought of committing suicide. Unfortunately, her mom was also sick and dying and she couldn't think of any other solution than to end both of their lives. She decided to end their suffering when amazingly God used a Christian TV program to intervene in this desperate situation. Her mother called the number on the screen and gave her life to Jesus. This made Padina furious, she took over her mom's call and argued with the prayer counsellor. "I'm gonna kill myself and your Jesus cannot do anything for me!" she said. The counsellor couldn't change her mind but he made a startling proposal. "Give Jesus just one chance and you can kill yourself next week," he said.

Muslim Woman Gives Jesus One Week

to Prove Himself Before Ending Her Life

A powerful story of encountering Jesus!



One week later, Padina was shocked by a miracle that made her realise that no imam could have accomplished this, "it was Jesus."

Today she and her mother as part of Iran's underground church. Considered apostates by Islam they now share this truth wherever they can, despite fear of persecution. Watch and be amazed. Also, pray for persecuted believers in Arab lands.

Sundays of the Church & Season of the Birth of our Lord

Our Christian worship is based on the Person of Christ, His Incarnation, Death and Resurrection. The purpose of this worship is to involve the faithful in the Mysteries of Christ, helping them to reflect upon them, shaping their lives according to the same pattern and at the same time, sanctifying the element of TIME.

The Church spreads the Mystery of Christ throughout the year. That is what we call the Liturgical Year. The Liturgical Year becomes educational, helping the believer to live the Mystery of Christ gradually. That is why we see the whole thirty-three years of Christ's life condensed into one year.

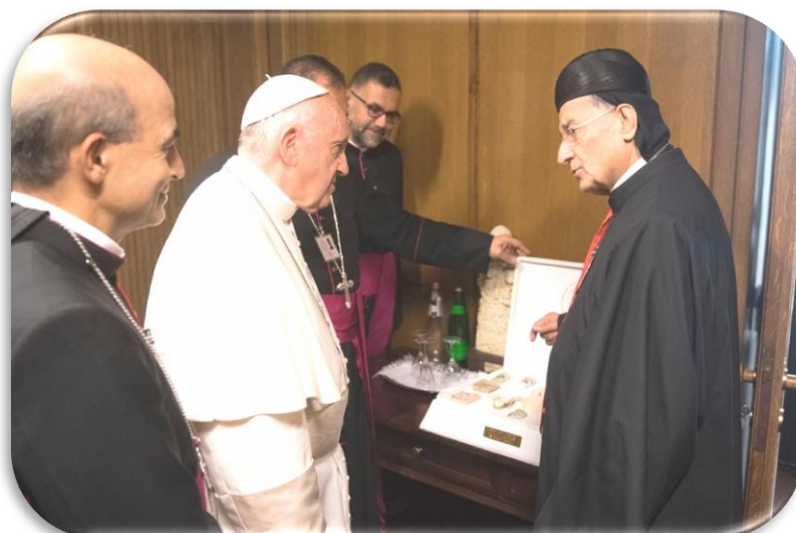
The Liturgical year in the Maronite Church begins on the First Sunday of November. These Sundays that prepare the Feast of Christmas are as follows:

Consecration of the Church
Dedication of the Church

Announcement Sundays:

Announcement to Zachariah
Announcement to Mary
Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth
Birth of John the Baptist
Revelation to Joseph
Genealogy

The six last Sundays prepare us for Christmas. These Sundays remind us of the Plan of Salvation.



The two first Sundays are not directly part of the liturgical year but they were included at this particular place because it coincides with the Jewish Celebration, the Consecration of the Temple.

The first Sunday is called the Consecration Sunday and the second is called Dedication Sunday, but the historical meaning is one: the Commemoration of the Consecration of Churches and Altars. The Commemoration of the Consecration of the Church is celebrated on the First Sunday of November. And if there are 8 Sundays between the first Sunday of November and Christmas, both the Consecration and the Dedication will be celebrated. But if there are only seven Sundays, only the Consecration is celebrated and the Dedication is dropped.

The Dedication of the Church means the celebration of the Consecration of the house of God (material buildings), and the Church (the body of Christ).

St. Sharbel Annual Christmas Party



Saturday 12/22/2018
@ 6 PM
(Following 4:30 PM Mass)

Italian Food
Cash Bar
DJ
Christmas Carols

Santa Arrives @ 8:30 pm
\$20 Adults
\$10 Kids under 10



Book your Agenda: ST. SHARBEL Community Life

- ❖ **Tuesday @ 5:30 pm:** Perpetual Help, Rosary & Healing Prayers, All are Welcome.
- ❖ **Wednesday 12/12:** Feast of Guadalupe @ 5:30 Rosary
- ❖ Mass @ 6 pm followed by Fiesta.
- ❖ **Saturday 12/15:** Christmas Novena Begins after Mass.
- ❖ **Sunday 12/16:** Simbang Gabi Mass @ 5 pm.
- ❖ **Saturday 12/22:** @ 6 pm Annual Christmas Party (Bring gifts for your kids, it will be given by Santa Clause).
- ❖ **Saturday 12/21:** Last day to donate Coats etc.. for the Homeless.
- ❖ **Monday 12/24:** Masses @ 4:30 PM & 11 PM (midnight Mass).
- ❖ **Tuesday 12/25:** Christmas day Mass @ 10 AM (only).



RAFFLE & PRIZES



- 1ST: LAST SUPPER (\$2000)**
- 2ND: ANTIQUE PHONE (\$500)**
- 3RD: ST. SHARBEL GOLD (\$350)**
- 4th: ST. SHARBEL COIN (\$100)**

\$5

Drawing Easter Sunday(4/21)

**St. Sharbel Church
Las Vegas**



MIRACLE OF SAINT SHARBEL: MUSLIM TODDLER CURED BY A MIRACLE OF ST. CHARBEL

The little girl, named Milan was two years old when she fell ill with cancer and after was attacked by a deadly virus. Her mother, a Muslim refugee in Damascus, turned to St. Charbel and the child healed.

A three year old girl, Milan, from a Sunni family in Syria, was healed thanks to the intervention of St. Charbel, the Lebanese hermit saint, canonized in 1977 by Pope Paul VI. The family is a family of refugees from Damascus, who arrived in Lebanon after the civil war which has been destroying the country more than four years.

The girl had a tumor and during treatment was also attacked by a virus very serious. Her mother's prayer to St. Charbel healed her daughter and now little Milan, seems to have a very special relationship with "Father Charbel."

The episode occurred two months ago and is documented by the reports of OTV (Orange TV), in Arabic. Below we publish the literal translation.

Some Christian devotions have spread in many parts of the Muslim world (such as devotion to Mary, Our Lady, and the desire to be freed from the devil.

Speaker: Emigrated from Damascus to Ta'albeya, having fled the terror of Daesh [Arabic acronym for the Islamic State-ed], in search of peace and security she was gripped by a tumor just as she was blowing out the candles of her second year of life:

- **(Mother)** "Her type of cancer is very difficult, because her tumor, disappears and reappears regularly and each time it returns, it grows stronger threatening to take her away from us. This is due to the fact that following the transplant she was hit by a virus called CNP, a highly dangerous virus, as deadly as her illness. She took really powerful drugs but the disease didn't go away. Indeed, over time, it worsened dramatically. So, we kind of reached a decision for her own peace of mind to take her out of hospital, placing ourselves in God's hands, waiting to see what would happen".

(Soundtrack: The song of Majida El Rumi dedicated to St Charbel: "He drowned in his own pain, light oil lamps")

Speaker: A lengthy Golgotha for little Milan who suffered so much pain, but the faith of her mother saved her.

(Soundtrack: The song of Majida El Rumi dedicated to St Charbel: "O Charbel Charbel help us oh help us, O Charbel protect us, O Charbel protect all of us")

- **(Mother):** I brought her here to Zahle [Christian village in the Bekaa Valley that houses a shrine of St. Charbel- ed] on a pilgrimage. The next day, Tuesday, we went to the doctor for another analysis of the virus, and the doctor told me that the test result was negative, all of a sudden there was no trace of the virus. A miracle had eradicated the virus from her body. "

(Soundtrack: The song of Majida El Rumi dedicated to St Charbel: "You whose gifts give glory to Lebanon!")

Speaker: Charbel took the hand of this Sunni Muslim family to defeat, through his intercession, the disease of their small child, their little girl, through his intercession.

- **(Mother):** "It was 8 pm, and on the way back home, she had fallen asleep. When Milan woke up she said "Today, Father Charbel came to see me' "

- **(Milan):** "Father Charbel told me, I prayed to God to heal you! He gave me water and it was enough "

(Soundtrack: The song of Majida El Rumi dedicated to St. Charbel, "Leave me like an Oak kneeling in front of the vine that is pressed but never destroyed".

Speaker: The relationship that unites the three year old girl with St. Charbel is an extraordinary relationship, a friend in times of sadness, her refuge to feel less pain, his church is the only place where she feels safe.

- **The Mother:** "Whenever she feels pain, she goes and takes the holy card of St. Charbel, cries, then starts to talk to him, but I do not know what she says or understand the nature of this relationship that unites them. These things no one knows except the two of them. "

(Soundtrack: The song of Majida El Rumi dedicated to St Charbel: "O Charbel Protect, Protect us!")

Little Milan: "I love you very much St. Charbel!"



Saint Sharbel Pray for Us



MASS ETIQUETTE; DOS AND DON'TS WHILE AT MASS**Fast:**

It doesn't even really feel like a fast anymore since its just an hour. The Church requires every communicant to begin preparing to receive Jesus by observing an hour fast (from food) unless they're aged or sick. Won't really cost much to give this little to receive God into your soul would it?

Come early, recollect yourself:

Sometime ago i asked on our Facebook page "When is one late for Mass" some said with confidence "When they come later than the Sign of the Cross". I disappointed them by reminding them that the Mass actually begins with the procession. I usually advise people to make effort to be in Church at least 10-15 minutes before the actual time in order to have some time to pray and recollect; to begin the Mass in the right spirit. When it becomes a habit to arrive late, it ceases to be a real celebration for the person, and if it becomes a habit (especially Sundays) it begins to become sinful.

Eating?

It is inappropriate to find a grown person snacking or chewing gum in Church. We want to show God some seriousness and show our devotion by setting aside a perfect "God-time". This means we'd try to devote all our attention to the act of worship, to make it as perfect as possible. The house of God is a place of prayer, let us try to keep it so. For Children? I still don't buy the idea of snacks. If it can be discreet, and if the child is really troublesome, then its okay.

Dressing:

Be modest, don't attract too much attention by putting on something open. We also love to think Sunday as a real celebration, keep this in mind and put on the best you have. God is holy, your body is his Temple, cover it, and adorn it moderately.

No Phones:

No cell phones; texting, chatting, calls etc. I have seen a number of people chatting over Facebook while at Mass. Then i wonder: So we really cannot give God little time anymore? What will it take to turn off our phones for an hour or two (Depending on where you live, some are as fast as 45 mins). The only justifiable case is big emergencies though, whatever it be, let it be serious and be discreet while attending to it. It is usually better to quietly leave the Church to attend to the emergency than text or receive calls inside.

Genuflection:

Upon entering the Church, every informed Catholic remembers that Jesus is present in the Tabernacle (usually indicated by some light beside it).

The problem usually is that only few remember to show some respect. Genuflecting (such that your knee hits the ground) is a sign of devotion and reverence to the Lord who for love waits for us in the Tabernacle with blessing and peace.

Active participation:

Some find it hard to follow all the routines over and over again; to stand, sit, speak when needed etc. However, active participation means exactly this. In order to be really part of a praying community, we must join the Body of Christ in its movements. We are supposed to try as much as possible to join in singing, praying, and in performing all appropriate gestures while at Mass for our participation to be perfect.

Receiving Communion:

It is customary to show some reverence before, during and after communion. Before receiving, one must recollect, pray and prepare themselves. Receiving, it is advised to bow or kneel (depending on what's customary in your area). After receiving, kneel and pray to Jesus, don't be in a hurry, he might also have a word or two for you. It shouldn't be heard, it could be simple movements in your soul, inspirations etc. But pray and keep still for a while. Remember to be joyful as well, when you leave mass, share this joy with everyone !

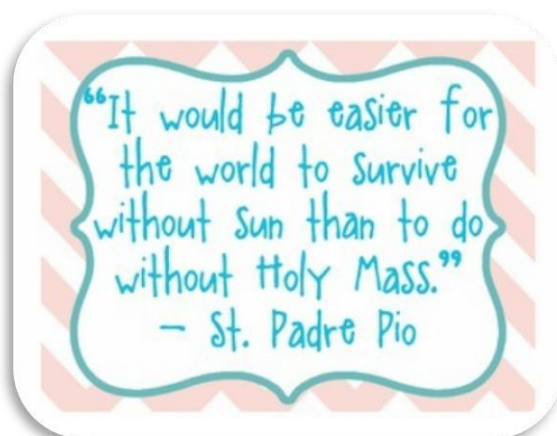
Be Charitable:

If you're sick, be sure not to receive from the chalice. Remember to respect people close to you, do not consider yourself alone. Your neighbor might not like to be held while at mass, or even be talked to, respect it. If your child is noisy either take them outside (if crying) or to be back. Do to others what you'd want done to you.

Don't be in a hurry:

Do not leave the Church before the Presider (the minister), the Mass ends officially when the priest leaves the Church. Even then, it is usually advised you sit/kneel in silent prayer of thanksgiving or simply gaze at Jesus in the Tabernacle, smile at him and just be joyful. After which you should leave quietly in order not to distract others.

You should add any more you remember in the comment section, and do not forget to share.





Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles
Office of the Bishop

*Nothing is impossible for God. (Archangel Gabriel – Luke 1:37)
For mortals it is impossible, but for God all things are possible. (Jesus – Matthew 19:26)*

November–December, 2018

Rev. Nadim Abou Zeid
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Dear Friend in Christ,

When the angel Gabriel told Mary that she would conceive and bear the Son of the Most High, the words may have seemed impossible to her. But Gabriel told Mary *"Nothing is impossible for God."* Similarly, when Jesus was speaking with His Apostles about entering the Kingdom of God, He used the same basic words: *"For God all things are possible."*

The message is clear: On our own, we can do nothing. But with God, we can do anything.

As we approach the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles next year, we give thanks for all the graces God has bestowed upon us and we place our future under His Divine Providence. We are looking to begin a historic Capital Campaign. While our goals may seem lofty and perhaps even impossible, let us remember that this is not our work – **it is God's** – and with God all things are possible!

We have seen a lot of progress over the years in the Eparchy, thank God. Many new priests were ordained and new missions were opened to serve Maronite faithful in communities where there was never a Maronite parish. At this time, we have 8 seminarians preparing for the priesthood. Our ministries to serve young people are thriving and bringing young people closer to the Lord. And our parishes are helping many people live holy lives and raise holy families.

Yet we have much to do. As we approach the holidays and especially Christmas, I ask you to please include a gift to the Eparchy among your Christmas and year-end giving. The Eparchy's ability to serve is limited only by its financial resources. Your gift is your response to God for His numerous blessings, and will be used to help support seminarians, missions and vital ministries. Please prayerfully consider making a sacrificial gift today. Thank you.

You will be in my prayers this Thanksgiving and Christmas. Let us pray for each other! I wish you a happy and holy Thanksgiving, Christmas and 2019! May God bless you.

Gratefully yours in Christ,

+ A. Elias Zaidan

Bishop of the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles

Please remember the Eparchy in your estate plan or as the beneficiary of an insurance policy

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FILIPINO NEWS**Pope Francis declares Bishop Obviar 'venerable'**

Pope Francis issued a decree Thursday advancing the sainthood cause of Bishop Alredo Obviar, declaring him "venerable".

The pope recognized that Obviar, the first bishop of Lucena, lived the Christian virtues in a heroic way.

The announcement makes the bishop, who died in 1978 at the age of 89, two steps closer to sainthood.

The pontiff would have to recognize a miracle attributed to the late bishop's intercession in order for him to be beatified. A second miracle would be needed for canonization.

The cause for sainthood of Obviar was introduced by the Lucena diocese. The Congregation for the Causes of Saints granted the "Nihil Obstat" (nothing hinders) to the diocesan inquiry of his life in 2001.

Few years later, the decree of validity was issued in 2007 marking the start of its "Roman Phase".

In 2014, the "Positio" was submitted and the review of Theologians was concluded early last year.



*Bishop
Alfredo
Obviar, who
was born in
Lipa,
Batangas in
1889 and died
in 1978, has
been declared
venerable.*

Born in Lipa, Batangas, Obviar was ordained a priest in 1919. In 1944, he was named as the first Auxiliary Bishop of Lipa.

He was known as the founder of the Missionary Catechists of St. Therese, a religious congregation of nuns with missions across the Philippines and in some countries.

In 1969, he was appointed as bishop of Lucena, a post he served until his retirement in 1976.

FILIPINO CATHOLICS NAME 2019 AS 'YEAR OF THE YOUTH'

Special year will be the seventh in a series of nine annual celebrations to mark 500 years of Christianity in country

The Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines has announced that it will dedicate 2019 as the "Year of the Youth".

The year-long celebration, which will start on the first Sunday of Advent on Dec. 2, will carry the theme "Filipino Youth in Mission: Beloved, Gifted, Empowered."

It's observance, which the bishops described as part of the "nine-year journey for New Evangelization," will end on Nov. 24, 2019, the Feast of Christ the King.

In 2013, the bishops' conference launched a "nine-year journey" to 2021, the fifth centenary of the arrival of Christianity in the Philippines, with a different theme each year.

The first five years were dedicated to "integral faith formation" (2013), the laity (2014), the poor (2015), the Eucharist and the Family (2016), and the parish as a communion of communities (2017).

The year 2018 was dedicated to the clergy and consecrated persons, while the remaining two years of the preparation will be dedicated to ecumenism and inter-religious dialogue in 2020 and *missio ad gentes*, or bringing the Gospel to all people, in 2021.

Activities next year are aimed at "youth in formation, youth in communities, church and society, youth in mission, and youth ministry and youth ministers."

"The Year of the Youth is a journey of encounter with Jesus, accompanied by Mary," read a statement from the bishops' Commission on Youth.

"In this journey, we tell the story of the Filipino youth with our Risen Lord ... [and] as we are blessed and gifted during this journey, we are empowered to witness to and share our faith," it added.

The "Year of the Youth" observance comes after the Synod of Bishops on young people last month.

The final document of the meeting stressed the concrete aspects of the lives of the youth, the role of schools and parishes and the need for the laity to be trained to accompany young people.



***Filipino delegates pose for a picture
during the World Youth Day in
Poland in 2016***

Christmas Special
Silver
Picture
(75% off)
Was \$1800
Now \$499



***Feast of
Guadalupe
12/12/18
5:30 Rosary &
6 pm Mass***

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Worship & Fellowship

Tuesday

6-7 p.m.
 Rosary &
 Praise & Worship
English.

7-8pm
 Healing with Oil,
 Bible Study,
 Fellowship

Wednesday

10 a.m. Rosary
In Arabic

1st Wednesday
Young @ Heart
Potluck following
the Rosary

Eucharistic
 Adoration DAILY
 from 7AM to
 6PM.

**Sign up (White
 Application
 Form) for ½ an
 hour with Jesus
 in Eucharistic
 Adoration**

**Daily 7am-6pm
 Prayer Daily at
 3pm**

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WEEKEND**HOLY MASS INTENTIONS****DAILY 8AM****Saturday 4:30pm****Dec 1**

Healing-Tito Jonko

Sunday 9:30am Dec 2

Mothers of the World

Sunday 11:30 am

World Peace

Sunday 4:30 pm**Spanish**Madres y futuras
madres en todo el mundo!**PRAY FOR THE SICK****MONDAY Dec 3**

Isabel Silva & Family

TUESDAY Dec 4

Anita Farina

WEDNESDAY Dec 5

Michael & Monica McAdams

THURSDAY Dec 6

Pauline Smith

FRIDAY Dec 7

Skufca Family

El Grupo Guadalupano de la Iglesia
de San CharbelTe invita a que asistas a la Misa y El Rosario
que se celebran el primer domingo
cada mes comenzado,**DIA: Domingo 2 de Diciembre del 2018****HORA: Rosario 4:30pm Misa****DONDE: Iglesia Catolica de San Charbel
10325 Rancho Destino Rd,
Las Vegas, NV 89183**Despues de la Misa te invitamos a que nos acompañes a una
pequeña recepcion donde compartiremos: café, postres, y
bocadillos con todos los asistentes.Si tienes alguna duda communicate con:
Oficina de la Iglesia 702-616-6902