



## Saint George Maronite Catholic Church

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February 04, 2024

### Sunday of the Faithful Departed

#### 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

#### Meet Your Clergy

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

Farid Zaarour, Deacon  
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#### 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 1/28 Total Collection

\$1,872.00

Eparchial Worldwide Charities \$406.00

#### SACRAMENTS

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

Suggested Donation: Church: \$200 Priest: Free Will

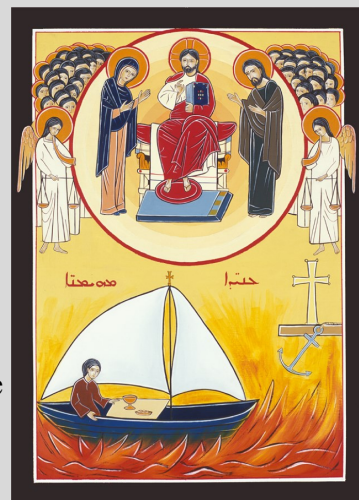
**Matrimony:** Arrangements should be made by couples six months prior to the wedding date.

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.



## Liturgical Intentions

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 <b>Marie Nasr Bou-Abboud</b> , aNd a memorial liturgy for <b>Joseph Hanna Bou-Abboud , Jean Bou-Abboud , Najwa Deeb Aswad, and Dr Ibrahim Milhim Aswad</b> , requested by their loving family.
2/17 4:00pm	Memorial liturgy for <b>Mary Michael, Ernest Mari, Vladimir Loskoutov, Donald Solomon</b> , and all the deceased members of the Holy rosary sodality, requested by the members of the HRS.
2/18 8:30am 10:30am	Third year anniversay for Edward Donovan, requested by his loving family.
2/24 4:00pm	Birthday memorial for <b>Donald Solomon, SR.</b> , requested by his children Donald and Cheryl.
2/25 8:30am 10:30am	
3/2 4:00pm	
3/3 8:30am 10:30am	Second anniversary liturgy for <b>Malcolm Badway</b> , requested by his loving family.
ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O' LORD	

**Ez 37: 1-10**

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he led me out in the spirit of the LORD and set me in the center of the broad valley. It was filled with bones. He made me walk among them in every direction. So many lay on the surface of the valley! How dry they were! He asked me: Son of man, can these bones come back to life? "Lord GOD," I answered, "you alone know that." Then he said to me: Prophecy over these bones, and say to them: Dry bones, hear the word of the LORD! Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Listen! I will make breath enter you so you may come to life. I will put sinews on you, make flesh grow over you, cover you with skin, and put breath into you so you may come to life. Then you shall know that I am the LORD. I prophesied as I had been commanded. A sound started up, as I was prophesying, rattling like thunder. The bones came together, bone joining to bone. As I watched, sinews appeared on them, flesh grew over them, skin covered them on top, but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me: Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, son of man! Say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: From the four winds come, O breath, and breathe into these slain that they may come to life. I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath entered them; they came to life and stood on their feet, a vast army.

**1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Vigilance**

Concerning the times and the seasons, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing. Praise be to God always!

**Luke 16:19-31 The Parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus**

The Lord Jesus Said: "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who

A heartfelt THANK you to all who participated in the Christmas dinner on Dec 9th, 2023. The generosity of those who made and donated the food, alcohol, most of the supplies, and those of participated in the dinner made it possible for our parish to donate \$2,500 to Saint Veronica Guiliani, to help needy families in Lebanon, \$1,000 to the Maronite Eparchy of Byblos, and \$550 to the Maronite Eparchy of Tyre. (Not including bank and wire fees.) The fundraiser made a gross income of \$9,576 (Door admission \$6,600, Bar \$1,161, Donations \$385, Raffle \$1,430, minus expenses of entertainment \$1,000, and some supplies \$280.73). The amount of \$4,147.00 supported our operating expenses.

might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house — for I have five brothers — that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

A sincere THANK YOU to Wissam Haddad for his generous donation of \$5000.00 towards the purchase of the new church hall chairs that cost \$8,924.49. May the Lord reward him abundantly.



**St. George Maronite Catholic Church**

**St. Joseph**  
**75th Annual**  
**Hafli**

**Superstar**  
**Anwar El Amir**

**CRUEL** **INAS ALAWAM**

**Grand Raffle**  
Admission: \$100 • VIP \$150  
Includes Mazza and Dinner  
Envision Hotel Grand Ballroom  
31 Hampshire St. Mansfield MA 02048  
FOR TICKETS PLEASE CONTACT: Jihane Ayoub 401-714-6200  
George Thomas 401-480-8812 • Michael Saker 401-323-7409

**Saturday**  
**March 16, 2024**  
**@7pm**

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



February 11 in the Church Hall.

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



members attendance of  
the National Eparchial  
Retreat: \$25.00

**St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church**  
invites you to celebrate  
Valentine Day with

**Wajdi Ayoub**

and his Ensemble

**February 10th 2024 @ 8 pm**

**Meza and dinner.Cash Bar.**  
**Tickets:Regular: \$100 VIP: \$125**

For reservations, call  
Walid Nakhoul: (401) 692-1250  
Ghassan Alarmani: (781) 414-1091

**Address: One St. Mary's way, Pawtucket, RI 02860**

**OUR LADY OF PURGATORY MARONITE CHURCH**

**ST. MARON'S**  
**HAFLI**

**FEB 3, 2024**

4254 ACUSHNET AVE.  
NEW BEDFORD, MA 02745

**CASH BAR & MEZZA**  
**7:30 PM**

**DINNER SERVED**  
**8:30 PM**

**LIVE ENTERTAINMENT BY**  
**THAER MALKO**  
**&**  
**BACHIR EL KHOURY BAND**

**DANCE FLOOR SEATING: \$100 FOR ALL AGES**  
**GENERAL SEATING: \$75**  
**CHILDREN (12-17): \$40**  
**CHILDREN UNDER 12 YEARS: NO CHARGE**

**FOR TICKET SALES CONTACT:**  
CHURCH OFFICE: (508) 996-8934  
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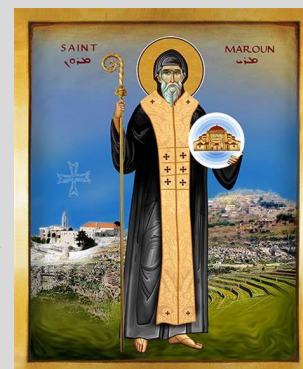
**Friday February 9, 2024**

**Feast of Saint Maron**

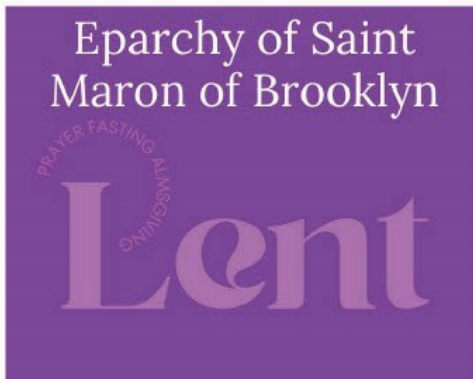
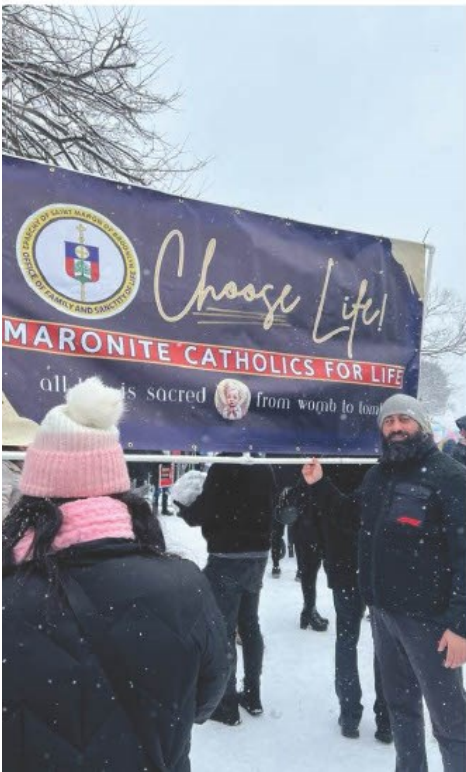
Patron of the Maronite  
Church, a Holy day of  
obligation.

The divine liturgy will be  
celebrated on

**Thursday 2/8 at 7:00pm** and  
**Friday 1/9 at 10:00am**  
(in the Chapel)









## EPARCHY OF SAINT MARON OF BROOKLYN

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Lent 2024

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

If you believe in Jesus Christ, sacrifice always has meaning. It leads to something, just as the Cross led to the Resurrection. Life is not about being comfortable but about answering God's call to us. Our response makes our lives "worth living," as Archbishop Fulton Sheen used to say.

During this season of sacrifice, please consider making a sacrificial gift for this year's Annual Lenten Appeal for the Eparchy of Saint Maron. There are so many people suffering here and around the world (especially in Lebanon) who can be helped by our prayers, fasting and almsgiving. The Eparchy can be part of your Lenten sacrifice, as we rely upon your generosity to serve the faithful in the Eparchy and the Middle East.

Your gift to this year's Annual Lenten Appeal will support:

- **Seminarians:** We currently have three excellent men preparing for the priesthood. Our seminarians are our future; we need to educate them well so that they can minister effectively as priests someday. The costs of Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Seminary are about \$450,000 per year. **40% of your contribution to this year's Annual Appeal will go for Seminarians.**
- **Ministries:** Our outreach to young people, the elderly, families, and in defense of life from conception to natural death, helps people at the most crucial times in their lives. You can ensure that the Eparchy continues this important work. **20% of your contribution will go to support Ministries.**
- **Retired Priests:** The Eparchy's 17 retired priests served the faithful well. We help them with a modest pension each month. **20% of your contribution will support Retired Priests.**
- **Help for Lebanon and the Middle East:** The Eparchy has provided an unprecedented amount of support to help in Lebanon and the Middle East over the past few years. We can never forget the homeland of our Maronite Church. **10% of your contribution will support Christians in Lebanon and the Middle East.**
- **Endowment:** The Eparchy's Endowment Fund supports today's needs and ensures the Eparchy will have resources in the future. **10% of your contribution will be deposited into the Eparchy's Endowment.**

Please open your heart once again and make a gift. Your participation in this Appeal impacts the lives of many people, both inside the Eparchy, and in the Middle East. Any gift will be appreciated. Please visit <http://www.stmaron.org/lenten-appeal> for more information.

Thank you, and may God bless you for your generosity! I wish you a blessed Lent and Easter.

Gratefully yours in Christ,

+ *Gregory*

+ Gregory J. Mansour

PS: Please also consider remembering the Eparchy and your parish in your estate plan, or as the beneficiary of an insurance policy, retirement plan or charitable gift annuity. Thank you.