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The Sunday Before Christmas – The Genealogy

الاحد الذي قبل الميلاد – المعروف بأحد النسبة

Today, as we continue to prepare for the Nativity of Christ, we commemorate the human ancestors of Christ. Matthew emphasizes that Jesus, as Son of David, is from royal stock. He emphasizes that, as Son of Abraham, Jesus is the special fulfillment of God's promise to our forefather in faith. Ultimately, we are reminded that we, unlike the Forefathers commemorated last week and those mentioned in the genealogy this week, have been given the gift of Jesus at the Nativity. May our preparations render us worthy of so wonderful a gift.

Remember in your prayers: All who are sick, suffering or recovering from illness, and especially those isolated by COVID. We pray for those who have fallen asleep before us in the hope of eternal life. Also, we pray unceasingly for deliverance from the current pandemic, remembering especially our elderly, vulnerable, health care workers – some of whom are members of this parish community. We comment to Christ God, as they come in, the names and intentions submitted online.

Health & Safety: Please maintain social distancing, wearing masks and not congregating in the church or environs. Please help us sanitize the inside of the church and restrooms before we leave church for the day. Many thanks and blessings for your support!

Troparion of the Resurrection (4th tone)

The women disciples of the Lord, * having learned from the angel the joyful announcement of the resurrection, * and having rejected the ancestral sentence, * proudly told the apostles: * "Death is despoiled. Christ God is risen, * bestowing to the world great mercy."

نشيد القيامة (باللحن الرابع)

إن تلميذات الرب تعلمن من الملاك بشرى القيامة البهيجة. ونبذن القضاء على الجدين، وقلن للرسول مفتخرات: لقد سلب الموت، ونهض المسيح الإله، واهباً للعالم عظيم الرحمة.

Troparion of the Ancestors of Christ, (2nd Tone)

Faith can accomplish great things. Through it, the Three Holy Children rejoice in the flames as if they had been in refreshing water, and Daniel in the midst of lions is like a shepherd among his sheep. Through their intercession, O Christ God, save our souls.

نشيد الاباء (باللحن الثاني)

ما أعظم مفاعيل الايمان الباهرة، فيه كان الثلاثة الفتية القديسون يتتهجون في ينبوع اللهب كأنهم على ماء الراحة. ودانيال النبي بات يرعى الاسود كالغنم. فبتضرعاتهم، أيها المسيح الإله، خلص نفوسنا.

Troparion of St. Jacob, Brother of the Lord (Tone 4)

As a disciple of the Lord, you received the Gospel, O holy Jacob. As a martyr, you displayed unyielding will. As a brother of God, you have special power with Him. As a hierarch, you have the right of intercession. Intercede, therefore, with Christ God that he may save our souls.

طروبارية القديس يعقوب أخي الرب: (باللحن الرابع)

بما أنك تلميذ للرب قبلت الإنجيل، أيها الصديق. وبما أنك شهيد لك عزم لا يبتني، وبما أنك أخ للرب لك الدالة لديه. وبما أنك رئيس كهنة لك حق الشفاعة. فاشفع إلى المسيح الإله في خلاص نفوسنا.

Pre-Christmas Kondakion (3rd Tone)

Today the Virgin is on her way to the cave where she will give birth to the eternal Word of God in an ineffable manner. Rejoice, therefore, O Universe, when you hear this news: and glorify with the angels and the shepherds, Him who shall appear as a new child, being God from all eternity.

نشيد الختام (قنداق) مقدمة ميلاد ربنا يسوع المسيح (باللحن الثالث)

اليوم العذراء تأتي الى المغارة، لتلد الكلمة الكائن قبل الدهور، ولادة يُعجزُ بيانها. فأطربي ايتها المسكونة اذا سمعت، ومجدي مع الملائكة والرعاة، من شاء ان يظهر طفلاً جديداً. وهو الإله الذي قبل الدهور.

Epistle: Heb 11:9-10; 32-40 Sunday before the Nativity - PROKIMENON Dn. 3:26,27

Blessed are You, O Lord, God of our fathers, and Your name is worthy of praise and glorious forever.

Stichon: For You are just in all You have done to us, and all Your works are true and Your ways right.

Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews

Brethren, by faith, Abraham lived in the Land of the Promise as in a foreign land, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the co-heirs of the same promise, for he was looking for the city with fixed foundations, of which city the architect and builder is God. And what more shall I say? For time will fail me if I tell of Gideon, Barac, Samson, Jephthe, David and Samuel and the prophets, who by faith conquered kingdoms, wrought justice, obtained the fulfillment of promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of sword, recovered strength from weakness, became valiant in battle, routed foreign armies.

Women had their dead restored to them though resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to yield for their release in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others again suffered mockery and blows, even chains and jailings. They were stoned, cut to pieces, put to the question, killed by the sword. They went about in sheepskins and goatskins, destitute, distressed, afflicted (of whom the world was not worthy),

رسالة الاحد الذي قبل الميلاد

مقدمة الرسالة

مبارك أنت أيها الرب أله آبائنا، ومسيح وممجّد أسمك الى الدهور لأنك عادل فيما صنعت بنا، وأعمالك كلها صدق، وطرقك استقامة

الرسالة (عبرانيين 11: 9-10 و 32-40)

يا أخوة، بالإيمان نزل إبراهيم الى ارض الميعاد نزوله في بلاد غريبة، وسكن في أخبية مع اسحق ويعقوب الوارثين معه للموعد نفسه، لأنه كان ينتظر المدينة ذات الاسس، التي الله صانعها وبارئها. وماذا أقول أيضاً؟ انه يضيّق بي الوقت ان اخبرت عن جدعون وباراق وشمشون، ويفتاح وداوود وصموئيل والانبياء، الذين بالإيمان قهروا الممالك وعملوا البر، ونالوا الموعد وسدوا افواه الاسود. وأطفأوا قوة النار ونجوا من حد السيف، وتقووا من ضعف وصاروا أشداء في القتال، وكسروا معسكرات الاجانب، واسترجعت نساء أمواتهن بالقيامة، وآخرون قد غُذّبوا بتوتير الاعضاء والضرب، ولم يقبلوا النجاة ليحصلوا على قيامة أفضل. وآخرون قد ذاقوا الهزة والسياط والقيود أيضاً والسجن. رجموا، نشروا، امتحنوا، ماتوا بحد السيف، ساحوا في جلود الغنم والمعز، مُعوزين، مُضايقين، مجهودين. ولم يكن العالم مستحقاً لهم، تائهين في البراري والجبال

wandering in deserts, mountains, caves and holes in the ground.

And none of these, despite the positive witnessing of faith, received what was promised, for God has something better in store for us, so that they were not to reach their final perfection without us.

Alleluia (Tone 4) Ps. 43:2, 33: 18

O God, our ears have heard, our fathers have declared to us the deeds You did in their days, in the days of old.

Stichon: The just cried out, and the Lord heard them, and He delivered them from all their trials.

Gospel: Sunday before the Nativity, Matthew 1: 1-25 (Genealogy of Christ)

The book of the origin of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the son of Abraham. Abraham begot Isaac, Isaac begot Jacob, Jacob begot Judah and his brethren. Judah begot Perez and Zarah whose mother was Tamar. Perez begot Hezron, Hezron begot Ram. And Ram begot Amminadab, Amminadab begot Nahshon, Nahshon begot Salma. Salma begot Boaz of Rahab. Boaz begot Obed of Ruth, Obed begot Jesse, Jesse begot David the King. And David the King begot Solomon of the former wife of Uriah. Solomon begot Rehoboam, Rehoboam begot Abijah, Abijah begot Asa. And Asa begot Jehoshaphat, Jehoshaphat begot Joram, Joram begot Azariah. And Azariah begot Jotham, Jotham begot Ahaz, Ahaz begot Ezechiah. And Ezechiah begot Manasseh, Manasseh begot Amon, Amon begot Josiah. And Josiah begot Jeconiah and his brethren at the time of deportation to Babylon. And after the deportation to Babylon, Jeconiah begot Shealtiel, Shealtiel begot Zerubbabel. And Zerubbabel begot Abiud, Abiud begot Eliakim, Eliakim begot Azor. And Azor begot Zadok, Zadok begot Achim, Achim begot Eliud. And Eliud begot Eleazar, Eleazar begot Matthan, Matthan begot Joseph, the husband of Mary, and of her was born Jesus, Who is called Christ. So, all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations. And from David to the deportation to Babylon fourteen generations; and from the deportation to Babylon to Christ, fourteen generations. Now the origin of Christ was like this. When Mary His mother had been betrothed to Joseph, she was found, before they came together, to be with child by the Holy Spirit. But Joseph her husband, being a just man and not wishing to expose her to reproach, was thinking of putting her away privately. But while he was considering these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Do not be afraid, Joseph, son of David, to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is begotten in her is of the Holy Spirit. And she shall bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus; for He shall save His people from their sins." Now all this came to pass that what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet might be fulfilled, "*Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son; and they shall call his name Emmanuel;*" which is interpreted, "God with us." So, Joseph, arising from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him, and took Mary to be his wife. And he did not know her till she brought forth her firstborn son. And he called His name Jesus.

Hirmos: It is truly right ...

Kinonikon: Praise the Lord ...

Post-communion Hymn: We have seen the true light ...

والمغاور وكهوف الارض. فهؤلاء كلهم المشهود لهم بالايمن لم ينالوا الموعد، لان الله قد سبق فنظر لنا شيئاً أفضل، لكيلا يكملوا بمعزلٍ عنّا.

هللوا

اللهمّ بأذاننا قد سمعنا، وأبأونا أخبروا بالعمل الذي عملته في أيامهم، في الايام القديمة

الصدقون صرخوا والربّ استمع لهم، ومن جميع مضايقتهم نجّاهم.

انجيل الاحد الذي قبل الميلاد الانجيل (متى 1:1-25)

كتاب ميلاد يسوع المسيح ابن داود ابن ابراهيم. فابراهيم ولد اسحق، واسحق ولد يعقوب، ويعقوب ولد يهوذا وإخوته. ويهوذا ولد فارص وزاراح من تamar، وفارص ولد حصرون، وحصرون ولد آرام. وأرام ولد عميناداب، وعميناداب ولد نحشون، ونحشون ولد سلمون، وسلمون ولد بوعز من راحاب، وبوعز ولد عوبيد من راعوت، وعوبيد ولد يسى، ويسى ولد داود الملك. وداود الملك ولد سليمان من التي كانت لاوريا. وسليمان ولد رحبعام، ورحبعام ولد ألبا، وألبا ولد آسا. وآسا ولد يوشافاط، ويوشافاط ولد يورام، ويورام ولد عزيا. وعزيا ولد يوثام، ويوثام ولد آحاز، وآحاز ولد حزقيا، وحزقيا ولد منسى، ومنسى ولد آمن، وآمن ولد يوشيا، ويوشيا ولد يكنيا وإخوته في جلاء بابل. ومن بعد جلاء بابل يكنيا ولد شالتيئيل، وشالتيئيل ولد زربابل. وزربابل ولد أبيهود، وأبيهود ولد ألياقيم، وألياقيم ولد عازور. وعازور ولد صادق، وسادوق ولد أكيم، وأكيم ولد أبيهود. وأبيهود ولد ألعازر، وألعازر ولد مثنان، ومثنان ولد يعقوب. ويعقوب ولد يوسف رجل مريم، التي منها ولد يسوع الذي يدعى المسيح. فكل الاجيال من ابراهيم الى داود أربعة عشر جيلاً، ومن داود الى جلاء بابل أربعة عشر جيلاً، ومن جلاء بابل الى المسيح أربعة عشر جيلاً. أما مولد يسوع المسيح فكان هكذا: لما خطبت مريم أمه ليوسف ووجدت من قبل أن يسكنها معاً خبلى من الروح القدس. وإذا كان يوسف رجلها صديقاً ولم يرد أن يشهرها، عزم على تخليتها سراً. وفيما هو يفكر في ذلك إذا بملاك الرب قد تراءى له في الحلم قائلاً: يا يوسف ابن داود، لا تخف أن تأخذ امرأتك مريم، فإن المولود فيها هو من الروح القدس. وستلد ابناً فتسميه يسوع، لأنه هو الذي يخلص شعبه من خطاياهم. وكان هذا كله ليتم ما قال الرب بالنبي القائل: ها إن العذراء تحبل وتلد ابناً ويسمى عمانوئيل، الذي ترجمته الله معنا. فلما نهض يوسف من النوم فعل كما أمره ملاك الرب، فأخذ امرأته. ولم يعرفها حتى ولدت ابنها البكر، فسماه يسوع.

ألرمس: انه واجب حقاً...

نشيد المناولة: سبحوا الرب من السموات ...

بعد المناولة: إذ قد نظرنا النور الحقيقي ...

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Saint Jacob Melkite Catholic Church is an Eastern Catholic Community of the Eparchy of Newton, headed by His Grace, Bishop Nicholas. Liturgical services are celebrated in English and Arabic in the Byzantine Rite. The Eparchy (Diocese) is a part of the Patriarchate of Antioch, headed by His Beatitude, Patriarch Joseph. "...and in Antioch the disciples were for the first time called Christians" (Acts 11:26). The Melkite Greek-Catholic Church professes the orthodox faith and maintains full communion with the See of Rome.

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