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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

1-2 AUGUST 2026



FEASTS AND READINGS

SUN	2 AUG	11th Sunday of Pentecost Translation of the Relics of St. Stephen, the First Martyr Eph 2:17-22/Lk 19:1-10
MON	3 AUG	David the Prophet Acts 23:12-22/Lk 12:13-21
TUE	4 AUG	St. John Vianney, the Curé d'Ars Acts 23:23-35/Lk 12:22-31
WED	5 AUG	Moses the Prophet Acts 24:1-2a, 5-6b, 9-13, 17-21/ Lk 12:32-34
THU	6 AUG	The Transfiguration of Our Lord 2 Cor 3:7-17/Mk 9:1-7
FRI	7 AUG	St. Doumit Acts 25:13-14a, 22-27/ Lk 12:42-48
SAT	8 AUG	St. Dominic, Founder of the Order of Preachers Pope St. Sixtus II (+258) Acts 26:1-2a, 6-10, 12-19/ Lk 12:49-53
SUN	9 AUG	12th Sunday of Pentecost St. Matthias Eph 3:1-13/Mt 15:21-28



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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SAT	1 AUG	4PM	•Mildred Tamer (40 day) <i>by Family</i> •Salwa F. (Younis) Chamoun (Anniv.) <i>by the Chamoun Family</i> •Melvin Marriott (Anniv.) <i>by Nick and Lois Mariano and Chuck and Lorraine Curri</i> •Nicholas Mariano Sr. (Birth.) <i>by Nick and Lois Mariano</i> •Elinor Mazloom <i>by the Bowling Family</i> •Violette (Hajjar) Tahan <i>by Juanita Hajjar</i>
SUN	2 AUG	10AM	•Anthony A. Sciortino, Jr. (40 Day) <i>by Wife and Family</i> •Edna Massoud Lafferty (22nd Anniv.) <i>by Husband, Bill</i> •Roberta (Bobbie) Murad <i>by Leigh D'Agostino</i> •Louis Joseph, Sr. <i>by George, Jackie, and Julia Mitchell</i> •Albert and Anna Saba Abdoo <i>by the Abdoo Family</i> •Abraham and Zeina Saba Abdoo <i>by the Abdoo Family</i> •Elinor Mazloom <i>by Ronald and Sheila Cuccaro</i>
MON	3 AUG		•No Liturgy
TUE	4 AUG	9AM	•Deceased Members of the Moses and Koury Families <i>by John Moses' Will</i>
WED	5 AUG	9AM	•Vanessa Pucine <i>by Deacon Paul Salamy</i>
THU	6 AUG	9AM	•Daisy Joseph <i>by Family</i>
FRI	7 AUG	9AM	•Sadie Koury <i>by Sadie Koury's Will</i>
SAT	8 AUG	4PM	•Anthony & Betty Tanoury (Anniv.) <i>by Family</i> •Sadie (Saba) Koury <i>by the Saba Nieces and Nephews</i> •Roberta Murad <i>by Nathan and Sara Hanna</i> •Elinor Mazloom <i>by Cherilyn Tallman</i> •Louis Joseph Sr. <i>by Tom and Joan Brooks</i> •Violette Tahan <i>by Sonia Bolos and Family</i>
SUN	9 AUG	10AM	•Barbara Andersen (Birth.) <i>by George and Christine Massoud</i> •Fannie Dmitri <i>by Family</i> •Roberta (Bobbie) Murad <i>by Nick and Lois Mariano</i> •Elinor Mazloom <i>by Joe and Lorraine Griffo</i>



MEETINGS AND EVENTS

SAT	1 AUG	10:30AM	Deacon Jakob's Presbyterial Ordination, Waterville, Maine
WED	5 AUG	9AM	Mercy Group
SUN	9 AUG	10AM	Recognition of Graduates
FRI-SUN	14-16 AUG		Assumption Pilgrimage, Our Lady of Lebanon Shrine, North Jackson, Ohio



POINTS OF INTEREST

Taste of Lebanon. We offer our sincere thanks to everyone who helped to make the Taste of Lebanon very successful, especially the sponsors, supporters, chairpersons, committee, all the volunteers who prepared for and worked the event, and all those who attended and supported the event. We could not do it without each one of you. Thank you for your continued generous support of our parish and the Taste of Lebanon.

Patriarch Elias Hoyek. On 25 July, the Venerable Servant of God, Patriarch Elias Hoyek was declared Blessed in a ceremony at the summer residence of the Maronite Patriarch in Diman, (North) Lebanon. Beatification is the final step on the journey to sainthood. He was born in Helta (Batroun), (North) Lebanon on 4 December 1843. In 1870 he was ordained a priest. On 14 December 1889 he was consecrated a bishop. On 15 August 1895 he founded the Congregation of the Maronite Sisters of the Holy Family. On 6 January 1899 he was elected the Patriarch of Antioch for the Maronites. He oversaw the construction of the statue of Our Lady of Lebanon in Harissa to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the proclamation of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary in 1904. During World War I, he oversaw the Maronite Church's charitable service to the poor and hungry. Following the War, he was involved in the establishment of modern Lebanon. He served as patriarch for almost thirty-three years until his death on 24 December 1931 in Bkerké, Lebanon. May his prayers be with us.

Deacon Jakob Wyder. On Saturday 1 August, Deacon Jakob Wyder was ordained to the Holy Priesthood by Bishop Gregory Mansour at Saint Joseph Maronite Church in Waterville, Maine. Father Jakob celebrates his first Divine Liturgy the following morning. We offer Father Jakob our prayerful congratulations as he is ordained to the Presbyterate.

The Transfiguration of Our Lord. On 6 August, the Church celebrates the Transfiguration of Our Lord. This feast commemorates Jesus' transfigured appearance, where "His face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light." Moses and Elijah (Elias) appeared with Jesus. They represented the law and the prophets of the Old Testament. A cloud then overshadowed them, and the voice of God the Father declared "This is my beloved Son, listen to Him." The Apostles, Peter, James, and John were present and witnessed Jesus' Transfiguration.

Recognition of Graduates. Next Sunday, 9 August, at the 10AM Divine Liturgy we will recognize the graduates from our parish. Please let Father Boutros know of any graduates from our Parish.

Assumption Holy Day. On 15 August the Church celebrates the **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven** at the end of her earthly life. Because of the importance of this feast the faithful are bound to participate in the **Divine Liturgy**. Since Father Boutros will be at the Annual Assumption Pilgrimage, we will celebrate the Divine Liturgy for the Assumption on **Saturday, 15 August at 4PM**. The Divine Liturgy for Sunday will be celebrated on Sunday 16 August at 10AM as usual. Please join us in prayer.

Divine Liturgy. The faithful are **invited to Church each week** and on Holy Days to participate in the Divine Liturgy. We look forward to praying with you each week at the Divine Liturgy.



ALTAR MEMORIALS

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

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- ♦ 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

1 AUG	4PM	Joe Saba
2 AUG	10AM	Joey Rahme
8 AUG	4PM	Nicole DelVecchio
9 AUG	10AM	James Salamy



PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Collections for the week ending 26 July 2026

1st Collection.....	\$1,028
2nd Collection (Pastoral Programs).....	\$197
Renovations.....	\$15
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