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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

8-9 FEBRUARY 2025

FEASTS AND READINGS

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| SUN 9 FEB | St. Maron Sunday of the Priests 2 Tim 3:10-17/Jn 12:23-30 |
| MON 10 FEB | St. Apollonia 2 Tim 1:1-11/Mt 16:24-28 |
| TUE 11 FEB | St. Charalampus Our Lady of Lourdes 2 Tim 2:1-13/Mt 18:1-5 |
| WED 12 FEB | St. Meletius of Antioch 2 Tim 2:14-26/Mt 20:20-28 |
| THU 13 FEB | St. Catherine de Ricci St. Beatrice of Ornacieux 2 Tim 3:10-17/Lk 17:7-10 |
| FRI 14 FEB | Sts. Cyril and Methodius, St. Valentine the Priest 2 Tim 4:1-8/Lk 22:24-30 |
| SAT 15 FEB | Sts. Faustinus and Jovita The 21 Coptic Martyrs of Libya Tit 1:1-9/Jn 13:13-17 |
| SUN 16 FEB | Sunday of the Righteous and Just St. Theodore the Soldier Heb 12:18-24/Mt 25:31-46 |

CONTACTS

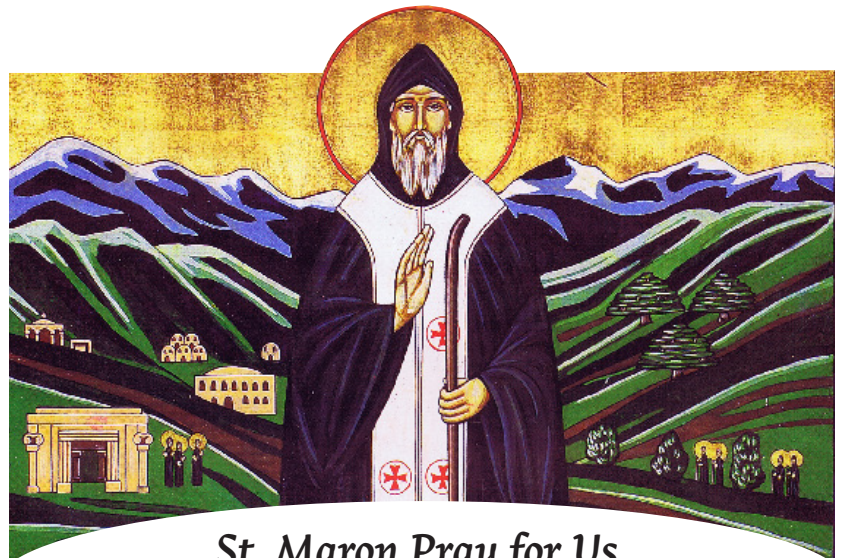
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| <i>Parish Council:</i> Father Boutros | 315-732-6019 |
| <i>Finance Committee:</i> Michael Hayduk | 315-794-3045 |
| <i>Special Events:</i> Betty Karrat | 315-736-1615 |
| <i>Family Giving Committee:</i> George Nehme | 401-742-5841 |
| <i>Kitchen & Hall:</i> Mary Ann Tanoury-Loy | 315-790-3307 |
| <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 |
| Joshua Lewis | 315-941-2114 |
| <i>Saint Mary's Guild:</i> Anne Lewis | 315-525-8227 |
| <i>Holy Name Society:</i> Rick Blank | 315-525-3221 |
| Lou Lewis | 315-737-3950 |
| <i>Saint Joseph Society:</i> Kamil Rahme | 315-768-3837 |
| <i>Acolytes:</i> Nathan Hanna | 315-939-8219 |
| <i>Lectors:</i> Lois Mariano | 315-732-3402 |
| <i>Sacristan:</i> Harrison Zogby | 315-749-6399 |

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

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| SAT 8 FEB | 4PM | †Mae & Louis Astafan Sr. (Wedding Anniv.) by Joyce, Scander, Louis Jr. and Diana Astafan †Rosalie Barclay by Daughter, Leila Bjornland †Galeb & Eugenie Karam (Birth.) by Joe & Rosanne Hebert & Family †Annabelle Calabrese (6th Anniv.) by Pascale & John |
| SUN 9 FEB | 10AM | †Mary Sue Salamy (25th Anniv.) by Family †Fred J. (10th Anniv.) and Mary Mazloom by Family †Joan D'Arc (25th Anniv.) and Assaf Hobaica by Family †John A Massoud (1st Anniv.) by Family †Youssef Moussa (Birth.) by Abouna Boutros |
| MON 10 FEB | | †No Liturgy |
| TUE 11 FEB | 9AM | †Deceased Members of the Moses & Koury Families by John Moses' Will |
| WED 12 FEB | 9AM | †Emiline Valencourt by Family |
| THU 13 FEB | 9AM | †Bill & Amanda Cambens by Abouna Boutros |
| FRI 14 FEB | 9AM | †Boyd & Rose Crigger by Boyd Crigger's Will |
| SAT 15 FEB | 4PM | †Patti Nassimos by A Friend †Louis A. Sally by Anne Sally & Family |
| SUN 16 FEB | 10AM | †Joseph & Nazera (Harb) Tanoury (Anniv.) by Family †Joe & Madlyn George by Niece, Leila Bjornland |

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

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| SUN 9 FEB | 9AM | Maronite Christian Formation (MCF) Classes |
| TUE 11 FEB | 6:30PM | Saint Mary's Guild Meeting |
| WED 12 FEB | 9:30AM | Mercy Group |
| THU 13 FEB | 9:30AM | Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament |
| SUN 16 FEB | 9AM | Maronite Christian Formation (MCF) Classes |
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St. Maron Pray for Us



POINTS OF INTEREST

Condolences. We offer our prayerful condolences to Deacon Paul Salamy and the family of Mary Mazloom. The Divine Liturgy of the Faithful Departed for Mary Mazloom was celebrated on 7 February. May God give rest to His handmaid, Mary, and consolation to Deacon Paul and Mary's family.

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 this weekend **Saturday** evening, **8 February** and **Sunday, 9 February**. Please make every effort to join us in prayer.

Saint Maron Brunch. This **Sunday, 9 February**, immediately following the 10AM Divine Liturgy, we shall have a **Lebanese brunch** in honor of Saint Maron in the George Sfeir Parish Hall. Please join us in prayer and fellowship to honor our patron saint.

Saint Maron. Saint Maron lived from approximately 350 to 410 on the border of modern-day Syria and Turkey. He was a hermit and monk who lived in the open air next to a pagan temple that he had transformed into a church. He spent his life in prayer and meditation. His form of asceticism attracted many followers. After his death, his followers founded a monastery, which developed into the Maronite Church. May his prayers be with us.

Liturgical Year. The **Three Weeks of Commemorations before Great Lent begin this weekend**, 9 February, which is also the feast of Saint Maron. Therefore, the Commemoration of the Priests will be celebrated at the weekday Divine Liturgies this week, Tuesday through Friday, 11-14 February. Please remember to pray for all our priests this week, both the living and the deceased, especially those who have served in our parish. The Commemoration of the Righteous and the Just begins next Sunday, 16 February. The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed begins on Sunday, 23 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.

Saint Mary's Guild. The Saint Mary's Guild will meet this **Tuesday, 11 February** at **6:30PM**, in George Sfeir Parish Hall.

Week of the Faithful Departed. Throughout the week of the Faithful Departed, 22-28 February, we will pray for all the Faithful Departed, especially those whose names are placed on the green Faithful Departed Envelopes, which will be collected for the second collection the weekend of 22-23 February.

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.



ALTAR MEMORIALS

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

- BREAD & WINE — Available
- CANDLES — Available
- PLANTS & FLOWERS — In Memory of Melvin & Celia Marriott by *Nick & Lois Mariano and Chuck & Lorraine Curri*
- INCENSE & CHARCOAL — In Memory of Liam Zoghby by *Brahim Zogby & Kim Stoffle*
- SANCTUARY LAMP — In Memory of Fred J. and Mary Mazloom by *Family*
- 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

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| 8 FEB | 4PM | Joe Saba |
| 9 FEB | 10AM | Joey Rahme |
| 15 FEB | 4PM | Jim Amado |
| 16 FEB | 10AM | James Salamy |

HOSPITALITY

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| 9 FEB | Zeina Team |
| 16 FEB | MYO |
| 23 FEB | Mitchell Ladies |
| 2 MAR | Fish Fry Team |



PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Collections for the week ending 2 February

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| 1st Collection | \$1,332 |
| 2nd Collection—Eparchial Support. | \$264 |
| U.S. Catholic Bishops' Worldwide Charities . . . | \$10 |
| Contributions. | \$146 |
| Online Donatios for the | |
| Month of January | \$2,574 |
| Candles | \$137 |
| Needy | \$75 |
| Total | \$4,538 |

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



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