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WEEKLY BULLETIN – August 2-3, 2025

Season of the Glorious Pentecost

9th Sunday of Pentecost – الأحد التاسع من زمن العنصرة

READINGS: 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:10 | Luke 4:14-21

صمصمال بهم

Congratulations to Deacon Nadim Khaled.

On June 1, 2025, by the imposition of hands and invocation of the Holy Spirit, Subdeacon Nadim Khaled was elevated from the Order of Subdeacon to the Sacred Order of Deacon by his excellency Most Reverand Bishop Gregory J. Mansour (Maronite Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn, New York).



We give thanks to the Lord for calling Nadim to this ministry and pray that the Lord will continue to guide him and strengthen him in his mission.



Dear mshamshono Nadim, through the intercession of Saint Stephan, the first martyr, we wish you many years of fruitful ministry. May your heart always be filled with love, joy and humility. God Bless You and may you shine forth in your ministry.

Your Family - Saint Maron Parish

The word Deacon in Syriac (Mshamshono comes from the semitic root (sh-m-sh) which means to serve or to minister. So, the deacon is: "the one who serves" or "the one who performs a service".

The Maronite deacon is a living icon of Christ the Servant. In his service, he reflects Christ who came not to be served but to serve (Mark 10:45). His vestments symbolize purity, readiness to serve and the angelic ministry at the altar.

In brief, the deacon is:

- 1. Servant at the Altar
- 2. Herald of the word
- 3. Witness among the faithful

DIVINE LITURGIES

Saturday, August 2, @ 4:00PM, liturgy is offered for Deacon Nadim Khaled. May the Lord guide him and strengthen him in his new mission.

Sunday, August 3, @ 11:00AM, liturgy is offered in memory of Msgr Sharbel Lischaa. May his soul rest in peace.

Saturday, August 9, @ 4:00PM, liturgy is offered for a special intention.

Sunday, August 10, @ 11:00AM, liturgy is offered for a special intention.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

This week's sanctuary candle burns in memory of the deceased members of the DeBuono and Mosier Families. O Lord of love, mercy and compassion, we lift in our prayers all the faithful departed of the DeBuono and Mosier Families. We beseech You to grant them eternal rest in Your Heavenly Kingdom where there is no pain, no mourning and no sorrow, but only light, peace and everlasting life.

In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

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BIBLE STUDY

With Fr. David Every Thursday At 10 am https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8472 6749798?pwd=2IbuLdNgd2XV MYk18QhTnScVcXdFGw.1

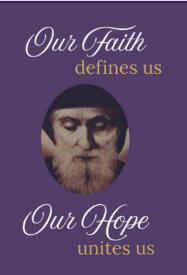
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Save the Date

October 22, 2025

16th Annual Benefit Dinner for The Eparchy of Saint Maron

> The Metropolitan Club New York City

> > Details to Follow

IN OUR PRAYERS Please keep in your prayers

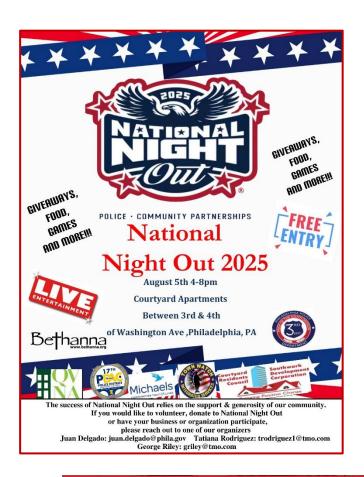
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SEPTMEBER 19 - 21 - PHILLY, PA Friday September 19

Guest Check-In 4:00 PM 5:00 PM Divine Liturgy 6:15 PM Dinner Speaker Introduction 7:15 PM Workshop Evening Social Outing 9:00 PM

Saturday September 20

Divine Liturgy 10:30 AM 10:45 AM Talk #1 with Fr. Mark 11:30 AM Breakout Session 12:00 PM Lunch 1:45 PM 2:00 PM Adoration + Confession

3:30 PM Break Cocktail Hour Dinner & Hafli

Sunday September 21

10:30 AM Divine Liturgy at St. Maron Parish Luncheon 11:00 AM

'Schedule is subject to change





Youth Leader Workshop 2025

Mid-Atlantic Region

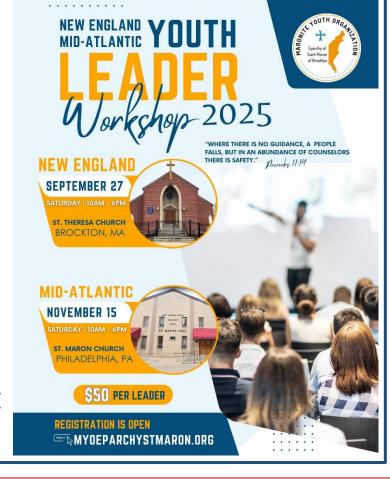
Saturday, November 15, 2025 10AM - 6PM

at

St. Maron Church Philadelphia, PA

Registration is open:

https://www.myoeparchystmar on.org/events-1



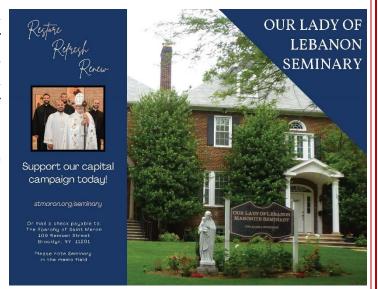
Capital Campaigns

Seminary Renovation Project

Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Seminary is in need of several renovations. The costs to repair the roof, exterior brick work, chapel and second and third floor add up to \$130,000. The kitchen and other parts of the building will cost another \$170,000.

The goal is to raise \$300,000 to complete the renovations.

Donations can be made either by visiting http://www.stmaron.org/seminary
or by check payable to "The Eparchy of Saint Maron"



Church Endowment Fund

At the request of Most Rev. Bishop Gregory J. Mansour, we have received a grant in the amount of \$5,000.00 from the Anthony R. Abraham Foundation.

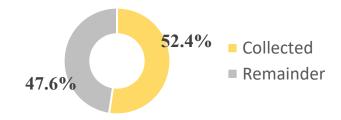
The purpose of this grant is to establish an endowment fund for maintenance and repairs for our church.

So far, we have collected \$ 2,620.00 and hopefully we will collect the Remainder \$ 2,380.00 by the end of 2025.

The total amount \$10,000 will be put in a separate bank account as a restricted account. A CD will be opened to help build this fund which we hope that someday it will reach at least \$100,000.

Matching Grant Anthony Abraham Foundation

Goal \$ 5,000.00 Collected \$ 2,620.00 Remainder \$ 2,380.00



First Reading 2 Corinthians 5:20-21, 6:1-10

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

Brothers and Sisters:

We are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake, he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, 'At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.' See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

Praise be to God always.

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الثانية إلى أهل قورنتس

والتسبيح لله دائمًا.

يا إخوَتِي، نَحْنُ سُفَرَاءُ ٱلمَسِيح، وكَأَنَّ آللهَ نَفْسَهُ يَدْعُوكُم بِوَاسِطَتِنَا. فَنَسْأَلُكُم بِآسْمِ المَسِيح: تَصَالَحُوا مَعَ آلله! إِنَّ الَّذِي مَا عَرَفَ الخَطِينَة، جَعَلَهُ آلله خَطِيئَةً مِنْ أَجْلِنَا، لِنَصِيرَ نَحْنُ فِيهِ بِرَّ آلله. وَبِمَا أَنّنا مُعَاوِنُونَ لله، نُناشِدُكُم أَلاَّ يَكُونَ قَبُولُكُم الِغَمَةِ آللهِ بِغَيْرِ فَائِدَة؛ لأَنّهُ يَقُول: «في وَقْتِ الرِّضَى آسْتَجَبْتُك، وفي يَوْمِ الخَلاصِ أَعَنْتُك». فَهَا هُوَ الآنَ وَقْتُ الرِّضَى، وهَا هُو الآنَ يَوْمُ آلخَلاص. فإنّنا لا نَجْعَلُ لأَحَدٍ سَبَبَ زَلَّة، لِنَلاً يَلْحَقَ خِدْمَتَنَا أَيُ لَوْم. بَلْ نُظْهِرُ أَنْفُسَنَا في كُلِّ شَيءٍ أَنّنَا خُدَّامُ آلله، بِتَبَاتِنا العَظِيمِ في الضَّيقَاتِ والشَّدَائِدِ والمَشَقَّات، في الضَّربَات، والسَّجُون، والفِتَن، والتَعَب، والسَّهَر، والصَّوْم، وبِالنَّزَاهَة، والأَنْاة، واللُّطْف، والرُّوحِ القُدُس، والمَحَبَّةِ بِلا رِيَاء، في كَلِمَةِ الحَقِّ، وقُوَّةِ آلله، بِسِلاحِ البِرِّ في اليَدَيْنِ اليُمْنَى والنَسْرَى، في المَجْدِ والهَوَان، بالصِّيتِ الرَّدِيءِ والصَّيتِ الحَسَن. نُحْسَبُ كَأَنْنَا مُضِلُونَ وَنَحْنُ صَادِقُون! كَأَنْنَا مَجُولُونَ وَخَنُ اللّهُ مُنَى والمُثَونَ وهَا نَحْنُ ذَاءً فَلَاءً وَنَدْنُ المُثَونَ وَهَا نَحْنُ ذَاءً فَلَاءً لَا شَيءَ عِنْدَنَا، ونَحْنُ نَمْلِكُ كُلُّ شَيء!

Gospel Reading

Saint Luke 4:14-21

The Apostle Writes:

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.' And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

This is the truth. Peace be with you.

مِنْ إِنْجِيلِ القِدِّيسِ لوقا

عَادَ يَسُوعُ بِقُوَّةِ الرُّوحِ إِلَى الجَلِيل، وذَاعَ خَبَرُهُ في كُلِّ الجِوَار. وكانَ يُعَلِّمُ في مَجَامِعِهِم، والجَمِيعُ يُمَجِّدُونَهُ. وجَاءَ يَسُوعُ إِلَى النَّاصِرَة، حَيْثُ نَشَأ، ودَخَلَ إِلى المَجْمَعِ كَعَادَتِهِ يَوْمَ السَّبْت، وقَامَ لِيَقْرَأ. وَدُفِعَ إِلَيهِ كِتَابُ النَّبِيِّ آشَعْيا. وفَتَحَ يَسُوعُ الكِتَاب، فَوَجَدَ المَوْضِعَ المَكْتُوبَ فِيه: "رُوحُ الرَّبِّ علَيَّ، ولِهذَا مَسَحَني لأَبْشِّرَ المَسَاكِين، وأَرْسَلَنِي لأُنَادِيَ بِإِطْلاقِ الأَسْرَى وعَوْدَةِ البَصَرِ إِلى العُمْيَان، وأُطْلِقَ المَقْهُورِينَ أَحرَارًا، وأُنَادِيَ بِسَنَةٍ مَقْبُولَةٍ لَدَى الرَّبِّ." ثُمَّ طَوَى الكِتَاب، وأَعَادَهُ إلى الخَمْيَان، وأُطْلِقَ المَقْهُورِينَ أَحرَارًا، وأُنَادِيَ بِسَنَةٍ مَقْبُولَةٍ لَدَى الرَّبِ"." ثُمَّ طَوَى الكِتَاب، وأَعَادَهُ إلى الخَادِم، وَجَلَس. وكَانَتْ عُيُونُ جَمِيعِ الَّذِينَ في المَجْمَعِ شَاخِصَةً إِلَيْه. فَبَدَأَ يَقُولُ لَهُم: "أَليَوْمَ تَمَّتُ هذِهِ الكِتَابَةُ الَّتِي تُلِيَتْ على مَسَامِعِكُم". حقًا والأمان لجميعكم.

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