



## Saint George Maronite Catholic Church

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June 16, 2024

### Fifth Sunday of Pentecost

#### 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

Thursday 6:00pm

#### 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.

#### Meet Your Clergy

Rev. Tony Saab, Pastor  
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401-400-1441

(Urgent calls please)

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#### Weekly collections

Weekend collections 6/9  
\$1,497.00

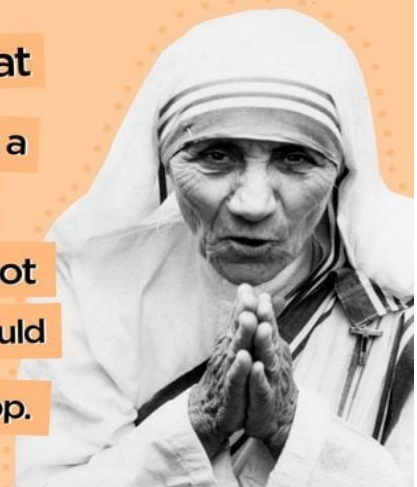
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office*

*Every time you make a  
generous donation from the hard  
work of your hands, you are  
participating in God's work and  
supporting the ministry of His  
Church.*



**We ourselves feel that  
what we are doing is just a  
drop in the ocean.**

**But if that drop were not  
there, I think the ocean would  
be less by that missing drop.**



## Liturgical Intentions

6/15 4:00pm	Memorial liturgy for <b>Anthony and Sarah Solomon</b> , requested by their loving family.
6/16 8:30am	For the full healing and recovery of <b>Fr. Ed Nedder</b> , by a loving parishioner.
10:30am	Forty day liturgy for <b>Elham Khoury</b> , requested by her son Elias Khoury.
6/22 4:00pm	Forty day liturgy for <b>Rodney Thomas</b> , requested by his wife Patricia and their loving family.
6/23 8:30am	
10:30am	Forty day liturgy for <b>Saad Habchi</b> , requested by his loving family.
6/29 4:00pm	One year anniversary for <b>Virginia (Princess) Iacono</b> , requested by her loving family.
6/30	<b>Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul</b>
8:30am	Seven year anniversary for <b>Angelina Vitulli</b> , requested by her loving family
10:30am	<b>Eternal Rest Grant Unto them O' Lord</b>

Reading Scriptures at liturgy is a privilege. If you would like to read the Epistle at the weekend liturgies, please call or email the church office.

Weekend Reading Schedule 6/16

Saturday at 4:00pm Tarah Provencal

Sunday at 8:30am Anthony Rebello

Sunday at 10:30am English: Cloe Ayoub

Arabic: Elie Khoury

THANK YOU!



## FIFTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST SEASON

### Calling of the Apostles

#### Ex 1: 1-7

These are the names of the sons of Israel who, accompanied by their households, entered into Egypt with Jacob: Reuben, Simeon, Levi and Judah; Issachar, Zebulun and Benjamin; Dan and Naphtali; Gad and Asher. The total number of Jacob's direct descendants was seventy. Joseph was already in Egypt. Now Joseph and all his brothers and that whole generation died. But the Israelites were fruitful and prolific. They multiplied and became so very numerous that the land was filled with them.

#### Philippians 3:7-14

(But) whatever gains I had, these I have come to consider a loss because of Christ. More than that, I even consider everything as a loss because of the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having any righteousness of my own based on the law but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from

*"The hunger for love is much more difficult to remove than the hunger for bread."*

*-Mother Teresa*



God, depending on faith to know him and the power of his resurrection and (the) sharing of his sufferings by being conformed to his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. It is not that I have already taken hold of it or have already attained perfect maturity, but I continue my pursuit in hope that I may possess it, since I have indeed been taken possession of by Christ (Jesus). Brothers, I for my part do not consider myself to have taken possession. Just one thing: forgetting what lies behind but straining forward to what lies ahead, I continue my pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus.

#### Matthew 10:1-7

Then he summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to drive them out and to cure every disease and every illness. The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew, Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James, the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddeus; Simon the Cananean, and Judas Iscariot who betrayed him. Jesus sent out these twelve after instructing them thus, "Do not go into pagan territory or enter a Samaritan town. Go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, make this proclamation: 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.'

## *What are the Four Pillars of our Catholic Faith?*

The four pillars of the Catholic faith are a framework for understanding and practicing the faith, often associated with the Catechism of the Catholic Church. They are:

### 1. **The Profession of Faith (Creed):**

o This pillar covers the core beliefs of the Catholic Church as outlined in the Nicene and Apostles' Creeds. It includes teachings about the nature of God, Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit, the Church, and the plan of salvation.

### 2. **The Celebration of the Christian Mystery (Sacraments):**

o This pillar focuses on the sacraments, which are visible signs of God's grace. There are seven sacraments in the Catholic Church: Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Penance (Reconciliation), Anointing of the Sick, Holy Orders, and Matrimony.

### 3. **Life in Christ (Morality):**

o This pillar addresses the moral teachings of the Church, guiding Catholics on how to live a life in accordance with God's will. It includes teachings on the Ten Commandments, the Beatitudes, and other ethical directives.

### 4. **Christian Prayer:**

This pillar emphasizes the importance of prayer in the life of a Catholic. It includes an exploration of different forms of prayer, such as liturgical prayer (especially the Mass), personal prayer, and the Lord's Prayer (Our Father) as the model of Christian prayer.



O Holy Spirit, descend  
plentifully into my heart.  
Enlighten the dark corners  
of this neglected dwelling  
and scatter there Thy  
cheerful beams.

Saint Augustine

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## **Father's Day**

## **Weekend Saj Grill Picnic Brunch**

### **Saturday June 15, 2024**

After the 4:00 pm Liturgy

### **Sunday June 16, 2024**

After the 10:30 am liturgy

Outside the main entrance of the Church



Pre-orders are available 401-723- 8444

Call the church office Wednesday-Friday between 9-12 pm.

Zaatar pie \$5.00 each

Cheese, Kishik, Meat, Chocolate \$10.00 each

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## **How to deal with your daily TEMPTATIONS**

The Catechism of the Catholic Church offers several guidelines and principles on how to avoid temptations. Here are key points derived from its teachings:

### **Prayer and Sacraments:**

**Frequent Prayer:** Regular communication with God through prayer strengthens the will and provides divine assistance against temptations. The Lord's Prayer includes the petition "lead us not into temptation" (CCC 2846-2849).

**Participation in the Sacraments:** Frequent reception of the sacraments, especially the Eucharist and Reconciliation, fortifies the soul. The Eucharist, in particular, is described as spiritual food that strengthens us against sin (CCC 1391-1405). The sacrament of Reconciliation provides grace to overcome future temptations and to heal the wounds of sin (CCC 1422-1498).

### **Avoiding Occasions of Sin:**

**Prudence in Choices:** Exercise prudence by avoiding situations, places, or people that are likely to lead to sin. This involves being mindful of personal weaknesses and proactively steering clear of tempting environments (CCC 1806).

### **Cultivating Virtue:**

**Strengthening Virtue:** Developing and practicing virtues, such as humility, chastity, and temperance, helps build resistance to temptation. Virtues are habitual and firm dispositions to do good, which help in overcoming temptations (CCC 1803-1829).

### **Spiritual Guidance:**

**Seeking Counsel:** Regular spiritual direction and guidance from a confessor or spiritual advisor can provide personalized advice and support in resisting temptations. The communal aspect of the Church offers support and accountability (CCC 2690).

### **Understanding and Recognizing Temptation:**

**Awareness of Temptation:** Recognizing and understanding the nature of temptations helps in dealing with them. Temptations are not sins but are opportunities to choose good over evil. Understanding the difference can prevent unnecessary guilt and help focus on overcoming actual sins (CCC 2847).

### **Living a Disciplined Life:**

**Self-Discipline and Mortification:** Practicing self-discipline and mortification (self-denial and penance) helps to control bodily desires and align them with the will of God. Fasting, for instance, is a traditional practice that fosters self-control (CCC 1434-1439).

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### Banner Sponsorship Tiers

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**Silver - \$250**

Vinyl Banner (18" X 24")

Please make check payable to St. George Church.

Your contributions are tax deductible to the full extent of the law.

The festival will be held on Friday, September 13, Saturday, September 14, and Sunday, September 15 . .

**We thank you for your continued generosity and strong support for St. George Maronite Catholic Church.**