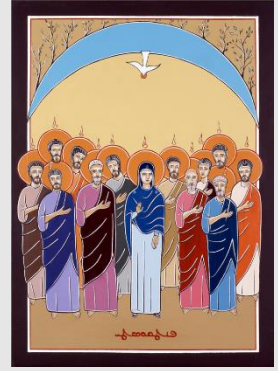




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WEEKLY BULLETIN – 05/26/2024

Season of the Glorious Pentecost

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Sunday of the Most Holy Trinity

In Memory of Those Who Served

To all the brave, we offer our deepest thanks. *Your courage and sacrifice will forever remain in our hearts.*



Heavenly Father,

We come before You with hearts full of gratitude for the brave men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom. We ask that You bless and keep their souls in Your eternal peace. Comfort their families with Your love and grace and help us to honor their legacy by striving for a world of justice and peace.

In Your Holy Name, we pray.

Amen.

Our Annual Festival is so close,

you can almost hear the music.



2024 ANNUAL LEBANESE FESTIVAL

Friday, May 31
5pm - 11pm

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SUNDAY READINGS

1st Reading – Romans 11:25-36

Gospel Reading – Matthew 28:16-20

SANCTUARY CANDLE

Festival Volunteers and Sponsors

Important Notice: Email Communication Update

It has come to my attention that some parishioners might not be receiving our church emails due to a potential glitch in the system.

If you're encountering this problem, please don't hesitate to contact the office at **215-389-2000** or email office@saintmaron.org. You can reach me directly at **978-241-2977** or pastor@saintmaron.org if you suspect you're missing any emails from the church.

Your input is crucial to keeping everyone connected.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Fr. Andrawos

DIVINE LITURGIES

Saturday, May 25, @ 4:00PM, liturgy is offered in memory of Demetria Tovar requested by family. May her soul rest in peace.

Sunday, May 26, @ 11:00AM liturgy is offered in memory of Denise Giangrante Cook requested by Tony and Priscilla Frangie. May her soul rest in peace.

Saturday, June 1, @ 4:00PM, liturgy is offered in memory of John Joseph requested by Mary Joseph. May his soul rest in peace.

Sunday, June 2, @ 11:00AM liturgy is offered in memory of Leila Touma Jebara requested by Rosemarie Marrone and family. May her soul rest in peace.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

May 18-19, 2024

Collection	\$ 1,641.00
Online	\$ 0.00
Total	\$ 1,641.00

Coffee Hour	\$ 28.00
Bishop's Appeal	\$ 530.00
Assessment	\$ 0.00
Insurance	\$ 0.00
Fuel	\$ 0.00

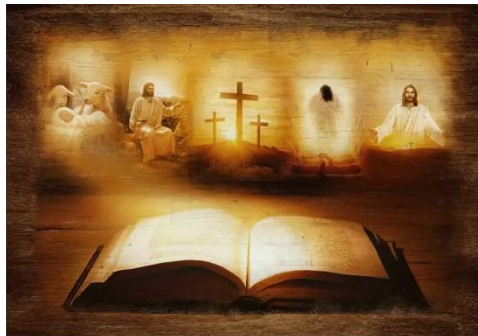
BIBLE STUDY

Every Thursday

AT 7PM

In Person:
Church Hall

Via Zoom:
Link provided by email



Bishop's Appeal 2024

Collected during Lent

Collected \$ 3,570.00

Thank you to everyone who generously donated towards the Bishop's Lenten Appeal. A special thank you goes to the two families who covered the difference.

Through your kindness, we raised the full amount due on our parish, \$3,500.00.

May God bless you abundantly and keep you safe.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers

Jay O'Donnell, Allison Auld, Carmen Sansweet, Mary Louise Scotti, Janet Labar, Krystal Valianti, Anne Mgrdichian, Carol Bevelhymmer, Mary V. (Nelson) Scotti, Mike Devinney, Debbie Freedenberg, Allan Emilio Domingez, Rev. Subdeacon Dr. Mallard T. George, Landon Reid, Tamara Lewis, Michael Thomas, Mary McKinney, Jessica McKinney, Angela McKinney, Skyla Simon, Peter Labaki, Nancy Murphy, Marentha Young-Heart, Allison Tretina, Stephanie Devinney, Angela Scorza Anderson, Raymond Fitzpatrick, Linda Yeckes, Frankie Olivieri, Marie Eddis, Mia Andrilla, Ashley Iaconelli, Elissar Ayoub, Joanne Simon-Turing, Suzanne Haney, Linda DiBernardo, Joan Speck, 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.



thank you volunteers

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

As we approach this year's festival, I once again turn to your generous hearts for support. Your kindness and generosity have always been the cornerstone of our celebrations, and I am deeply grateful for your continued contributions. Below, you will find a list outlining the items we need for this year's festivities. Your donations will ensure that our festival is a joyous and memorable occasion for all. Thank you in advance for your unwavering support and generosity.

Fr. Andrawos

FESTIVAL REMINDERS

- Sponsorships:** The sponsorship form has been sent out via mail. If you feel called to offer financial support to the church, kindly complete the form and return it to the church office. Your generosity is deeply appreciated and will help sustain our mission and ministry. Thank you for your consideration and support.
- Advertise & Promote:** Remember to spread the word about the festival by sharing the flyer with your friends and family. The more exposure we receive, the more people we can reach. The festival plays a vital role in providing financial support for our church, especially during the summer months. Your help in promoting the event is greatly appreciated and will contribute to its success.
- Volunteer Sign-up Sheet:** Please remember to complete the volunteer sign-up sheet to ensure we have sufficient volunteers at each station. Your participation is crucial in helping our event run smoothly and successfully.
- Festival Preps:** Your assistance in the food preps is greatly appreciated. Check the schedule and mark your calendars.
- Setup:** Thursday, May 30, 2024 @9AM.
- Breakdown:** Sunday, June 02, 2024 @ 9PM.
- Please Note:** at all times, volunteers are needed to help in the food preps when needed (vegetable washing and cutting, salads preps, grape leaves...)
- Items Needed for The Festival:** If you wish to donate any of the items listed on the right, please don't hesitate to contact the office at 215-389-2000 or office@saintmaron.org

ITEMS NEEDED FOR THE FESTIVAL BAR

2	½ gal.	Dewars Scotch
2	½ gal.	Woodford Bourbon
3	1.75L	Jack Daniels
2	750ml	Jameson's Irish Whiskey
5	750ml	Tequila
4	750ml	Vodka
2	1.5L	Tanqueray Gin
2	750ml	Bacardi Rum (white)
2	750ml	Dark Rum
3	750ml	Sambuca
6	1.5L	Red Wine
3	1.5L	Rosé Wine
15	cs.	Corona Beer in Bottles
4	Btls.	Grapefruit Juice
4	Btls.	Pineapple Juice
16	cs.	Coke
6	cs.	Diet Coke
6	cs.	Sprite
8	Btls.	Tonic Water
2	1L	Sprite
3	1L.	Gingerale
10	gal.	Orange Juice
6	Btls.	Cranberry Juice
4	128oz	Maraschino Cherries



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Delicious Food - Drinks - Desserts - Live Entertainment - Dancing
50/50 CASH PRIZE RAFFLE

Festival PREPS

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

DATE	START TIME	PREPS
Tuesday, May 28	6:30 PM	Shawarma and other preps
Wednesday, May 29	4:00 PM	Chicken Kabob
Thursday, May 30	9:00AM	Setup and kitchen preps
	10:00 AM	Festival Preps
	6:30 PM	Chicken Skewers
	6:30 PM	Meat Kabob
Friday, May 31	9:00 AM	Festival Preps
		Meat Skewers

The **VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP SHEET** for the 3-day festival was mailed along with the **festival package**. Please take a moment to review the information and fill out the form, then send it back to the office. Your prompt response will ensure that all stations are adequately staffed with volunteers and that will guarantee a smooth flow of work in the festival.

Fr. Andrawos

3-Day Festival

The form outlines the festival dates, detail the stations requiring assistance and provide slots for you to indicate your availability, specify when and where you can lend a hand and for what duration. Thank you for your love and commitment to the Church.

Join Our Sister Parishes – Summer Festivals

June 7 - June 9

St. Sharbel Church
Somerset, NJ

June 21 - June 23

Our Lady of Lebanon
Waterbury, CT

July 26 - July 28

Our Lady Star of the East
Pleasantville, NJ

August 3 - August 4

Our Lady of Lebanon Church
Easton, PA



**Our Spirituality
Gives us Hope**

Thursday, October 24, 2024

*15th Annual Benefit Dinner for
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*The Union League Club
New York City*

Invitation to Follow



Proceeds will support the
Seminarians, Parishes and
Missions, Retired Priests, help to
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our newly acquired St. Sharbel
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Join Bishop Gregory and the

Maronite Community on

Sunday, May 26th

at Our Lady of Lebanon Cathedral

for the

2024 National Eucharistic Pilgrimage

Expected timeline:

3:30pm - Procession begins midway on the Brooklyn Bridge

4:30pm - Procession arrival at Our Lady of Lebanon Cathedral

4:30-5pm - Adoration and Benediction at Our Lady of Lebanon Cathedral

5pm - Procession departs for St. James Co-Cathedral

First Reading

Romans 11:25-36

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

Brothers and Sisters:

So that you may not claim to be wiser than you are, brothers and sisters, I want you to understand this mystery: a hardening has come upon part of Israel, until the full number of the Gentiles has come in. And so all Israel will be saved; as it is written, 'Out of Zion will come the Deliverer; he will banish ungodliness from Jacob.' 'And this is my covenant with them, when I take away their sins.' As regards the gospel they are enemies of God for your sake; but as regards election they are beloved, for the sake of their ancestors; for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all. O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgements and how inscrutable his ways! 'For who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counsellor?' 'Or who has given a gift to him, to receive a gift in return?' For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory forever. Amen.

Praise be to God always.

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل رومة

يا إِخْوَتِي، لا أريدُ، أَيُّهَا الإِخْوَةُ، أَنْ تَجْهَلُوا هَذَا السِّرَّ، لِئَلَّا تَكُونُوا حُكَمَاءَ فِي عُيُونِ أَنْفُسِكُمْ، وَهُوَ أَنَّ التَّصَلَّبَ أَصَابَ قِسْمًا مِنْ بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ، إِلَى أَنْ يُؤْمِنَ الأُمَّمُ بِأَكْمَلِهِمْ. وَهَكَذَا يَخْلُصُ جَمِيعُ بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ، كَمَا هُوَ مَكْتُوبٌ: "مَنْ صِهْيُونُ يَأْتِي المُنْقِذُ، وَيُرْدُّ الكُفْرَ عَن يَعْقُوبَ؛ وَهَذَا هُوَ عَهْدِي مَعَهُمْ، حِينَ أُزِيلُ خَطَايَاهُمْ". فَهُمْ مِنْ جِهَةِ الإِنْجِيلِ أَعْدَاءٌ مِنْ أَجْلِكُمْ، أَمَّا مِنْ جِهَةِ اخْتِيَارِ اللهِ، فَهُمْ أَحِبَّاءٌ مِنْ أَجْلِ الآبَاءِ؛ لِأَنَّ اللهَ لا يَتَرَجَعُ أَبَدًا عَن مَوَاهِبِهِ وَدَعْوَتِهِ. فَكَمَا عَصَيْتُمُ اللهُ أَنْتُمْ فِي مَا مَضَى، وَرُحِمْتُمْ الآنَ مِنْ جَرَاءِ عُصْيَانِهِمْ، كَذَلِكَ هُمْ الآنَ عَصَوْا اللهُ مِنْ أَجْلِ رَحْمَتِكُمْ، لِكَيْ يُرْحَمُوا الآنَ هُمْ أَيْضًا؛ لِأَنَّ اللهَ قَدْ حَبَسَ جَمِيعَ النَّاسِ فِي العُصْيَانِ، لِكَيْ يَرْحَمَ الجَمِيعَ. فَيَا لَعُمُقِ غِنَى اللهِ وَحِكْمَتِهِ وَمَعْرِفَتِهِ! مَا أَبْعَدَ أَحْكَامُهُ عَنِ الإِدْرَاكِ، وَطُرُقُهُ عَنِ الأَسْتِقْصَاءِ! فَمَنْ عَرَفَ فِكْرَ الرَّبِّ؟ أَوْ مَنْ صَارَ لَهُ مُشِيرًا؟ أَوْ مَنْ أَقْرَضَهُ شَيْئًا فَيَرُدُّهُ اللهُ إِلَيْهِ؟ لِأَنَّ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ مِنْهُ وَبِهِ وَإِلَيْهِ. لَهُ المَجْدُ إِلَى الدَّهْورِ. آمِينَ.

والتسبيح لله دائماً.

Gospel Reading

Saint Matthew 28:16-20

The Apostle Writes:

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

This is the truth. Peace be with you.

مِنْ إِنْجِيلِ الْقَدِيسِ مَتَّى

أَمَّا التَّلَامِيذُ الْأَحَدَ عَشَرَ فَذَهَبُوا إِلَى الْجَلِيلِ، إِلَى الْجَبَلِ حَيْثُ أَمَرَهُمْ يَسُوعُ. وَلَمَّا رَأَوْهُ سَجَدُوا لَهُ، بَرَعَمَ أَنَّهُمْ شَكُّوا. فَذَنَا يَسُوعُ وَكَلَّمَهُمْ قَائِلًا: "لَقَدْ أُعْطِيَتْ كُلُّ سُلْطَانِ فِي السَّمَاءِ وَعَلَى الْأَرْضِ. إِذْهَبُوا إِذَا فَتَلْمَذُوا كُلَّ الْأُمَّمِ، وَعَمِّدُوهُمْ بِاسْمِ الْآبِ وَالْأَبْنِ وَالرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ، وَعَلِّمُوهُمْ أَنْ يَحْفَظُوا كُلَّ مَا أُوصَيْتُكُمْ بِهِ. وَهَا أَنَا مَعَكُمْ كُلَّ الْأَيَّامِ إِلَى نِهَايَةِ الْعَالَمِ."

حَقًّا وَالْأَمَانِ لِكُلِّكُمْ.



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