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كنيسة السيدة العذراء القبطية الأرثوذكسية بشيكاغو

تدعوكم الكنيسة لحضور صلوات القديس الالهى

يوم الأحد من كل اسبوع من الساعة صباحاً وذلك في المقر المؤقت

بركة السيدة العذراء مريم. وصلوات ودعوات قداسة البابا المعظم الأنبا شنودة الثالث تكون معكم جميعاً ، آمين.

" They
pierced
my
hands
and my
feet.
I may
tell all
my
bones "

psalm
22:16



ثقبوا
يدي
ورجلي
واخسوا
كل
عظامي

مزمور
١٦٠٢٢

عيد البصخة القديس

Friday : April 21	4-6 pm
Saturday : April 22	6 1/2 - 8 1/2 pm
Sunday : April 23	9 am-1 pm 6 1/2 - 8 1/2 pm
Monday : April 24	6 1/2-8 1/2 pm
Tuesday : April 25	6 1/2-8 1/2 pm
Wednesday : April 26	6 1/2-8 1/2 pm
Thursday : April 27	11am-2 pm & 6 1/2-8 1/2 pm
Friday : April 28	10 am - 6 pm & 11 pm - 7 am
Saturday : April 29	7 pm - midnight Happy Easter

✠ الجمعة : ٢١ أبريل ٤ - ٦ مساءً
صلاة التنديل و قداس جمعة ختام الصوم المقدس

السبت : ٢٢ أبريل ٦ ١/٢ - ٨ ١/٢ مساءً
عشية أحد الشعانين

الأحد : ٢٣ أبريل ٩ صباحاً - ١ مساءً
قداس أحد الشعانين والجنائز العام
ثم بدأ أسبوع البصخة المقدسة

✠ الأحد : ٢٤ أبريل ٦ ١/٢ - ٨ ١/٢ مساءً
الاثنين : ٢٥ أبريل ٦ ١/٢ - ٨ ١/٢ مساءً
الثلاثاء : ٢٦ أبريل ٦ ١/٢ - ٨ ١/٢ مساءً
الأربعاء : ٢٧ أبريل ١١ صباحاً - ٢ مساءً
الخميس : اللتان و قداس خميس العهد

ث - ٦ ١/٢ - ٨ ١/٢ مساءً

✠ الجمعة العظيمة : ٢٨ أبريل
١٠ صباحاً الى ٦ مساءً
ثم من ١١ مساءً الى ٧ صباحاً
ليلة أبو غلمسيس و قداس سبت النور (٥ - ٧)
السبت : ٢٩ أبريل ٧ مساءً الى نصف الليل
قداس عيد القيامة
كل عام وأنتم بخير

HAPPY EASTER

عيد قيامة مجيد

BRINGING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

"And they came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and they brought the Lord's offering" (Exodus 35:21)

"ثم جاء من أنهضه قلبه وكل من سمحته روحه
جاءوا بتقديمه الرب " (خروج ٢٥ ٢١)



Moses brought then people together one day and told them that the Lord wanted the tabernacle to be built. No one would be forced to give or work on the building. Everyone would give as the spirit of the Lord directed him.

† All the people were told what was needed. It would take a lot of gold, silver, precious jewels, fine cloth and hard work to finish the tabernacle like God said it must be built.

† The heart of the people were stirred. They heard the words of the Lord and acted. They brought rings, bracelets, earrings and jewels from their treasures. Those who had fine cloth or stanned skins

brought them to be used in the tabernacle. Others brought precious stones and jewels. Some worked with their hands to spin cloth of fine linen and goat's hair. Still others brought in the spices and oils for use of the priests in the tabernacle. Some of the men who were skilled set about carving and carpentry and others jobs which must be done. All of this was offered because the people wanted to give.

† The wonderful thing about this offerings is that *Moses had to tell them to stop giving !*

Can you imagine that today?! **What would make it happen that way in your Church ?....**

جاري الآن التفاوض على شراء قطعة أرض
لأقامة كنيسة السيدة العذراء عليها والكنيسة
تهيب بكل أبنائها الصلاة من أجل هذا المشروع

ALMSGIVING



Anyone who is truly seeking to worship God tries continuously to flourish his spiritual life by practicing **Fasting**. Many Christians combine their fasting by giving ALMS... money or supplies- to those in need. They take the cost of a meal they don't eat and send it to organizations which feed the hungry overseas. Others practice portion-giving: setting aside a percentage of their weekly or monthly paycheck to the Church or to those in need before spending anything on themselves.

† Almsgiving can go beyond giving money to those in need. Some people give their talents. If, for example, they can teach, they might offer an hour or so a week to teach in the Church Sunday School. Perhaps they volunteer to contact those who have fallen away from the Church. Many Parishes have groups of laypersons who visit the elderly, the sick and the shut-ins, or collect food and other essentials for distribution to the poor. This kind of service is rewarding, but it requires offering one's precious time and sharing of the self.

† The Lord Jesus and His Disciples were in the habit of sharing with the poor. The Acts of the Apostles clearly mentions how the early Christians shared what they had, especially with the needy. It says, "in the early Church there was not a needy person among them, for as many as were posses-

sors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the proceeds of what was sold and laid it at the Apostles' feet, and distribution was made to each as any had need".

(Acts 4:34,35).

† Our Lord Jesus says to all of us, " Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes, and where thieves do not break in and steal". (Math 6:19,20). Then the Lord concludes his advice by saying, " When you give alms, sound no trumpet before you, as hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that may be praised by men. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be in secret, and your Father who sees in secret will reward you." (Math 6:2-4).

† Once a kid asked his mother, " dear mom, what can I give Jesus?.. I do not have any money to give and I want to give something!! His mother answered," Dear son, the Bible says,"**Everyone shall give as he is able**" (Deut 16:17). Thus with a willing heart and eager mind to keep the Lord's commandments you will have given the things wanted most by Jesus who says, "**My son give me your heart and let your eyes observe my way**".(Proverbs)

† العطاء هو فضيلة محبة، تأتي من القلب عن سرور وإبتهاج، ولا منفعة تأتي من العطاء إذا جاء بالألحاح أو الضغط، أذ يقول الإنجيل " المعطي فبسرور " و " المعطي المسرور يحب الرب ".
الرب يضامف بركاته لكم، ويشبعكم من خيراته كل الأيام، ويقتبل عطاياكم رائحة بخور على مذبحه الطاهر، بشفاة أمنا القديسة والدة الإله العذراء مريم، شفيعة هذه الكنيسة.
لا تنسوا كنيسة العذراء مريم في تبرعاتكم، حتى يتيسر شراء كنيسة قريباً .