



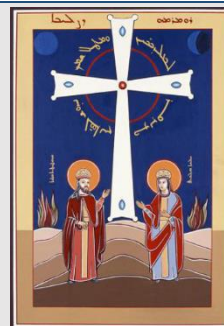
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WEEKLY BULLETIN – 09/015/2024

1st Sunday after Holy Cross



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TUESDAY – FRIDAY 10:30AM - 4:00PM

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MYA

Coordinators: Summer Dib, Debeanne Semaan

Men's Club

The election for the roles of president, vice president and treasurer is currently ongoing.

In Loving Memory and Prayerful Support

Dear Parishioners,

It is with deep sadness that we inform you of the passing of George James Mansour, father of Bishop Gregory Mansour. George passed away peacefully on Saturday, September 7, 2024, in Miami, Florida, at the age of 93, surrounded by his family, who were praying the Rosary.

Born in Flint, Michigan, on July 8, 1931, George was a devoted family man and a lifelong member of Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Church in Flint, as well as Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Church in Miami. He was known for his deep faith, generosity, and dedication to his community and family.

George's Funeral Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on Saturday, September 14, 2024, at Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Church in Flint, Michigan, with a viewing from 10:00 AM to 10:45 AM, followed by the Liturgy at 11:00 AM and interment at New Calvary Cemetery in Flint. A Meal of Mercy will follow the burial at Our Lady of Lebanon Church Hall.

At Saint Maron, we will celebrate the Divine Liturgy for the repose of his soul on Saturday, September 14, 2024 and Sunday, September 15, 2024.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to Bishop Gregory Mansour and his entire family. May God grant George eternal rest and comfort to his family during this difficult time.

Please keep the Mansour family in your prayers.

In Christ,

Fr Andrawos (Fadi) El Tabchi
Pastor

SUNDAY READINGS

1st Reading: 2 Tim. 2:1-10

Gospel Reading: Mark 10:35-45

SANCTUARY CANDLE: For our Children and Youth

Heavenly Father, we ask you for Your protection, guidance and wisdom for our children and youth as they begin a new school year, that they may grow in knowledge, faith and love, always walking in your light. Amen

BIBLE STUDY

Every Thursday at 7PM

In Person:
Church Hall

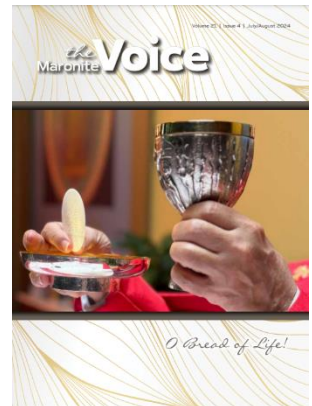
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the **Voice**
Maronite

The new issue of the Maronite Voice (Volume 21, Issue 4, July/Aug 2024) is now available online at:
<https://www.maronitevoice.org/blog/2024/08/10/2024-iv>

pages 27 & 30



DIVINE LITURGIES

Saturday, September 14, @ 4:00PM, liturgy is offered for the repose of soul of George Mansour father of Bishop Gregory. May his soul rest in peace.

Sunday, September 15, @ 11:00AM liturgy is offered for the repose of soul of George Mansour father of Bishop Gregory. May his soul rest in peace.

Saturday, September 21, @ 4:00PM, liturgy is offered for a special intention.

Sunday, September 22, @ 11:00AM liturgy is offered for the repose of soul of Robert Cherfane requested by family. May his soul rest in peace.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Sept. 7-8, 2024

Collection	\$ 2,237.00
Holy Cross	\$ 110.00
Online	\$ 100.00
Total	\$ 2,447.00

Coffee Hour	\$ 27.00
Bishop's Appeal	\$ 0.00
Assessment	\$ 30.00
Insurance	\$ 150.00
Fuel	\$ 0.00
Donation	\$ 0.00

Save The Date

Block Party

Saturday

September 21, 2024



From 1:00 pm to 10:00 pm

The Sanctity of Life Office



The Mission of the Family and Sanctity of Life Office for the Eparchy of St Maron is to advocate for the sacredness of all human life from conception until natural death. It is our hope to build a "Culture of Life" that respects and protects all life, particularly the most vulnerable, the unborn, persons with disabilities, the elderly, and the terminally ill. We promote Catholic values and teachings on Life in an effort to protect threats to human life and to spread the understanding of the gift of Life to all.

For more information about the Sanctity of Life, you can visit their website via the link below:

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

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 Bevelhmyer, 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.

MYO Corner

2024 Eparchial MYO Retreat

Regions: New England, Mid-Atlantic East, Mid-Atlantic West

REGISTRATION IS OPEN!



Time

Retreat Check-In: Friday, October 25 at 4pm
Retreat Check-Out: Sunday, October 27 at 3pm

Location

America's Keswick Christian Retreat Ctr,
601 County Rd 530, Whiting, NJ 08759

To register click on the following link:

<https://www.myoeparchystmaron.org/event-details/2024-eparchial-myoe-retreat/form>

Registration closes on:

September 30, 2024 @ 11:59 PM

CCD Corner

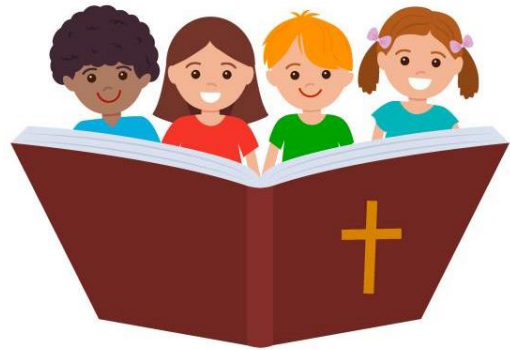
Register your Children

Registration form sent by email

Classes Start

This Sunday

September 15, 2024



First Responders Appreciation Day



Monday, September 30, 2024

11:00 AM - 7:00 PM

11:00 AM

Divine Liturgy

12:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Appreciation Buffet

Join us as we honor and
celebrate the bravery
and dedication of our
first responders!

For information contact P/O Juan Ace Delgado

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MYO
Upcoming
Events

MID-ATLANTIC

25-27
OCT
2024 EPARCHIAL
NORTH RETREAT
America's Keswick
Whiting, NJ

5
APR
2025 LENTEN
DAY RETREAT
(TBD)

23-28
JUN
2025 NATIONAL
MYO CONFERENCE
(TBD)

11-13
OCT
2025 EPARCHIAL
NORTH RETREAT
Marist Brothers Center
Esopus, NY

September 2024 At a glance

SAT – Aug 31		16th Sunday of Pentecost
SUN - Sept 1		
MON – Sep 2	Labor Day	
SAT – Sep 7		Exaltation of the Holy Cross
SUN – Sep 8	Religious Education Parents' Meeting	Block Party Preps
MON – Sep 9		
TUE – Sep 10		
WED – Sep 11		
THU – Sep 12	5:00 PM – Kafta preps	
FRI – Sep 13	4:00 PM – Grape leaves	
SAT – Sep 14		1st Sunday after Holy Cross
SUN – Sep 15	Religious Education Classes Start	Block Party Preps
MON – Sep 16	2:00 PM Maamoul and Cookies	
TUE – Sep 17		
WED – Sep 18	6:00 PM Shawarma	
THU – Sep 19	6:00 PM Beef and Chicken	
FRI – Sep 20	3:00 PM preps (babaghanouj, garlic, tahini,...)	
SAT – Sep 21	Block Party Check Rain Day	2nd Sunday after Holy Cross
SUN – Sep 22		3rd Sunday after Holy Cross
SAT – Sep 28	MYO Game Night (Console / Board Games)	
SUN – Sep 29	Saint Michael's feast day: Volunteers Appreciation Lunch	
MON – Sep 30	1st Responders Appreciation Day	
<p style="text-align: center;">Feast: Sunday, September 8, 2024: Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Sunday, September 8, 2024: Celebration of the Exaltation of The Holy Cross 2ND Collection: September 8, 2024 – Catholic University of America and Maronite Seminary</p>		

October 2024 At a glance

SAT – Oct 5	Block Party Rain Day		4th Sunday after Holy Cross
SUN – Oct 6	Holy Rosary Sunday		
SAT – Oct 12	MYO Social Night		5th Sunday after Holy Cross
SUN – Oct 13	Tele Lumiere & Caritas Coffee Hour 2nd Sunday of October: Order of Saint Sharbel Sunday		
MON – Oct 14	Columbus Day		
SAT – Oct 19	MYA Movie Night		6th Sunday after Holy Cross
SUN – Oct 20	Saint Jude Novena	Town Hall Meeting	
MON – Oct 21	Saint Jude Novena		
TUE – Oct 22	Saint Jude Novena		
WED – Oct 23	Saint Jude Novena		
THU – Oct 24	Saint Jude Novena		
FRI – Oct 25	Saint Jude Novena	MYO EPARCHIAL RETREAT	Sunday of Christ the King
SAT – Oct 26	Saint Jude Novena		
SUN – Oct 27	Saint Jude Novena		
MON – Oct 28	Saint Jude Novena	PASTA NIGHT	
<p style="text-align: center;">Saint Jude Novena: October 20 -28, 2024 October 28: Saint Jude Pasta Night Saturday Liturgies at 4:00 PM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MYO EPARCHIAL RETREAT: Friday, October 25 – Sunday, October 27, 2024</p> <p style="text-align: center;">2ND Collection: October 20, 2024 – World Mission Sunday</p>			

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Friday, September 13, 2024 5:00PM - 11:00PM
Saturday, September 14, 2024 12:00PM - 11:00PM

Live Entertainment



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George & Mitsinas Dib
With Bashir El- Khoury Band



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Drawing
Saturday, September 14, 2024
10:30PM

4254 Acushnet Ave, New Bedford, MA 02745



St. Nicholas Of Tolentine Italian festival



1700 South 9th Street
Philadelphia, PA 19148

Sunday, October 6, 2024

Some Comments on social media about our Fundraisers when we posted the Block Party flyer:

1. I was there for the spring party everything was delicious. I'll be happy to come join again!
2. These parties are great and also welcome to folks who aren't Lebanese – just show up, people are awesome.
3. The grape leaves and kibbe I've had at the summer festival bring me back to the flavors of my childhood.
4. Definitely gonna be there.
5. Always good to meet the people of the community in a fun setting like this.

First Reading

2 Timothy 2:1-10

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

Brothers and Sisters:

Be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus; and what you have heard from me through many witnesses entrust to faithful people who will be able to teach others as well. Share in suffering like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No one serving in the army gets entangled in everyday affairs; the soldier's aim is to please the enlisting officer. And in the case of an athlete, no one is crowned without competing according to the rules. It is the farmer who does the work who ought to have the first share of the crops. Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in all things. Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore, I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

Praise be to God always.

Gospel Reading

Saint Mark 10:35-45

The Apostle Writes:

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.' When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

This is the truth. Peace be with you.

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Appreciation Lunch

Sunday, September 29, 2024



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دَنَا مِنْ يَسُوعَ يَعْقُوبُ وَيُوحَنَّا، ابْنَا زَبْدَى ، وَقَالَا لَهُ: «يَا مُعَلِّمَ، نُرِيدُ أَنْ تَصْنَعَ لَنَا كُلَّ مَا نَسْأَلُكَ». فَقَالَ لَهُمَا: «مَاذَا تُرِيدَانِ أَنْ أَصْنَعَ لَكُمَا؟». قَالَا لَهُ: «أَعْطِنَا أَنْ نَجْلِسَ فِي مَجْدِكَ، وَاحِدٌ عَنِ يَمِينِكَ، وَوَاحِدٌ عَنِ يَسَارِكَ». فَقَالَ لَهُمَا يَسُوعُ: «إِنَّكُمَا لَا تَعْلَمَانِ مَا تَطْلُبَانِ: هَلْ تَسْتَطِيعَانِ أَنْ تَشْرَبَا الْكَأْسَ الَّتِي أَشْرَبُهَا أَنَا؟ أَوْ أَنْ تَتَّعِمَدَا بِالْمَعْمُودِيَّةِ الَّتِي أَتَّعِمَدُ بِهَا أَنَا؟». قَالَا لَهُ: «نَسْتَطِيعُ». فَقَالَ لَهُمَا يَسُوعُ: «الْكَأْسَ الَّتِي أَنَا أَشْرَبُهَا سَتَشْرَبَانِيهَا، وَالْمَعْمُودِيَّةَ الَّتِي أَنَا أَتَّعِمَدُ بِهَا سَتَتَّعِمَدَانِ بِهَا. أَمَّا الْجُلُوسُ عَنِ يَمِينِي أَوْ عَنِ يَسَارِي، فَلَيْسَ لِي أَنْ أَمْنَحَهُ إِلَّا لِلَّذِينَ أُعِدُّ لَهُمْ». وَلَمَّا سَمِعَ الْعَشْرَةُ الْآخَرُونَ، بَدَأُوا يَعْتَاطُونَ مِنْ يَعْقُوبَ وَيُوحَنَّا. فَدَعَاهُمْ يَسُوعَ إِلَيْهِ وَقَالَ لَهُمْ: «تَعْلَمُونَ أَنَّ الَّذِينَ يُعْتَبَرُونَ رُؤَسَاءَ الْأُمَّمِ يَسُودُونَهُمْ، وَعُظَمَاءَهُمْ يَتَسَلَطُونَ عَلَيْهِمْ. أَمَّا أَنْتُمْ فَلَيْسَ الْأَمْرُ بَيْنَكُمْ هكَذَا، بَلْ مَنْ أَرَادَ أَنْ يَكُونَ فِيكُمْ عَظِيمًا، فَلْيَكُنْ لَكُمْ خَادِمًا. وَمَنْ أَرَادَ أَنْ يَكُونَ الْأَوَّلَ بَيْنَكُمْ، فَلْيَكُنْ عَبْدًا لِلْجَمِيعِ؛ لِأَنَّ ابْنَ الْإِنْسَانِ أَيْضًا لَمْ يَأْتِ لِيُخْدَمَ، بَلْ لِيُخْدَمَ، وَيَبْدُلَ نَفْسَهُ فِدَاءً عَنِ كَثِيرِينَ».

حَقًّا وَالْأَمَانِ لَجَمِيعِكُمْ.

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الثانية إلى طيموتاوس

يا إخواني، وأنت، يا أبنائي، تشدّد بالنعمة التي في المسيح يسوع. وما سمعته مني بحضور شهود كثيرين، استودعته أناسًا أمناء، جديرين هم أيضًا بأن يعلموا غيرهم. شاركني في احتمال المشقات كجندبي صالح للمسيح يسوع. وما من جندبي ينهمك في الأمور المعيشية، إذا أراد أن يرضي من جنده. ومن يصارع لا يتال إكليلًا إلا إذا صارع بحسب الأصول. والحارث الذي يتعب له الحق بالنصيب الأول من الثمر. تأمل في ما أقول: والرب سيعطيك فهمًا في كل شيء! تذكر يسوع المسيح الذي قام من بين الأموات، وهو من نسل داود، بحسب إنجيلي، الذي فيه احتمل المشقات حتى القيود كمجرم، لكن كلمة الله لا تقيد. لذلك أضبر على كل شيء من أجل المختارين، ليحصلوا هم أيضًا على الخلاص في المسيح يسوع مع المجد الأبدي. والتسبيح لله دائمًا.

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Sunday, October 20, 2024

Following Divine Liturgy

Church Hall

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