

### VISITATION OF THE VIRGIN TO ELIZABETH

### December 1<sup>st</sup> 2024



Reconciliation (Confessions) Saturday –2:30PM to 3:30PM Sunday – 8:30AM to 9:30AM By appointment Divine Liturgy/Mass Schedule Tuesday through Friday 9AM in the Chapel. Saturday – 4PM/Sunday - 10AM

First Saturday Devotion Every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday 2:00pm – Eucharistic Exposition 3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:10pm Holy Rosary 4:00 pm Divine Liturgy **Baptism and Chrismation** Contact the priest at least three (3) months prior to the requested date. **Eucharistic Adoration** Thursdays - 5:30pm to 6:30pm Fridays - 9:30am- 10:30am Saturday - 2PM to 3:45PM

Matrimony /Crowning Contact the priest at least one (1) year prior to requested date.

If you are new to the parish, please know that you are dearly loved and welcomed to be a member of our community of faith. To ensure receiving communication from the parish as a parishioner, please see the priest or one of the ushers.

"YOU ARE PRECIOUS AND HONORED IN MY SIGHT AND I LOVE YOU" ISAIAH 43:4

### **Divine Liturgy Intentions – Consecration of the Church**

**Saturday November 30<sup>th</sup>** – For the intention of David Lemelin (Birthday) St. Bishov (Pishov), C Sunday December 1st - For the intention of Joan Flammia Nahum the Prophet, C 2 Sam 6:9–15, 17,18b; Ephesians 1:1-14; Lk 1:39–45 Visitation of the Virgin to Elizabeth Monday December 2<sup>nd</sup> – In memory of Ghassan, Ghandoura, and Samia Tabet Habakkuk the Prophet, C Tuesday December 3<sup>rd</sup> – In memory of Hnaine Bou Rjaily Zoghby St. Francis Xavier, C Wednesday December 4<sup>th</sup> – In memory of Youssef Youssef St. Barbara, M Thursday December 5<sup>th</sup> – Cecilia Manrique Ortiz req by Karol Garcia St. Saba the Hermit, C Friday December 6<sup>th</sup> – Cecilia Manrique Ortiz(deceased) requested by Karol Garcia St. Nicholas (Zakhia), C Saturday December 7<sup>th</sup> - In memory of Ghassan, Ghandoura, and Samia Tabet Sunday December 8<sup>th</sup> – Feast of the Immaculate Conception ??????

### **Stewardship of God's Blessings for the Week of 11/9-11/10**

Saturday/Sunday collection - \$1727.00 Online Giving - \$228.76 Total - \$ 1955.76
Thank you for your continuous support of our parish and its many needs. May God bless your generosity to Our Lady of Mercy. To make a tax-deductible online offering especially when you are not here, please go to our Church's website and scroll down to the big red button to donate.
"Whatever you do, do from the heart, as for the Lord and not for others, knowing that you will receive from the Lord the due payment of the inheritance" (Colossians 3:23-24)

Please remember Our Lady of Mercy Church in your will.

1. REGISTER FOR OUR ARABIC CLASSES STARTING IN JANUARY 2025 AND HELP US IN PROMOTING IT.

2. JOIN US IN 33 DAYS TO MORNING GLORY A DO-IT YOURSELF RETREAT STARTING ON FRIDAY NOVEMBER 29TH.

JOIN US FOR A SLOW AND FLOW STRETCH SESSION ON FRIDAY DECEMBER 6TH
JOIN US ON SATURDAY DECEMBER 7<sup>™</sup> FOR ADULTS GAME NIGHT
JOIN US ON SUNDAY DECEMBER 15<sup>™</sup> FOR BREAKFAST AND PHOTO WITH SANTA
JOIN US FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY- DECEMBER 31ST
Please check the flyers for more information

All ladies are invited to join Father Peter for a meeting on December 8<sup>th</sup>.

Gifts of the Heart for the Month of December

Altar Bread and Wine in the chapel, Altar Candles and Sanctuary Lamp in the church and in the chapel – All these items are still available for the month of December???

Altar Bread and Wine in the church - In Thanksgiving for God's blessings requested by Deacon Adonis ElAsmar

Adoration Candles in the Church – For the Blati Family

Altar Candles in the chapel - In memory of Louis Iovieno requested by Louise Iovieno

### CHRISTMAS FLOWERS OFFERING - Click here for more information

<u>Promoting Vocations</u> - The Eparchy is trying to bring more awareness to the different vocations in life. For this reason, an icon of the Holy Family along with a prayer will be given to a different family each week for prayer every night so God may guide us to discern and promote the various vocations. See Fr. Peter for more information. To register, please click <u>here</u>.

Father Peter, the new administrator at Our Lady of Mercy Parish Encourages all men & women to participate in

FOR THE NEW EVANGELIZATIO

33 Days to Morning Glory A Do-It Yourself Retreat **Starting on Friday November** 29<sup>th</sup> & Consecrating ourselves to Jesus through Mary on January 1st 2025

The devotion, Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary, has been practiced for centuries. It involves 33 days of preparatory devotions, with the Total Consecration made on the 34th day. As a community of faith, we want to start this consecration during the season of Announcements to consecrate ourselves to Jesus through Mary at the beginning of 2025 on January 1st the day we will celebrate Mother of God. As Jesus trusted in Mary, His Mother, completely without reservation, so does each of us, His disciples, choose to trust in Mary completely without reservation as we choose this holy pathway of consecration to her Son.



- Want to grow in holiness, but too busy? This do-it yourself retreat is easy-to-do and simple to practice; it will transform your life!
- Come learn what pope after pope has confirmed is the "surest, easiest, shortest, & most perfect means" to becoming a saint!
- Timing is perfect; the world needs more people consecrated to Our Lord through Our Lady.
- As we unite ourselves more deeply with Mary, we unite ourselves more perfectly with Jesus, her Son. Mary's greatest desire is to have each of us know, love, and serve her Son, Jesus Christ, with a true purity of heart, which she herself possessed through the grace of God the Father.
- Help spread sanctity, please join us!!
- There is limited number of booklets in the sacristy, please ask Father Peter for your copy or order it online.

"Take this retreat! Believe me, your life will never be the same." - Johnette Benkovic, Founder and President of Women of Grace

For more information about consecration to Jesus through Mary, click here https://www.cedaroflebanonfcc.com/consecration.html



**NYE Party Our Lady of Mercy Church Hall** 50 Adults \$25 Kids m: Divine Litur 08:30 Party YO & unde Bring a gift worth \$15 to participate in the Christmas White Elephant Exchange (optional) Please RSVP by December 10 Elie Sleiman: (978) 746-4639 For Reservation: Rony Zoghby: (774) 312-3447 341 June St. Worcester MA. 01602

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St. Therese The Little Flower, Please pick me a Rose from the Heavenly Garden and send it to me with a Message of Love. Ask God to grant me the Favor I Thee implore and tell Him I will Love Him each day More and More.

(The above prayer, plus 5 Our Fathers, 5 Hail Mary's, 5 Glory Be's, must be said on 5 successive days, before 11 a.m. On the 5th day, the 5th set of prayers having been completed, offer one more set — 5 Our Father's, 5 Hail Mary's, 5 Glory Be's.)



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### Sunday of the Visitation to Elizabeth

#### Letter to the Ephesians 1: 1-14.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, To the saints who are in Ephesus and are faithful in Christ Jesus: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love.

He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory.

In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

#### The Gospel of Jesus Christ to Saint Luke 1:39-45.

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country,

where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me?

For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy.

And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

أحد زيارة العذراء

رسالة القدّيس بولس إلى أهل أفسس 1:1-14

يا إخوَتِي، مِنْ بُولُس، رَسُولِ ٱلمَسِيح يَسُوعَ بِمَشِيئَةِ الله، إلى القِدِّيسِينَ الَّذِينَ هُم في أَفَسُسَ والأُمَنَآءِ في الْمَسِيح يَسُوع: ٱلنِّعْمَةُ لَكُم والسَّلاُمُ مِنَ اللهِ أَبِينَا والرَّبِّ يَسُوعَ المَسِيحِ! تَبَارَكَ اللهُ أَبُو رَبِّنَا يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحِ، الَّذِي بَارَكَنَا بِكُلِّ بَرَكَةٍ رُوحِيَّةٍ في السَّمَاوَاتِ في المَسِيح؛ فإِنَّهُ ٱخْتَارَنَا فيهِ قَبْلَ إِنْشَاءِ العَالَم، لِنَكُونَ في حَضْرَتِهِ قِدِّيسِين، لا عَيْبَ فينًا؛ وِقَدْ سَبَقَ بِمَحَبَّتِهِ فَحَدَّدَنَا أَنْ نَكُونَ لَهُ أَبْنَاءَ بِالْتَبَيِّي بِيَسُوعَ الْمَسِيح، بَحَسَبِ رضَى مَشِيئَتِهِ، لِمَدْحٍ مَجْدِ نِعْمَتِهِ ٱلَّتِي أَنْعَمَ بِهَا عَلَيْنَا فِي الحَبِيبِ؛ وَفِيهِ لَنَا الْفِدَاءُ بِدَمِهِ، أَي مَغْفَرَةُ الزَّ لاَّتْ، بِحَسَبٍ غِنَى نِعْمَتِهِ، الَّتِي أَفَاضنَهَا عَلَيْنَا فِي ݣُلّ حِكْمَةٍ وَفَهْمٍ؛ وقَدْ عَرَّفَنَا سِرَّ مَشِيبَتَهِ، بِحَسَبِ رِضْمَاهُ الَّذي سَبَقَ فَجَعَلَهُ في المَسِيح، لِيُحَقِّقَ تَدْبِيرَ مِلْءِ الأَزْمِنَة، فَيَجْمَعَ في المَسِيح تَحْتَ رَأْسٍ وَاحِدٍ كُلَّ شَيء، مَا في السَّماوَاتِ ومَا عَلَى الأَرْضَ؛ و فِيهِ أَيْضًا ٱخْتَارَ نَا مِبرَ اثًا لَهُ، و قَدْ سَبَقَ فَحَدَّدَنَا بِحَسَبٍ قُصْدِهِ، هُوَ الَّذي يَعْمَلُ كُلَّ شِنَيءٍ بِقَضَاءِ مَشِيئَتِهِ، لِنَكُونَ مَدْحًا لِمَجْدِهِ، نَحْنُ الَّذِينَ سَبَقْنَا فجَعَلْنَا في المَسِيح رَجَاءَنَا؛ وفيهِ أَنْتُم أَيْضًا، بَعْدَ أَنْ سَمِعْتُم كَلِمَةَ ٱلْحَقّ، أَي إِنْجِيلَ خَلاصِكُم، وْآمَنْتُم، خُتِمْتُمْ بِالرُّوحْ القُدُسِ المَوَعُودِ بِهِ، وَهُوَ عُرِبُونُ مِيْرَاثِنَا، لِفِدَاءِ شَعْبُهِ الَّذِي آَقْتَنَاه، ولِمَدْح مَجْدِهِ.

### إنجيل القديس لوقا 39:1 45-39

فَي تِلْكَ الأَيَّام (بعد البشارة بيسوع)، قَامَتْ مَرْيَمُ وَذَهَبَتْ مُسْرِعَةً إلى الجَبَل، إلى مَدِينَةٍ في يَهُوذَا. ودَخَلَتْ بَيْتَ زَكَرِيَّا، وسَلَّمَتْ عَلَى إليصابَات. ولَمَا سَمِعَتْ إليصابَاتُ سَلامَ مَرْيَم، آرْتَكَض الجَنِينُ في بَطْنِها، وَامْتَلَاتْ مِنَ الرُّوح القُدُس. وَمُبَارَكَةُ ثَمَرَةُ بَطْنِكِ! وَمِنْ أَيْنَ لي هذَا، أَنْ تَأْتِيَ إليَّ أُمُّ رَبِّي؟ فَهَا مُنْذُ وَقَعَ صَوْتُ سَلامِكِ في أَذْنَيَّ، آرْتَكَض الجَنِينُ فَهَا مُنْذُ وَقَعَ صَوْتُ سَلامِكِ في أَذْنَيَّ، آرْتَكَضَ الجَنِينُ فَهَا مُنْذُ وَقَعَ صَوْتُ سَلامِكِ في أَذْنَيَّ، آرْتَكَضَ الجَنِينُ فَطُوبَى لِلَتِي إلَيْ الرَّبَّ «إِ