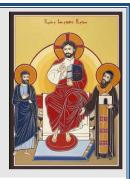
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WEEKLY BULLETIN – 11/3/2024



Consecration of the Church

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 & First Responders 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 Topalian, 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: Hebrews 9:1-12

Gospel Reading: Matthew 16:13-20 SECOND COLLECTION

November 3, 2024 Maronite Patriarchal Charities

1st Sunday of the Liturgical Year

Blessed New Liturgical Year

The first Sunday in the liturgical year is the Feast of Consecration and Renewal of the church. The feast is either celebrated on one Sunday or two consecutive Sundays.

If November 1st, falls on either a Monday or Tuesday, only one Sunday is observed.

If November 1st, falls on a day other than Monday or Tuesday, two Sundays are observed, as it is the case this year.

But whether we celebrate one Sunday or two Sundays, the core essence of the feast should not change. It is about the renewal and consecration of the Church, not the bricks and walls, but the living stones of the Church; us the Children of God who form the Body of Jesus Christ.

PRAYER

Lord, have mercy on us and save us. Glory to you, Creator of the light that dispels darkness and give joy to your creatures. Create in us, Lord, works of light; disperse the clouds of sin and fill us with the glorious radiance of your grace, for in you we find refuge and call upon you, our Lord and our God, to you be glory for ever. Amen.

Source: Prayer of the Faithful – Tuesday Safro – Second Prayer)

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SANCTUARY CANDLE: This week's sanctuary candle is lit for our children, lifting them in our prayer to our Loving Father. May God bless them with joy, wisdom and protection. May He guide their steps, strengthen their faith and surround them with love and peace. May they grow in grace and find hope and purpose in His presence all the days of their lives. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

BIBLE STUDY Every Thursday at 7PM

In Person: Church Hall

Via Google Meet:

Google Meet <u>https://meet.google.com/</u> <u>oim-egif-tem</u>

DIVINE LITURGIES

Saturday, November 2, @ 4:00PM, liturgy is offered for the repose of soul of Mary Scotti requested by Deebeanne and Suzanne Tavani. May her soul rest in peace.

Sunday, November 3, @11:00AM liturgy is offered for our children.

Saturday, November 9, @ 4:00PM, liturgy is offered for the repose of soul of Magdalen Donnelly requested by Conor and Bikki Donnelly. May her soul rest in peace.

Sunday, November 10, @11:00AM liturgy is offered in memory and honor of all veterans requested by Terri Koway.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

October 26-27, 2024

Collection Online Total	\$ <u>\$</u> \$	1,223.00 50.00 1,273.00
Coffee Hour	\$	53.00
Bishop's Appeal	\$	0.00
Assessment	\$	0.00
Insurance	\$	0.00
Fuel	\$	0.00
2 nd Collection	\$	20.00



the Voice

The new issue of the Maronite Voice (Volume 21, Issue 5, Sep/Oct 2024) is now available online at: <u>https://www.maronitevoic</u> e.org/blog/2024/10/15/202 <u>4-v</u>



He placed in their hands the keys of Heaven

IN OUR PRAYERS Please keep in your prayers

Rita Fortina, Jason Gushue, Lily Gushue. Joann Fontana. Jav O'Donnell, Allison Auld, Carmen Sansweet, Mary Louise Scotti, Janet Krystal Valianti, Anne Labar. Mgrdichian, Carol Bevelhymer, Mary V. (Nelson) Scotti, Mike Devinney, Debbie Freedenberg, Domingez, Allan Emilio 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.

Daylight Saving

Daylight saving time will end for the year at 2 a.m. local time on **Sunday**, **November 3**, when we "fall back" and gain an extra hour of sleep.



Next year, it will begin again on Sunday, March 9, 2025.

Source: https://www.usatoday.com/st ory/news/nation/2024/10/20/daylight -saving-time-2024/75722035007/

2nd Collection

November 3, 2024 Maronite Patriarchal Charities All Proceeds from this collection are sent directly to our Patriarch for his charitable works.



MYO Retreat

On behalf of all parishioners of Saint Maron Church, I would like to thank all those who labored untiringly to put together this year's MYO Eparchial Retreat. We are grateful for every moment you have invested, for every prayer you have offered and for all the details you have attended to, that this retreat may prove to be a blessing to our MYO. May God bless you abundantly for your service. May He fill you and all the MYO with His joy, confirm your faith and guide you in all you are doing. May this retreat bear lasting fruits in the hearts of our young adults.

With gratitude and prayer, Fr. Andrawos



We are proud of you. Faithfulness in every Step Perseverance in every Challenge Inspiration in every Action



"I would say that through the retreat, I grew closer to God and gained new experiences, creating so much memories." **Jennie**

"What really impacted me at the retreat was how nice, welcoming, and genuine some of the other kids I met were. They inspired me to be more loving and friendly to those in my day-to-day life." **Anthony**

"I couldn't have asked for a better last regionals. I learned a lot, both personally and religiously. I had a lot of fun and I reconnected with so many of best friends. I can't wait for Nationals!" **Maria**

MYA Corner

Eagles Watch Party

Thursday, November 14, 2024 @ 8:15 PM

Trivia Night

Saturday, November 23, 2024 @ 8:00 PM







November 2024 At a Glance				
FRI – Nov 1	All Saints Day			
SAT – Nov 2	Commemoration of the Faithful Departed			Consecration of
SUN – Nov 3	Consecration of our Chil	dren to God: CHILDREN	LITURGY:	the Church
	CCD & MYO			
SAT – Nov 9	MYO Social Night: Movie Night / Cook Dinner		Renewal of	
SUN – Nov 10	VOCATIONS SUNDAY		the Church	
MON – Nov 11	by 11 Veterans Day			
THU – Nov 14	MYA Eagles Watch Party			
SAT – Nov 16				
SUN – Nov 17	Announcement To Zechariah		Announcement	
	Thanksgiving Food Drive Deliveryto Zechariah			to Zechariah
	Christmas Giving Tree Announcement			
FRI – Nov 22	Christmas Giving	CCD Bake Sale	MYO Caring f	or Friends
	Tree Setup	Preps		
SAT – Nov 23	MYA Trivia Night			Announcement
SUN – Nov 24	Announcement To Mary			
	CCD Bake Sale			to Mary
THU – Nov 28	Thanksgiving			
SAT – Nov 30				Visitation
SUN – Dec 1	Visitation to Elizabeth			to Elizabeth
2 ND Collection: November 3, 2024 – Maronite Patriarchal Charities				
MYO Thanksgiving Food Drive: Our MYO will deliver the donated food on Sunday, November 17, 2024				

Block Party Financial Report

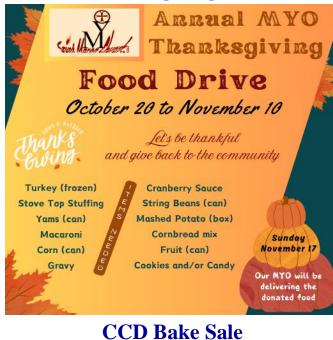
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	INCOME			
Sales	\$ 15,716.35			
	Raffle - 50/50	\$	535.00	Income
	After Sales	\$	2,687.62	Expanses
	Bar	\$	1,912.92	Expenses
	Dessert	\$	1,668.90	Net Profit
	Food	\$	7,897.04	L
	Hookah	\$	69.38	
	Kids	\$	64.00	Saint Maron Church
	Bar - Raffle	\$	19.38	كنيسة مار مارون. PA Philadelphia PA كنيسة
	Saj	\$	862.11	Block III
Sponsorships	\$ 8,250.00			Party of
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 23,966.35			2024
	EXPENSES			× & To
Expenses	\$ 9,139.86			
	Advertisement	\$	74.92	CEDAR'S & St. M
	Bar	\$	2,778.06	KNOW BETTER HOMMUS Parishi
	Dessert	\$	1,745.28	
	Food	\$	1,608.04	George's Painting
	Janitorial Services	+	850.00	Interior SOL
	Kids	\$	34.99	(267) 570 7077 Sons
	Permit - Liquor	\$	30.00	
	Permit - Street	\$	50.00	MEEC
	Closure			WSFS bank
	Raffle - 50/50	\$	250.00	We Stand For Service*
	Supplies	\$	1,348.67	0 6 1 56 1 0
	Trash Removal	\$	181.50	Our Lady of Lebanon Chur
	Volunteers Dinner	: \$	188.40	Miami, FL
Net Income	\$ 14,826.49			

Income	\$ 23,966.35
Expenses	\$ 9,139.8 <u>6</u>
Net Profit	\$ 14,826.49



CCD & MYO Corner

Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive



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Christmas Giving Tree



Saint Jude Novena

A heart-warming thank you to the St. Jude Novena Committee and all volunteers for keeping alive the annual St. Jude's Novena which is one of St. Maron's longest standing traditions.

The novena, which originated in the early 1950's, for many years was the region's only devotion dedicated to St. Jude and annually attracted hundreds of devout followers from both the Latin and Maronite traditions from throughout the tri-state area. In fact, at one time there were two novena services every day -3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. – with attendees not only filling the pews, but sitting in folding chairs around the perimeter and, in many instances, standing in the back of the church.

Although our numbers have dwindled in recent years, we remain proud of this tradition which has been passed from generation to generation.

SAINT MARON CHURCH



Saint Jude Novena

PASTA NIGHT

First Reading Hebrews 9:1-12

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews. Your blessing father...

Brothers and Sisters,

Even the first covenant had regulations for worship and an earthly sanctuary. For a tent was constructed, the first one, in which were the lampstand, the table, and the bread of the Presence; this is called the Holy Place. Behind the second curtain was a tent called the Holy of Holies. In it stood the golden altar of incense and the ark of the covenant overlaid on all sides with gold, in which there were a golden urn holding the manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tablets of the covenant; above it were the cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy-seat. Of these things we cannot speak now in detail. Such preparations having been made, the priests go continually into the first tent to carry out their ritual duties; but only the high priest goes into the second, and he but once a year, and not without taking the blood that he offers for himself and for the sins committed unintentionally by the people. By this the Holy Spirit indicates that the way into the sanctuary has not yet been disclosed as long as the first tent is still standing. This is a symbol of the present time, during which gifts and sacrifices are offered that cannot perfect the conscience of the worshipper, but deal only with food and drink and various baptisms, regulations for the body imposed until the time comes to set things right. But when Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. Praise be to God always.

Gospel Reading Saint Matthew 16:13-20

The Apostle Writes:

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

This is the truth. Peace be with you.

for a blessed pastoral visit to our parish on Sunday, December 15, 2024

Join us in welcoming his Excellency

Divine Liturgy at 11:00 am



Saint Maron Church

BISHOP GREGORY MANSOUR

PASTORAL VISIT

FOLLOWED BY THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS POTLUCK IN THE CHURCH HALL

مِنْ إِنْجِيلِ القِدِّيسِ متَّى جَاءَ يَسُوعُ إِلى نَواحِي قَيْصَرِيَّةِ فِيْلِبُسَ فَسَأَلَ تَلامِيْذَه قَائِلاً: "مَنْ يَقُولُ النَّاسُ إِنِّي أَنَا ٱبْنُ الإِنْسَان؟". فقَالُوا: ابَعْضُهُم يَقُولُون: يُوحَنَّا المَعْمَدَان؛ وآخَرُون: إيْليَّا؛ وغَيْرُهُم: إِرْمِيَا أُو أَحَدُ الأَنْبِيَاءِ". قَالَ لَهُم: "وَأَنْتُم مَنْ تَقُولُونَ إِنِّي أَنَا؟". فَأَجَابَ سِمْعَانُ بُطْرُسُ وِقَال: أَنْتَ هُوَ المَسِيحُ ٱبْنُ اللهِ الحَيِّ!". فأَجَابَ يَسُوعُ وِقَالَ لَهُ: "طُوبَي لَكَ يَا سِمْعَانُ بِنَ يُونَا! لأَنَّهُ لا لَحْمَ وِلا دَمَ أَظْهَرَ لَكَ ذلِكَ، بَلْ أَبِي الَّذِي في السَّمَاوَات. وأَنَا أَيْضًا أَقُولُ لَكَ: أَنْتَ هُوَ بُطْرُسُ، أَي الصَّخْرَة، وعلى هذهِ الصَّخْرَةِ سَأَبْنِي بِيْعَتِي، وأَبْوَابُ الجَحِيْم لَنْ تَقْوى عَلَيْها. سَأُعْطِيكَ مَفَاتيحَ مَلَكُوتِ السَّمَاوَات، فَكُلُّ مَا تَرِبُطُهُ على الأَرْض يَكُونُ مَرْبُوطًا في السَّمَاوَات، ومَا تَحُلُّهُ على الأَرْض يَكُونُ مَحْلُولاً في السَّمَاوَات". حينَئِذٍ أَوْصَى تَلامِيْذَهُ أَلاَّ يَقُولُوا لأَحَدِ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْمَسِيح. حقًا والأمان لجميعكم.

فصل من الرسالة إلى العبرانيّين

يا إخوتى، كانَت لِلعَهْدُ الأَوَّلِ أَيضًا شعَائِرُ عِبَادَة، وبَيْتُ قُدْس أَرْضِيّ. فَبُنِيَ المَسْكِنُ الأَوَّلِ، وهُوَ الَّذي يُدْعَى «القُدْس»، وكانَ فيهِ الْمَنَارَة، والْمَائِدَة، وخُبْزُ التَّقْدِمَة، ووَرَاءَ الحِجَابِ الثَّانِي بُنِيَ المَسْكِنُ الَّذي يُدْعَى «قُدْسَ الأَقْدَاس»، ويَحْتَوِي مِجْمَرَةً ذَهَبِيَّةً لِلبَخُورِ، وتَأبُوتَ العَهْد، مُغَشَّى كُلَّهُ بِالذَّهَبِ، وفيهِ جَرَّةٌ مِن ذَهَبٍ تَحْتَوِي المَنِّ، وعَصَا هَارُونَ الَّتِي أَفْرَخَتْ، ولَوِحَا العَهْد، وفَوقَ التَّابُوتِ كَرُوبَا المَجْدِ يُظَلِّلان الغِشَاء: أَشْيَاءُ لا مَجَالَ الآنَ لِلكَلام عَنْهَا بالتَّقْصِيل. وإذْ بُنِيَتْ تِلْكَ الأَشْياءُ على هذا التَّرتِيب، كانَ الكَهَنَةُ يَدْخُلُونَ إِلَى الْمَسْكِنِ الأَوَّلِ في كُلِّ وَقْت، لِيُتِمُوا العِبَادَة، أَمَّا الْمَسْكِنُ الثَّانِي فكانَ عَظِيمُ الأَحْبَارِ يَدِخُلُ إِلَيهِ وَحْدَهُ مَرَّةً وإحِدَةً في السَّنَة، ولا يَدْخُلُ إِلَيهِ إِلاَّ ومَعَهُ دَمٌ يُقَرِّبُهُ عَنْ نَفْسِهِ وعَنْ جَهَالاتِ الشَّعْبِ. وبِهذَا يُوضِحُ الرُّوحُ القُدُسُ أَنَّ الطَّرِيقَ إلى قُدْس الأَقْدَاس لَمْ يَكُنْ بَعْدُ قَدْ كُشِف، مَا دَامَ الْمَسْكِنُ الأَوَّلُ قَائِمًا. وهذا رَمِزٌ إلى الوَقتِ الحَاضِرِ، وفِيهِ تُقَرَّبُ تَقَادِمُ وذَبائِح، لا يُمْكِنُهَا أَنْ تَجْعَلَ مَنْ يُقَرِّبُهَا كَامِلاً مِن جِهَةِ الضَّمِيرِ. إِنَّهَا شَعَائِرُ جَسَدِيَّةٌ تَقْتَصِرُ على أَطْعِمَةٍ وأَشْرِبَه، وأَنْواع شَتَّى مِنَ الأُغْتِسَال، مَغْرُوضَةِ إلى أَنْ يَأْتِي وَقْتُ الإصْلاح. أمَّا المَسِيحُ فَقَدْ ظَهَرَ عَظِيمَ أَحْبَارِ الخَيْرَاتِ الآتِيَة، وٱجْتَازَ المَسْكِنَ الأَعْظَمَ وِالأَكْمَل، غَيرَ المَصْنُوع بِالأَيْدِي، أَيْ لَيْسَ مِن هَذِهِ الخَلِيقَة، فَدَخَلَ إلى قُدْس الأَقْدَاس مَرَّةً واحِدَة، لا بِدَم التُّيُوس والعُجُول، بَلْ بِدَمِهِ هُوَ ، فَحَقَّقَ لَنَا فَدَاءً أَبَدِيًّا. والتسبيح لله دائمًا.



