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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

**25-26 JANUARY 2025**

## FEASTS AND READINGS

SUN 26 JAN	<b>3rd Sunday after Epiphany</b> St. Agnes Gal 3:23-29/Jn 3:1-16
MON 27 JAN	St. Paula 2 Cor 4:16-5:1-5, 10/Jn 5:1-16
TUE 28 JAN	St. Ephrem 2 Cor 5:11-21/Jn 9:1-12
WED 29 JAN	St. Hippolytus of Antioch 2 Cor 6:1-13/Jn 9:13-25
THU 30 JAN	St. Maximus the Confessor 2 Cor 6:14-7:1/Jn 9:26-41
FRI 31 JAN	St. John Bosco 2 Cor 7:2-10/Jn 7:40-52
SAT 1 FEB	St. Pionius and His Companions 2 Cor 7:11-16/Jn 19:38-42
SUN 2 FEB	<b>Presentation of Christ in the Temple</b> 4th Sunday after Epiphany Rom 9:30-10:4/Lk 2:22-35

## CONTACTS

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<i>Buildings:</i> Byron Elias . . . . .	315-737-7803 315-794-9423
<i>Maronite Christian Formation:</i> Laura Cross . . . . .	315-794-4156
<i>Maronite Youth Organization:</i> Lisa Barkett . . . . .	315-723-0556
<i>Maronite Young Adults:</i> John Paul Salamy . . . . .	315-732-5241
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<i>Saint Mary's Guild:</i> Anne Lewis . . . . .	315-525-8227
<i>Holy Name Society:</i> Rick Blank . . . . .	315-525-3221
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<i>Acolytes:</i> Nathan Hanna . . . . .	315-939-8219
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## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SAT 25 JAN	4PM	†Bill & Amanda Cambens by <i>Abouna Boutros</i> †Thomas & Helen Hage by <i>Joe, George, Charlie Hage &amp; Family</i>
SUN 26 JAN	10AM	†Rosie M. Mohns by <i>Christine &amp; George Massoud</i> †For Good Health & Healing for Betty Karrat by <i>the St. Mary's Guild</i> †Hayat Darouni by <i>Nancy Laino</i> †Clorinda Saber by <i>Family</i> †Nyah Mway by <i>Sunderlin Family</i>
MON 27 JAN		†No Liturgy
TUE 28 JAN	9AM	†Sadie Koury by <i>Sadie Koury's Will</i>
WED 29 JAN	9AM	†Joseph & Lillian Mody by <i>Children</i>
THU 30 JAN	9AM	†Rose Crigger by <i>Rose Crigger's Will</i>
FRI 31 JAN	9AM	†For the Living Intentions of Margaret Ingraham by <i>Margaret Ingraham</i>
SAT 1 FEB	4PM	†Albina & Amanda Bertalone by <i>Abouna Boutros</i>
SUN 2 FEB	10AM	†The Family of Louis Albert & Helen Theresa Abdo & their Children, Gloria, Ron, Louis, Anita & Anne by <i>the Abdo Family</i>

## MEETINGS AND EVENTS

SUN 26 JAN	9AM	Maronite Christian Formation (MCF) Classes
WED 29 JAN	9:30AM	Mercy Group
THU 30 JAN	9:30AM	Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament
SUN 2 FEB	9AM	Maronite Christian Formation (MCF) Classes
SUN 9 FEB	9AM	Maronite Christian Formation (MCF) Classes
SUN 16 FEB	9AM	Maronite Christian Formation (MCF) Classes
SUN 9 MAR	9AM	Maronite Christian Formation (MCF) Classes





## POINTS OF INTEREST

**Congratulations.** We offer our prayerful congratulations to Gabriel Elias Zeina, the son Frances (Karas) and Elias Zeina, who was baptized and chrismated on 19 January. May God bless him as he begins his journey of faith.

**Saint Ephrem the Syriac.** On 28 January, the Maronite Church honors Saint Ephrem the Syriac. Saint Ephrem lived on the border of modern-day Syria and Turkey during the fourth century. Saint Ephrem was a prolific writer who wrote an abundance of sermons, commentaries, and hymns that greatly influenced the Church and fought the heresies of the time. His writings comprise a central part of the prayer life of the Maronite Church and the Antiochene Churches. He is commonly referred to as the “Harp of the Holy Spirit.” Because of his contributions, Pope Benedict XV declared Saint Ephrem a Doctor of the Church in 1920. May his prayers be with us.

**Notre Dame Schools.** The Notre Dame Catholic Schools will host an Expo this Thursday, 30 January from 6-8PM at Notre Dame Junior/Senior High School to show all that the Notre Dame Schools have to offer. Enrollment information and tours will be available.

**Presentation of Jesus in the Temple.** On 2 February, forty days after the Glorious Birth of Our Lord, the Church celebrates the feast of the Presentation of the Child Jesus in the Temple in Jerusalem according to the Jewish Law. The Church will celebrate the Presentation of the Child Jesus in the Temple next weekend, 1-2 February at the regularly scheduled weekend Divine Liturgies. Please join us in prayer.

**Saint Maron.** On 9 February, the Maronite Church celebrates the feast of our patron, Saint Maron. Because of the importance of this feast the Maronite faithful are to participate in the Divine Liturgy on this day. This year the Maronite Church will celebrate the Feast of Saint Maron at the regularly scheduled weekend Divine Liturgies on **Saturday evening, 8 February** and **Sunday, 9 February.** Please make every effort to join us in prayer.

**Liturgical Year.** This year the Three Weeks of Commemorations before Great Lent begin on 9 February, the feast of Saint Maron. The Commemoration of the Deceased Priests will be celebrated on the weekdays during the week of 9 February. The Season of Great Lent begins with the Sunday of the Entrance into Lent, the Miracle at Cana in Galilee, on Sunday, 2 March and Ash Monday on Monday, 3 March.

**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.** Memorials for the **offerings regularly used** in the **Sanctuary** as part of the Divine Liturgy can be offered for your intentions. The **Bread** and **Wine**, the **Candles**, and the **Plants** and **Flowers** are available for a week, a month, or the year for a donation of \$10 per week to memorialize or honor a loved one. To arrange for a memorial please contact the parish house during office hours.

**The Maronite Voice.** Please be sure to pick up a copy of the latest issue of *The Maronite Voice* available at both entrances of the Church. There are many interesting and relevant articles.



## ALTAR MEMORIALS

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

- PLANTS & FLOWERS — Available
- CANDLES — Available
- BREAD & WINE — Available
- INCENSE & CHARCOAL — In Memory of Liam Zoghby by *Brahim Zogby & Kim Stoffle*
- SANCTUARY LAMP — In Memory of Fred J. Mazloom by *Wife, Mary & Children*
- CANDLES – ST. SHARBEL CHAPEL — For the Living and Deceased Members of the Monahan and Murad Families by *Jacquelyn Murad*

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



## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

### LECTORS

25 JAN	4PM	Aricca Lewis
26 JAN	10AM	Nathan Hanna
1 FEB	4PM	Lois Mariano
2 FEB	10AM	George Mitchell

### HOSPITALITY

26 JAN	Rocco Hobaica Team
2 FEB	Holy Name Society
9 FEB	Zeina Team
16 FEB	MYO
23 FEB	Mitchell Ladies



## PARISH STEWARDSHIP

*Collections for the week ending 19 January 2025*

1st Collection.....	\$2,278
2nd Collection—Snow Removal.....	\$454
Eparchial Support.....	\$20
Fuel.....	\$290
Contributions.....	\$600
Needy.....	\$10
Total.....	\$3,652

*This Week's Second Collection:* U.S. Catholic Bishop's Worldwide Charities  
*Next Week's Second Collection:* Eparchial Support



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