# Saint George Maronite Catholic Church رعية مار جرجس المارونية

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## October 29, 2023 **Seventh Sunday after Holy Cross**

## Meet Your Clergy

Rev. Tony Saab, Pastor frtonysaab@gmail.com

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 \$703.00

Sunday 08:30am \$450.00



## **Reflection Matthew 25:31-46**

The Arrival of the King: In the opening of this passage, Jesus describes the Son of Man coming in His glory, accompanied by all the angels. This imagery conveys the magnitude and majesty of His arrival, reminding us that Jesus is not just our Savior but also the righteous and just Judge.

The Separation of the Sheep and the Goats: Jesus tells us that He will separate people as a shepherd separates sheep from goats. The sheep, representing the righteous, are those who have shown compassion, kindness, and love to those in need. They have served as Jesus served, recognizing Him in the marginalized and vulnerable.

The Astonishing Revelation: What is truly astonishing about this passage is that both the sheep and the goats are surprised by the King's words. The righteous do not recall their acts of kindness as service to the King, and the unrighteous do not remember their neglect as a rejection of Him. This reveals the authenticity of their actions, driven not by self-interest but by genuine love for others.

The Essence of Christian Living: This passage encapsulates the essence of Christian living. It calls us to see Jesus in our neighbors, to respond to the needs of others with love and compassion, and to live a life that embodies the teachings of Christ. As we look around, we find Jesus in the hungry, thirsty, stranger, naked, sick, and imprisoned, and our actions towards them reflect our love for our Lord.

In our lives, we often wrestle with the challenges of daily living, but this passage reminds us of our ultimate calling. It is a call to imitate Christ, to be His hands and feet in the world, and to recognize the divinity that exists within every human being. Our faith is not only about beliefs; it's about living out our beliefs through acts of love and service.

### **Parish Committees and organizations**

#### **Finance Committee:**

Bernie DiLullo, Chris Thomas, Saba Khoury, Elias Ayoub, Joan Badway,

Nancy Pasquariello, Anthony Rebello

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.

### **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.

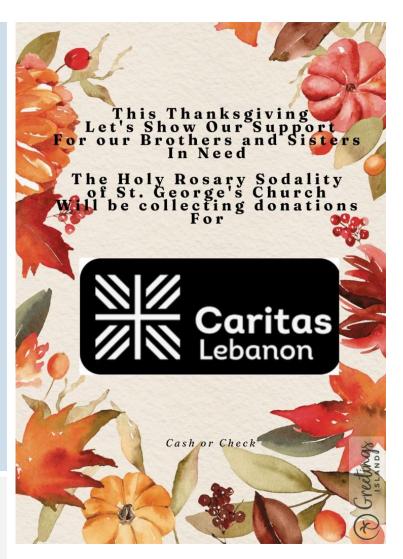
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The Holy Rosary Sodality will pray the Holy Rosary on Saturday Nov. 4 at 3:30pm.

## Liturgical Intentions

10/28	Liturgical Intentions
4:00pm	Memorial liturgy for <b>Denise Solomon</b> , requested by the Holy Rosary Sodality.
10/29	One Year anniversary for Lillian Biccari George, requested by her son Kevin
8:30am	and his loving family.
	Three year memorial mass for <b>Jean Caouette</b> , requested by his wife Carolyn and her children.
10:30am	
11/4	
4:00pm	
11/5 8:30am	Birthday remembrance for <b>Robin Bingham</b> , requested by Robert Bingham.
10:30am	Forty day liturgy for <b>Mona Akkaoui</b> , requested by her sons Richard and Romeo
	Akkaoui and their loving family, followed by a mercy meal.
11/11	
4:00pm	Forty day liturgy for <b>Vladimir Loskoutov</b> , requested by his wife Monica and her loving family.
11/12	
8:30am	One year anniversary for <b>Raymond Patrick Montaquila</b> , requested by his loving family
10:30am	Four year anniversary for <b>George Harb</b> , requested by his loving wife Najla and her loving family.
11/18 4:00pm	Forty day liturgy for <b>Mary Michael</b> , requested by her son Richard and her daughter Kim.
11/19 8:30am	Birthday remembrance for Patricia Bingham and Dorothy Mollica, requested by their loving families.
10:30am	Memorial liturgy for <b>Rose Assaf</b> , requested by her granddaughter Tracey and her husband Anthony Rouhana, followed by a by a brunch in her memory in the Church hall.
11/25	
4:00pm	Memorial liturgy for Gail Khoury, requested by the Holy Rosary Sodality.
11/26	Forty day liturgy for <b>Ernest Mari</b> , requested by his wife Louise and her loving
8:30am	family.
10:30am	Three year anniversary for <b>Therese Mouwad Estephane</b> , requested by her loving family
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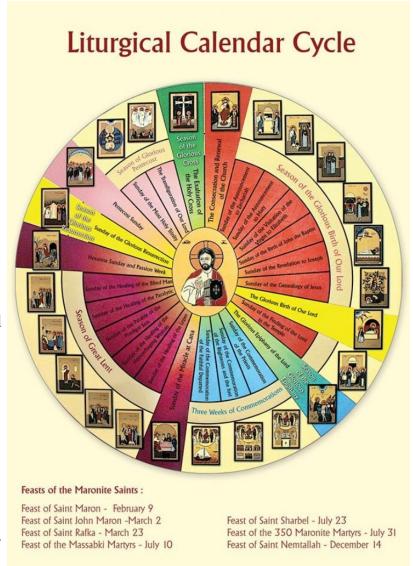
#### Romans 12:9-21

Let love be sincere; hate what is evil, hold on to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; anticipate one another in showing honor. Do not grow slack in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, endure in affliction, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the holy ones, exercise hospitality. Bless those who persecute (you), bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Have the same regard for one another; do not be haughty but associate with the lowly; do not be wise in your own estimation. Do not repay anyone evil for evil; be concerned for what is noble in the sight of all. If possible, on your part, live at peace with

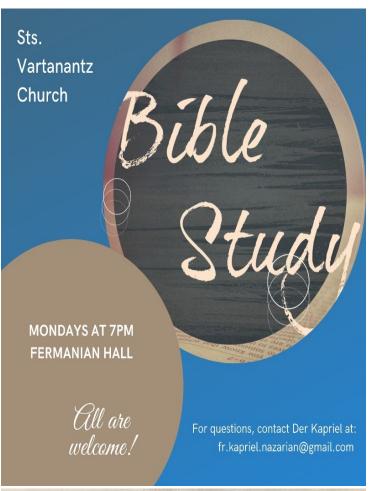
all. Beloved, do not look for revenge but leave room for the wrath; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." Rather, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals upon his head." Do not be conquered by evil but conquer evil with good.

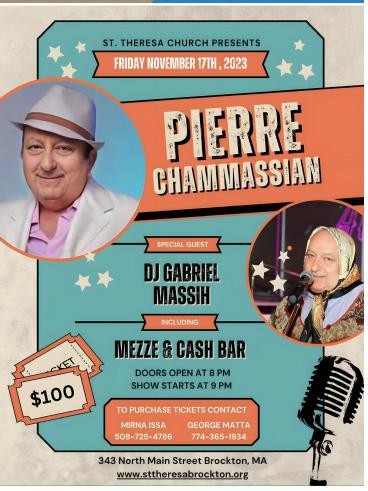
#### Matthew 25:31-46

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him. And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who 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 drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison,



and visit you?' And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you accursed, 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 no drink, a stranger and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing, ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.' Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."









"I see clearly that the thing the church needs most today is the ability to heal wounds and to warm the hearts of the faithful; it needs nearness, proximity. I see the church as a field hospital after battle... The church sometimes has locked itself up in small things, in small-minded rules. The most important thing is the first proclamation: Jesus Christ has saved you."

~POPE FRANCIS

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