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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 AUGUST 2026



FEASTS AND READINGS

SUN	23 AUG	14th Sunday of Pentecost St. Isaac of Nineveh 1 Thes 2:1-13/Lk 10:38-42
MON	24 AUG	St. Eutyches of Sebastia 1 Jn 3:23-4:6/Lk 15:1-7
TUE	25 AUG	St. Titus, One of the 72 Disciples 1 Jn 4:7-21/Lk 15:8-10
WED	26 AUG	Pope St. Zephyrinus (+217) 1 Jn 5:1-12/Lk 16:1-8
THU	27 AUG	St. Biyameen (Poemen) the Hermit 1 Jn 5:13-21/Lk 16:9-12
FRI	28 AUG	St. Moses the Ethiopian St. Augustine, Doctor of the Church 2 Jn 1-13/Lk 16:13-17
SAT	29 AUG	Beheading of St. John the Baptist 3 Jn 1-15/Lk 17:1-4
SUN	30 AUG	15th Sunday of Pentecost Bl. Brother Estephan Né'mee 1 Thes 1:1-10/Lk 7:36-50



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Maronite Youth Organization:
Chadia Karrat Saber315-534-4023
Lindsay Hayduk Brown315-794-0396
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Holy Name Society: Lou Lewis..... 315-737-3950
Saint Joseph Society: Christopher Sunderlin315-570-9639
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Acolytes: Nathan Hanna..... 315-939-8219
Lectors: Lois Mariano 315-269-5179
Sacristan: Harrison Zogby..... 315-749-6399



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SAT	22 AUG	4PM	•George Tamer <i>by Family</i> •Elinor Mazloom <i>by Trenton Technology Employees</i> •Louis Joseph Sr. <i>by Furn Lorento</i> •Violette Tahan <i>by the Szczerba Family</i> •Bernadette Roy <i>by Nick and Lois Mariano</i>
SUN	23 AUG	10AM	•Elinor Mazloom <i>by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Costanza</i> •Mildred Tamer (Birth.) <i>by Family</i> •The Family of Louis Albert and Helen Theresa Abdoo and their children; Gloria, Ronnie, Louis, Anita, Anne, and Ron <i>by the Abdoo Family</i>
MON	24 AUG		•No Liturgy
TUE	25 AUG	9AM	•Gregory Hanna <i>by Family</i>
WED	26 AUG	9AM	•Special Intentions of the Monday Rosary Group <i>by Deacon Paul Salamy</i>
THU	27 AUG	9AM	•Special Intentions <i>by Father Boutros</i>
FRI	28 AUG	9AM	•Ralph Froio <i>by Deacon Paul Salamy</i>
SAT	29 AUG	4PM	•Mae Astafan <i>by Joyce, Scander, Louis Jr., and Diana Astafan</i> •Anthony Murad (Anniv.) <i>by Family</i> •Elinor Mazloom <i>by Mary Mott</i> •Louis Joseph Sr. <i>by Roseanne and Joe Hebert</i> •Anthony Angelo Sciortino Jr. <i>by Norma and Mary Tehan, and Cathy Massoud</i>
SUN	30 AUG	10AM	•Fred Sageer (16th Anniv.) <i>by Mona Sageer and Family</i> •Ann Sageer (11th Anniv.) <i>by Mona Sageer and Family</i> •Albert and Anna Saba Abdoo <i>by the Abdoo Family</i> •Laurice Moses <i>by Byron and Angela Elias</i> •Palma (Pam) Migliaccio-Wehby <i>by Sister, Fran</i>



MEETINGS AND EVENTS

WED	26 AUG	9:30AM	Mercy Group
THU	27 AUG	9:30AM	Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament
SUN	11 OCT	9AM	Maronite Christian Formation Classes Begin
SUN	8 NOV	2PM	Festival of Baskets at Hart's Hill Inn



POINTS OF INTEREST

Blessed Brother Estephan Né'mee. On 30 August each year, the Maronite Church honors Blessed Brother Estephan Né'mee. He was born in Lehfed, Lebanon on 8 March 1889, and given the name Youssef (Joseph) by his parents. Throughout his life he was known to repeat, "God sees me." In 1905, at sixteen years old, he left his parents' house and entered the Lebanese Maronite Order at the Monastery of Saints Cyprian and Justina in Kfifane, Lebanon where he took the name Estephan. He was a "worker monk." He worked in the fields and gardens of the monastery. He also learned carpentry and construction. He enjoyed his work. At forty-nine years old he suffered a severe sunstroke and died shortly thereafter on 30 August 1938. He was buried in the tomb of the monks in the Monastery of Saints Cyprian and Justina in Kfifane. On 10 March 1951, when the monks were burying another monk, they found his body to be incorrupt. He was recognized as Blessed on 27 June 2010. May his prayers be with us.

Father Jakob Wyder. Newly Ordained Father Jakob Wyder has been assigned as the Parochial Vicar of Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Church in Miami, Florida. He will also be assisting the Maronite Mission in Naples, Florida. We offer Father Jakob our prayers as he begins his first priestly assignment.

Tribunal Administrator. His Excellency, Bishop Gregory Mansour has appointed James Salamy, J.C.L., our parishioner, as the Administrator of the Tribunal of the Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn. This is in addition to James' current full-time responsibilities as the Director of the Tribunal of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse, which he will continue. We offer James our prayers as he takes on this additional responsibility for our Eparchy.

Maronite Christian Formation (MCF). MCF Classes — Religious Education will be held on **Sunday mornings at 9AM beginning on 11 October.** Additional information will be forthcoming to register your children and the schedule of classes.

Festival of Baskets. The Festival of Baskets is planned for **Sunday, 8 November beginning at 2PM at Hart's Hill Inn in Whitesboro.** Please save the date and plan to be part of this important event for our parish. More information will be forthcoming.

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.

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 Plants and Flowers** are available for a few weeks 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:

- ♦ **PLANTS & FLOWERS** — Available
- ♦ **CANDLES** — In Memory of Nyah Mway by the *Sunderlin Family*
- ♦ **BREAD & WINE** — In Memory of Mae Astafan by *Joyce, Scander, Louis Jr. & Diana Astafan*
- ♦ **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 AUG	4PM	Lois Mariano
23 AUG	10AM	Nathan Hanna
29 AUG	4PM	Joe Saba
30 AUG	10AM	George Mitchell



PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Collections for the week ending 16 August 2026

1st Collection.....	\$1,513
2nd Collection (Renovations and Repairs)	\$391
Air Conditioning	\$38
Eparchial Support.....	\$10
Pastoral Programs.....	\$10
Candles.....	\$152
Needy	\$15
TOTAL	\$2,129

This Week's Second Collection: Pastoral Programs
Next Week's Second Collection: Air Conditioning



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