

OUR LADY OF PEACE MARONITE CATHOLIC PARISH OF CALGARY

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Sunday December 20th, 2015



Next Sunday, December 27th, 2015 THE VISIT OF THE MAGIES Reading (2COR 11:1 -9) Gospel (Matthew 23:29-24:2)

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 letter of Saint Paul to the Romans. (*Romans* 1: 1 - 12)

Brothers and Sisters, Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the Gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, the Gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ. To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed throughout the world. For God, whom I serve with my spirit by announcing the gospel of his Son, is my witness that without ceasing I remember you always in my prayers, asking that by God's will I may somehow at last succeed in coming to you. For I am longing to see you so that I may share with you some spiritual gift to strengthen you or rather so that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mind. I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that I have often intended to come to you, but thus far have been prevented, in order that I may reap some harvest among you as I have among the rest of the gentiles. I am a debtor both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to the wise and to the foolish hence my eagerness to proclaim the gospel to you also who are in Rome. For I am not ashamed of the gospel; it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who has faith, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed through faith for faith; as it is written, "The one who is righteous will live by faith."

| would like to express my most sincere thank you to everyone who contributed to the church. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew (Matthew 1: 1 – 17)

The Book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ the son of David, the son of Abraham: Abraham was the father of Isaac, Isaac the father of Jacob, Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers Judah the father of Perez and Zerah, whose mother was Tamar, Perez the father of Hezron, Hezron the father of Ram, Ram the father of Amminadab, Amminadab the father of Nahshon, Nahshon the father of Salmon, Salmon the father of Boaz, whose mother was Rahab, Boaz the father of Obed, whose mother was Ruth, Obed the father of Jesse, and Jesse the father of King David. David was the father of Solomon, whose mother had been Uriah's wife, Solomon the father of Rehoboam, Rehoboam the father of Abijah, Abijah the father of Asa, Asa the father of Jehoshaphat, Jehoshaphat the father of Jehoram, Jehoram the father of Uzziah, Uzziah the father of Jotham, Jotham the father of Ahaz, Ahaz the father of Hezekiah, Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, Manasseh the father of Amon, Amon the father of Josiah, and Josiah the father of Jeconiahand his brothers at the time of the exile to Babylon. After the exile to Babylon: Jeconiah was the father of Shealtiel, Shealtiel the father of Zerubbabel, Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, Abiud the father of Eliakim, Eliakim the father of Azor, Azor the father of Zadok, Zadok the father of Akim, Akim the father of Eliud, Eliud the father of Eleazar, Eleazar the father of Matthan, Matthan the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ. So there were fourteen generations in all from Abraham to David, fourteen from David to the exile to Babylon, and fourteen from the exile to the Christ.

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.

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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THE REVALATION TO JOSEPH SUNDAY

DONATIONS SUMMARY (December 13th, 2015)SUNDAY COLLECTION:\$ 2907.00



Novena will begin Tuesday, December 15th at 7:00 p.m. and finish on Wednesday, December 23rd.

Friday, December 25th Arabic - English mass at 11:30 a.m.

Sunday, December 27th Arabic - English mass at 11:30 a.m.

Friday, January 1st Arabic - English mass at 11:30 a.m.

Sunday, January 3rd Arabic - English mass at 11:30 a.m.



ARABIC SCHOOL

Will stop from December 19th, 2015 and it will resume on January 16th, 2016 Every Saturday from 2:30 pm till 4:30 pm

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 4 – 12, no cost for children under four. Purchase your tickets before it's too late. Wishing you a happy and blessed year **2016**!

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR LADY OF PEACE MARONITE CATHOLIC PARISH OF CALGARY IN YOUR WILL.