

SEPTEMBER 22ND, 2024

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*Second Sunday after
the Exaltation
of the Holy Cross*



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DIVINE LITURGY

Weekdays - Chapel

Tues, Wed, and Thurs

6:00 p.m. English/Arabic

Saturday - Chapel

5:00 p.m. English

Sunday - Downtown

9:30 a.m. English

11:00 a.m. Arabic/English

READINGS

Joel 2:1,10-16

1 Cor 15:19-34

Mt 24:1-14

Qurbono book 606

Anaphora of Saint Sixtus 856

CALENDAR

Tuesday, September 24

Saint Thecla

CLERGY

Fr. Patrick Kassab, Pastor

Fr. Alejandro Landin, Assistant

SUBDEACONS

Lattouf Lattouf

Ghazi Faddoul

Yemen Saada

Mario Ghosn

ORGANIZATIONS

Parish Council

Jèan Yaacoub, President
2nd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Finance Council

Rick Ganim, President
3rd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Immaculate Conception Sodality

Claire Naoum, President
1st Monday, 7:00 p.m.

Maronite Christian Formation Program

Elias Kanaan, Director
Sundays, 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

MaronKnights Dabke Group

Tanya Elasmr

Maronite Youth Organization

Peter Harb, Coordinator

Maronite Young Adults

Anessa Klem Farah, President

Maronite Mothers Club

Tina Chamoun, Coordinator

Arabic School

Jihad Kawkabani, Coordinator
Saturdays, October - April,
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

50+ Social Club

Mary Ann Watson
1st Friday at 10:00 a.m. (Liturgy)

Book & Cine Club

Katia Abboud

Rosary Prayer Group

Daad Chamoun

Social Committee

Souheil Farah, Rita Lattouf,
Claire Naoum

Saint Maron Health Committee

Dr. Paul Farah

Social Media Coordinator

Jessica Khoury

Order of Saint Charbel

Samir Farah and Daad Chamoun

LITURGY INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 21

5:00 p.m. **Mem Lit for Louis & Emiline Nagy, Louis Joseph Nagy, Boutros & Lydia (Nagy) Chalhoub, Debbie (Nagy) Ameen and all the deceased members of the Nagy family.**
By their children, Karen Shaheen (Douglas), Denise Bishilany (William III), and Kay Ameen and all grandchildren and great-grandchildren

Sunday, September 22

9:30 a.m. **Parishioners Intentions**

11:00 a.m. **Forty Day Liturgy for Bahijah S. Moussa**
By her children, grandchildren and son in laws and their families

11:00 am **Mem Lit for Najdat Halim Dayoub**
By his wife Frial Toumeh his daughter Josephine Dayoub Yousef and her husband Naim Yousef

NEXT WEEK

Saturday, September 28

5:00 p.m. **In honor of all Gold Star Mothers**
By an appreciative veteran

Sunday, September 29

9:30 a.m. **In honor of all Gold Star Mothers**
By an appreciative veteran

11:00 a.m. **In honor of all Gold Star Mothers**
By an appreciative veteran

PARISHIONERS NEWS

Baptism Congratulations to Nassib Cyril Christopher Elias on his baptism and chrismation on September 15, 2024. Son of Debo Michael and Alexandra Elias.

Condolences Condolences to the family of Najdat Halim Dayoub who passed away in Syria. Najdat is the husband of Frial Toumeh, father of Josephine Dayoub Yousef and father-in-law of Naim Yousef.

READINGS

First Reading

Joel 2:1,10-16

Blow the trumpet in Zion; sound the alarm on my holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, for the day of the LORD is coming, it is near. The earth quakes before them, the heavens tremble. The sun and the moon are darkened, and the stars withdraw their shining. The LORD utters his voice at the head of his army; how vast is his host! Numberless are those who obey his command. Truly the day of the LORD is great; terrible indeed who can endure it? Yet even now, says the LORD, return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; rend your hearts and not your clothing. Return to the LORD, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and relents from punishing. Blow the trumpet in Zion; sanctify a fast; call a solemn assembly; gather the people. Sanctify the congregation; assemble the aged; gather the children, even infants at the breast. Let the bridegroom leave his room, and the bride her canopy.

Second Reading

1 Cor 15:19-34

Brothers and Sisters:

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ.

Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. For 'God has put all things in subjection under his feet.' But when it says, 'All things are put in subjection', it is plain that this does not include the one who put all things in subjection under him.

When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the one who put all things in subjection under him, so that God may be all in all. Otherwise, what will those people do who receive baptism on behalf of the dead? If the dead are not raised at all, why are people baptized on their behalf? And why are we putting ourselves in danger every hour?

I die every day! That is as certain, brothers and sisters, as my boasting of you a boast that I make in Christ Jesus our Lord. If with merely human hopes I fought with wild animals at Ephesus, what would I have gained by it? If the dead are not raised, 'Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die.' Do not be deceived: 'Bad company ruins good morals.' Come to a sober and right mind, and sin no more; for some people have no knowledge of God. I say this to your shame.

GIFTS OF THE ALTAR

September 2024



BREAD in Memory of:

- ◆ Deceased members of the Richards & Nofel families
by *Edward P. Richards, Jr.*
- ◆ George, Georges & Ikram Boumitri
by *Naval Boumitri*
- ◆ Mary & Tom Hassey
by *Theresa & Sam Cantous & family*
- ◆ Deceased members of the Shaker, Abou Nehme, Jenigar, and Haddad families
by *Samer & Andrea Shaker & family*

WINE in Memory of:

- ◆ Deceased members of the Richards & Nofel families
by *Edward P. Richards, Jr.*
- ◆ George, Georges & Ikram Boumitri
by *Naval Boumitri*
- ◆ Louis & Pauline Peters
by *John & Lorrie Peters*



CANDLES in Memory of:

- ◆ Deceased members of the Richards & Nofel families
by *Edward P. Richards, Jr.*
- ◆ George & Roma Sessin
by *their children & families*
- ◆ Jacob & Juliette Saad & the deceased members of the Saad and Elzeer families
by *Thomas Saad & family*
- ◆ Mary Monsour
by *William & Denise Bishilany & family*
- ◆ Deceased members of the Bishilany and Pazyniak families
by *Nayann & Tim Pazyniak*
- ◆ George, Georges & Ikram Boumitri
by *Naval Boumitri*

INCOME

September 15, 2024

General Deposit	\$ 3,211.00
Saturday 5:00 p. m.	\$ 689.00
Sunday 9:30 a.m.	\$ 263.00
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	\$ 1,024.00
Exalt. of the Cross	\$ 1,235.00

NEW MEMBERS

If you are living in Cleveland or just moved here, our Church would like to welcome you. Please introduce yourself to the Priest or contact the office.



JOIN THE ORDER OF SAINT SHARBEL

The Order is a critical part of our Eparchy as it helps support Seminarian education and Priest retirement. The Eparchy depends on our laity to help cover some of the costs of our future priests.

For more information you are welcome to visit:

<https://www.orderstsharbel.org/>



REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL

Remembering your parish in your will can be a way to express gratitude for your faith and support the future of your parish, Eparchy, or the Maronite Church worldwide. Contact Church offices for more information.

Gospel

Mt 24:1-14

As Jesus came out of the temple and was going away, his disciples came to point out to him the buildings of the temple. Then he asked them, 'You see all these, do you not? Truly I tell you, not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.' When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, 'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?' Jesus answered them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. For many will come in my name, saying, "I am the Messiah!" and they will lead many astray. And you will hear of wars and rumours of wars; see that you are not alarmed; for this must take place, but the end is not yet. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places: all this is but the beginning of the birth pangs. 'Then they will hand you over to be tortured and will put you to death, and you will be hated by all nations because of my name. Then many will fall away, and they will betray one another and hate one another. And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray. And because of the increase of lawlessness, the love of many will grow cold. But anyone who endures to the end will be saved. And this good news of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the world, as a testimony to all the nations; and then the end will come.

SYRIAC CLASSES

We are proud of our heritage! Together we will learn the beautiful Syriac language, the liturgical language of our dear Church. Join us in Independence every Thursday at 7:00 p.m., starting October 17, 2024. Two options are available: A class for Arabic (Levantine) speaking students with Fr Patrick, and a class for English speaking students with Fr Alejandro. For registration, please fill the following form: <https://forms.gle/GqQnB3JKv84ZPLCQ8>

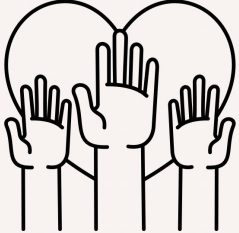


BOOK AND CINE CLUB

Our next get-together will be on Thursday, October 10th at 7pm at the Parish Center in Independence.

The topic for October is the discussion of the book "The Broken Wings" by Gibran Khalil Gibran. It has many philosophical points that will make for a great discussion. If you are unable to read the book before the meeting, we will give a brief summary to start out the discussion. Everyone is invited...Please join us.

SAINT MARON CHURCH
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DINNER



Join us on Tuesday, September 24th at 7 pm at the Parish Center in Independence! All volunteers and their families are welcome! We cannot wait to see you all!

Thank you to all of the volunteers for their help in making our festival a great success! Please join us for the volunteer appreciation dinner to celebrate another successful festival!



BEERS WITH BOUNA

BEERS WITH BOUNA IS GOING TO BE A MONTHLY EVENT! EACH TIME WE WILL ASK FOR A VOLUNTEER HOST, WE WANT THIS TO BE MORE LAID BACK AND CASUAL, WE WANT EVERYONE TO FEEL WELCOME! IT WILL BE AN OPEN DISCUSSION! THIS IS A BYOB EVENT! ***ALL ARE WELCOME, MUST BE 21 TO DRINK***

FOR THE EVENT ON SEPTEMBER 26TH, THE LOCATION IS SAINT MARON CHAPEL - INDEPENDENCE AT 7 PM. BRING YOUR QUESTIONS AND A FRIEND! DON'T FORGET BYOB!

50+ SOCIAL CLUB

On Friday October 4, join us for Liturgy at 10:00. Then we will depart for our Annual Apple picking event. Picking and shopping this year will be at Hillside Orchard and Farm Market in Hinckley. We will stop for lunch on the way at Luna's Family Restaurant.

ALL- RSVP's to Mary Ann by Monday, Sept. 30 - NO LATER!! 216-702-6802



Join us for

SAINT MARON SUNDAY SCHOOL

BEGINNING SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13TH

Registration online required (one form per child)

Register with the link below or QR Code



Questions? Call the Saint Maron Church office at 216-520-5081 or email suzyngs777@gmail.com

<https://forms.gle/1RqGE3qVNBnfrC8V7>

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MMC FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, October 19th | 2-4 PM

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Maronite Mothers Club Fall Festival!

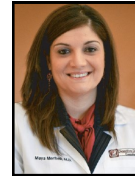
- Games, activities, lunch & "trick or treat"
- Bring a basket or bag for each child for the trick or treat.
- RVSP by October 12th via the EVITE or directly to TinaSchamoun@gmail.com
- Please Sign up to contribute or help: <https://shorturl.at/NmbLL>



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Crowning (Matrimony)

Couples must contact and meet Fr. Patrick at least 8 months before the desired wedding date. Pre-Cana classes are required. Call the office to schedule an appointment: (216) 520 5081

Freedom to Marry Letter

All necessary forms for couples living in the United States or abroad need to be done, and this may take weeks or months. Please call to schedule an appointment with Fr. Patrick.



Reconciliation

Confession is available prior to all liturgies. Please ask the priest to hear your confession.

Communion and Anointing of the Sick

Clergy is available to administer Communion or for anointing of the sick to those home-bound or hospitalized. Call the office if you or a family member is in need. Only in case of emergency, call: (314) 437 2882



House Blessing

If you would like your home to be blessed, please call the office: (216) 520 5081