

Saint George Maronite Catholic Church

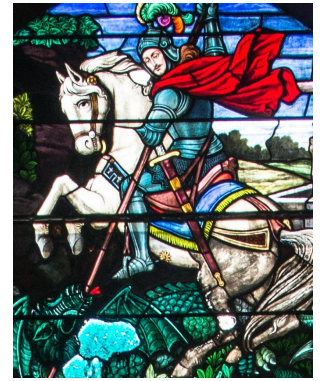
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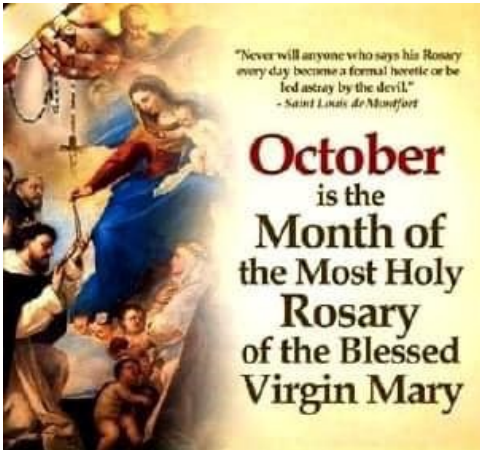
October 08, 2023

Fourth Sunday after Holy Cross

Month of the Holy Rosary

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Concerning times and seasons, brothers, you have no need for anything to be written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night. When people are saying, "Peace and security," then sudden disaster comes upon them, like labor pains upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. But you, brothers, are not in darkness, for that day to overtake you like a thief. For all of you are children of the light and children of the day. We are not of the night or of darkness. Therefore, let us not sleep as the rest do, but let us stay alert and sober. Those who sleep go to sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we are of the day, let us be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love and the helmet that is hope for salvation. For God did not destine us for wrath, but to gain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live together with him. Therefore, encourage one another and build one another up, as indeed you do.



Matthew 24:45-51

"Who, then, is the faithful and prudent servant, whom the master has put in charge of his household to distribute to them their food at the proper time? Blessed is that servant whom his master on his arrival finds doing so. Amen, I say to you, he will put him in charge of all his property. But if that wicked servant says to himself, 'My master is long delayed,' and begins to beat his fellow servants, and eat and drink with drunkards, the servant's master will come on an unexpected day and at an unknown hour and will punish him severely and assign him a place with the hypocrites, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.

Meet Your Clergy

Rev. Tony Saab, Pastor

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Farid Zaarour, Deacon

Office Hours

Weds - Friday
from 9am-12pm

Liturgical Schedule

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

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 8:30 am (*Latin rite*)
10:30 am

Exposition of the Holy
Eucharist
on Thursday 6:00pm

Weekly collections

Saturday 04:00pm
\$1051.00

Sunday
08:30am
\$433.00

10.30am
\$442.00

Announcement Corner

1- The Sodality would like to meet in the church on Saturday, October 7 at 3:30 PM to pray the holy rosary together on Saturday, October 7 at 3:30 PM.

2- Pro-Life Rose Sale

Long-stem red roses will be available after Masses on Saturday & Sunday, October 14th & 15th. All proceeds from the sale will benefit Catholic, pro-life Mother of Life Pregnancy Center in Providence (motheroflife.org). The Center provides free pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, counseling, client advocacy, parenting classes, material goods for babies & moms, and much more. The suggested donation is \$3 per rose. Contributions in addition to or in lieu of rose purchases will also be gratefully accepted. Thank you for your generous support!

Attention all Parents!

Your children are bombarded with unethical, unchristian, and misleading teachings and values everyday in schools and in activities. You owe them the opportunity to learn the truth that your parents passed on to you. You owe them the opportunity to learn the word of God. Please register your children in **Sunday school, grades 1-7**.

Classes are on Sundays from 9:15am to 10:15am followed by the 10:30am liturgy.

First communion classes have begun on Sunday October 1st at 9:15am.

The **knights of Mary** (Firsan el Adra) are also accepting registration. Ages are from 5 to 12. Please fill out registration form after liturgies or contact the church office.

“Discipline your children while they are young enough to learn. If you don't, you are helping them destroy themselves.” (Proverbs 19:18)

SACRAMENTS

Baptism & Confirmation: One month in advance with the Pastor.

Suggested Donation: Church: \$200

Priest: Free Will

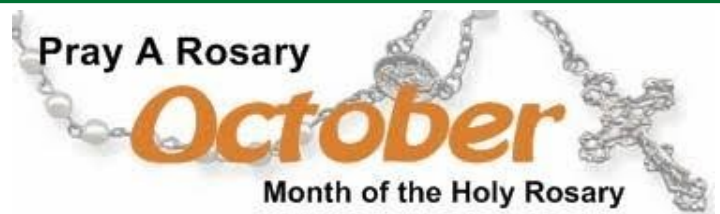
Matrimony: Arrangements should be made by couples six months prior to the wedding date. Suggested Donation: Church \$500. Priest: Free Will

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 communion at home.



Thank you to all the donors and volunteers who worked the Saj Grill events to test the grills and practice for the festival. Their hard work and sacrifices generated an income of,

Saj event after the 10:30am liturgy June 11:
\$380.00

Saj event after the 10:30am liturgy August 27:
\$210.00

Thank you all!

Liturgical Intentions

10/7 4:00pm	
10/8 10:30am	Forty Day Liturgy for Joseph Abou Khalil , requested by his son Wissam and his son Joey.
10/14 4:00pm	Memorial liturgy for Solomon A. Solomon and Lillian Solomon , requested by their loving family.
10/15 10:30am	Forty Day liturgy for May Akl Hoyek , requested by her son Gaby Hoyek, followed by a mercy meal.
10/21 4:00pm	40 Day liturgy for Gail Khoury , requested by her daughter Melissa and her loving family.
10/22 8:30am 10:30am	Memorial liturgy for Vasilios Giovanis Sr. , requested by his loving family.
10/28 4:00pm	Memorial liturgy for Denise Solomon , requested by the Holy Rosary Sodality.
10/29 8:30am 10:30am	Three year memorial mass for Jean Caouette , requested by his wife Carolyn and her children.

Ten valuable lessons from this week's Gospel, Matthew 24:45-51

- Stewardship and Responsibility:** Jesus teaches the importance of responsible stewardship. We are entrusted with God's blessings and are called to use them wisely and for the benefit of others.
- Faithful Service:** Being a faithful and wise servant means living a life that aligns with God's will, serving others with love, kindness, and diligence.
- Timing and Readiness:** The emphasis on being ready for the master's return reminds us to live in a state of spiritual readiness, not knowing when Christ will come back.
- Accountability:** We will be held accountable for our actions and how we fulfill the responsibilities and roles God has given us.
- Reward for Faithfulness:** Faithfulness and obedience are rewarded. Those who fulfill their roles diligently will be blessed with greater responsibilities and blessings.
- Consequences of Negligence:** Neglecting our responsibilities, becoming complacent, or living a hypocritical life can have severe consequences, separating us from God.
- Being Watchful:** We are urged to be vigilant and alert, always mindful of Christ's imminent return, not getting caught in worldly distractions.
- Avoiding Hypocrisy:** Jesus warns against hypocrisy and ungodly behavior, emphasizing the importance of living a life consistent with our beliefs and responsibilities.
- Avoiding Spiritual Apathy:** Falling into spiritual apathy or losing sight of our purpose can lead to harmful actions and distance us from God's grace and truth.
- Eternal Judgment:** The passage underscores the reality of a final judgment, where our actions and faithfulness will determine our eternal destiny.



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SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 07, 2023

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DOORS OPEN @ 7:00PM
DINNER SERVED @ 8:00PM
VIP \$85
GENERAL TICKETS \$65
YOUTH 11YR ~ 18YR - \$40
CHILDREN 4YR ~ 10YR - \$25
INCLUDES MEZZA, DINNER AND DESSERT
CASH BAR

NO TICKET SALES AT THE DOOR
For information or ticket purchase:
Rectory Office:
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Proceeds to benefit St. Anthony of the Desert Church





THE MARONITE SEMINARY PRESENTS

A WEEKEND OF DISCERNMENT

ADULT MEN ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND TO DISCERN GOD'S CALL TO THE PRIESTHOOD

NOVEMBER 3-5, 2023

OUR LADY OF LEBANON MARONITE SEMINARY
7164 ALASKA AVENUE NW
WASHINGTON, DC 20012

FREE TO ATTEND

TO RSVP, CONTACT THE MARONITE SEMINARY:
202-723-8831 / MARONITSEMINARY@COMCAST.NET

Thank you to all who serve on the **Parish Committees and organizations**

Finance Committee:

Bernie DiLullo, Chris Thomas, Saba Khoury, Elias Ayoub, Joan Badway, Nancy Pasquariello, Anthony Rebello.

THANK YOU
team

Building /Grounds: Semer Youssif, Charbel Kosseifi.

Pastoral Committee: Suzanne Cannon, Joseph Checrallah JR., Derek Iacobucci, Debra Thomas, Michael Saker, representative members from the Sodality, MYO, Choir, and Knights of Mary.

Holy Rosary Sodality president: Patty Viti.

MYO advisor: Jihane Ayoub.

Knights of Mary advisor: Joelle Chalhoub.

Religious Education: Geraldine Fiyod.

200 Club, Choirs.

"I don't know what life will look like when my kids are 10, 15, or 22. I can't control what they will see or hear from the world. But I can give them the tools from the Word of God that will ground them in truth no matter what comes their way."

The Memorare

Remember,

O Most Gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implore thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother, to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful.

O Mother of the World Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me.

Amen.



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Cute Joke corner

In a Catholic school cafeteria, a nun places a note in front of a pile of apples.

"Only take one. God is watching."

Further down the line, is a pile of cookies.

A little boy makes his own note, "Take all you want. God is watching the apples."