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## Cheesefare and Forgiveness Sunday

### أحد مرفع الجبن

Today is Cheesefare Sunday. On this last Sunday before Great Lent, the last day that traditionally Orthodox Christians eat dairy products until Pascha, the Church remembers the expulsion of Adam and Eve from Paradise. God commanded them to fast from the fruit of a tree (Gen. 2:16), but they did not obey. In this way Adam and Eve and their descendants became heirs of death and corruption. On Forgiveness Sunday many attend Forgiveness Vespers on the eve of Great Lent. They hear on the Lord's teaching about fasting and forgiveness and enter the season of the fast forgiving one another so that God will forgive them. If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your heavenly Father forgive you your trespasses (Matthew 6:14). The Gospel reading of the day also gives advice on fasting. Moreover, when you fast, do not be like the hypocrites, with a sad countenance. For they disfigure their faces that they may appear to men to be fasting. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. But you, when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that you do not appear to men to be fasting, but to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly. (Matthew 6:16-18). from [https://orthodoxwiki.org/Forgiveness\\_Sunday](https://orthodoxwiki.org/Forgiveness_Sunday)

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**How can you join in the mission and vision of St Jacob's, the only Melkite community in San Diego County?** First, by participating in the life of our community and attending our worship services. Second, if you cannot attend regularly, please pray for the well-being of our Melkite mission. Third, your financial support is crucial for the longevity of St Jacob's. Please give generously to Sunday collections, mail your donations to PO Box 231328, San Diego, CA 92193, or visit our donations web page: <https://stjacobmelkite.org/donate> for electronic giving options. May the Lord bless you for your much needed support!

**House blessings:** Please contact Fr Shaun ASAP to schedule a blessing of your home.

**Remember in your prayers:** All who are sick, suffering or recovering from illness, especially Edward Bagdasar, Najib Bagdasar, Eduardo Rame, Alfonso Hababa, Suad Maria, Jamil Maria, Jessica Hana, Manuel Salazar, Matthew Medina, Samir Shamieh, Micheline Haggar, Alice Boghos, Emil Shami, and Nassim and Soumaya Nasser. All who have been and continue to be affected by the violence in Ukraine and Gaza. We also remember all who have fallen asleep in the hope of resurrection.

**Antiphon Prayer:** O Creator of the Universe, You fashioned Adam from the dust of the earth. You infused him with a breath of life. You gave him dominion over the earth. By the enticement of the Serpent he rebelled against Your Commandments and fell. You therefore exiled him from Paradise. But your Only-begotten Son was incarnate, endured Passion and restored us to the Garden of Eden which we had lost. We therefore implore You, at the threshold of Holy and Great Lent, to make us worthy of a sincere repentance, so that we may avoid even the shadow of evil and abstain from carnal pleasure in order to gain You, Divine River of Paradise that quenches the thirst of our souls. Thus, having lived according to your commandments, we may share the glory of the Resurrection of Christ, our God and Savior. For You are long-suffering, most compassionate and You call all people to salvation; and to You we render glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and always and forever and ever.

### Troparion of the resurrection: (Tone 4)

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."

### 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 an 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.

### Kondakion of Cheese-fare: (Tone 6)

O You who guide men toward wisdom, and give them intelligence and understanding, instructor of the ignorant and helper of the poor, strengthen and enlighten my heart, O Lord, give me word, O Word of the Father, for behold I will not refrain my lips from crying out to You: O merciful One, have mercy on me who have fallen.

### صلاة الأنديفونه

أيها الإله المبدع، لَمَّا جيلت آدم من تُراب الأرض نفخت فيه نسمة حياة، وسلطته على هذا الكون. لكنه سقط بغواية الحية، لَمَّا عصى أمرَكَ وتناول من الثمرة المحرمة. فنفيته من الفردوس. ولَمَّا تجسد مسيخُك واحتمل الآلام لأجلنا، أعادنا إلى جنة عدن التي خسرتها بآدم. فنضرعُ إليك، ونحن على عتبة الصوم الأربعيني المقدس، أن تُوهلنا للتوبة الصادقة، فنمتنع عن كل شبه شر، ونصوم عن اللذات لنحظى بك، أنت نهر النعيم المروي نفوسنا الظمأى، وإذا ما سلكتنا سُبُل وصاياك نبلغُ إلى التمتع بأمجاد قيامة المسيح إلهنا ومخلصنا. لأنك أنت الطويل الأناة، الكثير الرحمة والداعي الجميع إلى الخلاص، ولك ينبغي كل مجد وإكرامٍ وسجود، أيها الابن والابن والروح القدس، الآن وكل أوان ...

### نشيد القيامة (باللحن الرابع)

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

### طروبارية القديس يعقوب أخى الرب: (باللحن الرابع)

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

### قنداق مرفع الجبن الختام: (باللحن السادس)

أيها الهادي إلى الحكمة، وواهب الفطنة، ومُنقِّف الجُهال، ومُجبر المساكين، شدّد قلبي وامنحه فهماً، أيها السيد، وأعطني كلاماً، يا كلمة الأب. فها انا لن أمسك شفقتي عن الصراخ إليك: أيها الرحيم، ارحمني أنا الواقع.

**Prokimenon (Tone 3)** Sing praise to our God, sing praise!  
Sing praise to our King, sing praise!

**Stichon:** All you peoples, clap your hands! Shout to God with cries of gladness.

**Reading** from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. Brethren, now our salvation is nearer than when we came to believe. The night is far advanced: the day is at hand. Let us therefore lay aside the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light. Let us walk becomingly as in daytime, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in debauchery and wantonness, not in strife and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and as for the flesh, pay no attention to its lusts. But whoever is weak in faith, receive him without arguing about opinion. For one believes he may eat all things but another who is weak, let him eat vegetables. Let not the one who eats despise the one who does not; and let not the one who does not eat judge the one who does, for God has received him. Who are you to judge another's servant? To his own master he stands or falls but he will stand, for God is able to make him stand.

**Alleluia (Tone 3)**

In you, O Lord, I have hoped: let me never be put to shame. In your Justice, save me and deliver me.

**Stichon:** Be for me a protecting God, a sheltering house to save me.

**Gospel of Cheese-Fare Sunday (Matthew 6:14-21) (Forgiveness & Fasting)**

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The Lord said, "If you forgive men their offenses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their offenses, neither will your father forgive you your offenses. And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, who disfigure their faces in order to appear to men as fasting. Amen I say to you they have had their reward. But you, when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that you may not be seen by men to fast, but by your father, who is in secret; and your Father, who sees in secret, will reward you. Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where worm and rodent consume, and where thieves break in and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither worm nor rodent consumes, nor thieves break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there also will be your heart."

**Hymn to the Theotokos:** It is truly right...

**Kinonikon:** Praise the Lord...

**Post-communion:** We have seen the true Light...

**مقدمة الرسالة**

رَتَمُوا لِإِلَهِنَا رَتْمًا، رَتَمُوا لِمَلِكِنَا رَتْمًا  
يا جميع الأمم صَفِّقُوا بالأَيَادِي، هَلِّلُوا الله بصوتِ الابتهاج

**الرسالة:** (رومة 13: 11 ج الى 14: 4)

يا إخوة، أن الخلاصَ أقربُ إلينا الآنَ مما كانَ حينَ آمَنَّا. قد تناهى الليلُ وأقترَبَ النهارُ، فنخلُغُ اذنَ أعمالِ الظلمةِ، ونلبسُ اسلحةَ النورِ. لنسلُكُنَّ سُلُوكًا لائقًا كما في النهارِ، لا بالقصوفِ والسكرِ، ولا بالمضاجعِ والعهرِ، ولا بالخصامِ والحسدِ. بل البسوا الربَّ يسوع المسيحَ، ولا تهتموا بالجسدِ لقضاءِ شهواتِهِ. من كانَ ضعيفاً في الايمانِ فأقبلوه بغيرِ مباحثَةٍ في الآراءِ. مِنَ الناسِ من يعتقدُ أن له ان يأكلَ كُلَّ شيءٍ، أما الضعيفُ فيأكلُ بقولاً. فلا يزدِرُ الذي يأكلُ من لا يأكلُ، ولا يدينُ الذي يأكلُ من لا يأكلُ، لانَ الله قد قبله. أنتَ من أنتَ يامنُ يدينُ عيْدَ غيره، انه لمولاه يثبُتُ أو يسقطُ، لكنه سيثبُتُ لأنَّ الله قادرٌ أن يثبِتَهُ.

**هللوا**

عليك يا ربِّ توكلتُ، فلا أخزِ إليَّ الابدُ، بعدلكِ نجني وانتشلني  
كن لي إلهاً محامياً وبيتاً ملجأً لخلاصي

**انجيل أحد مرفع الجبن**

**الانجيل:** (متى 6: 14-21)

قال الرب: إن غفرتُم للناسِ زَلَّاتِهِم، يغفِرُ لكم أيضاً أبوكم السماوي زَلَّاتِكُمْ. وإن لم تغفروا للناسِ زَلَّاتِهِم، فأبوكم أيضاً لا يغفِرُ لكم زَلَّاتِكُمْ. وإذا صمتم فلا تكونوا معتسين كالمراثين فإنهم يُنكرون وجوههم ليظهروا للناسِ صائمين. الحقُّ أقول لكم، انهم قد نالوا اجرهم. أما أنتَ فإذا صمتَ، فادهنْ رأسكِ وأغسلِ وجهكِ، لئلا تظهَرَ للناسِ صائماً بل لأبيك الذي في الخفيةِ، وأبوك الذي ينظرُ في الخفيةِ هو يجازيكِ علانيةً. لا تكنزوا لكم كنوزاً على الارضِ، حيثُ يفسدُ السوسُ والصدأ، وحيثُ ينقبُ السارقون ويسرقون. لكن اكنزوا لكم كنوزاً في السماءِ، حيثُ لا يفسدُ سوسٌ ولا صدأ، ولا ينقبُ السارقون ولا يسرقون. فإنه حيثُ يكونُ كنزُكم هناكِ يكونُ قلبُكم أيضاً

**نشيد لوالدة الاله:** انه واجبٌ حقاً...

**كينونيكون:** سبحوا الربَّ من السماواتِ. هللوا.

**بعد المنالوة:** إذ قد نظرنا النور الحقيقي ...

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