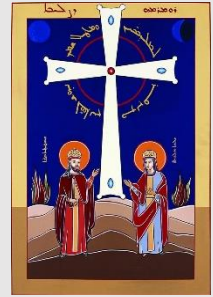




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WEEKLY BULLETIN - 10/15/2023

Season of The Holy Cross

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5th Sunday After Holy Cross Appreciation Luncheon "Always with a Smile"

Sunday 10/08/2023

"...these parishioners did not only redefine the word "elderly". Over the years, they gave a new meaning to the words "commitment", "diligence", "loyalty", "devotion". Together, they took the "love thy neighbor" concept to whole other level.

They are not only the backbone of our Church. Whether they meant to or not, they also became the architects of its future, leading by example".

Amal Kouyoumdji

On Sunday, October 08, 2023 (during the Appreciation Lunch following the Divine Liturgy) Saint Maron Church Community honored a group of parishioners with Apostolic Blessings as gratitude to their hard work and dedication.

I extend a heartfelt thank you to all who worked hard behind the scenes to make this day a memorable day. A special thank you goes to the CCD kids and the CCD director for their touching surprise. To them I say: "Your kind words mean the world to me."

Fr. Andrawos (Fadi) El Tabchi



2nd Collection

Sunday, October 22, 2023

World Mission Sunday

As established by the USCCB, 91 % of this collection goes to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, and 9% to the Catholic Near East Welfare Association [CNEWA].

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading

Philippians 2:12-18

Gospel Reading

Matthew 25:1-13

Sanctuary Candle

Maya Doumit & Andrew Pomeroy

SATURDAY LITURGIES

Starting

Saturday, October 7, 2023

Liturgy @ 4:00 PM

except Holy Days of Obligation,
Feast Days and Novenas.

DIVINE LITURGIES

For your intentions please
call the office at 215.389.2000

Saturday, October 14, @ 4:00PM,
liturgy is offered for Maya Doumit &
Andrew Pomeroy (wedding) by Guita
Doumit.

Sunday, October 15, @ 11:00AM
liturgy is offered in memory of
Carmen Marrone requested by family.
May his soul rest in peace.

Saturday, October 21, @ 6:00PM,
ST. JUDE NOVENA liturgy is
offered for the soul of Lisa Ann
Zaidan Davila requested by family.
May her soul rest in peace.

Sunday, October 22, @ 11:00AM
liturgy is offered in memory of Zaki
Andre Azar (40-Day) requested by
family. May his soul rest in peace.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

October 7-8, 2023

Collection	\$ 1,775.00
Bishop's Appeal	\$ 60.00
PayPal	\$ 150.00
Coffee Hour	\$ 29.00
Total	\$ 2,014.00

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

If you are sick and homebound and
wish to receive communion at home,
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215-389-2000 or Fr. Andrawos at 978-
241-2977.

Soumaya Bakery Orders

Orders are placed each Friday.

If you wish to purchase bread, please
place your order before Friday.

First Communion Update

Saturday, April 13, 2024

Retreat & Rehearsal

Sunday, April 14, 2024

First Holy Communion Liturgy

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saint Jude

Novena Intentions

**Saint Jude Novena starts on
Friday, October 20, 2023.**

For your intentions,
call the office at 215-389-2000.



Friday

October 20, 2023

Divine Liturgy

Safety and Well-Being of all parishioners

Saturday

October 21, 2023

Divine Liturgy

1 yr. anniversary of Lisa Zaidan Davilla

Sunday

October 22, 2023

Evening Prayer

All our beloved departed members

Monday

October 23, 2023

Divine Liturgy

Tuesday

October 24, 2023

Evening Prayer

Wednesday

October 25, 2023

Divine Liturgy

Thursday

October 26, 2023

Evening Prayer

Friday

October 27, 2023

Divine Liturgy

For the Dib Family

Saturday

October 28, 2023

(Healing Mass)

IMO Chubby, Chucky and Michael Simon

Pasta Night

Saturday, October 28, 2023

at 7:00 PM

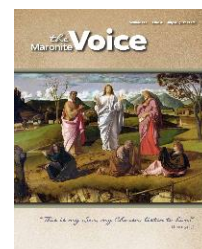
IN OUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers

Larry Cook, Mary Louise Scotti,
Janet Labar, Krystal Valianti,
Anne Mgrdichian, Carol
Bevelhymer, Mary V. (Nelson)
Scotti, Mike Devinney, Debbie
Freedenberg, Allan Emilio
Domingez, Rev. Subdeacon Dr.
Mallard T. George, Landon Reid,
Tamara Lewis, Michael Thomas,
Barbara Impriano, Mary
McKinney, Jessica McKinney,
Angela McKinney, Skyla Simon,
Peter Labaki, Nancy Murphy,
Marentha Young-Heart, Allison
Tretina, Stephanie Devinney,
Angela Scorza Anderson, Robert
Nigro, Thomas Jones, Raymond
Fitzpatrick, Linda Yeckes,
Frankie Olivieri, Marie Eddis,
Mia Andrilla, Natalie Ciancaglini,
Ashley Iaconelli, Stephen Bressi,
Elissar Ayoub, Joanne Simon-
Turing, Suzanne Haney, Linda
DiBernardo, Joan Speck, David
Joseph Cook, Dennis Strelchuk,
Gladys Dalcourt, Denise Furey,
Mirta Ruiz, Rita Impo, Jade
Kellam, Marion Thomas Branca,
Francesca Impo, Lucy DiLuce,
Laurent Chidiac, Tom Hart, John
Hart, Fadi Jaber, Joseph Realdine,
Lisa Alestra, John Nader, Joey
Gdowick, Francis Joseph Kerns,
Samer Chokeir, Kathy Newman,
Rita Arrigale, Maryann Bratton,
Renee Sahar, Sister Nahida Al-
Sawa, James Cordisio, Stacey
Fuentes, Noel Andjuhar, and
Angel Salerno.

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CCD & MYO CORNER

Registration is still open. Please see the weekly announcement email for the registration form.

Classes Started on Sunday, September 10, 2023

Registrations so far

Class	# of Participants
CCD	18
Jr. MYO	7
MYO	3
TOTAL	28

BIBLE STUDY - with Abouna David

Every Thursday at 10AM

Via Zoom

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87347439104?pwd=eUJRRVpFUyt5NVpTVXR5bCtBdGpGdz09>



Bible Study

1st Responders Appreciation Day

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All VOLUNTEERS



Support a Sister Church

Saints Joachim and Anne Church in Allentown, PA is very close to closing on the purchase of a new church. Our brothers and sisters are in need of our help to close this deal.

If you wish to make a donation, please don't hesitate to contact the office at 215-389-2000 or 978-241-2977.

Maronite Faith Formation

The Maronite Servants of Christ the Light will be hosting a new online series of workshops starting **Thursday October 12** to help our people to learn more about the Seven Mysteries (Sacraments).

There will be four different priests from the Eparchy of Saint Maron presenting these sessions on **four consecutive Thursdays at 8pm**. Following the presentation there will be time for Q&A.

Registration Link:

<https://forms.gle/KueoT8gPMk1mZ31w7>

MARONITE FAITH FORMATION
ONLINE SERIES – FALL 2023

THE SEVEN MYSTERIES (SACRAMENTS)

HOSTED BY THE MARONITE SERVANTS OF CHRIST THE LIGHT

VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS

OCT. 12: BAPTISM & CHRISMATION - CHORBISHOP SEELY BEGGIANI

OCT. 19: CONFESSION & ANOINTING OF THE SICK - FR. CLAUDE FRANKLIN

OCT. 26: HOLY EUCHARIST - FR. GARY GEORGE

NOV. 2: MARRIAGE & ORDINATION - CHORBISHOP MICHAEL THOMAS

Via Zoom on Thursdays 8:00-9:30PM EST
To register Scan QR Code

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October 14-15, 2023

First Reading

Philippians 2:12-18

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians. Your blessing father...

Brothers and Sisters:

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure. Do all things without murmuring and arguing, so that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, in which you shine like stars in the world. It is by your holding fast to the word of life that I can boast on the day of Christ that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. But even if I am being poured out as a libation over the sacrifice and the offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with all of you and in the same way you also must be glad and rejoice with me.

Praise be to God always.

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل فيلبّي

يا إِخْوَتِي، إِعْمَلُوا لِخَلَاصِكُمْ بِخَوْفٍ وَرِعْدَةٍ، كَمَا أَطَعْتُمْ دَائِمًا، لَا فِي حُضُورِي فَحَسَبَ، بَلْ بِالْأَحْرَى وَبِالْأَكْثَرِ الْآنَ فِي غِيَابِي. فَاللَّهُ هُوَ الَّذِي يَجْعَلُكُمْ تُرِيدُونَ وَتَعْمَلُونَ بِحَسَبِ مَرْضَاتِهِ. إِفْعَلُوا كُلَّ شَيْءٍ بِغَيْرِ تَذَمُّرٍ وَجِدَالٍ، لِكِي تَصِيرُوا بُسْطَاءَ لَا لَوْمَ عَلَيْكُمْ، وَأَبْنَاءَ لِلَّهِ لَا عَيْبَ فِيكُمْ، وَسَطَ جَيْلٍ مُعَوِّجٍ وَمُنْحَرِفٍ، تُضَيُّونَ فِيهِ كَالنَّيِّرَاتِ فِي الْعَالَمِ، مُتَمَسِّكِينَ بِكَلِمَةِ الْحَيَاةِ، لِأَفْتِخَارِي فِي يَوْمِ الْمَسِيحِ، بِأَنِّي مَا سَعَيْتُ وَلَا تَعَبْتُ بَاطِلًا. لَوْ أَنَّ دَمِي يُرَاقُ عَلَى ذَبِيحَةِ إِيمَانِكُمْ وَخِدْمَتِهِ، لَكُنْتُ أَفْرَحُ وَأَبْتَهِّجُ مَعَكُمْ جَمِيعًا. فَأَفْرَحُوا أَنْتُمْ أَيْضًا وَأَبْتَهِّجُوا مَعِي.

والتسبيح لله دائماً.

Gospel Reading

Saint Matthew 25:1-13

The Apostle Writes:

'Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you." Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

This is the truth. Peace be with you.

مِنَ انْجِيلِ الْقَدِيسِ مَتَّى

قال الرب يسوع: «يُشْبِهُ مَلَكُوتُ السَّمَاوَاتِ عَشْرَ عَدَارَى أَخَذْنَ مَصَابِيحَهُنَّ وَخَرَجْنَ إِلَى لِقَاءِ الْعَرِيسِ، خَمْسٌ مِنْهُنَّ جَاهِلَاتٌ، وَخَمْسٌ حَكِيمَاتٌ. فَالْجَاهِلَاتُ أَخَذْنَ مَصَابِيحَهُنَّ وَلَمْ يَأْخُذْنَ مَعَهُنَّ زَيْتًا. أَمَّا الْحَكِيمَاتُ فَأَخَذْنَ زَيْتًا فِي آنِيَةِ مَعِ مَصَابِيحِهِنَّ. وَأَبْطَأَ الْعَرِيسُ فَتَعَسَّنَ جَمِيعُهُنَّ، وَرَقَدْنَ. وَفِي مُنْتَصَفِ اللَّيْلِ، صَارَتِ الصَّيْحَةُ: هُوَذَا الْعَرِيسُ! أُخْرَجُوا إِلَى لِقَائِهِ! حِينَئِذٍ قَامَتِ أُولَئِكَ الْعَدَارَى كُلُّهُنَّ، وَزَيَّتْ مَصَابِيحَهُنَّ. فَقَالَتِ الْجَاهِلَاتُ لِلْحَكِيمَاتِ: أَعْطِينَا مِنْ زَيْتِكُنَّ، لِأَنَّ مَصَابِيحَنَا تَنْطَفِئُ. فَأَجَابَتِ الْحَكِيمَاتُ وَقُلْنَ: قَدْ لَا يَكْفِينَا وَيَكْفِيكُنَّ. إِذْهَبْنَ بِالْأُخْرَى إِلَى الْبَاعَةِ وَأَبْتَعْنَ لِكُنَّ. وَلَمَّا ذَهَبْنَ لِيَبْتَعْنَ، جَاءَ الْعَرِيسُ، وَدَخَلَتِ الْمُسْتَعِدَّاتُ إِلَى الْعُرْسِ، وَأَغْلَقَ الْبَابَ. وَأَخِيرًا جَاءَتِ الْعَدَارَى الْبَاقِيَاتُ وَقُلْنَ: يَا رَبُّ، يَا رَبُّ، أَفْتَحْ لَنَا! فَأَجَابَ وَقَالَ: الْحَقُّ أَقُولُ لَكُنَّ، إِنِّي لَا أَعْرِفُكُنَّ! إِسْهَرُوا إِذَا، لِأَنَّكُمْ لَا تَعْلَمُونَ الْيَوْمَ وَلَا السَّاعَةَ.

حَقًّا وَالْأَمَانَ لْجَمِيعِكُمْ.