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November 1, 2026 — Fifth Sunday after the Holy Cross

Icon of Cosmas and Damien-- November 1st

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Divine Liturgy

Hymns

Troparion of the Resurrection (tone 6): The angelic powers appeared at your tomb, and the guards became as dead men, and Mary stood by the Sepulcher seeking your spotless Body. You despoiled Hades and yet were not tempted by it, You met the Virgin O Bestower of Life. O Lord who rose from the dead glory to you.

Troparion of Cosmas and Damian: O Holy Moneyless Ones and Wonderworkers, heal us of our diseases. Freely you have received: freely give.

Troparion of St. George: O Great among the saints and glorious martyr, George, since you are a deliverer of captives and a defender of the poor, a doctor for the sick and a noble attendant to kings, intercede for us to Christ God, that he may save our souls!

Kontakion: O never failing Protectress of Christians and their ever-present intercessor before the Creator, despise not the petitions of us sinners, but in your goodness extend your help to us who call upon you with confidence. Hasten, O Mother of God, to intercede for us, for you have always protected those who honor you.

Prokimenon: O Lord, save your people and bless your inheritance.
Stichon: To you, O Lord, I have called: O my Rock, be not deaf to me!

Apostolic Reading: Eph 2:4-10

Gospel: The Rich Man and Lazarus, Lk 16:19-31

Prayer List

Please remember—All those who are sick and in need: Natalie Herder, Walter Lourdes Najera Herder (family of Katerina Lessard), Kevin Kenney (Archbishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis for the Latins), Nick Lagendfield, Barb Moden (sister of Jan Taylor), Edin Najera, Sandy Rabuse (godmother of Katerina Lessard), the Rebholz family, Eva Saseen (Theresa and Janelle Herro's niece), Henry Shirley, Geri Spankowski, Fr. Gregory and Presbytera Elizabeth. For the people of the Middle East.

Schedule for this Week

Sunday *Synaxis of the Holy Archangels*

Coming Up

November 12th: Feast of St. Josephat

6pm Divine Liturgy at the Basilica of St. Josephet with Bishop Venedykt Aleksiychuk of the Ukrainian Eparchy of Saint Nicholas of Chicago, with Bishop Robert Pipta of the Ruthenian Eparchy of Parma

November 15th: Beginning of the Nativity Fast (Traditional)

December 10th: Beginning of the Nativity Fast (Shorter)

Stewardship

Last Sunday: ordinary collections=$607; second collection (World Mission Sunday)=$173; donations=$50; candles=$1. Thanks for your generosity!

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Owed to eparchy (assessment, retirement and medical insurance; last updated September 13, 2026): $54,612.89.

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Eparchial Pastoral Appeal (Formerly the Bishop's Appeal)

> "Be strong and of good courage, do not fear or be in dread of them: for it is the Lord your God who goes with you; He will not fail you or forsake you." (Deuteronomy 31:6)

Our eparchy has grown through the faith and dedication of generations before us. Today, that responsibility belongs to us. The Pastoral Appeal helps provide the support needed to serve our communities and prepare for the years ahead.

Donate online: https://melkiteeparchyofnewton.flocknote.com/give/27546. Additional info on the back tables.

Beyond Medical Knowledge

Even without anyone to instruct us we are quite able, on the basis of what we see, live and feel, to understand how our body is formed. Its own nature teaches us. It may be useful, nonetheless, to consult experts to have a clearer idea. The science of anatomy has allowed us to know the positions of the individual parts of the human body. Other sciences help us to grasp their uses.

In a detailed study we must examine the organs as having three kinds of function: life, enjoyment and conservation.

The organs without which it is impossible to have life are three: the brain, the heart, the liver.

Then there are the gifts that nature gives to the human being to make life pleasant: the senses. The lack, which is not infrequent, of one or other of them does not result in death, but without being able to use them life is less enjoyable.

Finally, we should recall those organs which have no purpose in themselves but are useful to conserve life, for example, the stomach and the lungs.

The true and perfect life, however, is that of the soul. In the soul is found the beauty of the likeness of God, who created humanity with the words: "Let us make human beings in our own image, after our own likeness."

St. Gregory of Nyssa

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