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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

26-27 SEPTEMBER 2026



FEASTS AND READINGS

SUN	27 SEP	2nd Sunday after Holy Cross St. Vincent de Paul 1 Cor 15:19-34/Mt 24:1-14
MON	28 SEP	St. Chariton Rev 3:1-6/Mt 10:16-22
TUE	29 SEP	St. Romanos (Cyriacus), known as Rouhanna the Cantor Rev 3:7-13/Mt 11:20-24
WED	30 SEP	St. Gregory the Illuminator Rev 3:14-22/Mt 12:29-32
THU	1 OCT	St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Doctor of the Church Rev 4:1-11/Mt 12:33-37
FRI	2 OCT	Sts. Cyprian and Justina Rev 5:1-10/Mt 12:38-42
SAT	3 OCT	St. Dionysius the Areopagite St. Mother Théodore Guérin (USA) Rev 6:9-17/Mt 12:43-45
SUN	4 OCT	3rd Sunday after Holy Cross Holy Rosary Sunday St. Francis of Assisi Phil 3:17-4:1/Mt 24:23-31



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Maronite Youth Organization:
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Lindsay Hayduk Brown 315-794-0396
Saint Mary's Guild: Aricca Lewis 315-796-9876
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 315-269-5179
Sacristan: Harrison Zogby 315-749-6399



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SAT	26 SEP	4PM	+ Louis Astafan Sr. (Birth.) by Joyce, Scander, Louis Jr. and Diana Astafan + Vin Morreale Sr. (Anniv.) by Nick and Lois Mariano + Laurice Moses by Joan Nehme + Elinor Mazloom by Kathleen Tamer + Louis Joseph Sr. by the Fish Fry Team + Deceased Members of the Family of Elias and Nellie Raya by Granddaughters, Isabelle, Joyce, and Beverly
SUN	27 SEP	10AM	+ Elinor Mazloom by Joseph and Inez Carbone + Louis Joseph Sr. by Kameli and Kevin McIntyre + William Milham by Family + Sharon Wahlberg by Nathan and Sara Hanna + James George (Birth.) by his Daughter, Leila Bjornland + Daniel E., Jeanette C., & Daniel L. Zegibe by Frederick Zegibe
MON	28 SEP		+ No Liturgy
TUE	29 SEP	9AM	+ Gabriel and Rose Salamy by Deacon Paul Salamy
WED	30 SEP	9AM	+ Louis Joseph Sr. & Little Louie by Family
THU	1 OCT	9AM	+ Fr. James Manley by Nicholas Pezzulo
FRI	2 OCT	9AM	+ Anna Marie Piacentino by A Friend
SAT	3 OCT	4PM	+ Raymond & Yvonne Bellamah Mikall by Joyce, Scander, Louis Jr. and Diana Astafan + Elinor Mazloom by Emile and Theresa Buzaid + Anne Sally by Daughter, Paula Franken + Violette Tahan by the Albert Family + Deceased Members of the Family of Ferris and Agnes Nassif by Granddaughters Isabelle, Joyce, and Beverly
SUN	4 OCT	10AM	+ Debbie Delluomo (10th Anniv.) by Mary Ann Powers + Amelia Jabour (4th Anniv.) by Family + Marion Jabour (10th Anniv.) by Family + Elinor Mazloom by the Community Foundation + Anthony Sciortino by George, Jackie, and Julia Mitchell + Millie Tamer by George, Jackie, and Julia Mitchell + Roberta Murad by Robert and Mary Reina + James Peters (Birth.) by His Wife, Bernadette, His Children and Grandchildren



MEETINGS AND EVENTS

WED	30 SEP	9:30AM	Mercy Group
THU	1 OCT	9:30AM	Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament
THU	8 OCT	6PM	Saint Sharbel Liturgy and Anointing
SUN	11 OCT		Order of Saint Sharbel Sunday
SUN	11 OCT	9AM	Maronite Christian Formation Classes Resume
SUN	11 OCT	9AM	Sunday Hospitality Resumes
TUE	13 OCT	6:30PM	Saint Mary's Guild Meeting
SUN	18 OCT	9AM	Maronite Christian Formation Classes
SUN	25 OCT	9AM	Maronite Christian Formation Classes
SUN	25 OCT	11AM	Saint Mary's Guild Communion Breakfast
SUN	1 Nov	9AM	Maronite Christian Formation Classes
SUN	8 Nov	9AM	Maronite Christian Formation Classes
SUN	8 Nov	2PM	Festival of Baskets at Hart's Hill Inn



POINTS OF INTEREST

Season of the Holy Cross. This Sunday the Maronite Church celebrates the Second Sunday after the Exaltation of the **Holy Cross**. The Exaltation of the Holy Cross, on 14 September, celebrated the **finding of the true Cross**, which Christ was crucified on, by Queen Helen in the early Fourth Century. The Maronite Church celebrates the Season of the Holy Cross until the first Sunday of November, when the Maronite Church celebrates the Consecration of the Church.

Collection for Lebanon. During the month of September, we are collecting donations to help needy families in Lebanon with the cost of school supplies and textbooks for their children. Donations can be made to Saint Louis Gonzaga Church, but please clearly indicate that the donation is for School Supplies in Lebanon. Thank you for your continued and generous support.

Saint Sharbel Liturgy and Anointing. Saint Sharbel was canonized, proclaimed a Saint, on 9 October 1977. Therefore, next **Thursday, 8 October at 6PM** there will be a Divine Liturgy in honor of Saint Sharbel **for the healing of all who are sick**. There will be a **blessing with a relic** of Saint Sharbel and **anointing with Holy Oil**. Please join us in prayer as we seek Saint Sharbel's intercession for all who are sick.

Order of Saint Sharbel. The Order of Saint Sharbel **supports the education of Maronite Seminarians and helps build the future** of the Maronite Church. **Sunday, 11 October** is the Order of Saint Sharbel Sunday. If you are interested in joining the order of Saint Sharbel or would like more information, please contact Father Boutros or Deacon Paul.

Maronite Christian Formation (MCF). MCF Classes – Religious Education will be held on **Sunday mornings at 9AM beginning on 11 October**. The schedule of classes is in the bulletin on the opposite page under "Meetings and Events." Please contact Laura Cross by email at crossfolk@yahoo.com to obtain the schedule of classes, register your children, and for more information.

Hospitality. Fried Dough – Sunday Hospitality will resume on **Sunday, 11 October**, at 9AM in the George Sfeir Parish Hall. Please join us in fellowship. The volunteer schedule will be posted in the bulletin.

Saint Mary's Guild. The Saint Mary's Guild will meet on **Tuesday, 13 October at 6:30PM**, in George Sfeir Parish Hall.

Saint Mary's Guild Communion Breakfast. The Saint Mary's Guild will have their annual Communion Breakfast on **Sunday, 25 October in the George Sfeir Parish Hall immediately following the 10AM Divine Liturgy**. \$25 per person. Please save the date and plan to attend. More information will be forthcoming.

Festival of Baskets. The Festival of Baskets is **Sunday, 8 November beginning at 2PM at Hart's Hill Inn in Whitesboro**. Please begin **preparing your baskets now**. Baskets are due by Friday, 23 October. If you have any empty baskets that you are not using, please bring them to Church, we can use them. **Admission Tickets are now on sale**, \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door, please purchase your Admission Tickets in advance. Please contact the Parish Office or any committee member to purchase your Admission Tickets in advance.



ALTAR MEMORIALS

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

- ♦ **PLANTS & FLOWERS** — In Memory of John Patrick Gahagan *by Helen Koury and Children*
- ♦ **CANDLES** — In Memory of Nyah Mway *by the Sunderlin Family*
- ♦ **BREAD & WINE** — In Memory of Louis Astafan Sr. *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

26 SEP	4PM	Lois Mariano
27 SEP	10AM	Nathan Hanna
3 OCT	4PM	Joe Saba
4 OCT	10AM	George Mitchell



PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Collections for the week ending 20 September 2026

1st Collection.....	\$1,544
2nd Collection (Fuel & Heat)	\$362
Air Conditioning	\$250
Eparchial Support.....	\$10
Needy	\$10
TOTAL	\$2,176

This Week's Second Collection: Snow Removal
Next Week's Second Collection: Eparchial Support



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