



St. Michael the Archangel Maronite Catholic Church

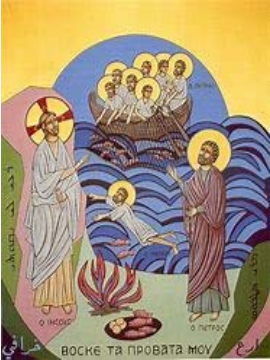
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4TH SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

May our minds, hearts and senses be awake and alert to his coming!



The opening scene of this Gospel takes place at the Sea of Tiberias. Simon Peter and several other disciples are walking along the shore of the sea. After a while, Simon decides to go fishing. He was tired of doing nothing. Was he also hoping that Jesus would appear once again and he was tired of waiting? Perhaps the fishing would distract him. It would be better than simply waiting. Peter tells the other disciples what he has decided and several of them choose to accompany him. They went out in the boat and fished for several hours but they caught absolutely nothing. How frustrating! I wonder what the disciples talked about while they were together in the boat. Did they talk about Jesus? Did they keep silent? Were they feeling lost and alone? Were they angry at the events that had transpired? These events not only cost Jesus his life, but their own lives also were devastated! They had “given their all” to Jesus. And now he was gone! Now what should they do?

Then at dawn Jesus appears to them. He was standing on the shore, not far from where the disciples were in the boat. The disciples did not recognize Jesus. They noticed a man standing on the shore. This stranger called out and asked the disciples if they had caught any fish. They replied that they had not. This man then told them to cast the net out on the other side of the boat. Did the disciples actually believe that would make a difference? After all, their boat was not huge. It was highly unlikely that a school of fish would be only on one side of the boat. However, they did as the man said!

Naturally, they were astounded when within a few minutes their nets were brimming over with fish! There were so many fish in the nets that they were worried that the nets would break. They also didn’t know how they would get all these fish to shore.

At that point, John recognized Jesus and he told Peter: “It is the Lord!” Impetuously, Peter jumped into the sea! The rest of the disciples made it to shore as quickly as they could. Imagine how impatient they must have been to get to the shore and also how excited they were to see Jesus. Once again they would be with their friend, teacher and Lord!

When they reached the shore, Jesus had a fire going. Take a moment and imagine what it would be like to sit around a campfire or a kitchen table with Jesus. What would you talk with Jesus about? Is there something you would like to ask him? Or would you simply rejoice at being in his presence?

At times, Jesus appears to us in differing guises. It is not always clear that it is Jesus who is with us. Yet, we may have a sense that this person was sent to us for a purpose, even though we may not know what that purpose is. Jesus comes to us every day! Most often though he does not cook us lunch. However, he will talk with us and nourish us with his word and his body, in the Eucharist and through one another! Today may our minds, hearts and senses be awake and alert to his coming!

CLERGY

**Fr. Paul Damien,
Pastor**

**Fr. Jack Morrison
(retired)**

PARISH OFFICE

HOURS:

**Tuesday, Thursday,
Friday**

**10:00 AM to 2:00
PM**

LITURGY / MASS :

Tues - Fri: 9:00 am

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 10:30 AM

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“4th Sunday of the Resurrection”

Saturday Apr 20- 5:00 PM: Philip Montaldo by Emma Montaldo

Sunday Apr 21- 10:30 AM: for the intentions of the Sherman family for April

Tuesday	Apr 23	9:00 am	St. George	Louis Nguyen V. Hoang by the Shermans
Wednesday	Apr 24	9:00 am	St. Saba the Commander, M	Kim Ngan Nguyen’s intentions By Thanh & Han Vo Nguyen
Thursday	Apr 25	9:00 am	St. Thaïs	For Mr. & Mrs. Winfield Sherman intentions
FRIDAY	Apr 26	9:00 Am	St. Timon the Deacon, M	For Thanh & Han Vo family intentions By Thanh & Han Vo Nguyen

“5th Sunday of the Resurrection”

**Saturday Apr. 27- 5:00 PM: (RIP) Brian Chase, Tom & Stella Blackard
by Robin & Bill Talley & family**

Sunday Apr. 28- 10:30 AM: (RIP) Michael Jabbour by the family (birthday remembrance)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Sign up today, at the church entrance for a Holy Hour!



**Every Thursday
9:30 am - 2:00pm
Rosary for Peace
@ 9:30 am**

CATHOLIC SOCIAL MINISTRIES

Place your donation of Peanut butter & jelly in the basket next to the Confessional.

**March Donations :
179 lbs.**

READERS

4/20	MJ Hahn	4/21	Annika Nesbitt
4/27	Lynn Vaughan	4/28	Chris Cooper
5/4	Kathy Criminger	5/5	Melissa Dinse
5/11	Christian Lupo	5/12	Betty Gurney

SCRIPTURE

4th Sunday of the Resurrection

Heb 13:18-25/Jn 21:1-14

5th Sunday of the Resurrection

Eph 2:1-10/Jn 21:15-19

6th Sunday of the Resurrection

Our Lady of Lebanon
Rom 10:1-13/Lk 24: 36-48



To be listed as Reader, please text **Kim Phelan @ 352-317-8529** or email consecrated2021@gmail.com or the church office

GIFTS OF THANKSGIVING

Offer the Incense, Candles and Wine for one month in memory/honor of someone for a \$25 donation.

April 2024

In remembrance of James Monsour

By Steve & Rosalie Berti

You are invited to Saint Elizabeth of Hungary in Raeford, NC, for a Cinco de Mayo Festival. There will be fun entertainment for the family, raffles, Latin American cultural foods, and more! Festival starts at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 3:30 p.m. There will also be vendors and if you are interested in becoming a vendor for the event, please let us know via email: cincodemayosaintelizabeth@gmail.com. *All proceeds will benefit the beautification of the parish, Saint Elizabeth of Hungary. Donations are greatly appreciated.*

2ND COLLECTION

April 21, 2024: Catholic Home Missions Appeal

(This collection is used for Missions in the USA. Our Eparchy has received grants from the USCCB from this collection for several years.)

ONLINE GIVING



PRAYER CHAIN



Please contact Lucy Zahran or call church office to **join the prayer chain** or with prayer requests

VOCATION CHALICE

4/20:	Volunteer
4/21:	Melissa Dinse
4/27:	Volunteer
4/28:	Connie Reidlinger



If your family would like to volunteer to pray for Vocations to Religious Life, please text or email Kimberly P. @ (352)317-8529 or consecrated2021@gmail.com

FROM THE LADIES GUILD



- Our next meeting is on May 19 at Noon.
- Our focus in April, is sorting and pricing items in the Social Hall for our Good Stuff Sale. Please Contact MJ Hahn to assist. We are beginning to collect boxes for the sale as well. Please bring them broken down for us.

Custom Handmade Rosaries



Handcrafted to order by Ace Acevedo
Premade Rosaries, as well as a complete list of all available styles, are in the social hall by the Ladies Guild gift counter!
All proceeds benefit the Parish!

Birthday Cake Boxes for People in Need

The St. Michael's Maronite Youth Organization (MYO) and MYO Jr. are raising money and collecting donations for a Birthday Cake Box food drive. These birthday cake boxes aim to help parents unable to afford a cake for their child's special day or individuals preoccupied with caring for others, neglecting their own needs. Monetary donations and donations of items on the list below will be collected from Sunday, April 21 through Sunday, May 19. A donation box for the needed items is located near the information table in the social hall. The MYO and MYO Jr. will assemble the birthday cake boxes after Mass on May 18. If making a monetary donation, please write the check to St. Michael Catholic Church and note "MYO birthday cake boxes" in the memo of the check or on the envelope of cash. Place your appropriately marked check or envelope in the offering basket during Divine Liturgy. Please contact Meredith Blalock with any questions.



Items Needed: Boxes of cake mix / Jars of frosting / 12oz cans of soda (name brand or generic – not diet)

Disposable 13x9 aluminum foil pans with lids / Birthday candles

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to "promoting the work of the Church &
building a spiritual community of faith
within the Parish."* AD BY: MJ

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