



This Sunday's Gospel (Luke 1:39-45) relates the encounter of two pregnant women, Mary and Elizabeth, and two babies in their wombs, Jesus and John. At the sight and the greeting of Mary, Elizabeth exclaimed and recognized the blessedness of Mary who believed the messenger of the Lord.

This Sunday, our Eparchy will open the preparation phase of the Maronite Synod on the Woman, its vocation and ministry in the Church and the world. Let the example of Mary and Elizabeth, in their faith and care, be an inspiration to all of us.

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**VISITATION OF THE VIRGIN TO ELIZABETH  
NOVEMBER 27, 2022**

**Alleluia!**

**Mary and Elizabeth met in Judea. Mary carried in her womb our Lord and Savior, the Son of God. When Elizabeth heard Mary's words, John then leapt for joy. In the womb, John trembled in his Master's presence.**

**Let the great and mighty Son be praised and worshipped. Alleluia! Give thanks to the Lord!**

***Sedro-Liturgy of the Word for the Visitation of the Virgin to Elizabeth***

