

# Saint George Maronite Catholic Church رعية مار جرجس المارونية

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## **January 28, 2024**

## Sunday of the Righteous and the Just

## **Meet Your Clergy**

Rev. Tony Saab, Pastor frtonysaab@gmail.com 401-400 1441 (Urgent calls only)



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## **SACRAMENTS**

Baptism & Confirmation: One month in

advance with the Pastor.

Suggested Donation: Church: \$200

Priest: Free Will

#### **Matrimony:**

Arrangements should be made by couples six

months prior to the wedding date. Suggested Donation: Church \$500.

Priest: Free Will

#### **Reconciliation:**

One hour before liturgies, or by appointment

#### **Anointing of the Sick:**

Please notify the Rectory if a member of your family is ill, hospitalized, or homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion at home.



#### **Office Hours**

Mon, Weds, Thurs, and Friday, from 9am-12pm The office is closed on Tuesday

## **Liturgical Schedule**

Wednesday 7:00pm, Thursday and Friday 10:00am Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am (Latin rite) and 10:30 am

## **Exposition of the Holy Eucharist**

on Thursday 6:00pm

## **Weekly collections**

Making a generous donation from the hard work of your hands is your opportunity to participate in God's work and support the ministry of His Church.

Weekend 1/21 Total Collection

\$1,105.00

Candles \$54.00

## Delta Drive for the Knights of Columbus Council 1738, Cranston RI

We are proud to hold a Delta drive to offer all men in the parish to become members of the Catholic organization of the Knights of Columbus this weekend. Members of Council 1738 in Cranston will be present at all liturgies.

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Charity- Unity- Fraternity- Patriotism

## **Liturgical Intentions**

| 1/27    |  |  |
|---------|--|--|
| 4:00pm  | Fourth anniversary for <b>Alexandria Saker</b> , requested by her loving family.   |  |
| 1/28    |  |  |
| 8:30am  | 40 day liturgy and a birthday remembrance for <b>Diane G. Wilborn</b> , requested her loving family.   |  |
| 10:30am | One year anniversary for <b>Adel Shalhoub</b> , requested by his son Tony and Joelle, followed by a mercy meal in the Church hall.   |  |
| 2/3     |  |  |
| 4:00pm  | Memorial liturgy for <b>Donald and Maryann Solomon</b> , requested by Deacon Anthony Kouri and family from Easton, PA.   |  |
| 2/4     |  |  |
| 8:30am  |  |  |
| 10:30am |  |  |
| 2/10    |  |  |
| 4:00pm  | Nine year anniversary liturgy for <b>George A Thomas</b> , requested by his son George and his loving family.  |  |
| 2/11    |  |  |
| 8:30am  |  |  |
| 10:30am | Forty day Liturgy for Marie Nasr Bou-Abboud, aNd a memorial liturgy for Joseph Hanna Bou-Abboud, Jean Bou-Abboud, Najwa Deeb Aswad, and Dr Ibrahim Milhim Aswad, requested by their loving family. |  |
| 2/17    |  |  |
| 4:00pm  |  |  |
| 2/18    |  |  |
| 8:30am  |  |  |
| 10:30am |  |  |
| 2/24    |  |  |
| 4:00pm  | Birthday memorial for <b>Donald Solomon</b> , <b>SR.</b> , requested by his children Donald and Cheryl.  |  |
| 2/25    |  |  |
| 8:30am  |  |  |
| 10:30am |  |  |
|         | ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O' LORD   |  |

#### Hebrews 12:18-24 Penalties of Disobedience

Brothers and Sisters:

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. Praise be to God always!

Matthew 25:31-46 The Judgement of the Nations

The Lord Jesus Said: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for



I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life." This is the truth. Peace be with you.

#### **Reflection on this week's Gospel:**

The reflection on Matthew 25:31-46 emphasizes the importance of compassion and acts of kindness. Jesus identifies Himself with the least of His brothers and sisters, saying that whatever we do for the least of these, we do for Him. This underscores the Christian call to love and serve others, especially those who are vulnerable, marginalized, or in need.

The passage challenges us to reflect on our actions and how we treat others. It highlights the significance of concrete acts of mercy and compassion as expressions of genuine faith. It suggests that our relationship with God is intimately connected to our relationship with our fellow human beings.

In a world often marked by division and inequality, this passage serves as a powerful reminder of the Christian responsibility to care for one another. It encourages believers to see the face of Christ in those who are often overlooked or neglected, urging a response of love, compassion, and practical assistance.

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#### 75th ANNUAL SAINT JOSEPH HAFLI

#### **Program Book Contract**

| Specifications: 8 ½ x 11 |       |  |  |
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| Type of Ad               | Cost  |  |  |
| Benefactor (Gold Border) | \$200 |  |  |
| Patron (Silver Border)   | \$100 |  |  |
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The Holy Rosary
Sodality will meet on
Saturday February 3,
at 3:30pm to pray the
holy rosary together
in the church.



DEADLINE: Wednesday, February 28, 2024

Amount Paid \$\_\_\_\_\_ Check#:\_\_\_\_ Cash Received:\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_

Our **MYO** group invites you to join them on Super bowl Sunday,



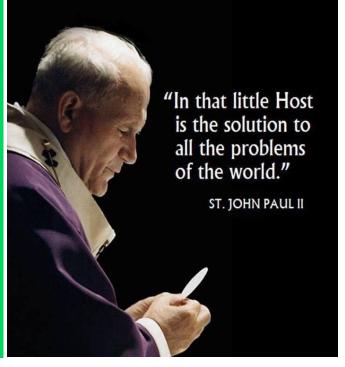
February 11 in the Church Hall.

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_ 3 digit code: \_

75 inch TV, Pizza, Munchies, Drinks, Popcorn, and more. Doors open at 5:00pm .Donation to support the



the National Eparchial
Retreat: \$25.00

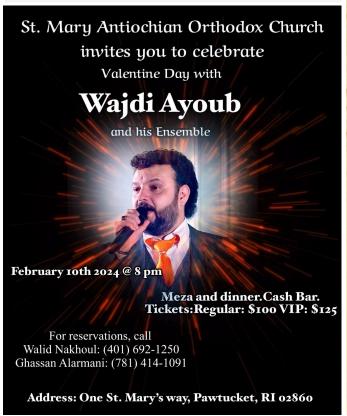




## 4 PRINCIPLES 4 REASONS CHARITY - UNITY -FRATERNITY - PATRIOTISM

Thanks to the efforts of Father Michael J. McGivney, assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church in New Haven and some of his parishioners, the Connecticut state legislature on March 29, 1882, officially chartered the Knights of Columbus as a fraternal benefit society. The Order is still true to its founding principles of charity, unity and fraternity.

The Knights was formed to render financial aid to members and their families. Mutual aid and assistance are offered to sick, disabled and needy members and their families. Social and intellectual fellowship is promoted among members and their families through educational, charitable, religious, social





"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." (Prov. 22:6)





## Who are the Knights of Columbus?

The Catholic Knights of Columbus is a fraternal service organization founded in 1882 by Father Michael J. McGivney in New Haven, Connecticut, USA. The organization is officially known as the Knights of Columbus and is a Catholic-based group dedicated to charitable work and community s ervice. Its members are called Knights.

The Knights of Columbus operates globally and has millions of members, making it one of the largest Catholic fraternal organizations in the world. The organization is committed to the *principles of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism*.

The primary objectives and activities of the Knights of Columbus include:

**Charitable Initiatives**: The Knights of Columbus is known for its extensive charitable work. Members engage in a variety of initiatives to assist those in need, including disaster relief efforts, support for the homeless, and contributions to charitable organizations.

**Financial Support:** The organization provides insurance and other financial products to its members, ensuring financial security for them and their families. In times of illness or death, the Knights of Columbus offers support to the families of its members.

**Faith Formation:** The Knights of Columbus promotes and supports Catholic faith formation. This includes sponsoring events, programs, and scholarships that contribute to the spiritual growth of its members and the wider Catholic community.

**Pro-Life Advocacy**: The organization is actively involved in pro-life initiatives, aligning with Catholic teachings on the sanctity of life. The Knights of Columbus supports causes and events that promote a culture of life.

**Community Service:** Members engage in various community service projects, volunteering their time and resources to make positive contributions to local communities. This can involve activities such as organizing blood drives, assisting at food banks, and supporting educational programs.

**Patriotic Activities:** The Knights of Columbus emphasizes patriotism and supports activities that celebrate and honor national values. Members may participate in events that promote civic responsibility and loyalty to their country.

The history of the Order shows how the foresight of Father Michael J. McGivney, whose cause for sainthood is being investigated by the Vatican, brought about what has become the world's foremost Catholic fraternal benefit society. The Order has helped families obtain economic security and stability through its life insurance, annuity and long-term care programs, and has contributed time and energy worldwide to service in communities.

The Knights of Columbus has grown from several members in one council to 15,342 councils and 1.9 million members throughout the United States, Canada, the Philippines, Mexico, Poland, the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, Panama, the Bahamas, the Virgin Islands, Cuba, Guatemala, Guam, Saipan, Lithuania, Ukraine, and South Korea.

Our sincere and heartfelt Thanks to the Knights of Columbus Council 1738 of Cranston for giving the opportunity for our men parishioners to join this great Catholic fraternity by doing this delta drive on this weekend of January 28 at all out liturgies. Please visit their website kofc1738.org for more information.

