



Saint Maron

Maronite Catholic Church



September 4-5, 2021

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

Saints of the Day – September 5

St Sharbel of Raha and His sister Babai (Martyrs)

Mar Charbel was the chief of the pagan priests who used to offer sacrifices to the gods of Edessa. He converted to Christianity together with his sister Babai and was tortured under the Roman emperor Decius (236-250 A.D.) He then had his head cut off. His sister Babai, who was present at his execution, then took up some of his blood in her robe, saying, “May my spirit be united with yours in the presence of Christ, whom you have known and in whom you have believed.” She in turn suffered martyrdom at the very same spot where she had soaked up her brother’s blood.

Blessed Teresa of Calcutta (Confessor)

Daughter of an Albanian businessman who died when Agnes was nine years old. Nun, missionary and teacher in Calcutta, India in 1928. In 1948 she left the convent to work alone with the poor, and became an Indian citizen. She founded the Congregation of the Missionaries of Charity in 1950. In 1957 the Missionaries of Charity started their work with lepers and in disaster areas. She received the Pope John XXIII Peace Prize in 1971, the Jawaharlal Nehru Award for International Understanding in 1972, and the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979, and the Missionariestoday work in 30 countries.



Labor Day Prayer

CREATOR GOD,
THANK YOU FOR PROVIDING US
WITH THE GIFT TO SHARE OUR TALENTS.
PROVIDE OUR COMMUNITY, OUR
NATION, OUR WORLD
THE FORTITUDE TO PROVIDE WORK FOR
ALL
WHICH IS DECENT AND FAIR.
MAKE US FAITHFUL STEWARDS
OF YOUR CREATION
TO ENHANCE THE HUMAN DIGNITY
OF OUR GLOBAL FAMILY.
WE ASK THIS IN THE NAME OF JESUS,
WHO LIVES AND REIGNS
WITH YOU AND THE HOLY SPIRIT
NOW AND FOREVER.
AMEN

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OFFICE HOURS: The Church office will be open Tuesday through Friday from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm.

DIVINE LITURGIES

Saturday, September 4, @ 6:00PM,

Sunday, September 5, @ 11:00AM, (Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary) liturgy is offered for the soul of Elias Antoun requested by Anthony Wehbe and family. May his soul rest in peace.

Saturday, September 11, @ 6:00PM, liturgy is offered for the souls of Sandy and Clyde Steinhilber requested by family. May their souls rest in peace.

Sunday, September 12, @ 11:00AM, (Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross) liturgy is offered for the soul of the deceased members of the Korkomaz and Cherfane families requested by Dany and Rania Cherfane and family. May their souls rest in peace.

SANCTUARY CANDLES

The sanctuary candle is burning for a **Special Intention**.

If you would like to offer the sanctuary candle in memory of your loved one or for a special intention, please contact the Church Office.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every First Thursday of the month at 6:00PM, we will celebrate Divine Liturgy followed by Eucharistic Adoration.

ELDERLY COMMUNION

If you wish to receive communion at home, please contact the Church Office at 215-389-2000.

ANNUAL BENEFIT FOR THE EPARCHY OF ST. MARON OF BROOKLYN

Each October, the Eparchy has a Benefit Dinner to raise funds for educating seminarians, expanding ministries, and supporting parishes and missions in

need in the Eparchy. Also, 10% of the proceeds are given to help in Lebanon and the Middle East. This year's Benefit Event will be held by Zoom on Thursday, October 7, 2021 at 7:00pm Eastern Time, and will also honor the many dedicated people and organizations who are helping alleviate the suffering in Lebanon during these difficult times. Please visit:

<http://www.stmaron.org/eparchial-benefit> to register and make a donation. Please support this important event – the Church needs your support this year more than ever. For more information, please email saintmaron@yahoo.com or call 718-237-9913. Thank you.

THANK YOU

Thank you for everyone who donated to the Church this past week. Our Church's finances rely on the generosity of our community, including Sunday collections and donations. If you are able to donate, please do so via the following link: <https://saintmaron.org/donate> or you can always mail your weekly envelopes/donations to the Church office. Thank you for your continuous support during these challenging times.



IN OUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers John Hughes, Mia Andrilla, Peter Kassis, Jimmy Romeo, Natalie Ciancaglini, Ashley Iaconelli, Stephen Bressi, Pierre Khoury, Tina Grassia, Michelle Raymond, Elissar Ayoub, Lou Iovino, Ralph Passio, Joanne Simon-Turing, Diane McLaughlin, Bonnie Gorman, Kevin Khoury, Marie McCrea, Suzanne Haney, Luke Farrell Jr., Linda DiBernardo, Joan Speck, David Joseph Cook, Eddie Tayoun, Panichi, Dennis Strelchuk, Gladys Dalcourt, Denise Furey, Chucky Simon, Mirta Ruiz, Rita Impo, Jade Kellam, Marion Thomas Branca, Francesca Impo, Lucy DiLuce, Laurent Chidiac, Tom Hart, John Hart, Fadi Jaber, Joseph Realdine, Emily Stone, Lisa Alestra, John Nader, Joey Gdowick, Francis Joseph Kerns, Samer Chokeir, Kathy Newman, Rita Arrigale, Maryann Bratton, Renee Sahar, Sister Nahida Al-Sawa, Rose DeJesse, James Cordisio, Stacey Fuentes, Debbie Freedenberg, Noel Andjuhar, and Angel Salerno. We ask Almighty God to bless them with good health so that they may join us in the Church and give glory and thanksgiving to God. Please notify the Church office of any family member who is ill so that we may remember them in our daily prayers and on our altar of intention.

WEEKLY COLLECTION FOR

August 28-29, 2021

Sunday Collection	\$ 1,128.00
Coffee Hour	\$ 32.00
Donations	\$ 100.00
Online	\$ 60.00
Total:	\$ 1,320.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 3,950.00
Deficit	- \$ 2,630.00

Let's Strike Up Some Fun!

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7:00 pm*

BOWLING NIGHT

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2021-2022 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Registration is Open!

We are excited to announce that the 2021-2022 registrations for our youth programs are now open!

We will be running three programs this year:

Sunday CCD, Junior MYO and MYO!

All registrations will be done online using the links below.

All programs kick-off in September.

This year, all our programs will be using a **Grade-system**, not **Age**, to align with the Eparchial standards.

We can't wait to have all our youth back!



[Click here to register your child for CCD](#)

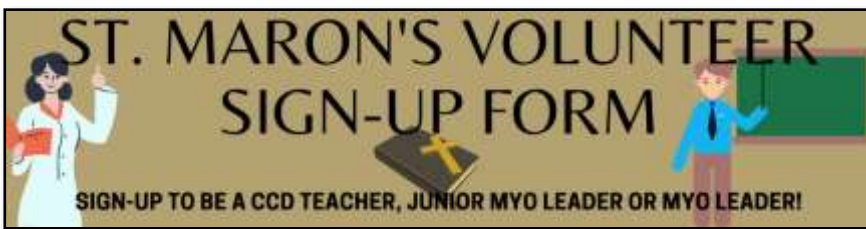


[Click here to register your child for JrMYO](#)



[Click here to register your child for MYO](#)

We are also looking for dedicated parishioners that would volunteer to be a **CCD Teacher, Junior MYO Leader, or MYO Leader!**



[Click here to Sign-Up](#)

We thank you for your continued commitment to **YOUR** parish community and we cannot wait to get back to normal and seeing our parish family flourish as it always has.

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Bank to School is a fundraising initiative to help support children across Lebanon to get back to school; in partnership with arcenciel we have an on-the-ground team that identifies the children who need the most help and support. At the heart of the Bank to School mission is inclusion and equal opportunities for all. To help ensure full transparency and accountability, the raised funds are directly paid to the schools.

We aim to double our donations for the 2021-2022 academic school year, i.e. more than 50,000\$ to financially support more than 1,000 students. We are counting on your generous donations to secure the schooling of our Lebanese youths.



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ANNUAL LEBANESE FESTIVAL

Friday September 10, 2021 from 4:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M.

Saturday September 11, 2021 from 12:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M.

Sunday September 12, 2021 from 1:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

Featuring

George Maalouf
and Ensemble



Kids Menu Available



Foodstation
eat, drink and take away

Shawarma (beef or Chicken)
Beef Kabob,
Kafta
Chicken Taouk
Kibbee balls
Falafel
Hummus
Baba Gannouj
Stuffed Grape Leaves
Tabboule
Lebanese and Middle Eastern
Desserts

Featuring
The Famous 50 Years old
John's Pizza (Frazer, PA)
Cheesesteak sub
By CHRIS



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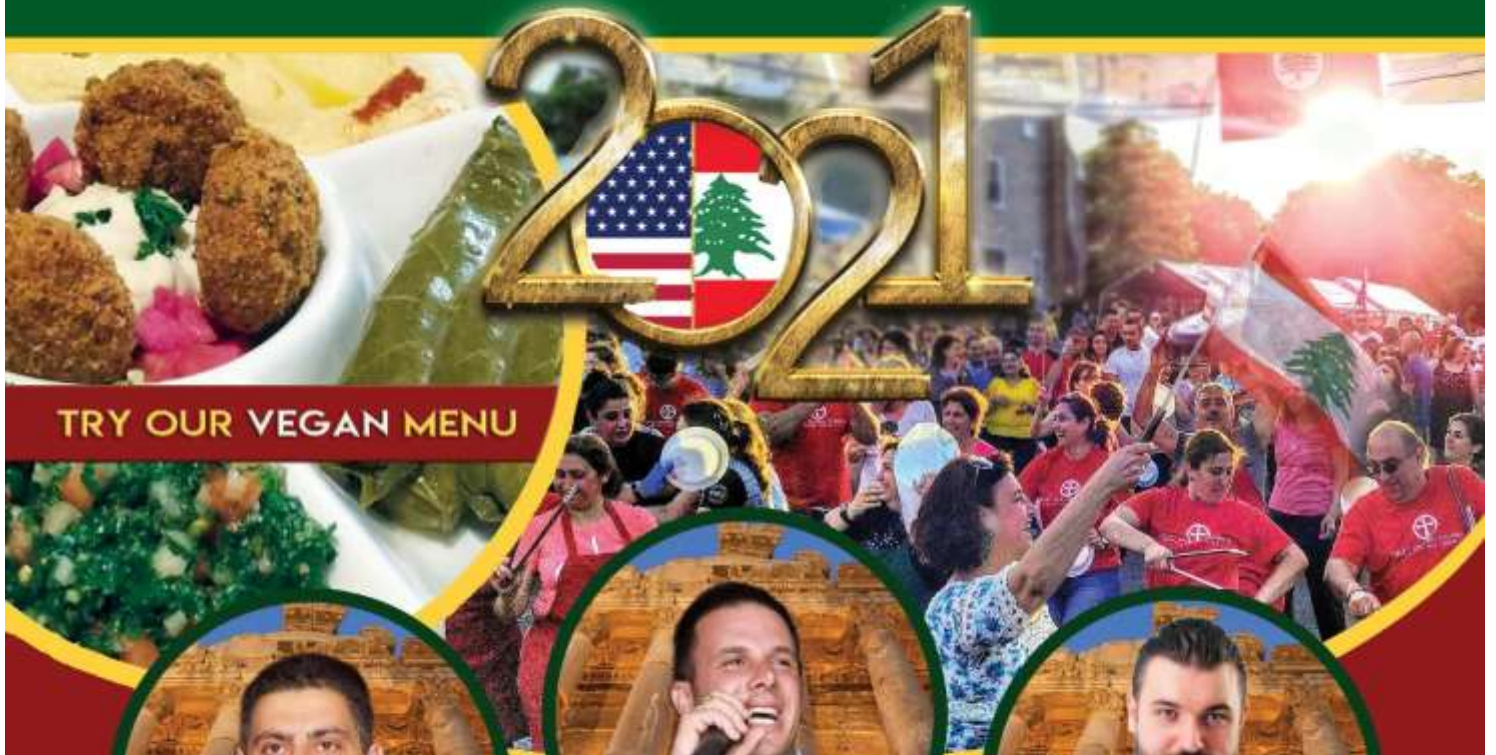
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First Reading

Romans 8:18-27

A reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Romans. Your blessing father...

Brothers and Sisters:

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Praise be to God always.

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل رومة

يا إخوتي : إني أحسب أن آلام الوقت الحاضر لا تُوازى المجد الذي سوف يتجلى فينا. فإن الخليقة تنتظر بفارغ الصبر تجلي أبناء الله؛ لأن الخليقة أُخضعت للباطل، لا طوعاً، بل «بسُلطان الله الذي أخضعها»، ولكن على رجاء أن الخليقة نفسها ستحرر هي أيضاً من عبودية الفساد إلى حرية مجد أولاد الله. ونحن نعلم أن الخليقة كلها معاً تنتن وتتمخض إلى الآن. ولكن لا هي فحسب، بل نحن أيضاً الذين لنا باكورة الروح، نحن أيضاً نتن في أنفسنا، منتظرين التبيي أي فداء جسدينا. فإننا بالرجاء خُصنا. والرجاء الذي يرى ليس رجاء. فهل يرجو أحد ما يراه؟ أما إذا كنا نرجو ما لا نراه، فبالصبر ننظره. وهكذا فالروح نفسه يعضدنا في ضعفنا، لأننا لا نعرف أن نصلي كما ينبغي، لكن الروح نفسه يشفع لنا بأنات لا تُوصف. والذي يفحص القلوب يعرف رغبة الروح، وهي أنه يشفع للقديسين بما يوافق مشيئة الله.

والتسبيح لله دائماً.

Gospel Reading

Saint Luke 18:9-14

The Apostle Writes:

Jesus also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: 'Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax-collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, "God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax-collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income." But the tax-collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.'

This is the truth. Peace be with you.

مِنْ إِنْجِيلِ الْقَدِيسِ لَوْقَا

قَالَ الرَّبُّ يَسُوعُ هَذَا الْمَثَلُ لِلنَّاسِ يَتَّقُونَ فِي أَنْفُسِهِمْ أَنَّهُمْ أَبْرَارٌ، وَيَحْتَقِرُونَ الْآخَرِينَ: "رَجُلَانِ صَعَدَا إِلَى الْهَيْكَلِ لِيُصَلِّيَا، أَحَدُهُمَا فَرِيسِيٌّ وَالْآخَرُ عَشَّارٌ. فَوَقَفَ الْفَرِيسِيُّ يُصَلِّي فِي نَفْسِهِ وَيَقُولُ: أَللَّهُمَّ، أَشْكُرُكَ لِأَنِّي لَسْتُ كَبَاقِي النَّاسِ الطَّمَّاعِينَ الظَّالِمِينَ الزُّنَاةَ، وَلَا كَهَذَا الْعَشَّارِ. إِنِّي أَصُومُ مَرَّتَيْنِ فِي الْأُسْبُوعِ، وَأُؤَدِّي الْعَشَرَ عَنْ كُلِّ مَا أَقْتَنِي. أَمَّا الْعَشَّارُ فَوَقَفَ بَعِيدًا وَهُوَ لَا يُرِيدُ حَتَّى أَنْ يَرْفَعَ عَيْنَيْهِ إِلَى السَّمَاءِ، بَلْ كَانَ يَقْرَعُ صَدْرَهُ قَائِلًا: أَللَّهُمَّ، إِصْفَحْ عَنِّي أَنَا الْخَاطِي! أَقُولُ لَكُمْ إِنَّ هَذَا نَزَلَ إِلَى بَيْتِهِ مُبَرَّرًا، أَمَّا ذَاكَ فَلَا! لِأَنَّ كُلَّ مَنْ يَرْفَعُ نَفْسَهُ يُوَاضِعُ، وَمَنْ يُوَاضِعُ نَفْسَهُ يُرْفَعُ."

حَقًّا وَالْأَمَانُ لِكُلِّكُمْ.