

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

10-11 DECEMBER 2022



**FEASTS FOR 11 DEC - 18 DEC 2022**

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

MON 12 DEC St. Spiridion the Wonderworker
Our Lady of Guadalupe

TUE 13 DEC St. Lucy

WED 14 DEC St. Nemtallah El-Hardini

THU 15 DEC St. Eleutherius and His Mother

FRI 16 DEC Haggai the Prophet

SAT 17 DEC The 3 Young Men: Ananias,
Azarias, and Misael

SUN 18 DEC **Genealogy Sunday**
Daniel the Prophet
Rom 1:1-12/Mt 1:1-17

**CONTACTS**

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Special Events: Betty Karrat 315-736-1615

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George Nehme 401-742-5841

Kitchen & Hall:

Mary Ann Tanoury-Loy 315-790-3307

Buildings: Byron Elias 315-737-7803

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Pastoral Life Committee:

Deacon Paul Salamy 315-723-0109

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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 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
• NO LITURGY

MON 12 DEC

TUE 13 DEC 9AM • Richard Mazloom by Deacon Paul Salamy

WED 14 DEC 9AM • The Nassimos Family by Patti Nassimos & Jemelia Astour

THU 15 DEC 9AM • Joseph C. Lewis II by Luke & Anne Lewis & Family

FRI 16 DEC 9AM • Thanksgiving for my Parents On My Birthday
by Abouna El Hachem

SAT 17 DEC 4PM • Mae & Louis Astafan, Sr. by Joyce, Scander, Louis, Jr. &
Diana Astafan
• Nicholas Mariano, Sr. (Anniv.) by Nick & Lois Mariano
• Louise (Sitto) Roy (Birthday) by Nick & Lois Mariano

SUN 18 DEC 10AM • Sarah Abraham (Anniv.) by Sarah Abraham's Will
• Charles & Agnes Hickel, Richard & Mary Hickel &
Richard Hickel by Linda Hickel & Family
• Mickey Nackley by Dischiavo & Darzi Families
• Rosalie Nicoletta by Deacon Paul Salamy
• Amelia Jabour by Bernadette & Francis Roy

**MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

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

WED 14 DEC 9:30AM Mercy Group

THU 15 DEC 9:30AM Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

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

SUN 18 DEC 9AM Maronite Christian Formation Classes (Gr. 1-6)

SAT 24 DEC 4PM Christmas Divine Liturgy

SAT 24 DEC 10PM Christmas Divine Liturgy

SUN 25 DEC 10AM Christmas Divine Liturgy



POINTS OF INTEREST

Father Boutros. On Friday, 16 December Father Boutros will celebrate his birthday. We assure Father Boutros of our prayers and wish him many more happy, healthy, and blessed more years of priestly service.

Saint Mary's Guild Christmas Party. The Saint Mary's Guild will have their annual Christmas Party this **Sunday, 11 December** at **2PM** at **Delmonico's Italian Steakhouse.**

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 next **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 this **Thursday, 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, beginning this week on **Thursday 15 December** and continuing through **Friday 23 December.** We shall pray the Christmas Novena at Church on each of those days **after the regularly scheduled Divine Liturgy.** If you would like Father Boutros to pray the Christmas Novena at your home on one of those evenings, please contact the parish house during office hours to schedule a date and time. Please take the time to make this spiritual preparation for Christmas.

Christmas Gathering. Next **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. The faithful are invited to **return to Church to participate** in the Divine Liturgy **in person** each week. We look forward to praying with you.

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

10 DEC	4PM	Joe Saba
11 DEC	10AM	George Mitchell
17 DEC	4PM	Jim Amado
18 DEC	10AM	James Salamy

HOSPITALITY

11 DEC	Holy Name Society
18 DEC	MYA
8 JAN	MYO



PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Collections for the week ending 4 December
Please see next week's bulletin.

This Week's Second Collection: Fuel & Heat
Next Week's Second Collection: Snow Removal