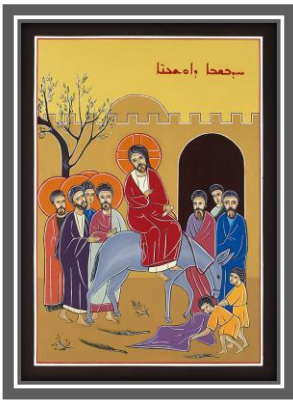
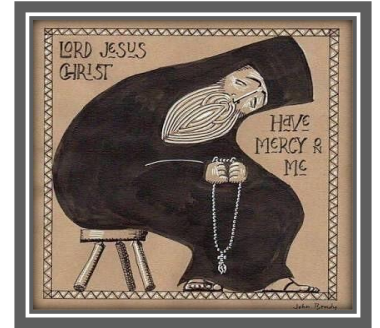


# Saint Joseph Maronite Catholic Church



## Hosanna Sunday Great and Holy Week of the Passion



April 14, 2019

Welcome all visitors to the beautiful heritage of Antioch

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*"For us, the men and women of the East are a symbol of the Lord Who comes again."* *Oriental Lumen*, John Paul II

- Qoorboneh (Masses):** Saturday 4:00 p.m.; Sunday 10:00 a.m.; Tues. – Fr. 9:00 a.m. in the St. Jude Chapel  
The Miraculous Medal and the St. Jude Novenas are on Tuesday following the 9 a.m. Liturgy
- Sick Calls:** To receive the Eucharist and/or the Anointing of the Sick, please call the rectory.
- Confessions:** One half-hour before weekend Liturgies and by appointment.
- Baptisms:** *Parents* should refer to the website and then contact the parish through the parish e-mail address.
- Marriage:** Please refer to the parish website and contact the parish a **minimum 6 months before** finalizing the date of your wedding.
- Mass Intentions:** For *specific* dates requested, please submit at least **two months in advance**. Recommended stipends: weekday intentions \$10; weekend intentions \$15
- Monthly Memorials:** Sanctuary Candles \$20; Altar Bread \$25; Wine \$45

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**Catechists:** Lenore Boles, *Director & K-1<sup>st</sup>*; Shana Page, 3-5<sup>th</sup> **Choir Director:** Dame Fefa Marie Deeb, DSG **Parish Council President:** Lisa Grand **Ex-officio Council Members:** Subdeacon Steve Crate; Lenore Boles, *Religious Education*; Larry Mitchell, *Knights of Columbus*; Shana Page, *Rosary Sodality*

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### **TODAY'S EPISTLE** Philipians 1: 1-13

Paul and Timothy, slaves of *Msheeho Yeshua*, to all the holy ones in *Msheeho Yeshua* who are in Philippi, with the bishops and deacons:

Grace to you, and peace from God our Father and the Lord *Yeshua Msheeho*.

I give thanks to my God at every remembrance of you, constantly praying with joy in my every prayer

for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now.

I am confident of this, that the One Who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the Day of *Msheeho Yeshua*.

It is right that I should think this way about all of you, because I hold you in my heart, you who are all partners with me in grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel.

For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the affection of *Msheeho Yeshua*.

And this is my prayer, that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value, so that you may be pure and blameless for the Day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through *Yeshua Msheeho* for the glory and praise of God.

I wish you to know, brethren, that my situation has turned out rather to advance the gospel, so that my imprisonment has become well-known in *Msheeho* throughout the whole praetorium and to all the rest.



## ABOUNA'S REFLECTIONS

The New Law, for Law there is,  
is first and foremost the Person of Christ,  
His Doctrine, and His life itself,  
which teach us to live as children of God.

It is more concretely the Holy Spirit  
Whom He sends to us and Who suggests to us  
from within  
the mentality and the morality of children of God.<sup>1</sup>

Who doesn't like a party? Human beings get in line and gather with others in celebration without always knowing what they are doing. Play now, ask later.

Exuberance: it's the spirit of the crowds meeting Our Lord outside of Bethphage. The feeling is understandable; this is the great Rabbi of Nazareth, Miracle-Worker, Compassionate, but curiosity is also a motive among the crowds. This is the One Who raised Lazarus from the dead just a few weeks beforehand. They come to see it all. *Curiosity*. This is the Man Whom the authorities wish to arrest. *Curiosity*.

Any way, it's a party, so join the crowd! *Hosanna!* How quickly that jubilation will give way to shouts of "Crucify Him!" in a few days' time.

We know that the Gospel tells us that in the midst of this exuberance Our Lord wept. He knew what was in the heart of man.<sup>2</sup> Being God, he could clearly see that for most among these crowds the inner heart and the outer actions were not the same.<sup>3</sup> This is the path of Great Lent as we collaborate with grace to become fully integrated both within and without, a whole person with integrity. For many in these crowds, the reality within their minds did not correspond with the outward jubilation, and this disharmony would be echoed in the coming destruction of the Holy City.

The whole purpose of Our Lord's mission was to restore that supernatural love to creation which had been lost through the ingratitude of Adam and Eve. Love is the *rule* of the Gospel; and, yes, there is a "law" in the Gospel (the product did come with instructions). It would be so easy if it were otherwise, but true love does not consist vague feelings and sentimentality.

Love, as Scripture says, is as strong as death and a blazing fire.<sup>4</sup> It has purpose, strength and perseverance. Grace is present to reorient our spirits and hearts to God Incarnate and to attach us completely to the Person of Christ, *Msheeho* – the New Law Incarnate. Committed to this Person we become open to His teaching and His life; we become docile to the working of the Divine Spirit within us. Love brings subtlety and keen attention to the Hidden God of power and might. Love transforms us because it is a true power from the Hidden Good One, and not mere "feelings" originating from within us. Charity moves us from being curious spectators to engaged lovers.

And *our* heart? The things we treasure point to its place. The path to heaven is not possessions or pleasure, this we already know, but in a *Person*: the Way, the Truth and the Life. Our "hosannas" must be more than once or twice a year, lest we, too, be only curiosity seekers inspired by self-interest.

Where lie our hearts and to what are they attracted?

<sup>1</sup> From Charity and Liberty by Rev. Fr. Ceslaus Spicq, OP

<sup>2</sup> St. John 2: 25

<sup>3</sup> St. Luke 19: 41-42

<sup>4</sup> Canticle of Canticles 8:6

## Catechesis

The *Adult Religion Course* will run through to the end of May. **Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.**

### VOCATION ICON

*"Request therefore the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into His harvest."* St. Matthew 9:38

Sun	Apr 14	Lowell & Mary Hawes
Sun	Apr 21	Larry & Lisa Grard
Sat	Apr 27	Jim & Lenore Boles
Sun	May 5	Chris & Diane Wyder
Sun	May 12	Bruce & Doreen White

### SCHEDULE OF READINGS

HOSANNA SUNDAY  
April 14, 2019

**Phil 1: 1-13**      **St. John 12: 12-22**

PESCHOH, THE GLORIOUS RESURRECTION  
April 21, 2019

**I Cor 15: 12-26**      **St. Mark 16: 1-8**

## UNPLANNED

the Movie

**Bishop Gregory has asked all the parishes to put notice in our bulletins of a new film that has come out.** It covers the experience of one of the principal directors in Planned Parenthood who came to understand that the "fetus" is as much a baby as the one you have carried in your arms.

Although the drama that surrounds an unexpected pregnancy can be horrendous, and the circumstances warrant individual considerations and serious application to correct socially and financially – and all these corrections must be inspired by supernatural faith and charity – we also know from the writings of Saint Paul that God's revelation clarifies the great philosophical question about goals: the "end does not justify the means".<sup>5</sup> Situations are not more important than an innocent human life.

This movie, **UNPLANNED**, is the inspiring true story of one woman's journey of transformation. All Abby Johnson ever wanted to do was help women. As one of the youngest Planned Parenthood clinic directors in the nation, she was involved thousands of abortions. Her passion surrounding a woman's "right to choose" even led her to become a spokesperson for Planned Parenthood, fighting to enact legislation for the cause she so deeply believed in until the day she saw something that changed everything, leading her to join her former enemies at 40 Days-For-Life, and become one of the most ardent pro-life speakers in America.

The movie can change hearts and minds. Please view the movie. For more information, tickets, theater reservation, you can check

<https://www.unplannedfilm.com/>

Most of the locations that *Unplanned* is showing in Maine are the direct result of people contacting the theaters and asking for it to be played. The local theater doesn't determine which movies are shown. We are asking people to contact Flagship's headquarters and request it be shown in Waterville, Maine. Flagship's email address is [films@flagshipcinemas.com](mailto:films@flagshipcinemas.com). It would be most appreciated if you also encourage people to contact Flagship and request *Unplanned* be shown locally.

In consideration of the grave difficulties surrounding "'unwanted' pregnancy" – such as the modern collapse of family structure and loss of communal support that once assisted the healthy entrance of babies into the world – we must ever repeat: the baby in question is not the central "problem" and its destruction is not an acceptable "solution". The "termination" of a baby *in utero* is intrinsically evil, completely unacceptable, and a perverse means toward what would then necessarily become a questionable end.

As some seem confused about this, **it is essential to repeat that abortion, the deliberate killing of an unborn child, is gravely sinful** and remains even today **a sin that is cause for excommunication ipso facto from the Church.**

<sup>5</sup> Romans 3: 8, 6: 1 and [Catechism of the Catholic Church](#) 1761

Excommunication means that the guilty person is *severed from the life* of the Catholic Church and *can no longer receive the Sacraments or its intercessions* until such time as the sin is **confessed**, properly **absolved**, and **penance** is received.

Grave turmoil weighing on the parents -- whether of familial collapse, poverty, health, or the inability to rear this specific child -- are all *settings* surrounding the life of the child in question. They are *circumstances*, and as such they do not outweigh the intrinsic value of a human life. The considerations may be serious, and they should be dealt with in charitable and fitting ways, but the death of an innocent can *never* be chosen as means to an end.

**All of us should be clear on the gravity of this sin, and the severe penalty imposed on it by the Church.** One *cannot in good conscience* be both a good Christian and *support the killing* of the unborn. A Catholic cannot be what is called "pro-choice".

**LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS**

**Regular Collection: \$1845.00**

Please remember that our *Lenten Assessment* is **\$4000.00**. (\$1805 has been contributed thus far)

Plumbing Work done on the *Rectory Water Main*:  
**\$937.84**

*Blessed be the Merciful One Who gives us the ability to sustain this apostolate.*

**INTENTIONS FOR THE QURBONEH (MASSES)**

- Fri 12** †Gerald Fortin  
-- Catholic Extension Society & Donors
- Sat 13** †Charles Owen  
-- Catholic Extension Society & Donors
- Sun 14** †Paul and Charlene LaVerdiere  
(Audrey Yotides)
- Mon 15** -----
- Tue 16** Catholic Extension Society & Donors
- Wed 17** †Don Poirier  
(Jeanne Thomas)  
-- Catholic Extension Society & Donors
- Thu 18** Catholic Extension Society & Donors

- Fri 19** **Private intention**  
(Abouna James)  
-- Catholic Extension Society & Donors
- Sat 20** †Charles Owen  
-- Catholic Extension Society & Donors
- Sun 21** **For the members of the Parish**
- Mon 22** -----
- Tue 23** Catholic Extension Society & Donors
- Wed 24** Catholic Extension Society & Donors
- Thu 25** Catholic Extension Society & Donors
- Fri 26** **Private intention**  
(Abouna James)  
-- Catholic Extension Society & Donors
- Sat 27** †Charles Owen  
-- Catholic Extension Society & Donors
- Sun 28** **For the members of the Parish**
- Mon 29** -----
- Tue 30** Catholic Extension Society & Donors
- Wed 1** †George Deeb  
(Dame Fefa)
- Thu 2** Catholic Extension Society & Donors
- Fri 3** **Private intention**  
(Abouna James)  
-- Catholic Extension Society & Donors

*Grant them health, and raise them up from their illness and make them to have perfect health of body and soul and strengthen them in spirit; for Thou art the Savior and Benefactor, the Lord of lords and Weaver of crowns, Thou art Lord and King of all. Amen*

**Those for whom we pray:** Doreen Nader, Tala Poulin, Louise Saliem, Virginia Poulin, and Beverly Rideout.

**APRIL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE FOOD BANK**

Family sized items: stews, ravioli, jiffy mixes, condiments, toilet paper and personal care items.

# Hosanna Sunday

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**Lighting of the Church:** LB\* p 5  
Jesus Christ, O Source of Light

**Entrance Hymn:** LB *shareero* 135 B

**Glory:** SB *irhamni*

**Qolo/Hymn:** LB *bo'outho* 136

**Procession:** Glorious in Majesty

Creed p 748

## PRE-ANAPHORA:

**Transfer of Gifts:** LB *The Lord Reigns* (special)

**Incense Hymn Offertory:** SB *V'maryam yoldat*

## ANAPHORA:

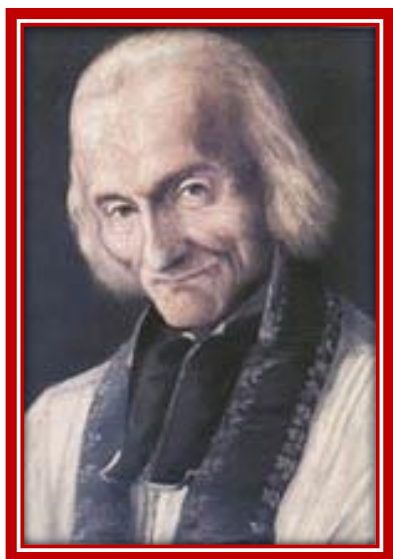
**Saint Mark, the Evangelist:** LB p 835

**Sign of Peace:** SB *Let there be peace*

**Communion:** SB *The Holy City*

**Recessional:** SB *Blessed is He*

\*LB=Liturgical Book SB=Song Book



*Saint John-Marie Vianney (1786-1859)  
Patron of Parish Priests*

The Shrine of Ars, France, has entrusted to the Knights of Columbus the relic of Saint John-Marie Vianney's *incorrupt heart* for a national pilgrimage in the United States.

On Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm, this relic will be exposed for public veneration, recollection and prayer in the *Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception*, located at 307 Congress Street in Portland.

All are welcome to attend. For more information, visit, [www.kofc.org/en/events/vianney.html](http://www.kofc.org/en/events/vianney.html).

## *Coffee Schedule*

Apr 14	<i>Hosanna Sunday</i> , Breads & Pastries
Apr 21	<i>Sunday of the Glorious Resurrection</i>
Apr 28	Lauraine Mansur, Ruth Lunn

## Specifics for the Great Fast

as directed by the Patriarch

- A.) Ash Monday and the First Week of Great Lent and Great Week of the Passion and especially Great and Holy Friday of the Crucifixion through to noon on Saturday are *Days of Fast and Abstinence for all.*
- B.) All from the age of reason onward are *obliged to follow the abstinence from all meat and animal products on these fast days even if they are strictly not obliged to fast.*
- C.) All Fridays throughout the year are *required days of fast and abstinence from all meat and animal products. Exceptions made for the feastsdays listed in the Patriarch's Letter.*

**QUANTITY:** *In our tradition, the fast means no food whatsoever between midnight and noon, only water and medication are permitted. Following noon, only one meal proper is eaten within the next twelve hours, although a second "collation", a "snack", during the remaining time is permitted to sustain strength (this is the equivalent of about two/three ounces of food).*

**QUALITY:** *Also, in our eastern tradition, the days of fast are in practice vegan, that is, no animal products, no meat, no seafood, no meat products, no dairy, no eggs, nor dairy products are to be eaten.*

# Great and Holy Week of the Passion

## *Hosanna Sunday: Entrance of Our Lord into Jerusalem*

**4:00 pm Vigil** Alohooyo Qourbonoh  
**10:00 am** Liturgy of Blessing of Palms and Procession, Alohooyo Qourbonoh

**6:30 pm** *Maheero*  
Liturgy of Coming into the Harbor

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## *Great and Holy Tuesday*

**9:00 am** Alohooyo Qourbonoh

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## *Great and Holy Wednesday (Spy Wednesday)*

**9:00 am** Alohooyo Qourbonoh

**6:30 pm** *Tachsoh d'qandeeleh*  
Healing Liturgy of the Rite of the Lamp

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## *Holy Thursday of the Great Mysteries (Maundy Thursday)*

**6:30 am** Alohooyo Qourbonoh and Adoration of the Divine and Sacred Mysteries

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## *Great and Holy Friday of the Crucifixion (Good Friday)*

**12:00 noon** Liturgy of the Signing of the Chalice

Please bring your **flowers**  
for the Burial and Tomb of Our Lord

**6:30 pm** Crucifixion and Burial of Our Lord God and Savior



*Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>  
The Crucifixion and Death of Our Lord God  
and Savior*

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## *Great and Holy Saturday of the Light*

**12:00 noon** Service of Forgiveness  
and Entrance into the Light

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## *Peschoh, the Most Holy and Glorious Resurrection*

**4:00 pm Vigil** Alohooyo Qourbonoh  
**10:00 am** Alohooyo Qourbonoh and Blessing with the Icon