



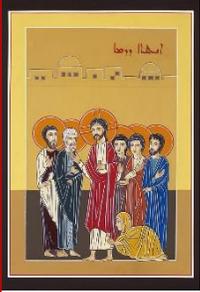
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WEEKLY BULLETIN – March 15-16, 2025

Healing of the Hemorrhaging Woman

أحد شفاء المنزوفة

READINGS 1st Reading: 2 Corinthians 7:4-11

Gospel Reading: Luke 8:40-56

SANCTUARY CANDLE: This week's sanctuary candle burns for the safety and well-being of Khalil and Madline Raie, Autumn Raie, and Costa Joe Mansour. We lift them up in our prayers asking the Lord to keep them safe from all harm and bless them with good health and surround them with His peace. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen

Falafel Sandwiches

Sunday, March 16, 2025

Following the Divine Liturgy

Festival 2025 Dabkeh Practices

MYO & CCD: Friday, March 14, 2025 at 7:00 PM.

Friday, March 28, 2025 at 7:00 PM.

MYA: Every Monday at 7:30 PM.

Except the 1st Monday of the Month

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DIVINE LITURGIES

Saturday, March 15, @ 4:00PM, liturgy is offered in memory of Linda Stella requested by Brenda Cristino. May her soul rest in peace.

Sunday, March 16, @ 11:00AM, Liturgy is offered in memory of Edmond and Stavro Jabra. Requested by Simon and Zeina Topalian. May their souls rest in peace.

Friday, March 21, @ 6:00PM,
Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 22, @ 4:00PM, liturgy is offered for a special intention.

Sunday, March 23, @ 11:00AM, Liturgy is offered in memory of Francis, Marie, and Siham Dib. Requested by Micheline and George Dib. And in memory of Laila Jebara requested by family. May their souls rest in peace.

Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn

Lent

2025 Annual Lenten Bishop's Appeal

March 3 – April 18, 2025

This 2nd Collection Supports:

Seminarians: 40% of your contribution will go for Seminarians.

Ministries: 20% of your contribution will go to support Charitable Ministries.

Retired Priests: 20% of your contribution will support Retired Priests.

Help for Lebanon and the Middle East: 10% of your contribution will support Christians in Lebanon and the Middle East.

Endowment: 10% of your contribution will be deposited into the Eparchy's Endowment.

Collected \$ 1,085.00

Target \$ 3,500.00

March 2025 at a Glance

FRI – Mar 14	Adoration of the Cross Stations of the Cross MYO and CCD	
SAT – Mar 15		Healing of the Hemorrhaging woman
SUN – Mar 16	Fundraiser: Falafel Sandwiches	
FRI – Mar 21	Adoration of the Cross Stations of the Cross MYA	
SAT – Mar 22	CCD Lenten Retreat: Grades 3, 4, 5 & 6	Parable of the Prodigal Son
SUN – Mar 23	Parable of the Prodigal Son	
FRI – Mar 28	Adoration of the Cross Stations of the Cross	
SAT – Mar 29		Healing of the Paralytic
SUN – Mar 30	Healing of the Paralytic	
2ND Collection: March 3 – April 18, 2005 - Bishop's Appeal		
Clergy Retreat: March 24-28, 2025		

WEEKLY COLLECTION

March 8-9, 2025

Sunday Collection	\$ 1,459.00
Online Giving	\$ 100.00

Other Collections

Coffee Hour	\$ 29.00
Eparchial Assessment	\$ 0.00
Insurance	\$ 0.00
Fuel	\$ 0.00
Bishop's Appeal	\$ 325.00
Donation	\$ 1,000.00

BIBLE STUDY

With Fr. David
Every Thursday
At 10 am

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84726749798?pwd=2IbuLdNkd2XVMYk18QhTnScVcXdFGw.1>

Meeting ID: 847 2674 9798
Passcode: 166641

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IN OUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers

Stephanie Dejesse, Patricia DeViney, Ed and Theresa Gussin, Barbara Impriano, Paige Moderski, Rita Fortina, Jason Gushue, Lily Gushue, Joann Fontana, Jay O'Donnell, Allison Auld, Carmen Sansweet, Janet Labar, Krystal Valianti, Anne Mgrdichian, 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 Chokey, Kathy Newman, Rita Arrigale, Maryann Bratton, Renee Sahar, James Cordisio, Stacey Fuentes, Noel Andjuhar, and Angel Salerno.

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Thank you for your generosity and support!

Upcoming Fundraisers

Sunday, March 16, 2025

Falafel Sandwiches

Saturday, April 12, 2025

Annual Bake Sale

Sunday, April 13, 2025

Palm Sunday Brunch

Sunday, April 27, 2025

Knefeh Breakfast

2025 Annual Festival

Friday, May 30, 2025

Saturday, May 31, 2025

Sunday, June 1, 2025

First Holy Communion *Important Dates*

1st Confession:

Sunday, March 2, 2025

Retreat:

Saturday, April 26, 2025

First Communion:

Sunday, May 4, 2025



Season of Great Lent



Stations and Adoration of the Cross

Every Friday

during the Season of Lent

March 7 to April 11 @ 6:00PM

Lenten Fundraiser *Falafel Sandwiches*

Join us on

Sunday, March 16, 2025

*Following the Divine Liturgy
at the Church Hall*



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2025 ANNUAL LEBANESE FESTIVAL

FRI, May 30
5pm - 11pm
SAT, May 31
3pm - 11pm
SUN, June 1
1pm - 9pm

*Help us Prepare
for a Successful Festival*

Mark Your Calendar

Festival Food Prep

Friday, March 14, 2025
@ 5:30PM Hashweh for Kibbi
Saturday, March 15, 2025
@ 11:00AM Kibbi Balls

UPDATES:

We have received:

1. Street Closure Permit
2. Liquor Permit

As per the request of many parishioners, I am sharing with you a list of some items needed for the festival.

Please note: items are needed by
May 1, 2025.

Fr. Andrawos

Festival Food Supplies Needed by May 1, 2025

Cucumber Pickles 2 tubs
Grape Leaves 2 tubs
Rice – Uncle Ben’s 200lbs
Paper Towels
Kitchen Towels (Rags)
Dishwashing Detergent Liquid Soap
All Purpose Cleaners Spray (Lysol, Clorox...)

Bar list will be shared once finalized.



2025 National MYO Conference

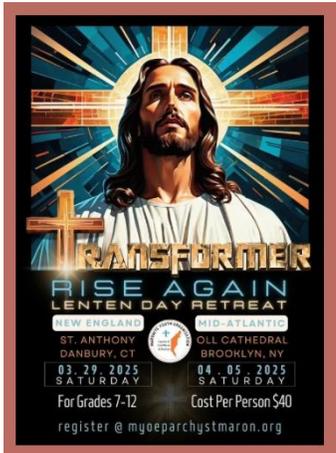
Registration is now open!

Register now at

<https://www.maroniteyouth.org/2025nationals/>



MYO Lenten Retreat



2025 Eparchial LENTEN Retreat - Mid Atlantic

Apr 05, 2025,
10:30 AM – 7:30 PM

Our Lady of Lebanon
Maronite Cathedral
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NY 11201

Region(s): Mid-Atlantic
East, Mid-Atlantic West
(NY, NJ, PA)

Maronite Enrichment Days

Maronite Enrichment Days 2025

St. Ephrem The Man and the Myth



April

30

The Stories We Tell
10:00-11:30 am

We do terrible things to the saints. Instead of modeling ourselves on them, we recreate them in our own image. This session opens with an overview of how the Ephrem of history has been systematically erased and replaced by a caricature of someone who never existed. The reasons for this are as troubling as they are destructive.

Ephrem's World
1:30-3:00 pm

Recovering the Ephrem of history begins by letting him speak for himself, from his own time and place. How did the circumstances of Ephrem's life shape him? How did Ephrem become Ephrem?

Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Seminary
7164 Alaska Ave NW
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Registration



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May

01

The Work of Your Helper
10:00-11:30 am

How did Ephrem understand himself? He informs us that he has the anointing of heaven, that he speaks for God, that the power that animates and enlivens scripture flows into him, and through him, into his own time. But there are skeletons in his closet: Ephrem carries a dark secret from his past.

Why Ephrem Matters
1:00-2:30 pm

Ephrem's vision offers a path that is simple but hard. It is not the path of orthodoxy (right doctrine) or orthopraxy (right morality) but of orthopathy (authentic spirituality), which is nothing less than an embrace of ROZO.

<https://maroniteseminary.org/news-events/seminary-events/about/#:~:text=The%20Maronite%20Enrichment%20Days%20is,Maronite%20Seminary%20hosts%20this%20event.>



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MYA
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Saturday
April 5,
2025

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First Reading - 2 Corinthians 7:4-11

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

Brothers and Sisters:

I often boast about you; I have great pride in you; I am filled with consolation; I am overjoyed in all our affliction. For even when we came into Macedonia, our bodies had no rest, but we were afflicted in every way disputes without and fears within. But God, who consoles the downcast, consoled us by the arrival of Titus, and not only by his coming, but also by the consolation with which he was consoled about you, as he told us of your longing, your mourning, your zeal for me, so that I rejoiced still more. For even if I made you sorry with my letter, I do not regret it (though I did regret it, for I see that I grieved you with that letter, though only briefly). Now I rejoice, not because you were grieved, but because your grief led to repentance; for you felt a godly grief, so that you were not harmed in any way by us. For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation and brings no regret, but worldly grief produces death. For see what earnestness this godly grief has produced in you, what eagerness to clear yourselves, what indignation, what alarm, what longing, what zeal, what punishment! At every point you have proved yourselves guiltless in the matter. **Praise be to God always.**

Gospel Reading - Saint Luke 8:40-56

The Apostle Writes:

When Jesus returned, the crowd welcomed him, for they were all waiting for him. Just then there came a man named Jairus, a leader of the synagogue. He fell at Jesus' feet and begged him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years old, who was dying. As he went, the crowds pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years; and though she had spent all she had on physicians, no one could cure her. She came up behind him and touched the fringe of his clothes, and immediately her hemorrhage stopped. Then Jesus asked, 'Who touched me?' When all denied it, Peter said, 'Master, the crowds surround you and press in on you.' But Jesus said, 'Someone touched me; for I noticed that power had gone out from me.' When the woman saw that she could not remain hidden, she came trembling; and falling down before him, she declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace.' While he was still speaking, someone came from the leader's house to say, 'Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the teacher any longer.' When Jesus heard this, he replied, 'Do not fear. Only believe, and she will be saved.' When he came to the house, he did not allow anyone to enter with him, except Peter, John, and James, and the child's father and mother. They were all weeping and wailing for her; but he said, 'Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But he took her by the hand and called out, 'Child, get up!' Her spirit returned, and she got up at once. Then he directed them to give her something to eat. Her parents were astounded; but he ordered them to tell no one what had happened.

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فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الثانية إلى أهل كورنثس

يا إخوتي، إن لي عليكم دالةً كبيرة، ولي بكم فخرًا عظيمًا. ولقد امتلأتُ تعزيةً، وأنا أفيضُ فرحًا في ضيقنا كُلِّهِ. فإننا لمَّا وصلنا إلى مقدونية، لم يكن لجسدنا شيءٌ من الراحة، بل كنا متضايقين في كلِّ شيء، صراعٌ من الخارج، وخوفٌ من الداخل! لكنَّ الله الذي يُعزِّي المتواضعين عزَّانا بمجيء طيطس، لا بمجيبه فحسب، بل أيضًا بالتعزية التي تعرَّها بكم. وقد أخبرنا بأشتياقكم إلينا، وحرزكم، وغيرتكم عليّ، حتَّى إني أزدتُ فرحًا. وإذا كنتُ قد أحرزْتُكم برسالتِي فلستُ نادمًا على ذلك، مع أنني كنتُ قد ندمتُ، لأنِّي أرى أنَّ تلك الرسالة، ولو أحرزْتُكم إلى حين، قد سببتُ لي فرحًا كثيرًا، لا لأنكم حرزْتُم، بل لأنَّ حرزكم أَدَى بكم إلى التوبة. فقد حرزْتُم حرزًا مرضيًّا لله، كي لا تحسروا بسببنا في أيِّ شيء؛ لأنَّ الحزنَ المرضي لله يصنعُ توبةً للخلاص لا ندمَ عليها، أمَّا حزنُ العالم فيصنعُ موتًا. فانظروا حرزكم هذا المرضي لله كم أنشأ فيكم من الاجتهاد، بل من الاعتذار، بل من الاستيثار، بل من الخوف، بل من الشوق، بل من العيرة، بل من الإضرار على العقاب! وقد أظهرتُم أنفسكم في كلِّ ذلك أنكم أبرياء من هذا الأمر. والتسبيح لله دائماً.

من إنجيل القديس لوقا

لَمَّا عادَ يَسوع، استقبله الجمع، لأنهم جميعهم كانوا ينتظرونه. وإذا برجل اسمه يائيرس، وكان رئيس المجمع، جاء فأرتمى على قدمي يسوع، وأخذ يتوسل إليه أن يدخل بيته، لأن له ابنةً وحيدة، عمرها نحو اثنتي عشرة سنة، قد أشرقت على الموت. وفيما هو ذاهب، كان الجموع يزحمونهُ. وكانت امرأة مصابةً بنزف دمٍ منذُ اثنتي عشرة سنة، ولم يقدر أحدٌ أن يشفيها. دنت من وراء يسوع، ولمست طرف ردايه، وفجأةً وقفت نزف دمها. فقال يسوع: «مَن لمسني؟». وأنكر الجميع. فقال بطرس ومن معه: «يا معلم، إنَّ الجموع يزحمونك ويصايقونك!». فقال يسوع: «إنَّ واحدًا قد لمسني! فأني عرفتُ أنَّ قوَّة قد خرجت مِنِّي!». ورأت المرأة أنَّ امرأها لم يخف عليه، فدنت مرتعدةً وأرتمت على قدميه، وأعلنت أمام الشعب كُلِّهِ لماذا لمسته، وكيف شفيته للخلاص. فقال لها يسوع: «يا ابنتي، إيمانك خلصك! إذهبي بسلام!». وفيما هو يتكلم، وصل واحدٌ من دار رئيس المجمع يقول: «ماتت ابنتك! فلا تزعج المعلم!». وسمع يسوع فأجابهُ: «لا تخف! يكفي أن تؤمن فتحي ابنتك!». ولَمَّا وصل إلى البيت، لم يدع أحدًا يدخل معه سوى بطرس ويوحنا ويعقوب وأبي الصبية وأمها. وكان الجميع يبكون عليها ويقرعون صدورهم. فقال: «لا تبكوا! إنها لم تمت. لكنها نائمة!». فأخذوا يضحكون منه لعلهم بأنها ماتت. أمَّا هو فأمسك بيدها ونادى قائلاً: «أيتها الصبية، قومي!». فعادت روحها إليها، وفجأةً نهضت. ثم أمر بأن يُطعموها. فدَّهش أبواها، وأوصاهما يسوع ألا يُخبرا أحدًا بما حدث. حقًا والأمان لجميعكم.



Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn

Flourish

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Friday & Saturday
April 25 & 26, 2025
Saint Sharbel Spiritual Life Center, Pittsburgh, PA

For any questions regarding the Retreat,
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Mr. Paul Kengor, Program Coordinator,

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The Eparchial Couples Ministry & St. Sharbel Spiritual Life Center

THE PROFOUND MYSTERIES

GREAT FRIDAY & SATURDAY OF THE LIGHT

April 1st, at 8 PM EST

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Main Speaker:
Bishop Gregory J. Mansour





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