

CHURCH OF THE VIRGIN MARY

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June 13, 2010. 3rd Sunday After Pentecost.
Epistle: Rom 5:1-10, **p.1215.** Gospel Mt 6:
22-33, **p.1018.** Next Sunday's readings:
Epistle: Rom 6: 18-23. Gospel: Mt 8: 5-13.

THE DIVINE LITURGY is offered for

✦ Camile, Nadia, Elias & Mary Hechme

BAPTIZED IN CHRIST: Congratulations to Chris and Olga Elsayad on the baptism of their daughter Christina Ann; to Bassam & Takla Hourani on the baptism of their daughter Mischa; and to Ghassan & Monique Atalla on the baptism of their son Mark.

MAYA/NAMY BIBLE STUDY: Last Friday, MAYA/NAMY hold a Bible Study meeting with the presence of some members of NJ's MAYA. All enjoyed sharing the Word of God, friendship, and a light snack.

FRATORITY: The Fratority members have elected their new officers. We congratulate George Khayata (president), Alia Fahme (Vice-president), Marie Claire Andrea (Recording secretary), Sonia Youssef (Correspondence secretary), and Al Dekki (Treasurer), wishing them a successful term in serving their parish.

Meanwhile we would like to thank George Sayad, Al Corhan, Caroline Sayad, Sonia Youssef and Al Dekki for their devotion and faithfulness in serving the church.

LADIES SOCIETY: The Ladies Society members have elected also their new officers. We congratulate Mireille Seikali (president), Georgette Dirani (Vice-president), Christine Kawar (Recording secretary), Sonia Baghdady (Correspondence secretary), and Raghd Cawog (Treasurer), wishing them a successful term in serving their parish. Meanwhile we would like to thank Wendy Dabagh, Mireille Seikali, Alice Bashir, Georgette Dirani, and Alia Fahme, for their devotion and faithfulness in serving the church.

NOMINATIONS: In a short time, the parish is going to hold nominations for additional membership on the Parish Advisory Council. We are in need of 5 parishioners or more to be elected. The deadline for nominations is June 19th. On Sunday, **June 20th**, the elections will take place after the Divine Liturgy. Names could be submitted to the Rectory or provided to the Nomination Committee: **Josephine Lian, Al Corhan, Adel Baghdady, and Mireille Seikali.**

CARD PARTY: On Saturday, June 26th, the Fratority is sponsoring an evening where you can enjoy yourself and your friends' company in playing cards, tawleh (backgammon) or any other games. Food & refreshments are available. Donations \$10/adult and \$5/child (under 12). For reservation please contact Mireille Seikali 718-836-8606 or the committee!

THE 46TH ANNUAL NATIONAL

MELKITE CONVENTION: Saint Joseph Melkite Mission in Seattle, Washington, will host the 46th Annual National Melkite Convention, **June 30th -July 4th, 2010**, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Bellevue City. For more information, please visit <http://stjosephofseattle.org/convention.htm>.

PICNIC: On **August 1st**, the Church is sponsoring its Annual Breezy Point Picnic at Ft. Tilden. So bring your BBQs and games and come enjoy a beautiful day together. Please reserve the date and for more information, contact Al Dekki.

FUTURE LITURGIES: On **June 20th**, for William Lian; on **October 10th**, for Souraya Mouzayck.

COLLECTION: *For God loves a cheerful giver.*

Antiphon Prayer

Christ our Lord, You are the King of the ages and Creator of all. Yet, for our sake, You accepted death and burial, so that You might deliver us from Hades. We confess that You are our God and apart from You we know no other god. Lord, remember us in Your kingdom.

For all glory, honor and worship are your due, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and always and forever and ever.

Epistle Verses – Prokimenon

Reader: My strength and my courage is the Lord, and he has been my Savior.

All: My strength and my courage is the Lord, and he has been my Savior.

Reader: The Lord has chastised me through his teaching, yet he has not delivered me to death.

All: My strength and my courage is the Lord, and he has been my Savior.

Troparion of the Resurrection (2nd Tone)

When you descended to death, O Immortal Life, You destroyed Hades by the splendor of your Divinity, and when you raised the dead from under the ground, all the Powers of heaven cried out: O Christ our God, the giver of life, glory to you.

Troparia of the Patron of the Church

In giving birth you have preserved your virginity and in falling asleep you did not forsake the world, O Mother of God. You have passed to life being the Mother of Life. Through your intercession, save our souls from death!

Kondakion

O never failing Protectress of Christians and their ever present intercessor before the Creator, despise not the petitions of us sinners, but in your goodness extend your help to us who call upon you with confidence. Hasten, O Mother of God, to intercede for us, for you have always protected those who honor you.

“But seek first the kingdom of God and his justice, and all the rest shall be given you besides.” (Mt 6:33)