



Saint Maron Maronite Catholic Church

1013 Ellsworth Street, Philadelphia, PA 19147

215.389.2000 | 215.334.1884 | office@saintmaron.org

WEEKLY BULLETIN – 09/29/2024

3rd Sunday after Holy Cross



OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY – FRIDAY 10:30AM - 4:00PM

Pastor

Fr. Andrawos (Fadi) El Tabchi

Advisor / Consultant

Fr. David Fisher

Administrative Assistant

Claudine ElHajal

Parish Council

Costa J. Mansour, Michael Marrone, Anne Tayoun, Manal ElHajal, Rosemarie Marrone, Barbara Dahdah, Tony Frangie, Khalil Raie, Nahi Rai, Roger Jebara

Finance Committee

Philip Rai, Deebeanne Tavani, Terri Koway, Fred Haddad, Paul Kouyoumdji, Denise Eddis, Jimmy Jebara, Jano Frangie

Festival Chairmen

Billy Tayoun, Tony Frangie

Saint Jude

Denise Eddis, Theresa Barry

Religious Education Program

CCD & MYO Director: Janah Szewczyk

CCD Advisor: Rosemarie Marrone

Teachers: Rania Sukkarieh, Maha Labbad, Samar Dawlabani, Reine Ghazaly, Janah Szewczyk, Sanaa Rizk, Samer Hourani, Christian Sadaka, Youmna Layoun.

MYO Advisors: Zeina Topalina, Anne Tayoun, Summer Dib, Diego Jorge

MYA

Coordinators: Summer Dib, DebbieAnna Semaan

Men's Club

President: John Azzi

Vice-President: Nickolas Dawlabani

Treasurer: Christian Sadaka

SUNDAY READINGS

1st Reading:

Philippians 3:17 – 4:1

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 24:23-31

1st Responders Appreciation Lunch Monday, September 30, 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

Juan.delgado@phila.gov | 215.686.3033

Saint Maron Church Hall | 1013 Ellsworth Street, Philadelphia, PA 19147

SANCTUARY CANDLE: This week's sanctuary candle is lit for all 1st responders, May God give them guidance in their service, help them in moments of danger and strength as they care for others. We also remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty. May their souls rest in peace and may their bravery and dedication inspire us all.

BIBLE STUDY

Every Thursday at 7PM

In Person:
Church Hall

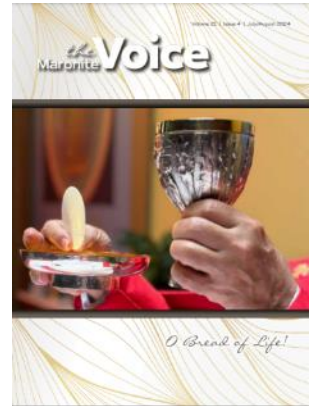
Via Zoom:
Link provided by
email



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 28, @ 4:00PM, liturgy is offered for a special intention.

Sunday, September 29, @ 11:00AM liturgy is offered for all our Volunteers.

Saturday, October 5, @ 4:00PM, liturgy is offered for a special intention.

Sunday, October 6, @ 11:00AM liturgy is offered for a special intention.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Sept. 21-22, 2024

Collection	\$ 1,131.00
Online	\$ 0.00
Total	\$ 1,131.00

Coffee Hour	\$ 38.00
Bishop's Appeal	\$ 110.00
Assessment	\$ 0.00
Insurance	\$ 0.00
Fuel	\$ 0.00
Donations	\$ 920.00

Town Hall Meeting: Parish Finances

On behalf of the Finance Committee, I invite you to join us for an important Town Hall Meeting on Sunday, October 20, 2024, immediately following the Divine Liturgy.

At this meeting, we will review and discuss the financial state of our parish. It is essential for all parishioners to attend as we provide a transparent update on our financial situation, including both challenges and opportunities. This is your chance to ask questions, share insights, and be a part of ensuring the financial health of our parish community.

Your presence and participation are key to making informed decisions that will shape the future of our church. We look forward to seeing you there.

Fr Andrawos (Fadi) El Tabchi
Pastor



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-my-retreat/form>

Registration closes on:

September 30, 2024 @ 11:59 PM

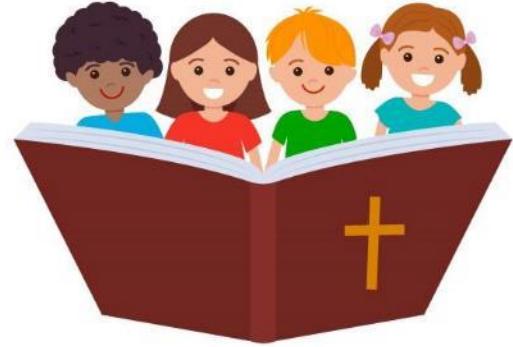
CCD Corner

Register your Children

Registration form sent by email

Classes Started

“Registration is still open”



September 2024 At a glance

SUN – Sep 29	Saint Michael's feast day
MON – Sep 30	1st Responders Appreciation Day
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	

October 2024 At a glance

SAT – Oct 5	Block Party Rain Day	4th Sunday after Holy Cross
SUN – Oct 6	Holy Rosary Sunday	Holy Cross
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	Holy Cross
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
SAT – Oct 26	Saint Jude Novena	
SUN – Oct 27	Saint Jude Novena	
MON – Oct 28	Saint Jude Novena	PASTA NIGHT
Saint Jude Novena: October 20 -28, 2024 October 28: Saint Jude Pasta Night Saturday Liturgies at 4:00 PM		
MYO EPARCHIAL RETREAT: Friday, October 25 – Sunday, October 27, 2024		
2ND Collection: October 20, 2024 – World Mission Sunday		

Come & See Retreat Weekend for young adult women November 29- December 1, 2024 at Mother of the Light Convent in Dartmouth MA.

“I am the servant of the Lord” — Luke 1:38

Is Jesus calling you to Come and See? Are you seeking to learn more about prayer, discerning God’s voice and the gift of religious life. The Maronite Servants of Christ the Light located in Dartmouth MA, invite young adult women (ages 18-39) to prayerfully consider joining them for a Come & See Retreat Weekend, November 29 - December 1, 2024. The weekend is designed to give young adult women a glimpse into our prayer and communal life and to enjoy some adoration time with Jesus, our Eucharistic Lord.

To register visit www.maroniteservants.org.

If you have any questions or know of any women discerning religious life or are seeking helpful tools to discern, please have them contact Vocation Director, Sister Therese Maria, srtherese2010@gmail.com.



Office of Family & Sanctity of Life

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



Family Life

FIND YOUR PURPOSE, FEED YOUR SOUL

AUTHENTIC FEMININITY



Woman of Grace Founder and Study Author *Johnnette Benkovic Williams*

Learn about the Women of Grace® Foundational Study, through which you will embark upon a journey of discovery and transformation as you explore the great call and gift of your femininity. Along the way, each week you will meet two great women saints, receive wisdom from Holy Mother Church, unpack the life-changing wisdom of Holy Scripture, and discover how the Blessed Virgin Mary is the exemplar of discipleship and the pathway to her Son, Jesus Christ and the heart of the Father.

REGIONAL COORDINATOR LED
INTRODUCTORY ZOOM

Monday
October 7, 2024

ZOOM AT
7:00 pm est.

REGISTRATION



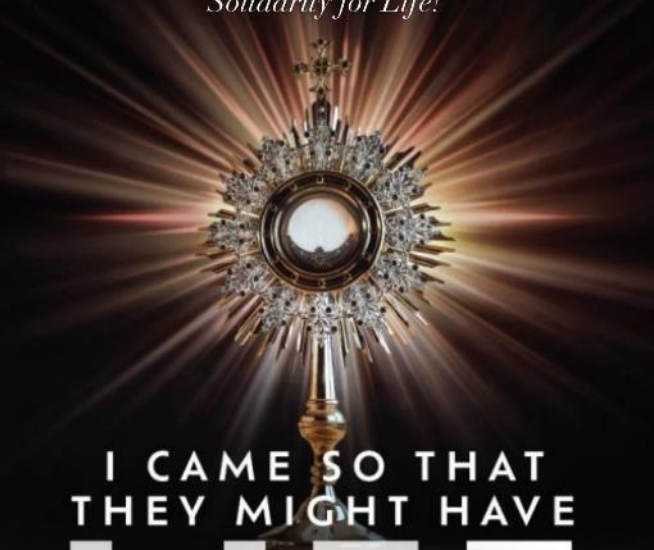
SCAN ME

SAVE THE DATE

OCTOBER 17 - FACILITATOR TRAINING

FROM 7-9PM EST

October is Respect Life Month, Let us pray in
Solidarity for Life!



I CAME SO THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE LIFE

Respect Life

Find more information about October prayers and
Novena for Life @ www.Familyandsanctityoflife.org

Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn News

Zoom talk on the Massabki Brothers canonization



MARONITE
EPARCHIAL
COUPLES
MINISTRY

Massabki Brothers

NEW MARONITE SAINTS

Join us online to delve into the lives of the Blessed Massabki brothers, who will be canonized as Maronite saints. Connect with their inspirational lives of service and martyrdom during a talk by Bishop Gregory Mansour.

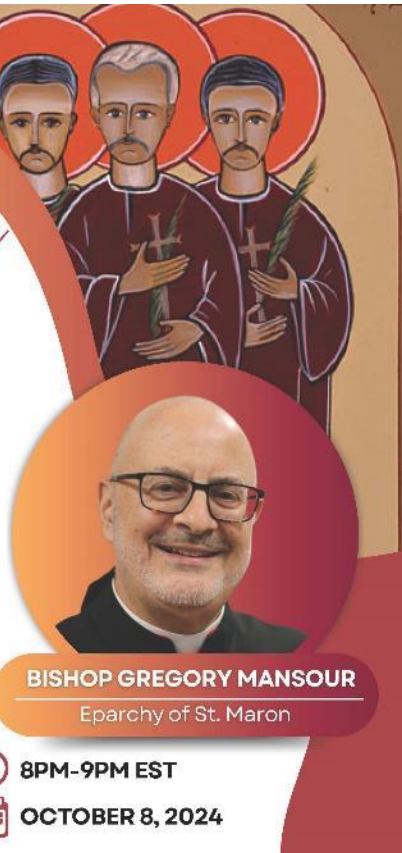
Register here for Zoom info!
saintsharbelcenter.org/zoom-series/massabki-brothers-new-maronite-saints



8PM-9PM EST



OCTOBER 8, 2024



BISHOP GREGORY MANSOUR

Eparchy of St. Maron

**October 8, 2024
8 PM – 9 PM
Viam Zoom**

For more info and to register click on the link:

<https://saintsharbelcenter.org/zoom-series/massabki-brothers-new-maronite-saints>

Eparchial Annual Benefit Dinner

Please join Bishop Gregory Mansour at the Eparchy of Saint Maron's Fifteenth Annual Benefit Dinner, **Thursday, October 24, 2024** at the **Union League Club, 38 East 37th Street, New York, NY 10016**.

Proceeds will support *Seminarians, Parishes and Missions, Retired Priests, provide help to our Church in the Middle East, and our newly acquired Saint Sharbel Spiritual Life Center.*

We seek the spirituality of Saint Sharbel to brighten our world with HOPE! And we look forward to seeing you and thank you for your support.

Cocktail Reception 6:00 PM — 7:30 PM

Silent Auction throughout the evening.

<https://www.stmaron.org/eparchial-benefit>

15th Annual Benefit Dinner for
The Eparchy of Saint Maron

Thursday, October 24, 2024

*The Union League Club
New York City*

2024 Honorees:

Bassam and Mirna Ayoub

**Doctor Charbel Ishak and
Doctor Maria Ajaimy**

To purchase tickets or
for more information please visit:

stmaron.org/eparchial-benefit

First Reading

Philippians 3:17 - 4:1

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

Brothers and Sisters:

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation so that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Praise be to God always.

Join Our Sister Parishes

Summer Festival

Sunday, October 6, 2024



**St. Nicholas Of
Tolentine
Italian festival**

1700 South 9th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19148

Gospel Reading

Saint Matthew 24:23-31

The Apostle Writes:

If anyone says to you, "Look! Here is the Messiah!" or "There he is!" do not believe it. For false messiahs and false prophets will appear and produce great signs and omens, to lead astray, if possible, even the elect. Take note, I have told you beforehand. So, if they say to you, "Look! He is in the wilderness", do not go out. If they say, "Look! He is in the inner rooms", do not believe it. For as the lightning comes from the east and flashes as far as the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather. 'Immediately after the suffering of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of heaven will be shaken. Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see "the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven" with power and great glory. And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

This is the truth. Peace be with you.

Follow our MYA on Instagram



https://www.instagram.com/mya.philly?igsh=MXQ0em5iaWlY3dlZw%3D%3D&utm_source=qr

مِنْ إِنْجِيلِ الْقَدِيسِ مَتَّى

قَالَ الرَّبُّ يَسُوعُ: «إِنْ قَالَ لَكُمْ أَحَدٌ: هُوَذَا الْمَسِيحُ هُنَا أَوْ هُنَاكَ! فَلَا تُصَدِّقُوا. فَسَوْفَ يَفُومُ مُسْحَاءً كَذَبَةً وَأَنْبِيَاءً كَذَبَةً، وَيَأْتُونَ بِآيَاتٍ عَظِيمَةٍ وَخَوَارِقَ، لِيُضِلُّوا الْمُخْتَارِينَ أَنْفُسَهُمْ، لَوْ قَدِرُوا. هَا إِنِّي قَدْ أَنْبَأْتُكُمْ! فَإِنْ قَالُوا لَكُمْ: هَا هُوَ فِي الْبَرِّيَّةِ! فَلَا تَخْرُجُوا، أَوْ: هَا هُوَ فِي دَاخِلِ الْبَيْتِ! فَلَا تُصَدِّقُوا. فَكَمَا أَنَّ الْبَرْقَ يُومِضُ مِنَ الْمَشَارِقِ، وَيَسْطَعُ حَتَّى الْمَغَارِبِ، هَكَذَا يَكُونُ مَجِيءُ ابْنِ الْإِنْسَانِ. حَيْثُ تَكُونُ الْجَنَّةُ هُنَاكَ تَجْتَمِعُ النُّسُورُ. وَحَالًا بَعْدَ ضَيْقِ تِلْكَ الْأَيَّامِ، أَلْشَّمْسُ تَظْلِمُ، وَالْقَمَرُ لَا يُعْطِي ضَوْءَهُ، وَالنُّجُومُ تَتَسَاقَطُ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ، وَقُوَّاتُ السَّمَاوَاتِ تَتَزَعَزَعُ. وَحِينَئِذٍ تَظْهَرُ فِي السَّمَاءِ عَلَامَةٌ ابْنِ الْإِنْسَانِ، فَتَنْتَجِبُ قِبَائِلُ الْأَرْضِ كُلِّهَا، وَتَرَى ابْنَ الْإِنْسَانِ آتِيًا عَلَى سَحَابِ السَّمَاءِ بِقُدْرَةٍ وَمَجْدٍ عَظِيمٍ. وَيُرْسِلُ مَلَائِكَتَهُ يَنْفُخُونَ فِي بُوقٍ عَظِيمٍ، فَيَجْمَعُونَ مُخْتَارِيهِ مِنَ الرِّيَّاحِ الْأَرْبَعِ، مِنْ أَقْصَايِ السَّمَاوَاتِ إِلَى أَقْصَايِهَا. حَقًّا وَالْأَمَانُ لَجَمِيعِكُمْ.

One Day Retreat for the Ladies

SAVE THE DATE

LADIES SODALITY REGIONAL DAY RETREAT

HOSTED AT
SAINT SHARBEL CHURCH
SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY

SEPTEMBER 28
FROM 9AM - 4:30PM
*THE COST IS FREE

ALL SODALITY MEMBERS FROM OUR
NEIGHBOURING SISTER PARISHES ARE
CORDIALLY INVITED TO PARTICIPATE

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

WWW.SAINTSHARBELNJ.ORG

UNITY, PEACE & LOVE



MARONITE FAITH FORMATION
ONLINE SERIES – FALL 2024

MARONITE HISTORY

3 VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS

SEPTEMBER 26 -- MARONITE PATRIARCHS
(FR. DOMINIQUE HANNA)

OCTOBER 3-- MARONITE HISTORY
(CHORBISHOP SEELY BEGGIANI)

OCTOBER 10 -- MARONITE MARTYRS
(FR. CLAUDE FRANKLIN)

Via Zoom on Thursdays
8:00-9:30PM EST



HOSTED BY THE MARONITE SERVANTS
OF CHRIST THE LIGHT
THROUGH THE SAINT SHARBEL CENTER



TO SUPPORT OUR MISSION VENMO @MARONITESERVANTS

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل فيلبتي
يا إِخْوَتِي، إِقْتَدُوا بِي، وَأَنْظُرُوا إِلَى الَّذِينَ يَسْلُكُونَ عَلَى
مِثَالِنَا. فَكَثِيرٌ مِنْ أَوْلِيكَ الَّذِينَ كُنْتَ أَكَلِمَكُمْ عَنْهُمْ مِرَارًا،
وَأَكَلِمَكُمْ عَنْهُمْ الْآنَ بَاكِئًا، يَسْلُكُونَ كَأَعْدَاءِ لِصَلِيبِ
الْمَسِيحِ، أَوْلِيكَ الَّذِينَ عَاقَبْتُهُمْ الْهَلَاكِ، أَوْلِيكَ الَّذِينَ إِلَهُهُمْ
بَطْنُهُمْ، وَمَجْدُهُمْ فِي عَارِهِمْ، وَفِي أُمُورِ الْأَرْضِ هُمُّهُمْ.
أَمَّا نَحْنُ فَمَدِينَتُنَا فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ، وَمِنْهَا نَنْتَظِرُ الرَّبَّ يَسُوعَ
الْمَسِيحَ مُخْلِصًا. وَهُوَ سَيُعَيِّرُ جَسَدَ هَوَانِنَا، فَيَجْعَلُهُ عَلَى
صُورَةِ جَسَدِ مَجْدِهِ، وَفَقًّا لِعَمَلِ قُدْرَتِهِ، الَّتِي بِهَا يُخْضِعُ
لِنَفْسِهِ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ. إِذَا، يَا إِخْوَتِي، الَّذِينَ أُحِبُّهُمْ وَأَشْتَقُ
إِلَيْهِمْ، وَأَنْتُمْ فَرَجِي وَإِكْلِيلِي، أَنْبُتُوا هَكَذَا فِي الرَّبِّ، أَبْيَاهَا
الْأَحْبَاءَ.
والتسبيح لله دائمًا.



Together We Can Donate More to St. Maron's Church

For every real estate transaction that we complete with you, you will receive a rebate from our commission, so that you can donate it to St. Maron's Church, Philadelphia PA, if you wish.

www.LebaneseRealEstateTeam.com

Tony & Leen Salloum
Serving PA, NJ, DE
Call 215-285-6435

COMPASS
Compass RE - PA, 610.822.3356
Compass RE - NJ, 856.214.2639
Compass RE - DE, 302.202.9855

George's Painting

Interior & Exterior

(267) 570 7077



Quinn's Flowers

Flowers For All Occasions



Serving The Philadelphia Area For Over 75 Years

215-468-2881

QuinnFlowers@yahoo.com

2008 S. 3rd St.
Phila., PA 19148



COSMETIC · RESTORATIVE
IMPLANT · ORTHODONTICS

DR. FRED HADDAD, D.M.D.

(856) 589-7789 | sewelldentaldesigns.com
477 Greentree Road, Suite C, Sewell, NJ 08080

If you would like to be one of our bulletin's sponsors, please contact the church office. (215) 389-2000 | office@saintmaron.org

JANO FRANGIE جانو
VICE PRESIDENT | NMLS 1757433 | NOTARY PUBLIC

TD BANK, America's Most Convenient Bank
NJ5-270-000 / 101 SOUTH BROADWAY GLOUCESTER CITY NJ
08030

Office: 856-456-0105 / Fax: 856-456-0696 | Cell: 856-689-7197



kw PHILLY
KELLERWILLIAMS.
728 S. BROAD ST PHILA. PA 19146
Carol Boulos
REALTOR®
Office | 215.607.6007
Cell | 267.978.0563
carolboulos@kw.com

*Proudly Serving The St. Maron Church
And The Lebanese People*



Ronald Rex Piselli, Supervisor, President
Richard G. Piselli, Vice President
Harry J. Hoch, Office Manager



Ronald Rex Piselli
"The Funeral Chapel"

215-271-0950

email: ronrex@comcast.net

CASKET SHOWROOM - OFFICES
1213 S. Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA 19147

MONTI RAGO FUNERAL HOME, INC.

2531-35 South Broad Street • Philadelphia, PA 19148 • Phone: 215-462-0992 • Fax: 215-462-4699
www.monti-ragofuneralhome.com

Mark J. Rago - Supervisor • Dominic J. Rago - Funeral Director • Samuel J. Monti - 1926 - 2022



"A face you can recognize with a reputation for excellence"



Brian W. Donnelly
Supervisor
2237-41 S 3rd St,
Philadelphia, PA 19148
www.murphyruffenachfuneralhomeinc.com
215-334-1578



John R. Deady
FUNERAL HOME, INC.

FRANK R. LAMANTIA, Supervisor
www.deadyfuneralhome.com
2501 S. Camac St. • 215.468.1200