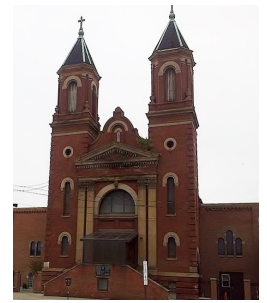


HEALING OF THE HEMORRHAGING WOMAN



ST. MARON MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

March 12, 2017

Authority over Disease and Death and the Importance of Faith

Perhaps nothing is so fearful for people to face than disease and death. Nature can overpower us and evil can invade our world, but we feel most threatened when our own body starts to work against us and our mortality becomes painfully evident. We wonder, "Is that all there is—only a few score years and then dust?"

As Luke continues unfolding dimensions of Jesus' authority, he ends his fourfold miracle sequence with a double miracle that attacks both disease and death. Each miracle in the sequence is increasingly inward. Death, the most intimate and comprehensive opponent, is left for last. But these last miracles teach more than the extent of Jesus' authority. They also offer a lesson about response.

These miracles are audiovisuals of important truths related to Jesus' sovereignty. As important as each event is in itself, even more important is the picture involved. The overcoming of disease and death in this passage is but a foretaste of the ultimate, comprehensive overcoming of disease and death. The event points beyond itself to eternal realities, which put the limitations of this life into perspective. Such lessons are Luke's goal in reassuring his readers about Jesus.

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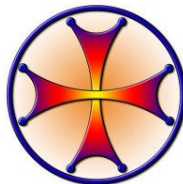
MARRIAGE -
Call at least 8 months in advance for Pre-Cana Appt.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
By appointment

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING/SICK
Call the Parish Office immediately. 216.520.5081 or
216.333.0760

HOSPITALS DO NOT CALL US.

Chapel/ Mailing Address
7800 Brookside Road
Independence, Oh 44131
Church: 1245 Carnegie Avenue
Cleveland, Oh 44115



Emergency: 216-333-0760



Liturgy Schedule

WEEKDAYS: Chapel

10:00 am

SUNDAY: DOWNTOWN

9:30 am - English

11:00am - English & Arabic

SATURDAY: CHAPEL:

7800 BROOKSIDE RD,

INDEPENDENCE

5:00 pm

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

7pm

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MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of Saint Maron Parish, form a community of disciples dedicated to a shared faith and common life which exemplifies the life, works, and teaching of Jesus Christ as reflected in the Sacred Scriptures and the Maronite Catholic Tradition. Our Parish life and mission are to proclaim the Gospel, to foster and strengthen the faith, and to evangelize. Our covenant of discipleship with Jesus Christ is fulfilled through liturgy, education, and service. Amen

Liturgy Intentions

Sat. March 11: Healing of the Hemorrhaging Woman

5:00 pm Chapel: Mem. Lit for Camilla Sakalini (Azouri)

Sister of Michel Maroun

(Sr. Anita Maroun & Michael & Richard Maroun)

Sun. March 12: Healing of the Hemorrhaging Woman

9:30 am: Liturgy for the deceased and living members of the

Elie & Georgette Estephan family

(Elie & Georgette Estephan and family)

11:00 am: Forty Day Liturgy for Naeema Azar Makhoul

(George Almalas & family)

**11:00 am: Mem. Lit for Madeline Maroun, Nouhad Asmar,
Mona Sifani and Mary Maroun**

(Fariz Maroun and family)

Next Week

Wednesday March 15: Chapel

10:00 am: Mem. Lit for Youssef & Georgette Sayegh

(Their children)

Sat. March 18: Parable of the Prodigal Son

5:00 pm Chapel: Mem. Lit for Souad Mounzer

(Given by her brother Naim and Gladys Saker & family)

Sun. March 19: Parable of the Prodigal Son

9:30 am: Mem. Lit for Nassif & Helen Assid

(Their grandchildren & their families)

11:00 am: Parishioners Intentions

Rest in Peace

Condolences to the family of **Souad Mounzer**, sister of Naim (Gladys) Saker. Souad Mounzer died in Lebanon and was buried this past week.

Family will be accepting condolences on

Sunday, March 19th from 3-8 pm

Naim & Gladys Saker

18516 Meadow Lane

Strongsville, Ohio 44136

May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the Mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen



Maronite Young Children (MYC)

EASTER PARTY

Saturday, April 8: 12-2pm

**Parish Center:
INDEPENDENCE**

**Children 4yrs to 12yrs
welcome**

Easter Flowers 2017 PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY Circle One: \$25 EA.

In Memory of: OR In Thanksgiving

Donated By:

يا إخوتائي،

إِنَّ لِي عَلَيْكُمْ دَالَّةً كَبِيرَةً، وَلِي بِكُمْ فَخْرًا عَظِيمًا. وَلَقَدْ أَمْتَلَأْتُ تَعَزِيَةً، وَأَنَا أَيْضًا فَرَحًا فِي ضَيْقِنَا كُلِّهِ.

فَإِنَّمَا لَمَّا وَصَلْنَا إِلَى مَقْدُونِيَّةِ، لَمْ يَكُنْ لِحَسْبِنَا شَيْءٌ مِنَ الرَّاحَةِ، بَلْ كُنَّا مُتَضَائِقِينَ فِي كُلِّ شَيْءٍ، صِرَاعًا مِنَ الْخَارِجِ، وَخَوْفًا مِنَ الدَّخْلِ!

لَكِنَّ اللَّهَ الَّذِي يُعْزِي الْمُتَوَاضِعِينَ عَزَانًا بِمَجِيءِ طِبْطِيسَ، لَا بِمَجِيئِهِ فَحَسْبُ، بَلْ أَيْضًا بِالتَّعَزِيَةِ الَّتِي تَعَزَاهَا بِكُمْ. وَقَدْ أَخْبَرْنَا بِأَشْتِيَاقِكُمْ إِلَيْنَا، وَحُزْنِكُمْ، وَغَيْرَتِكُمْ عَلَيَّ، حَتَّى إِنِّي أَرَدَدْتُ فَرَحًا.

وَإِذَا كُنْتُ قَدْ أَحْرَزْتُكُمْ بِرِسَالَتِي فَلَسْتُ نَادِمًا عَلَى ذَلِكَ، مَعَ أَنَّي كُنْتُ قَدْ نِدِمْتُ، لِأَنِّي أَرَى أَنَّ تِلْكَ الرِّسَالَةَ، وَلَوْ أَحْرَزْتُكُمْ إِلَى حِينٍ، قَدْ سَبَّبَتْ لِي فَرَحًا كَثِيرًا، لَا لِأَنَّكُمْ حَزَنْتُمْ، بَلْ لِأَنَّ حُزْنَكُمْ أَدَّى بِكُمْ إِلَى التَّوْبَةِ. فَقَدْ حَزَنْتُمْ حُزْنًا مُرْضِيًا لِلَّهِ، كَيْ لَا تَخْسُرُوا بِسَبَبِنَا فِي أَيِّ شَيْءٍ؛ لِأَنَّ الْحُزْنَ الْمُرْضِيَّ لِلَّهِ يَصْنَعُ تَوْبَةً لِلخَّلَاصِ لَا نَدَمَ عَلَيْهَا، أَمَّا حُزْنُ الْعَالَمِ فَيَصْنَعُ مَوْتًا.

فَانظُرُوا حُزْنَكُمْ هَذَا الْمُرْضِيَّ لِلَّهِ كَمْ أَنْشَأَ فِيكُمْ مِنَ الْأَجْتِهَادِ، بَلْ مِنَ الْأَعْتِدَارِ، بَلْ مِنَ الْأَسْتِنْكَارِ، بَلْ مِنَ الْخَوْفِ، بَلْ مِنَ الشُّوقِ، بَلْ مِنَ الْغَيْرَةِ، بَلْ مِنَ الْإِصْرَارِ عَلَى الْعِقَابِ! وَقَدْ أَظْهَرْتُمْ أَنْفُسَكُمْ فِي كُلِّ ذَلِكَ أَنْكُمْ أَبْرِيَاءُ مِنْ هَذَا الْأَمْرِ.

والتسبيح لله دائماً.

Brothers and sisters,

I often boast about you; I have great pride in you; I am filled with consolation; I am overjoyed in all our affliction. For even when we came into Macedonia, our bodies had no rest, but we were afflicted in every way — disputes without and fears within. But God, who consoles the downcast, consoled us by the arrival of Titus, and not only by his coming, but also by the consolation with which he was consoled about you, as he told us of your longing, your mourning, your zeal for me, so that I rejoiced still more. For even if I made you sorry with my letter, I do not regret it (though I did regret it, for I see that I grieved you with that letter, though only briefly). Now I rejoice, not because you were grieved, but because your grief led to repentance; for you felt a godly grief, so that you were not harmed in any way by us. For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation and brings no regret, but worldly grief produces death. For see what earnestness this godly grief has produced in you, what eagerness to clear yourselves, what indignation, what alarm, what longing, what zeal, what punishment! At every point you have proved yourselves guiltless in the matter. **Praise be to God always!**

قال لوقا البشير:

لَمَّا عَادَ يَسُوعُ، اسْتَقْبَلَهُ الْجَمْعُ، لِأَنَّهُمْ جَمِيعُهُمْ كَانُوا يَنْتَظِرُونَهُ. وَإِذَا بِرَجُلٍ اسْمُهُ يَائِيرُسُ، وَكَانَ رَئِيسَ الْمَجْمَعِ، جَاءَ فَأَرْتَمَى عَلَى قَدَمَيْ يَسُوعَ، وَأَخَذَ يَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْهِ أَنْ يَدْخُلَ بَيْتَهُ، لِأَنَّ لَهُ

ابْنَةً وَحِيدَةً، عُمُرُهَا نَحْوُ اثْنَتَيْ عَشْرَةَ سَنَةً، قَدْ أُسْرِفَتْ عَلَى الْمَوْتِ. وَفِيمَا هُوَ ذَاهِبٌ، كَانَ الْجُمُوعُ يَزْحَمُونَهُ

وَكَانَتْ امْرَأَةٌ مُصَابَةٌ بِنَزْفِ دَمٍ مُنْذُ اثْنَتَيْ عَشْرَةَ سَنَةً، وَلَمْ يَقْدِرْ أَحَدٌ أَنْ يَشْفِيَهَا. دَنَتْ مِنْ وَرَاءِ يَسُوعَ، وَلَمَسَتْ طَرَفَ رِدَائِهِ، وَفَجَاءَتْ وَقَفَتْ نَزْفٌ دَمِهَا.

فَقَالَ يَسُوعُ: "مَنْ لَمَسَنِي؟" وَأَنْكَرَ الْجَمِيعُ. فَقَالَ بَطْرُسُ وَمَنْ مَعَهُ: "يَا مَعْلَمُ، إِنَّ الْجُمُوعَ يَزْحَمُونَكَ وَيُصَابِفُونَكَ." فَقَالَ يَسُوعُ: "إِنَّ وَاحِدًا قَدْ لَمَسَنِي! فَإِنِّي عَرَفْتُ أَنَّ قُوَّةَ قَدْ خَرَجَتْ مِنِّي"

وَرَأَتْ الْمَرْأَةُ أَنَّ أَمْرَهَا لَمْ يَخَفْ عَلَيْهِ، فَدَنَتْ مَرْتَعِدَةً وَأَرْتَمَتْ عَلَى قَدَمَيْهِ، وَأَعْلَنْتْ أَمَامَ الشَّعْبِ كُلِّهِ لِمَاذَا لَمَسَتْهُ، وَكَيْفَ شَفِيَتْ لِلْحَالِ.

فَقَالَ لَهَا يَسُوعُ: "يَا ابْنَتِي، إِيمَانُكَ خَلَّصَكَ! إِذْهَبِي بِسَلَامٍ." وَفِيمَا هُوَ يَتَكَلَّمُ، وَصَلَ وَاحِدٌ مِنْ دَارِ رَئِيسِ الْمَجْمَعِ يَقُولُ: "مَاتَتْ ابْنَتُكَ! فَلَا تُزْعِجِ الْمَعْلَمَ." وَسَمِعَ يَسُوعُ فَأَجَابَهُ: "لَا تَخَفْ!

يَكْفِي أَنْ تُؤْمِنَ فَتَحْيَا ابْنَتُكَ."

وَلَمَّا وَصَلَ إِلَى الْبَيْتِ، لَمْ يَدْعُ أَحَدًا يَدْخُلُ مَعَهُ سِوَى بَطْرُسَ وَيُوَحْنَا وَيَعْقُوبَ وَأَبِي الصَّبِيَّةِ وَأُمِّهَا. وَكَانَ الْجَمِيعُ يَبْكُونَ عَلَيْهَا وَيَبْرَعُونَ صُدُورَهُمْ. فَقَالَ: "لَا تَبْكُوا! إِنَّهَا لَمْ تَمُتْ، لَكِنَّهَا

نَائِمَةٌ." فَأَخَذُوا يَضْحَكُونَ مِنْهُ لِعِلْمِهِمْ بِأَنَّهَا مَاتَتْ.

أَمَّا هُوَ فَامْسَكَ بِيَدَيْهَا وَنَادَى قَائِلًا: "إِنَّهَا الصَّبِيَّةُ، قُومِي." فَعَادَتْ رُوحُهَا إِلَيْهَا، وَفَجَاءَتْ نَهَضَتْ. ثُمَّ أَمَرَ بِأَنْ يُطْعِمُوهَا.

فَدَهَشَ آبَاؤُهَا، وَأَوْصَاهُمَا يَسُوعُ أَلَّا يُخْبِرَا أَحَدًا بِمَا حَدَثَ.

حقاً والأمان لجميعكم

The evangelist writes,

When Jesus returned, the crowd welcomed him, for they were all waiting for him. Just then there came a man named Jairus, a leader of the synagogue. He fell at Jesus' feet and begged him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years old, who was dying. As he went, the crowds pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years; and though she had spent all she had on physicians, no one could cure her. She came up behind him and touched the fringe of his clothes, and immediately her hemorrhage stopped. Then Jesus asked, "Who touched me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the crowds surround you and press in on you." But Jesus said, "Someone touched me; for I noticed that power had gone out from me." When the woman saw that she could not remain hidden, she came trembling; and falling down before him, she declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." While he was still speaking, someone came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the teacher any longer." When Jesus heard this, he replied, "Do not fear. Only believe, and she will be saved." When he came to the house, he did not allow anyone to enter with him, except Peter, John, and James, and the child's father and mother. They were all weeping and wailing for her; but he said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But he took her by the hand and called out, "Child, get up!" Her spirit returned, and she got up at once. Then he directed them to give her something to eat. Her parents were astounded; but he ordered them to tell no one what had happened. **This is the truth. Peace be with you.**

St. Maron's Church Organizations

Parish Council

President: Najib Rached: rolanano@hotmail.com
3rd Wed. of the month at 7:00 pm

Immaculate Conception Sodality (ICS)

President: Bernadette Faddoul: gbjmlf@aol.com
1st Mon. of every month at 7:00pm

Sons of Mary (Men's Club)

President: Joey Faddoul: joeyfaddoul@gmail.com
1st Mon. of every month at 7:00 pm

Maronite Christian Formation Program (MCFP)

Director Maroun Kattar: marounkattar@yahoo.com
Sundays (except Holy Days) 10:45 am to 12:15 pm

Maronite Young Children (MYC)

President: Rita Kanaan: Ritamurr@hotmail.com

Maronite Youth Organization (MYO)

Coordinator: George Shamatta: gshamatta@gmail.com

1st and 3rd Saturday : 5pm with Liturgy/Meeting

Maronite Young Adults (MYA)

President: Sami Shaia: sshaia13@gmail.com

Meeting & Bible Study 1st Thurs. of each month at 7:30 pm

Arabic School

Coordinator: Jihad Kawkabani: jihad.kawkabani@gmail.com

Classes Sat. Oct-April (except Holy Days) 10 am to 12 noon

50+ Social Club

Mary Ann Watson: mapw47@yahoo.com

1st Friday of each month. Liturgy: 10:00 am

Book & Cine Club

Katia Abboud: katiaabboud315@gmail.com



MYO Meeting /Potluck/

Saturday, March 18

5-9pm Parish Center, Independence
With a sports outing to Our Lady of
the Cedars, Fairlawn

MYA News

March 23, 2017 @ 8:00 pm

Trapped Escape Room

\$15 ONLY 20 SPOTS AVAILABLE

MUST SIGN UP

Text: 216-313-8442

ICS NEWS

Monthly Meeting: Monday April 3

Downtown

Security Provided

Sons of Mary News

Monthly Meeting: Monday April 3

Downtown

Rosary, General Assembly & Potluck

All men of the parish are invited.

50+ Social Club

Friday April 7

Liturgy 10:00 am Chapel

Lunch en route at Sorrento Ristorante &
Pizzeria (Sheffield Village); on to Vermillion;

Brummer's Chocolates, and Paper Moon

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Reserve by March 27

Mary Ann: 216-521-5481

Stations & Benediction of the Holy Cross

Every Friday of Lent

6:30 pm Downtown

Followed by a Potluck

(Bring a dish to share)

Parking Lot security provided.

LENTEN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SERIES

During this Great Season of Lent, Msgr. Peter Karam will be offering two public lectures on the topic of **“Christianity and Secular Culture: In Defense of the Christian Faith.”**

These lectures are open to the general public: parishioners and non-parishioners. Although the lectures are intended for individuals of all ages, they should be of particular interest to youths and young adults.

Date & Times

Wednesday, March 22nd, 7:00 pm

Wednesday, March 29th, 7:00 pm

Location

Saint Maron Church * 1245 Carnegie Ave. * Cleveland, Ohio
Parking lot security will be provided.

MARONITE VOICE

The March 2017 issue of the Maronite Voice is in the vestibule of the Chapel and Church. Be sure to read the article on Page 8 written by our own Fr. Alex Harb.

Learn the various investments available to secure your financial future and much more.
Attend our complimentary Theology on Tap seminar

THURSDAY MARCH 16 AT 7:00 PM.

Led by Rick Ganim, CPA Financial Advisor and Educator with Stratos Wealth Partners



*Rick has been a CPA and a Financial Advisor working with families in the Cleveland area since 1994.
Previous financial educational sessions include NASA,
St. Vincent Charity Hospital, Cleveland State University and Whirlpool.*

This event will cover a wide range of topics that can help you take control of your financial future.

Open to all adult Women & Men

Sponsored and organized by St. Maron Sons of Mary Men's Club

**Location: St. Maron Parish Center
7800 Brookside Road, Independence Ohio 44131**

Join the MYA in...
Only 20 spots available so sign up fast.
Escape Room!




**Date: March 23, 2017
Time: 8 p.m.
Place: Trapped! Escape Room
6749 Eastland Rd,
Middleburg Heights, OH 44130**

Price: \$15
YOU MUST SIGN UP!

Text: 216-313-8442

LADIES AND MEN OF THE PARISH
Are you available on Friday
March 24th at 9:30 am
to help clean the **kitchen and
hall downtown?**



Easter is right around the corner and the ladies will soon be baking our favorites, Mammoul and KAAK

Give us a hand; we sure would appreciate any time you can spare.

Thank you in advance!!!

Pope Francis Monthly Intentions March

Support for Persecuted Christians
That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.

Come and See ~ Bible Study proclaims the Lordship of Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit for the glory of God the Father *Led by Msgr. Peter Karam and Father Alex Harb*

Saturday Mornings 10am-12 noon **Thursday Evenings 7:00 pm**
(Downtown) (Parish Center Ind.)

March 11, March 18, April 1

*March 16, March 23,
March 30, April 6*



**Consulate General
Visit**

WEDNESDAY, April 5, 2017
(Do not arrive before 11:00 am)

LOCATION:
1245 Carnegie Avenue Cleveland 44115

Gift of the Altar: March 2017

BREAD

In Memory of:

Arlene Sekerak (nee Richards)
Edward & Ella Richards & families

Youseff Tobia
Takla Tobia & family

Hanna & Evelyn Ina & deceased member of their family
Their children

WINE

In Memory Of:

Arlene Sekerak (nee Richards)
Edward & Ella Richards & families

Mouhiba Khalil Sahlani
Naji & Elizabeth Sahlani & family

Youseff Tobia
Takla Tobia & family

Hanna & Evelyn Ina & deceased members of their family
Their children

William & Genevieve Bishilany
Bill & Denise Bishilany & family

CANDLES

In Memory Of:

Arlene Sekerak (nee Richards)
Edward & Ella Richards & families

George & Mary "Roma" Sessin
Their children & their families

Jacob & Juliette Saad & the deceased members of the Saad & Elzeer families:
Thomas Saad & family

Hanna & Evelyn Ina & deceased member of their family
Their children

Zine, Wadee & Jeanette Sabe
Tom & Theresa Thomas



The Candle burning in front of the Blessed Mother at the 11am Liturgy signifies the presence of the Sons of Mary
This weeks candle is lit
In Memory of Joseph & Madeleine Faddoul

Given by: **The Ghazi & Bernadette Faddoul and family**



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USA SCHOLARSHIPS

MYO – John A. Solomon
Two for High School Seniors \$2000
Massabki Brothers
One for High School Seniors \$2000
Naomi & Paul Kassouf
Two for High School Seniors \$2000
Paul Wakim
One for High School Seniors \$1000
St. John Maron, Orange, CA
One for High School Seniors \$2000
Gilbert Chagoury Undergraduate
One for College Student \$2000
Robert Atallah
One for College Student \$2000
Thomas & Jennie Ayoub
One for College Students \$2000
Gilbert Chagoury Graduate
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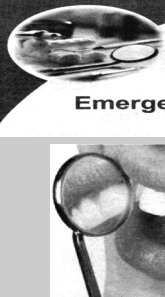
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