



SAINT LOUIS GONZAGA CHURCH

MARONITE CATHOLIC

520 Rutger Street | Utica, NY 13501
TEL: 315-732-6019 | FAX: 315-732-6018

WEBSITE: www.SaintLouisGonzaga.org

EMAIL: SaintLouisGonzaga@gmail.com

 www.facebook.com/stlouisgonzaga/
 @St_LouisGonzaga  @stlouisgonzaga



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

15-16 MARCH 2025

FEASTS AND READINGS

- SUN 16 MAR **Healing of the Hemorrhaging Woman**
The First Council of Constantinople
St. Pappas
2 Cor 7:4-11/Lk 8:40-56
- MON 17 MAR St. Patrick
1 Tim 4:9-16/Jn 8:21-27
- TUE 18 MAR St. Cyril of Jerusalem
2 Cor 8:1-9/Mt 23:1-12
- WED 19 MAR **St. Joseph the Virgin, the Spouse of Mary**
Eph 3:1-13/Mt 1:18-25
- THU 20 MAR St. Photina the Samaritan Woman
Gal 1:1-10/Lk 17:20-37
- FRI 21 MAR St. James, Bishop of Catania
Rom 3:1-7 Lk 12:16-21
- SAT 22 MAR St. Sergius Paulus
2 Tim 3:1-9/Mt 12:1-14
- SUN 23 MAR **Parable of the Prodigal Son**
St. Rafka
2 Cor 13:5-13/Lk 15:11-32

CONTACTS

- Administrative Assistant:* Linda Oyer 315-732-6019
saintlouisgonzaga@gmail.com
- Bulletin:* Glory Rasi 315-794-4242
saintlouisbulletin@gmail.com
- Music:* Nick Abounader 315-335-2239
- Parish Council:* Father Boutros 315-732-6019
- Finance Committee:* 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
- Maronite Christian Formation:* Laura Cross ... 315-794-4156
- Maronite Youth Organization:*
- Chadia Karrat Saber 315-534-4023
- Lindsay Hayduk Brown 315-794-0396
- Saint Mary's Guild: Anne Lewis 315-525-8227
- Holy Name Society: Lou Lewis 315-737-3950
- Saint Joseph Society: Christopher Sunderlin ... 315-570-9639
- Isabella Scholl 315-790-3306
- Acolytes: Nathan Hanna 315-939-8219
- Lectors: Lois Mariano 315-732-3402
- Sacristan: Harrison Zogby 315-749-6399

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

- SAT 15 MAR 4PM +Noreen A. Tanoury-Hall by Cousins, Joyce, Scander, Louis Jr. & Diana Astafan
+MaryAnn Gianotti (2nd Anniv.) by Family
+Steve Powers (Birth.) by the Powers Family
- SUN 16 MAR 10AM +Joseph Mody (Birth.) by Children
+Mary Sageer Abraham (50th Anniv.) by Daughter, Mary Ann & Family
+Mary Mazloom (40 Day) by Family
+Youssef & Anna Moussa (2nd Anniv.) by Children & Grandchildren
+Anna Moussa (Birth.) by Children & Grandchildren
- MON 17 MAR +No Liturgy
- TUE 18 MAR 9AM +Boyd & Rose Crigger by Boyd Crigger's Will
- WED 19 MAR 9AM +Patti Nassimos by Wednesday Morning Group
- THU 20 MAR 9AM +Helen Moses by Rose Crigger's Will
- FRI 21 MAR 9AM +Maryann Graham by John & Beverly Sageer
- SAT 22 MAR 4PM +Beshara, Mary, & John Darjany by Mitchell Jr. & Dorothy Amado
+Joseph & Celia Zogby by Children—Selwa, Jim, John & Families
+Albert F. Tamer (Birth.) by Family
+Mary Mazloom by Assad & Jeanette Charbel
- SUN 23 MAR 10AM +Anthony & Betty Tanoury (Anniv.) by Family
+June Abounader by Mary Ellen Arcuri

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- SUN 16 MAR 11AM Maronite Youth Organization (MYO) Meeting
- WED 19 MAR 9AM Saint Joseph's Day Divine Liturgy
- WED 19 MAR 9:30AM Mercy Group
- THU 20 MAR 9:30AM Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament
- FRI 21 MAR 4-7PM Lenten Fish Fry
- FRI 21 MAR 6:30PM Stations and Benediction of the Cross
- SAT-SUN 22-23 MAR Saint Joseph Society Bake Sale
- SUN 23 MAR 9AM Maronite Christian Formation (MCF) Classes
- SUN 6 APR 9AM Maronite Christian Formation (MCF) Classes
- THU-SAT 24-26 JUL Taste of Lebanon
- SUN 2 NOV Festival of Baskets

St. Louis Gonzaga Church
520 Rutger Street • Utica

*Annual
Lenten*

**FISH
FRY**



Adults \$16 | Children (Under 10) \$7

Baked or Fried | 2 Sides + Dessert

Walk-Ins Welcome

**EAT IN OR
TAKE OUT**

FRIDAY'S 4-7PM



POINTS OF INTEREST

Forty Martyrs. On 9 March the Church celebrated the Forty Martyrs of Sebaste (in present day Turkey). Around the year 322, the governor of Sebaste wished to force forty soldiers to renounce Christ. First, he imprisoned them. Then, he threw them into a frozen pond. They prayed with one heart: "We forty have entered the arena, O Lord, grant that we may be able to receive the crown [of martyrdom]." One of them escaped and renounced Christ, but their guard, a pagan, inspired by the faith of the thirty-nine others who remained, took his place. In the morning the guards broke their legs and burned their bodies. May their prayers be with us. (Adapted from the Maronite Synaxarion)

Maronite Youth Organization (MYO). The MYO will meet this **Sunday, 16 March, at 11AM**, immediately following the Divine Liturgy.

Saint Joseph. On 19 March the Church celebrates Saint Joseph, the spouse of Mary. Therefore, to honor Saint Joseph, on this **Wednesday, 19 March, the 9AM Divine Liturgy** will be celebrated in **Church** with the **novena prayers** in honor of Saint Joseph. Please join us in prayer. We wish a blessed feast day to all those named in honor of Saint Joseph and all those who have special devotion to him. May his prayers be with us all.

Saint Joseph was the chaste spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. He was a carpenter from Nazareth and a descendant of King David. He brought Mary to Bethlehem where Jesus was born and to the Temple in Jerusalem forty days later. Joseph led the Holy Family to safety in Egypt during the persecution of King Herod. He also brought them safely back to Nazareth where they lived and worked. He led Mary and Jesus to and from the Temple in Jerusalem for the Passover when Jesus was twelve years old and temporarily remained behind, teaching in the Temple. This is the last time Joseph is mentioned in Sacred Scripture. Because Jesus entrusted His mother to Saint John upon the cross, it can be inferred that Joseph had died by the time Jesus began his public ministry.

Saint Joseph Society Bake Sale. The Saint Joseph Society will hold their Annual Bake Sale next **Saturday, 22 March** and next **Sunday, 23 March** in the George Sfeir Parish Hall **before** and **after** the Divine Liturgies. If you would like to bake or donate any baked goods, please contact Christopher Sunderlin at 315-570-9639 or Isabella Scholl at 315 790-3306. Annual Dues will also be collected during the Bake Sale.

Fish Fry. Our Annual Lenten Fish Fry continues on the **Fridays of Great Lent** through **18 April, from 4-7PM** in the George Sfeir Parish Hall, Dine-In or Take-Out. \$16 for adults and \$7 for children (10 and under). Please join us in fellowship. If you would like to donate baked goods for a Friday, please contact Mary Ann at 315-790-3307.

Stations and Benediction of the Cross. On the **Fridays of Great Lent** through **11 April** at **6:30PM** we will celebrate the Stations and Benediction of the Cross in the **Church**. Please make every effort to attend these important Lenten prayers.

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.

Save the Dates. The **Taste of Lebanon** is planned for **Thursday** through **Saturday, 24-26 July**. The **Festival of Baskets** is planned for **Sunday, 2 November**. Please save the dates and plan to be part of these important events for our parish.



ALTAR MEMORIALS

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

- **BREAD & WINE** — Available
- **CANDLES** — In Memory of Mary Mazloom by *Selwa Stemmer & Family*
- **PLANTS & FLOWERS** — In Memory of Bashara, Mary and John Darjany by *Mitchell, Jr. & Dorothy Amado*
- **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

15 MAR 4PM Lois Mariano
 16 MAR 10AM George Mitchell
 22 MAR 4PM Joe Saba
 23 MAR 10AM Joey Rahme

HOSPITALITY

16 MAR Fish Fry Team
 23 MAR St. Joseph's Society
 30 MAR MYA
 6 APR To Be Announced
 13 APR Palm Sunday—No Hospitality
 20 APR Easter Egg Hunt and Hospitality



PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Collections for the week ending 9 March

1st Collection	\$1,475
2nd Collection (Fuel & Heat)	\$357
Eparchial Support	\$5
Christmas Flowers	\$546
Contributions	\$405
Needy	\$30
Total	\$2,818

*This Week's Second Collection: Snow Removal
Next Week's Second Collection: Easter Flowers*



"Four generations serving this parish community for over 100 years."

Anthony & Dominic Matt
315-724-0218
MattFuneralHome.com

H.J. OBEID, MD, PLLC

Sinus, ENT & Snoring

315-336-8302

Fax 315-339-0958



110 East Chestnut Street
Rome, NY 13440

2407 Genesee Street
Utica, NY 13501

www.hjobeidmdpllc.com



David R. Roefaro, Pres.

1122 Culver Avenue
Utica, NY 13501

315-733-6443

www.scalaroefaro.com



www.SteetPonteCars.com



**Matt Czarnocki
Electrical**

Master Licensed
Electrician

315-527-7819

**Service Calls,
Trouble Shooting,
Service Panels
Residential &
Commercial**

**ADT-Monitored
Home Security**

Get 24-Hour Protection
From a Name You Can Trust

- Burglary
- Fire Safety
- Flood Detection
- Carbon Monoxide



SafeStreets

833-287-3502



Brzostek's

AUCTION SERVICE, INC.
REAL ESTATE AUCTION CO., INC.

We do Auctions anywhere in NY!

Bernard J. Brzostek, CAI
Licensed Real Estate Broker and Certified Auctioneer
Real Estate, Estates, Businesses & more!

No Commission charged to Sellers
on Real Estate Auctions!
www.askbernie.com
Call: Bernie's SELL # (315) 447-5177

**SUPPORT
OUR
ADVERTISERS!**



HJ OBEID, MD, PLLC
ENT, Sinus & Snoring Center

315-336-8302

FAX: 315-339-0958

H Joseph Obeid, MD

110 E. CHESTNUT STREET
ROME, NY 13440
M-F 8AM-4PM

2407 GENESEE STREET
UTICA, NY 13501
WED 8AM-2PM

First Responder, Veteran & Senior Discounts



COBBLESTONE
CONSTRUCTION CO
ROOFING CONTRACTOR
info@cobblestoneroofing.com

315.733.3106

Insured • Free Estimates



315.724.0562

lewiscustomhomesinc.com

**MOHAWK VALLEY
MONUMENTS, LLC**

Monuments • Markers • Private Mausoleums
Custom Memorials • Bronze Plaques
Memorial Portraits • Lettering
Cleaning • Repairs

Quality Memorials Since 1929

315-724-7629



LET'S GROW YOUR BUSINESS

Place Your Ad Here
and Support Our Parish!

CONTACT ME Robert Ferjanic

rferjanic@4LPi.com
(800) 477-4574 x1885

**Place Your Ad Here and
Support our Parish!**

Instantly create and
purchase an ad with

AD CREATOR STUDIO



4lpi.com/adcreator



HILTON & POWERS, CPAs, P.C.
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTINGS

Steve Powers
PARISHIONER

315.734.1040

5 PARIS ROAD
NEW HARTFORD, NEW YORK

WE'RE HIRING!

AD SALES EXECUTIVES

BE YOURSELF.
BRING YOUR PASSION.
WORK WITH PURPOSE.

- Paid training
- Some travel
- Work-life balance
- Full-Time with benefits
- Serve your community



Contact us at
careers@4lpi.com or
www.4lpi.com/careers



Ad info. 1-800-477-4574 • Publication Support 1-800-888-4574 • www.4lpi.com

St. Louis Gonzaga, Utica, NY

04-0739