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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

22-23 MARCH 2025

FEASTS AND READINGS

- SUN 23 MAR **Parable of the Prodigal Son**
St. Raffka
 2 Cor 13:5-13/Lk 15:11-32
- MON 24 MAR St. Artemon, Bishop of Seleucia
 2 Cor 9:1a, 5-15/Lk 9:37-45
- TUE 25 MAR **The Annunciation to the Virgin Mary**
 Gal 3:15-22/Lk 1:26-38
- WED 26 MAR St. Gabriel the Archangel
 Rom 14:1-13/Lk 7:1-10
- THU 27 MAR St. Matrona of Thessalonica
 2 Cor 1:23-2:5/Mt 15:29-39
- FRI 28 MAR St. Philetus and His Wife
 St. Lydia, and Their Children
 2 Cor 12:21-13:5/Mt 9:27-35
- SAT 29 MAR St. Cyril of Baalbek
 2 Tim 4:9-19/Mk 3:1-12
- SUN 30 MAR **Healing of the Paralytic**
 St. John Climacus
 1 Tim 5:24-6:5/Mk 2:1-12

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- 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 22 MAR 4PM + Mary Mazloom by *Assad & Jeanette Charbel*
 + Beshara, Mary, & John Darjany by *Mitchell Jr. & Dorothy Amado*
 + Joseph & Celia Zogby by *Children—Selwa, Jim, John & Families*
 + Albert F. Tamer (Birth.) by *Family*
- SUN 23 MAR 10AM + Anthony & Betty Tanoury (Anniv.) by *Family*
 + June Abounader by *Mary Ellen Arcuri*
 + Daniel L. Zegibe (5th Anniv.) by *Brother, Frederick Zegibe*
 + Patricia Mitchell (Anniv.) by *Winnie Mitchell & Family*
- MON 24 MAR + No Liturgy
- TUE 25 MAR + Mary Pezzulo (Birth.) by *Nick & Rosemary Pezzulo*
- WED 26 MAR + Joseph & Lillian Mody by *Children*
- THU 27 MAR + Rose Crigger by *Rose Crigger's Will*
- FRI 28 MAR + June Abounader by *John & Beverly Sageer*
- SAT 29 MAR 4PM + Louis & Rose Salami by *the Estate of Louis & Rose Salami*
 + James Moses (Birth.) by *Family*
 + Mary Mazloom by *Joyce, Scander, Louis Jr. & Diana Astafan*
 + Maron Karam (15th Anniv.) by *Wife Amelia & Family*
- SUN 30 MAR 10AM + Fannie Dmitri by *Family*
 + Mary Mazloom by *Theresa & Martin Maio*
 + In Thanksgiving by *Nathan & Sara Hanna*
 + Christopher Huston (40 Day) by *Wife and Children*

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- SAT-SUN 22-23 MAR Saint Joseph Society Bake Sale
- SUN 23 MAR 9AM Maronite Christian Formation (MCF) Classes
- WED 26 MAR 9AM Mercy Group
- FRI 28 MAR 4-7PM Lenten Fish Fry
- FRI 28 MAR 6:30PM Stations and Benediction of the Cross
- SUN 6 APR 9AM Maronite Christian Formation (MCF) Classes
- SUN 27 APR 9AM Maronite Christian Formation (MCF) Classes
- THU-SAT 24-26 JUL Taste of Lebanon
- SUN 2 NOV Festival of Baskets

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Annual
Lenten

FISH FRY



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

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Walk-Ins Welcome

EAT IN OR TAKE OUT

FRIDAY'S 4-7PM



POINTS OF INTEREST

Congratulations. We offer our prayerful congratulations to Logan Kamil Andrew Rahme, the son of Andrew and Caitlin Rahme, who was baptized and chrismated on 16 March. May God bless him as he begins his journey of faith.

Saint Joseph Society Bake Sale. The Saint Joseph Society will hold their Annual Bake Sale this **Saturday, 22 March** and this **Sunday, 23 March** in the George Sfeir Parish Hall **before** and **after** the Divine Liturgies. Please support them. Annual Dues will also be collected during the Bake Sale.

Eparchial Priests Retreat. From Monday through Friday of this week, Fr. Boutros will be attending the annual eparchial priests retreat in Florida. In the event of an emergency, please contact Deacon Paul.

Saint Rafka. On **23 March** the Maronite Church also celebrates Saint Rafka. She was born on 29 June 1832 in Himlaya, Lebanon. Against her family's wishes she entered religious life and became a religious sister and teacher. In 1871, she entered the Lebanese Maronite Order and became a cloistered nun. In 1885 she asked Jesus to allow her to suffer, and for the next twenty-nine years she suffered greatly eventually becoming blind and paralyzed. She spent the last seventeen years of her earthly life at Saint Joseph Monastery in Jrabta, Lebanon where she passed to eternal life on 23 March 1914. She was beatified in 1985 and canonized in 2001. May her prayers be with us.

Annunciation. On **25 March, 9 months** before the Glorious Birth of Our Lord on 25 December, the Church celebrates the Announcement of the Archangel Gabriel to the Virgin Mary that she would conceive the Son of God by the power of the Holy Spirit.

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.

Bishop Mansour. On Tuesday 1 April at **8PM** via **Zoom** Bishop Gregory Mansour will present on the **profound mysteries of Great Friday of the Crucifixion** and **Saturday of the Light** sponsored by the Eparchial Couples Ministry and the Saint Sharbel Spiritual Life Center. Please attend. The meeting ID is 876 7703 2009 and the Passcode is 399441.

Eparchial Appointments. Bishop Gregory Mansour has made the following appointments for the Eparchy of Saint Maron effective 1 June 2025. **Chorbishop Michael Thomas**, at his request, is given permission to retire from active service. **Monsignor James Root** is appointed Vicar General (Protosyncellus) of the Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn, while retaining his assignment as Pastor of Saint Anthony of the Desert Church, Fall River, Massachusetts. **Very Reverend Dominique Hanna** is appointed Eparchial Chancellor, while retaining his assignment as Rector of Our Lady of Lebanon Cathedral in Brooklyn, New York.

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 Nazih Karrat by *Wife Betty, Children & Grandchildren*
- 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

- 22 MAR 4PM Joe Saba
 23 MAR 10AM Joey Rahme
 29 MAR 4PM Jim Amado
 30 MAR 10AM Cheyenne Schiedelman

HOSPITALITY

- 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 16 March

1st Collection.....	\$2,206
2nd Collection (Snow Removal).....	\$369
Fuel	\$240
Easter Flowers	\$10
Contributions.....	\$1,030
Needy	\$17
Total	\$3,872

This Week's Second Collection: Easter Flowers

Next Week's Second Collection: Eparchial Support



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