



SAINT LOUIS GONZAGA CHURCH

MARONITE CATHOLIC

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday — 4 PM, Sunday — 10 AM

Tuesday-Friday — 9 AM

Holy Days of Obligation — 9 AM and 6:30 PM

CLERGY

Father Boutros El Hachem: 315-732-6019

Deacon Paul A. Salamy: 315-723-0109

Deacon Peter M. Hobaica: 315-797-5464

PARISH HOUSE OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday-Friday — 9 AM to 1 PM



BAPTISMS & CHRISMATIONS: Preparation is required.
We encourage this to happen before the birth of your child.

MARRIAGES: Arrangements six (6) months in advance.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome to our parish family. May you find spiritual nourishment among us. Please be sure to register by calling the Parish House.

HOSPITAL, SICK CALLS & SHUT-INS: If a loved one is hospitalized, ill or unable to leave home, please call the Parish House office.

MARONITE CHRISTIAN FORMATION:

Classes 1-6 meet weekly on Sunday morning at 9AM.

Classes 7-12 meet bimonthly on Sunday morning at 9AM.

Please see the calendar published in the bulletin and on the Website for dates.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 3:15 – 3:45PM
and by appointment.

DEVOTIONS:

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament: Thursdays 9:30 – 10:30AM

Saint Sharbel Devotion: 22nd of each month after Divine Liturgy

Saint Joseph Devotion: 4th Saturday at 3:40PM

3-4 DECEMBER 2022



FEASTS FOR 4 DEC - 11 DEC 2022

SUN 4 DEC **Birth of John the Baptist**
St. Barbara
Gal 4:21-5:1/Lk 1:57-66

MON 5 DEC St. Saba the Hermit

TUE 6 DEC St. Nicholas (Zakhia)

WED 7 DEC St. Ambrose

THU 8 DEC **The Immaculate Conception**
Holy Day of Obligation
Conclusion of the Second
Vatican Council

FRI 9 DEC St. Francis of Paola

SAT 10 DEC Pope St. Miltiades

SUN 11 DEC **Revelation to Joseph**
St. Daniel the Stylite
Eph 3:1-13/Mt. 1:18-25



CONTACTS

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Finance Committee:

Aricca Lewis 315-796-9876

Bernie Sunderlin 315-796-7598

Michael Hayduk 315-794-3045

Special Events: Betty Karrat 315-736-1615

Family Giving Committee:

George Nehme 401-742-5841

Kitchen & Hall:

Mary Ann Tanoury-Loy 315-790-3307

Buildings: Byron Elias 315-737-7803

315-794-9423

Pastoral Life Committee:

Deacon Paul Salamy 315-723-0109

Communications: Glory Rasi 315-794-4242

Family Life: Deacon Peter Hobaica . . 315-797-5464

Maronite Christian Formation:

Laura Cross 315-794-4156

Maronite Youth Organization:

Lisa Barkett 315-723-0556

Maronite Young Adults:

John Paul Salamy 315-732-5241

Joshua Lewis 315-941-2114

Saint Mary's Guild: Joyce Astafan . . . 315-723-5597

Holy Name Society: Rick Blank 315-525-3221

Lou Lewis 315-737-3950

Saint Joseph Society: Kamil Rahme . . 315-768-3837

Daughters of Mary: Julie Adamo 315-404-1959

Acolytes: Nathan Hanna 315-939-8219

Liturgy: James Salamy 315-723-3776

Lectors: Lois Mariano 315-732-3402

Sacristan: Harrison Zogby 315-749-6399



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SAT 3 DEC 4PM • Mickey E. Nackley by *Dischiavo & Darzi Families*
• Hattie Joseph by *Her Children*

SUN 4 DEC 10AM • Joseph Hanna, Jr. (Anniv.) by *Mother, Jeannine Hanna & Family*
• Charles & Agnes Hickel, Richard & Mary Hickel & Richard Hickel by *Linda Hickel & Family*
• John Gazzal & Parents by *Patti Nassimos & Family*
• Nancy Gazzal (Pray For Her Recovery) by *Patti Nassimos & Family*
• Mary Pezzulo (35th Anniv.) by *Nick & Rosemary Pezzulo*
• Elaine Mishlanie (5th Anniv.) by *Children & Family*
• Amelia Jabour by *Mary Ann Tanoury-Loy & Family*
• NO LITURGY

MON 5 DEC

TUE 6 DEC 9AM • Boyd & Rose Crigger by *Boyd Crigger's Will*

WED 7 DEC 9AM • Amelia Jabour by *Deacon Paul Salamy*

THU 8 DEC 9AM • Most Rev. Bishop Tanios El Khoury by *Abouna Boutros*
6:30PM • Rev. Dr. Richard A. Rasi by *Luke & Anne Lewis & Family*

FRI 9 DEC 9AM • Edward & Sadie Koury by *Sadie Koury's Will*

SAT 10 DEC 4PM • Louis Astafan, Sr. by *Joyce, Scander, Louis, Jr. & Diana Astafan*
• Celia Marriott (Anniv.) by *Nick & Lois Mariano*
• Mary Raya (6th Anniv.) by *Louie, Patty, Mark & Claude*
• Mickey Nackley (40 Day) by *His Son, David Nackley*

SUN 11 DEC 10AM • Fred Sageer (Birthday) by *Wife, Mona Sageer & Family*
• Charles & Agnes Hickel, Richard & Mary Hickel & Richard Hickel by *Linda Hickel & Family*
• James Peters (1st Anniv.) by *Wife, Children & Grandchildren*
• Claude Coe, Jr. by *Deacon Paul Salamy*
• Lorri Nackley by *Nathan & Sara Hanna*
• Joyce Funk (1st Anniv.) by *Nick & Rosemary Pezzulo*



MEETINGS AND EVENTS

SUN 4 DEC 9AM Maronite Christian Formation Classes (Gr. 1-6)

SUN 4 DEC 11AM Maronite Youth Organization (MYO) Activity

WED 7 DEC 9:30AM Mercy Group

THU 8 DEC 9AM Immaculate Conception Holy Day Liturgy

THU 8 DEC 9:30AM Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

THU 8 DEC 6:30PM Immaculate Conception Holy Day Liturgy

SUN 11 DEC 9AM Maronite Christian Formation Classes (Gr. 1-6)

SUN 11 DEC 2PM Saint Mary's Guild Christmas Party at Delmonico's Italian Steakhouse

THU-FRI 15-23 DEC Christmas Novena

FRI 16 DEC 4PM Maronite Youth Organization (MYO) Activity

SAT 17 DEC 9AM-3PM Lebanese Cookie Sale

SAT 17 DEC 3:30PM Christmas Gathering

SAT 24 DEC 4PM Christmas Divine Liturgy

SAT 24 DEC 10PM Christmas Divine Liturgy

SUN 25 DEC 10AM Christmas Divine Liturgy



POINTS OF INTEREST

Immaculate Conception. This Thursday, **8 December** the Church celebrates the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the womb of her mother, Saint Anne. The Blessed Virgin Mary, the Immaculate Conception, is the patroness of the United States. Because of the **importance** of this feast and to **pray for our country**, the faithful are to participate in the Divine Liturgy on this day. Therefore, we shall celebrate the Divine Liturgy on this **Thursday, 8 December** at **9AM** and **6:30PM**. Please make every effort to join us in prayer.

Saint Mary's Guild Christmas Party. The Saint Mary's Guild will have their annual Christmas Party next **Sunday, 11 December** at **2PM** at **Delmonico's Italian Steakhouse**. The cost is \$20.00 per person, and a guest is welcomed. Please call Mary Ann Ladd at 315-796-5105 or Aricca Lewis at 315-796-9876 to make your reservation.

Lebanese Cookie Sale. Again, this year to celebrate **Christmas** and to **benefit our Church**, we will be selling Lebanese cookies in an **assorted box** that includes a **variety** of Lebanese cookies. Boxes are **\$20** each and must be picked up on **Saturday, December 17** from **9AM** to **3PM** in the Church parking lot in drive-thru fashion, no need to leave your car. All boxes must be pre-ordered and pre-paid by **15 December**. Please see the parish website and the Facebook page "Lebanese Cookie Sale – Utica, NY" or call the Parish House for more information and to place your order.

Christmas Novena. As a **spiritual preparation** for Christmas, the Maronite Church prays the Christmas Novena for 9 days before Christmas, from **15** to **23 December**. We shall pray the Christmas Novena at Church each day from 15 to 23 December **after the regularly scheduled Divine Liturgy**. If you would like Father Boutros to pray the Christmas Novena at your home in the evening, please contact the parish house during office hours to schedule a date and time from 15 to 23 December.

Christmas Gathering. On **Saturday, 17 December** we will have a Christmas Gathering at Church beginning at **3:30PM** with the singing of traditional **Christmas Carols** preceding the **4PM Divine Liturgy** which will be immediately **followed by a Christmas Gathering** in the George Sfeir Parish Hall. Please join us in prayer and fellowship.

Christmas Divine Liturgies. The Divine Liturgy for the Glorious Birth of Our Lord will be celebrated on **Saturday, 24 December** at **4PM** and **10PM** and on **Sunday, 25 December** at **10AM**. Please make every effort to join us in prayer for the Birth of Our Lord.

Sunday Hospitality - Fried Dough. Sunday Hospitality - Fried Dough has **resumed**. The volunteer **schedule** is listed on this page. We are in **need of volunteers** to host a Sunday. Please **contact** Mary Ann Tanoury-Loy to host a Sunday.

Divine Liturgy Intentions. There are weekday and weekend Divine Liturgies that can be offered for your intentions. To schedule a Divine Liturgy in honor or memory of a loved one, please contact the parish house during office hours.



MEMORIALS

ALTAR MEMORIALS ...

Through our gifts at the altar we remember our loved ones:

- INCENSE & CHARCOAL — In Memory of Louis Astafan, Sr. by *Children*
- SANCTUARY PLANTS & FLOWERS — In Memory of Fred Sageer by *Wife, Mona Sageer & Family*
- CANDLES — In Memory of the Deceased Members of the Mariano & Roy Families by *Nick & Lois Mariano*
- BREAD & WINE — In Memory of Fred, Florence & Lorri Nackley by *Fred Nackley & Family*
- SANCTUARY LAMP — In Memory of Fred J. Mazloom by *Wife, Mary & Children*

A contribution of \$10.00 will memorialize a loved one for the entire week.



VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

LECTORS

3 DEC	4PM	Lou Raya
4 DEC	10AM	Nathan Hanna
10 DEC	4PM	Joe Saba
11 DEC	10AM	George Mitchell

HOSPITALITY

4 DEC	Betty Karrat Team
11 DEC	Holy Name Society
18 DEC	MYA
8 JAN	MYO



PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Collections for the week ending 20 November	
1st Collection	\$2,121
2nd Collection—Snow Removal	\$402
Christmas Flowers	\$10
Fuel & Heat	\$185
Eparchial Support	\$10
Maronite Patriarchal Charities	\$35
Hospitality	\$167
Candles	\$132
Needy	\$65
Total	\$2,897
Collections for the week ending 27 November	
1st Collection	\$1,882
2nd Collection—Christmas Flowers	\$455
Fuel & Heat	\$10
Maronite Patriarchal Charities	\$10
Snow Removal	\$27
Needy	\$21
Total	\$2,405

This Week's Second Collection: Eparchial Support
Next Week's Second Collection: Fuel & Heat