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**October 18, 2009. Holy Apostle Luke the Evangelist.** Epistle: Gal 1: 11-19, **p. 1269.**  
Gospel: Lk 10: 16-21, **p. 1111.** Next week's readings: Epistle: Gal 2: 16-20. Gospel: Lk 8: 27-39.

**THE DIVINE LITURGY is offered for**  
✦ Family members of our Parish

**ASLEEP IN THE LORD:** We mourn the death of *Dina Farah* at the age of 27. She is survived by her parents Fouad & Dolly Farah, and her brothers Farid and Fadi. Please remember her in your prayers.

**ASLEEP IN THE LORD:** We mourn the death of *Lynda Kanakry* at the age of 99. She is survived by her daughter Antoinette Bonomi, her sons, George, Salim and Antoine, and their families. Please remember her in your prayers.

**WARM WELCOME:** We are honored and blessed to welcome among us our Father and Shepherd Archbishop Cyril Bustros. We thank him for the care and guidance that he shows to our parish. We also welcome our special guests who show constant support to our church. Thank for being with us.

**ANNUAL LUNCHEON:** Today, following the Divine Liturgy, the Parish Council is sponsoring the Annual Luncheon. Thanks to Al Dekki and Wendy Dabagh for organizing the event!

**PRE-NAMY CLUB:** Last Sunday, during the coffee hour, we held our very successful first BAKE-SALE/ FUNDRAISING EVENT. The preteens had so much fun and worked very hard baking all the goods which were sold. We collected \$294. Thank you to all for your support and donations! Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, *Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>*, at 5:30pm. All preteens (grades 5-8) are welcome to join us!

**BIBLE STUDY:** Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, *October 27<sup>th</sup>*, at 8:00pm.

**SERIES OF SPIRITUAL TALKS:** Last Friday, we had a spiritual talk following a supper sponsored by the Fraternity. The proceeds were \$260. Fr. Antoine will be continuing the series of talks on Friday, *November 20<sup>th</sup>*, the next topic to be offered is: *"The Spirituality of the Family in the Light of the Gospel."*

**HALLOWEEN PARTY:** On *October 31<sup>st</sup>* at 7:30, the Fraternity is organizing this ghoulish evening! Come and join us at the Church of the Virgin Mary for fun, games, food, dancing, and much more. Kids 12 and under \$10/ Adults \$20. For tickets call Adel (718)748-7294, Albert (718)680-7529 or Caroline (718)836-1030. **Please reserve tickets by October 25<sup>th</sup>. No tickets will be sold at the door!!**

**COUNTRY WESTERN NIGHT:** On Saturday, *November 14<sup>th</sup>*, at 8:00pm, the Fraternity is organizing, a Western Country Party

with Mary Lamont. Mary Lamont presents a mix of songs inspired by the struggles and joys of her life. Open to the public. \$35 adult/ \$15 kids 12 and under. Price includes a huge buffet of ribs 'n' chicken as well as Line Dance instruction by Fran. Bar available. For tickets & information, please call Mireille (718)836-8606, Caroline (718)836-1030, or Adel (718)748-7294.

**THE ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL:** In today's Gospel we hear of the Seventy-two Disciples whom the Lord sent out to reap His abundant harvest. The Lord also has sent us to respond to the needs of our brothers and sisters. The annual Archbishop's Appeal is an important way of responding to the needs of our Church throughout the U.S.: the education of our children in the Faith; the support of our struggling missions; the training of our seminarians; the publishing of *SOPHIA* magazine. Sayidna is counting on your support. If you have not already sent in your gift, please do so this week. We need 100% support from our parish! Thank you for your generosity.

**FUTURE LITURGIES:** On *October 25<sup>th</sup>*, for Rose Gennaway (1year); and for Gabriel (3years) & Lillian Gennaoui (10 years); for Salimeh, Philippe, and René Nasser; on *November 1<sup>st</sup>*, for Eleanor Hidar (40 day); on *November 8<sup>th</sup>*, for Ned, Ned Jr., and Violet Mary Stonbely; and on *November 29<sup>th</sup>*, for Lorraine Orfaly (1year).

**COLLECTION:** *For God loves a cheerful giver.*

*"But rejoice in this, that your names are written in heaven." (Lk 10:20b)*

**Epistle Verses – Prokimenon**

**Reader:** Through all the earth, your voice resounds, and to the ends of the world, their message.

**All:** Through all the earth, your voice resounds, and to the ends of the world, their message.

**Reader:** The heavens declare the Glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

**All:** Through all the earth, your voice resounds, and to the ends of the world, their message.

**Troparion of the Resurrection (3<sup>rd</sup> Tone)**

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad! For the Lord has done a wondrous deed by his arm! He has crushed Death by his death becoming the first to rise from the dead. He has delivered us from the mouth of Hades and bestowed great mercy upon the world.

**Troparion of St. Luke (3<sup>rd</sup> Tone)**

O Holy Apostle Luke, intercede with God all-merciful that He may grant us the remission of our sins.

**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 Theotokos. 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.