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May 25, 2008: *The Divine Body.* 1 Cor 11:23-32; **p.1242.** Gospel: John 6: 48-55; **p.1146.** (Next Sunday’s readings will be: Epistle: Rom 5:1-10. Gospel: Mt 6:22-33).

THE DIVINE LITURGY is offered for

✦ The health of Ronnie & Adele Bache and the health of their family

O LORD OUR GOD CROWN THEM WITH GLORY AND HONOR:

Congratulations to Elizabeth Awad and Damon Steptean on their marriage. We wish them a long life together filled with love, happiness and God’s blessings.

ART CLASS: We will meet on Wednesday June 4th.

BIBLE STUDY: Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 27th in the Church Hall. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

VISIT TO THE SHRINE: The Fraternity is sponsoring a visit to Marian Shrine, Haverstraw, NY on July 13th. For more information, please contact Adel Baghdadi 917-418-4237.

PICNIC: On July 20th, the Church is sponsoring its annual picnic at Breezy Point. So bring your BBQ and games and come enjoy a beautiful day together. Please reserve the date and for more information, please call Al Dekki at 718-680-7529.

CONVENTION: The 44th National Melkite Convention will be held in San Diego, CA, on July 2-6, 2008, hosted by St. Jacob Melkite Catholic Mission. Anyone interested in attending can refer to following website: **www.saintjacobsd.org** or to *Sofia* Magazine.

BASKETBALL CAMP: Bishop Kearney H.S. is offering incoming 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grade girls the opportunity to attend a summer program designed to develop fundamental skills in basketball. July 14th –July 17th. A deposit is required by June 15th, so those interested should contact the BK Athletic Dept. for more info. (718) 236-6363 ext. 258.

G.A.P. PROGRAM: St. Saviour High School is offering a Summer Fun Program called Girls Achieving Potential. This is an exciting innovative program offered to current 6th & 7th grade girls. The students will experience high school level subjects which include hands on activities designed to develop analytical and critical thinking skill. For information or to register, call (718)768-4406.

FUTURE LITURGIES: On June 1, for James Oussani (40 Day Mass); on June 8, for Edward Jehamy (40 Day Mass).

COLLECTION: *For God loves a cheerful giver.*

Antiphon Prayer

O Christ God, who gave us your Flesh as true food and your Blood as true drink for our salvation, sanctify us, enlighten us, make us your temples as we partake of your holy mysteries, so that we may keep You in our hearts.

For You are our food and our life, O Christ God, and to You we render glory and to your Eternal Father and your All-holy, Good and Life-giving Spirit, now and always and forever and ever.

Epistle Verses – Prokimenon

Reader: He has given food to those who fear Him: He will be mindful forever of His covenant.

All: He has given food to those who fear Him: He will be mindful forever of His covenant.

Reader: He has won renown for His wondrous deeds; gracious and merciful is the Lord.

All: He has given food to those who fear Him: He will be mindful forever of His covenant.

Troparion of the Resurrection-Tone 1

O Saviour, your tomb was sealed with the stone and the soldiers kept guard over your sacred body, and yet You rose on the third day, giving life to the world. Wherefore, O Giver of Life, the powers of heaven cried out: “Glory to your resurrection, O Christ! Glory to your kingdom! Glory to your plan of redemption, O You who alone are the Lover of Mankind!

Troparion – Divine Body

Christ, having loved his own, loved them until the end and gave them his body and blood as food and drink. Wherefore let us offer them our veneration and say with fear: ““ Christ, glory to your presence, glory to your compassion, glory to your condescension: for You alone the Lover of Mankind.”

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.

Kontakion – Divine Body

O Christ, do not turn your face away from me: for I partake of the bread which is your body and of the wine which is your blood. O Lord, let my sharing in these august mysteries be not for my judgment and condemnation, but for my eternal and everlasting life.

The Eucharist

1327 In brief, the Eucharist is the sum and summary of our faith: "Our way of thinking is attuned to the Eucharist, and the Eucharist in turn confirms our way of thinking."

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