Saint Maron Maronite Catholic Church

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Renewal 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 9:11-15

Gospel Reading: John 10:22-42

2st Sunday of the Liturgical Year Vocations Sunday Family Prayer for Vocations



SOURCE: https://www.stmaron.o rg/office-of-vocations Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

O God, you desire that each of us follow your invitation to holiness. Stir up in the hearts of your people

the grace of a holy vocation. Grant to us, through the prayer of your Immaculate Mother, Mary, and your foster father, Joseph, the willingness and generosity to give our time, talents, and our very lives to the service of our Lord God and Savior, Jesus Christ, and his Holy Church.

May men and women be inspired to serve as faithful priests, brothers, sisters, deacons, subdeacons, holy married couples, parents and generous single people.

May they share the truth and beauty of our Catholic Faith, so that all people may know you better, love you more, and serve you well.

O Lord our God to you be glory, now and forever. Amen.

(Recite the Our Father, the Hail Mary and the Glory Be together)

SANCTUARY CANDLE: This week's Sanctuary candle is lit for vocations to remember those being called to serve the Church in consecrated life and ministry. We pray, that the Lord Jesus Christ, our Savior, would continue to draw to Himself men and women who would be His beacons of love, mercy and joy in this world. May the Holy Spirit inspire them to faithful service, so that in courage they face trials and may they mirror the beauty of God's kingdom in their lives. Amen

BIBLE STUDY Every Thursday at 7PM

Via Google Meet:



🚺 Google Meet

https://meet.google.co m/oim-egif-tem



the Voice

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



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DIVINE LITURGIES

November Saturday, 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.

Saturday, November 16, **(***a*) 4:00PM, liturgy is offered for the repose of soul of Alex Bonavitacola requested by Yasmine Alice. May his soul rest in peace.

Sunday. November 17. @11:00AM liturgy is offered for the repose of soul of Walter (Chip) Meixner requested by Diane Kiddy. May his soul rest in peace.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

November 2-3, 2024

Collection All Saints Coll. Online Total	\$ \$	2,371.00 115.00 <u>75.00</u> 2,561.00
Coffee Hour	\$	29.00
Bishop's Appeal	\$	0.00
Assessment	\$	90.00
Insurance	\$	0.00
Fuel	\$	0.00
2 nd Collection	\$	306.00

Saint Iude Novena

Income:	\$ 2,702.00
Expense:	\$ 1,256.85
Net Income:	\$ 1,445.15

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 tristate 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.



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 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, Mary McKinney, McKinney, Angela Jessica 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.

MYA Corner

CCD & MYO Corner

Eagles Watch Party

Thursday, November 14, 2024 @ 8:15 PM



Trivia Night Saturday, November 23, 2024 @ 8:00 PM



Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive



Sunday November 24, 2024 WRAPPED with the name tag

Sunday, December 8, 202

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 Children 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	Veterans Day				
THU – Nov 14	MYA Eagles Watch Party				
SAT – Nov 16					
SUN – Nov 17	Announcement To Zechariah			Announcement	
	Thanksgiving Food Dri	to Zechariah			
	Christmas Giving Tree Announcement				
FRI – Nov 22	Christmas Giving	CCD Bake Sale	MYO Caring for Friends		
	Tree Setup	Preps			
SAT – Nov 23	MYA Trivia Night Announcement				
SUN – Nov 24	Announcement To Mary			to Mary	
	CCD Bake Sale				
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					

Bishop's Pastoral Visit & Christmas Potluck

We are honored to welcome Bishop Gregory to Saint Maron Church for his pastoral visit on Sunday, December 15, 2024.

His presence among us is a true grace. May we prayerfully anticipate his visit and remember him in our prayers.

BISHOP GREGORY MANSOUR[®] Pastoral visit



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Join us in welcoming his Excellency for a blessed pastoral visit to our parish on

Sunday, December 15, 2024

> Divine Liturgy at 11:00 am



FOLLOWED BY THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS POTLUCK IN THE CHURCH HALL

Liguori Academy Don't forget to register for the open house at Liguori Academy.





CURIOUS ABOUT WHAT IT'S LIKE TO BE PART OF THE LIGUORI ACADEMY COMMUNITY? JOIN US FOR OUR OPEN HOUSE AND GET AN INSIDE LOOK!

Take a guided tour of our campus and classrooms November 14, at 5:30 PM, where you'll hear directly from our students about their unique experiences! Whether you're a prospective student or a parent, now's the perfect time to explore a school dedicated to delivering a boundary– breaking education that empowers students to reach new heights.

> Register today by emailing: admissions@liguoriacademy.org

Liguori Academy is a non-profit, private high school located in the Kensington neighborhood of Philadelphia. Inspired by the teachings of Alphonsus Liguori, our school was founded on the motto Boundless Love. Liguori Academy offers an education rooted in the teachings of Alphonsus Liguori and the virtues that are embodied in our Liguorian Education.

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First Reading Hebrews 9:11-15

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

Brothers and Sisters:

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. For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God! For this reason he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, because a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions under the first covenant.

Praise be to God always.

MYA Coordinators Meeting

Monday, November 11, 2024 @ 7:00 PM

Men's Club Gathering

Thursday, November 21, 2024 @ 7:00 PM

Finance Committee Meeting To be Scheduled

Parish Council Meeting

To be Scheduled

Gospel Reading Saint John 10:22-42

The Apostle Writes:

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.' The Jews took up stones again to stone him. Jesus replied, 'I have shown you many good works from the Father. For which of these are you going to stone me?' The Jews answered, 'It is not for a good work that we are going to stone you, but for blasphemy, because you, though only a human being, are making vourself God.' Jesus answered, 'Is it not written in your law, "I said, you are gods"? If those to whom the word of God came were called "gods" and the scripture cannot be annulled can you say that the one whom the Father has sanctified and sent into the world is blaspheming because I said, "I am God's Son"? If I am not doing the works of my Father, then do not believe me. But if I do them, even though you do not believe me, believe the works, so that you may know and understand that the Father is in me and I am in the Father.' Then they tried to arrest him again, but he escaped from their hands. He went away again across the Jordan to the place where John had been baptizing earlier, and he remained there. Many came to him, and they were saying, 'John performed no sign, but everything that John said about this man was true.' And many believed in him there.

This is the truth. Peace be with you.

مِنْ إِنْجِيلِ القِدِّيسِ يوحنَّا حَانَ عِيدُ التَّجْدِيدِ في أُورَشَلِيم، وِكَانَ فَصْلُ الشِّتَاء. وِكَانَ يَسُوعُ يَتَمَشَّى في الهَيْكَل، في روَاقٍ سُلَيْمَان. فَأَحَاطَ بِهِ اليَهُودُ وأَخَذُوا يَقُولُونَ لَهُ: "إلى مَتَى تُبْقِى نُفُوسَنَا حَائِرَة ؟ إنْ كُنْتَ أَنْتَ المَسِيح، فَقُلْهُ لَنَا صَرَاحَةً". أَجَابَهُم يَسُوع: "قُلْتُهُ لَكُم، لكِنَّكُم لا تُؤْمِنُون. أَلأَعْمَالُ الَّتِي أَعْمَلُهَا أَنَا بٱسْم أَبِي هِيَ تَشْهَدُ لِي. لكِنَّكُم لا تُؤْمِنُون، لأَنَّكُم لَسْتُم مِنْ خِرَافِي. خِرَافِي تَسْمَعُ صَوْتِي، وأَنَا أَعْرِفُهَا، وهِي تَتْبَعْنِي. وأَنَا أُعْطِيهَا حَيَاةً أَبَدِيَّة، فَلَنْ تَهْلِكَ أَبَدًا، وَلَنْ يَخْطَفَهَا أَحَدٌ مِنْ يَدِي. أَبِي الَّذِي أَعْطَانِي إِيَّاهَا هُوَ أَعْظَمُ مِنَ الكُلّ، ولا يَقْدِرُ أَحَدٌ أَنْ يَخْطَفَهَا مِنْ يَدِ الآب. أَنَا وِالآبُ وَاحِد". فَأَخَذَ اليَهُودُ، مِنْ جَدِيدٍ، حِجَارَةً لِيَرْجُمُوهِ. قَالَ لَهُم يَسُوع: "أَعْمَالاً حَسَنَةً كَثِيرَةً أَرَبْتُكُم مِنْ عِنْدِ الآب، فَلأَىّ عَمَل مِنْهَا تَرْجُمُونِي؟". أَجَابَهُ اليَهُود: "لا لِعَمَلِ حَسَن نَرْجُمُكَ، بَلْ لِتَجْدِيف. لأَنَّكَ، وَأَنْتَ إِنْسَان، تَجْعِلُ نَفْسَكَ إِلَهًا". أَجَابَهُم يَسُوع: "أَمَا كُتِبَ في تَوْرَاتِكُم: أَنَا قُلْتُ إِنَّكُم آلِهَة؟ فَإِذَا كَانَتِ التَّوْرَاةُ تَدْعُو آلِهَةً أُولَئِكَ الَّذِينَ صَارَتْ إلَيْهم كَلِمَةُ الله، ولا يُمْكِنُ أَنْ يُنْقَضَ الكِتَاب، فَكَيْفَ تَقُولُونَ لِي، أَنَا الَّذِي قَدَّسَهُ الآبُ وأَرْسَلَهُ إِلَى الْعَالَمِ: أَنْتَ تُجَدِّفٍ؛ لأَنِيّ قُلْتُ: أَنَا ٱبْنُ الله؟ إنْ كُنْتُ لا أَعْمَلُ أَعْمَالَ أَبِي، فلا تُصَدِّقُونِي، أَمَّا إذَا كُنْتُ أَعْمَلُهَا، وإنْ كُنْتُم لا تُصَدِّقُونِي، فَصَدِّقُوا هذه الأَعْمَال، لِكَى تَعْرِفُوا وتُؤْمِنُوا أَنَّ الآبَ فِيَّ وَأَنِّي في الآب". فَحَاوَلُوا مِنْ جَدِيدٍ أَنْ يَقْبِضُوا عَلَيْه، فَأَفْلَتَ مِنْ يَدِهِم. وعَادَ يَسُوعُ إلى عِبْرِ الأُرْدُنَ، إلى حَيْثُ كَانَ يُوحَنَّا يُعَمِّدْ مِنْ قَبْلُ، فَأَقَامَ هُنَاك. وأَتَى إلَيْهِ كَثِيرُونَ وكَانُوا يَقُولُون: "لَمْ يَصْنَعْ يُوحَنَّا أَيَّ آيَة، ولِكِنْ، كُلُّ مَا قَالَهُ في هذَا الرَّجُلِ كَانَ حَقًّا". فآمَنَ بِهِ هُنَاكَ كَثِيرُون. حقًا وإلأمان لجميعكم.

فصل من الرسالة إلى العبرانيّين

يا إخوَتِي، أَمَّا المَسِيحُ فَقَدْ ظَهَرَ عَظِيمَ أَحْبَارِ الخَيْرَاتِ الآتِيَة، وٱجْتَازَ المَسْكِنَ الأَعْظَمَ والأَكْمَل، غَيرَ المَصْنُوعِ بِالأَيْدِي، أَيْ لَيْسَ مِن هذه الخَليقَة، فَدَخَلَ إلى قُدْسِ الأَقْدَاسِ مَرَّةً واحِدَة، لا بِدَمِ التَّيُوسِ والعُجُول، بَلْ بِدَمِهِ هُوَ، فَحَقَّقَ لذَا فِدَاءَ أَبَدِيًّا. فإذا كانَ رَشُ دَمِ التَّيُوسِ والتَّيْرَانِ ورَمَادِ العِجْلَةِ على المُنَجَّسِين، يُقَدِّسُ أَحْسَادَهُم قَيُطَهِّرُهُم، فَكَم بِالأَحْرَى دَمُ الْمَسِيح، الَّذي قَرَّبَ نَفْسَهُ لللهِ الأَعْمَالِ المَيْتَة، لِنَعْبُدَ الله المَسِيح، اللَّذي قَرَّبَ نَفْسَهُ للهِ يالرُوحِ الأَرْلِي قُرْبَانًا لا عَيْبَ فِيه، يُطَهِّرُ ضَمِيرَنَا منَ يَنَالَ عَمَالِ المَيْتَة، لِنَعْبُدَ الله الحَيْ وَلِذَلِكَ فَهُوَ الوَسِيطُ لِعَهْدٍ يَنَالَ بِهِ المَدْعُوُونَ وَعْدَ الْمِيْرَاثِ الْمَعْدَى الْأَبَدِي يَعَانِ المَيْتَة، نِنَعْبُدَ اللهُ الحَيْ يَنَالَ بِهِ المَدْعُوُونَ وَعْدَ الْمِيْرَاثِ الْأَبْدِي .

CHRISTMAS NOVENA

Sunday, December 15, 2024 To Monday, December 23, 2024 Schedule will be shared once finalized.

CHRISTMAS EVE LITURGY Tuesday, December 24, 2024 @ 4:00 PM

CHRISTMAS DAY LITURGY Wednesday, December 25, 2024 @ 11:00 AM

ELICITATION TO MARY Thursday, December 26, 2024 @ 4:00 PM

