

OUR LADY OF PEACE MARONITE CATHOLIC PARISH OF CALGARY



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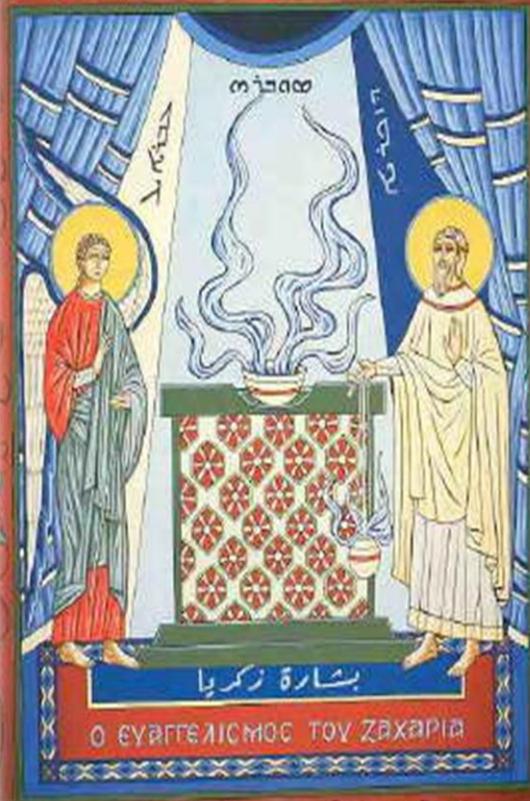
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ANNOUNCEMENT TO ZECHARIAH

Sunday November 15th, 2015



Next Sunday, November 22nd, 2015

Announcement to the Virgin Mary

Reading (*Galatians 3:15-22*)

Gospel (*Luke 1:26-38*)

MASSES & CELEBRATIONS

Sundays – 11:30 a.m.

Daily Mass (Monday, Wednesday and Friday)
at 6:30 p.m.

BLESSED SACRAMENT ADORATION

Second Friday of each month 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

30 minutes before each mass

In case of emergency, contact the priest.

VISITING THE SICK

If you, or someone you know is ill, please contact Fr. Michel and he will arrange to visit the sick.

BAPTISMS

Please contact Fr. Michel at least *two weeks* prior to the baptism date.

MARRIAGES

Please contact Fr. Michel *a minimum of four months* in advance of the desired date of marriage.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke (*Luke 1:1-25*)

The Evangelist said: Since many have undertaken to set down an orderly account of the events that have been fulfilled among us, just as they were handed on to us by those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and servants of the word, I too decided, after investigating everything carefully from the very first, to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, so that you may know the truth concerning the things about which you have been instructed. In the days of King Herod of Judea, there was a priest named Zechariah, who belonged to the priestly order of Abijah. His wife was a descendant of Aaron, and her name was Elizabeth. Both of them were righteous before God, living blamelessly according to all the commandments and regulations of the Lord. But they had no children, because Elizabeth was barren, and both were getting on in years. Once when he was serving as priest before God and his section was on duty, he was chosen by lot, according to the custom of the priesthood, to enter the sanctuary of the Lord and offer incense. Now at the time of the incense offering, the whole assembly of the people was praying outside. Then there appeared to him an angel of the Lord, standing at the right side of the altar of incense. When Zechariah saw him, he was terrified; and fear overwhelmed him. But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you will name him John. You will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth, for he will be great in the sight of the Lord. He must never drink wine or strong drink; even before his birth he will be filled with the Holy Spirit. He will turn many of the people of Israel to the Lord their God. With the spirit and power of Elijah he will go before him, to turn the hearts of parents to their children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the righteous, to make ready a people prepared for the Lord." Zechariah said to the angel, "How will I know that this is so? For I am an old man, and my wife is getting on in years." The angel replied, "I am Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God, and I have been sent to speak to you and to bring you this good news. But now, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their time, you will become mute, unable to speak, until the day these things occur." Meanwhile the people were waiting for Zechariah, and wondered at his delay in the sanctuary. When he did come out, he could not speak to them, and they realized that he had seen a vision in the sanctuary. He kept motioning to them and remained unable to speak. When his time of service was ended, he went to his home. After those days his wife Elizabeth conceived, and for five months she remained in seclusion. She said, "This is what the Lord has done for me when he looked favorably on me and took away the disgrace I have endured among my people."



See you
in
Sunday
School!

ADVENT TWILIGHT RETREAT

The **DIOCESAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE** is please to invite all Arabic speaking Christians to Our Lady of Peace Maronite Catholic Parish for an **ADVENT TWILIGHT RETREAT**. The evening will begin with Mass and the Christmas Novena at 7:00 PM followed by Advent Reflections by Ms. Intisar Ghazala, B.Th. from Iraq. There is no fee for this event. Join us for this beautiful evening of devotion and spiritual renewal as we prepare to start the **“Year of Mercy”** and celebrate the Birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ at **Our Lady of Peace Maronite Catholic Church 504 - 30 Ave NW, Calgary - Monday December 14th at 7:00 PM.**

FAMILY NIGHT

We are all invited to gather every Friday at the Church hall.
We start by thanking God in our Holy Mass at 6:30 pm
we will gather to eat, play cards and have fun at the church hall.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

As every year Our Lady of Peace prepares a Christmas party for the children. The success of the party is dependant on the generosity of its parishioners. Now is the time to start donating money or gifts (brand new). Thank you for your continued support!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Communion Class is on every Friday from 7:00 pm till 8:00 pm

ARABIC SCHOOL

Every Saturday from 2:30 pm till 4:30 pm
Encourage your children from 5 years and up to learn our native language

WELCOME!

We welcome all parishioners back for another year of cooperation and prosperity in our Lord, Jesus Christ. Our Lady of Peace pastor and parishioners would like to welcome all visitors and families who are new to the parish family.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE

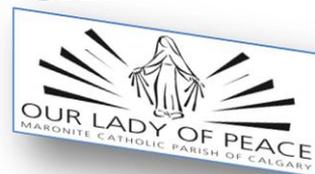
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DEDICATION OF THE CHURCH SUNDAY

DONATIONS SUMMARY (November 8th, 2015)

SUNDAY COLLECTION: \$ 837.50



CHRISTMAS BRUNCH

The Parish Council invite all the parishioners for an appreciation brunch on Sunday, December 20th, 2015 after the Holy Mass at the Church hall! All are welcome to attend



Christmas Party

Date: Saturday, December 19th, 2015

Time: From 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Location: Our Lady of Peace Hall

**FREE
ADMISSION**

Children's Christmas Party invitation Saturday December 19th, 2015

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

The New Year's Eve party will be held at the Sheraton Cavalier Calgary Hotel 2620 32 Ave NE, Calgary, AB T1Y 6B8. Entertainment by singers **ELIE MOUJABER and FIRAS HARBI**.

Tickets available Sunday, October 25th, 2015

Cost: **\$80.00** for adults, **\$35.00** for children aged 6 – 12, no cost for children under six. Purchase your tickets before it's too late.

Wishing you a happy and blessed year **2016!**

**PLEASE REMEMBER OUR LADY OF PEACE
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