



Saint George Maronite Catholic Church

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Sixth Sunday of the Holy Cross

October 23, 2022

Office Hours

Weds - Friday from 9am-12pm. Please call 401-723 8444

Liturgical Schedule

Wednesday through Friday 09:00am

Saturday 4:00 pm (*Maronite rite*)

Sunday 8:30 am (*Roman rite*) **10:30 am** (*Maronite rite*)

Exposition of the Holy Eucharist

Every Thursday 7:00pm and Saturday 2:00pm

Meet Your Clergy

Rev. Tony Saab

Pastor

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Weekly collections

Saturday 4:00pm \$490.00

Sunday 8:30am \$279.00

Sunday 10:30am \$422.00

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Announcement corner

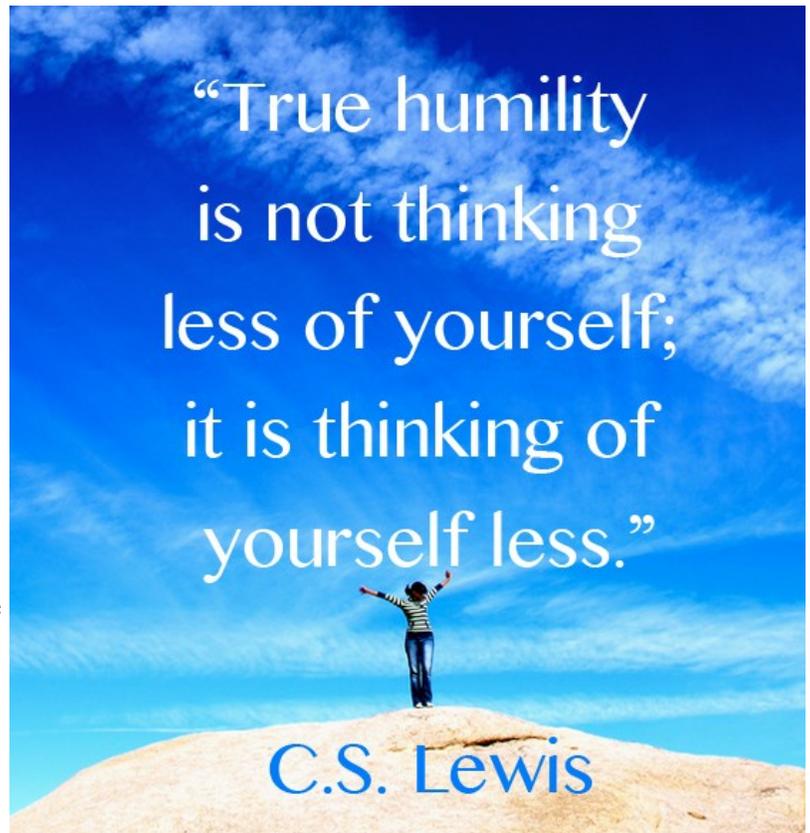
- Please notify the Church office at 401-723-8444 as soon as you or someone you know is in need of **Holy Communion**, anointing of the sick, or prayers from our clergy team. We are here to assist you in all your religious and spiritual needs.
- The liturgy of Saint Charbel every 22nd of the month falls on Saturday October 22nd.
- All Parish children are called to join the MYO and the New Knights of Mary فرسان العذراء
Parents are encouraged to register their children by calling or emailing the Church office.
- Save the Date for the **MYO Fall Party** on Sunday October 30, after the 10:30am liturgy.

Proverbs 6:6-11

Go to the ant, O sluggard, study her ways and learn wisdom; For though she has no chief, no commander or ruler, She procures her food in the summer, stores up her provisions in the harvest. How long, O sluggard, will you lie there? when will you rise from your sleep? A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the arms to rest— Then poverty will come upon you like a robber, and want like a brigand.

Galatians 6:1-10

Brothers, even if a person is caught in some transgression, you who are spiritual should correct that one in a gentle spirit, looking to yourself, so that you also may not be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so you will fulfill the law of Christ. For if anyone thinks he is something when he is nothing, he is deluding himself. Each one must examine his own work, and then he will have reason to boast with regard to himself alone, and not with regard to someone else; for each will bear his own load. One who is being instructed in the word should share all good things with his instructor. Make no mistake: God is not mocked, for a person will reap only what he sows, because the one who sows for his flesh will reap corruption from the flesh, but the one who sows for the spirit will reap eternal life from the spirit. Let us not grow tired of doing good, for in due time we shall reap our harvest, if we do not give up. So then, while we have the opportunity, let us do good to all, but especially to those who belong to the family of the faith.



Matthew 25:14-30

"It will be as when a man who was going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them. To one he gave five talents; to another, two; to a third, one--to each according to his ability. Then he went away. Immediately the one who received five talents went and traded with them, and made another five. Likewise, the one who received two made another two. But the man who received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and buried his master's money. After a long time the master of those servants came back and settled accounts with them. The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five. He said, 'Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.' (Then) the one who had received two talents also came forward and said, 'Master, you gave me two talents. See, I have made two more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.' Then the one who had received the one talent came forward and said, 'Master, I knew you were a demanding person, harvesting where you did not plant and gathering where you did not scatter; so out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground. Here it is back.' His master said to him in reply, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I did not plant and gather where I did not scatter? Should you not then have put my money in the bank so that I could have got it back with interest on my return? Now then! Take the talent from him and give it to the one with ten. For to everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And throw this useless servant into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.'

Liturgical Intentions

10/22 4:00pm	Memorial liturgy for Solomon A. Solomon and Lilian Solomon , requested by their loving family.
10/23 8:30am 10:30am	Three Year Anniversary for Ganet Yousif , requested by her loving family.
10/29 4:00pm	Third anniversary liturgy for Michael Sam , requested by his loving mother Anna, and his sister Cheryl.
10/30 8:30am 10:30am	Second anniversary liturgy for Jean Caouette , requested by his wife Carolyn and her children. One year anniversary for Nancy V. Thomas , requested by Claire Jabbour.
11/5 4:00pm	Memorial liturgy for Raymond and Therese Yazbek , requested by their beloved children.
11/6 8:30am 10:30am	Memorial liturgy for George and Louie Manna , requested by Leo and Pat Beauchemin and Betty Manna 40 Day Liturgy for Hoda Keirouz , requested by her husband Keirouz and his loving family.

Thanksgiving Parish Lebanese Dinner

Saturday November 19, 2022

Cocktail hour 7:00pm Dinner served at 7:30pm



No tickets sold at the door.

For tickets please call the church office or

Elias Ayoub 401-714 6100

Christopher Thomas 401- 339 9943

Mezza, Homemade Lebanese Food, Live Music, Cash bar,
Raffle

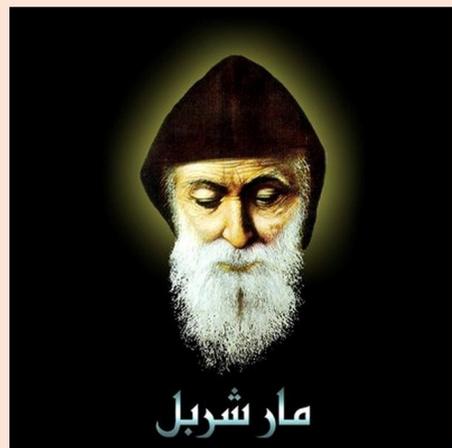
\$50 a person, \$20 for children under 12

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**Join us this Saturday and every
22nd of the month**

Liturgy of Saint Charbel



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Saturday October 22, at 4:00pm

Anointing with oil for the healing of the body and the soul
at the end of liturgy.

Five lessons we learn from this week's parable of the talents (Mt 25:14-30)

1. We are not all created with equal skills, abilities and opportunities.
2. Success only occurs when we take action.
3. When we do work, our efforts are to be aimed toward God and not our own self-pleasure or agenda.
4. God always gives us everything we need to do what He has called us to do.
5. We will all be held accountable.

1. The Master who “reaps where he did not sow, and gathers where he scattered no seed,” is not a jerk. He is God. God harvests salvation from the fields of the Devil (i.e., the fallen world). God brings good out of difficult situations. He reclaims what sin has worked to destroy.

2. The talents are a metaphor for grace (they are NOT merely abilities or money). The different sums are a sign of the receptivity to grace of each of the servants. The message here indicates: No matter how much we are open to receiving God's grace, he gives us as much as we are willing and able to receive.

3. When the servants cooperated with grace, they saw the work of grace expand exponentially.

4. The third servant did not do anything with the grace he had been given because, literally, he “was afraid.” Fear separates us from grace. Think about it. Grace is the presence of God. God is love and “Perfect love casts out fear” (1 Jn 4:18).

The third servant did not cooperate with grace. Instead of clinging to God, he clung to his fear. Ultimately, the third servant separated himself from God by choosing to focus on his limitations over God's Providence.

5. Grace will not be thwarted. Even when we resist or reject God, he finds ways around our resistance and redistributes it to those who will receive it and cooperate with it. God's will shall be done!

Superficially, this seems like a harsh parable but ultimately, it is about the superabundance of grace, the generosity of God, and the fact that nothing—not even our fears of our own limitations—can stop grace from building the Kingdom.

