



# Saint George Maronite Catholic Church

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June 21, 2026

Fifth Sunday of Pentecost

## Meet Your Clergy

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## Liturgical Schedule

Thursday and Friday

10:00 am

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am

10:30 am

## Exposition of the Holy Eucharist

Thursday  
6:00 – 8:00 pm



## Livestreaming QR Codes



A Church that sets no limits to love,  
that knows no enemies to fight but  
only men and women to love,  
is the Church that the world needs today.

-- Pope Leo XIV "Dilexi Te" ("I Have Loved You")



# Happy FATHER'S DAY

Saint Joseph is one of  
the greatest figures of  
a good Father.

*The Bible does not record  
a single word that he ever spoke.*

**WHAT MADE HIM GREAT  
IS WHAT HE DID.**

### JOSEPH LISTENED TO GOD.

Joseph was confused, sad, and lost when he learned that Mary was going to have a child. But he didn't get upset and tried to seek revenge. He listened to God instead and chose to be nice. He did what the angel advised him to do when he told him to marry Mary.

### JOSEPH PROTECTED HIS FAMILY.

King Herod wanted to kill the Christ Child. Joseph didn't think twice about it. He called his family together in the middle of the night and fled to Egypt to keep them safe. His concern for Mary and the welfare of Jesus was greater than his own comfort, goals and safety.

### JOSEPH LABORED IN HUMILITY.

Joseph was a builder for many years to help support his family. He taught Jesus how to work, pray and live by the precepts of God. He never tried to take credit, attention or authority. He was very good because he honored the promises God provided to him about his duties.

### JOSEPH TEACHES US TODAY.

What Saint Joseph can teach fathers today is that being a father is about service and sacrifice. Greatness is not in what a man has, but in what a man is. A good father is there for his children when it's tough, provides for them, teaches them, forgives them and is there for them.

## Sacraments

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

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

**Reconciliation:** One hour before liturgies, or by appointment.  
Please call the church office or email [frtonysaab@gmail.com](mailto:frtonysaab@gmail.com)

**Anointing of the Sick:** Please notify the church office.

## Liturgical Intentions

6/20 4:00 pm	Memorial liturgy for <b>Anthony and Sarah Solomon</b> , requested by her loving family.
6/28 8:30 am 10:30 am	9th anniversary for <b>Angelina Vitulli</b> , requested by her loving family. Forty-day liturgy for <b>Adel Felefle</b> , requested by his son Elias and his loving family.
7/5 10:30 am	Birthday remembrance for <b>Mary Ann Solomon</b> , requested by her loving children Donald and Cheryl Solomon.
7/11 4:00 pm	Memorial liturgy for <b>Thomas Faris</b> , requested by Donald and Cheryl Solomon.
7/12 10:30 am	Forty day liturgy for <b>Elie Chiha</b> , requested by his wife Liliane and her loving family.
7/18 4:00 pm	Twelfth anniversary liturgy for <b>Kenneth Fiyod</b> , requested by her loving family.
<b>ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O' LORD!</b>	

### Weekly Collections

Saturday 4:00 pm: **\$223.00**  
 Sunday 8:30 am: **\$252.00**  
 Sunday 10:30 am: **\$545**  
**Total weekend Collections:**  
**\$1,020.00**



The Holy Rosary Sodality  
will be holding a

### **Bake Sale**

This weekend.

Thank you in advance for  
supporting their efforts for  
your parish.



## Readings for the Fifth Sunday of Pentecost

### **Ex 1: 1-7**

These are the names of the sons of Israel who, accompanied by their households, entered 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 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.



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1493 Cranston Street Cranston, Rhode Island 02920

## 2026 Festival Banner Sponsorship Form

Corporation/Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsorship/Donation Tier: \_\_\_\_\_ Check No: \_\_\_\_\_

Banner wording line 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Banner wording line 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Please email this form with information (or business card) to [stgeorger1@gmail.com](mailto:stgeorger1@gmail.com) or mail it with your check payable to St. George Church to the above address. Your contributions are tax deductible to the full extent of the law.

### **Banner Sponsorship**

**Black Diamond — \$5,000**

Vinyl Banner (48" X 96") (4' X 8")

**Diamond—\$2,500**

Vinyl Banner (24" X 72") (2' x 6')

**Platinum - \$1,000**

Vinyl Banner (24" X 48") (2' x 4')

**Gold - \$500**

Vinyl Banner (24" X 36") (2' x 3')

**Silver - \$250**

Vinyl Banner (18" X 24")

**Festival dates: September 18, 19 and 20, 2026**

Deadline: September 8, 2026

Credit Cards, Venmo and PayPal also accepted.

If you should have any questions,  
please contact the church office at 401-723-8444  
[stgeorger1@gmail.com](mailto:stgeorger1@gmail.com) or Jihane Ayoub  
[jihayanayoub07@gmail.com](mailto:jihanayoub07@gmail.com)

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continued  
generosity and strong  
support**





SUPPORT THE  
**MISSION**  
 OF  
**ST. GEORGE PARISH**

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*Your Generosity  
 Makes a Difference*



WOULD YOU LIKE TO RECEIVE  
**PARISH BUDGET  
 ENVELOPES?**



Budget envelopes provide a simple and convenient way to support St. George Parish through your regular giving (**Throufeh**) and help us plan for the needs of our church family throughout the year.

• TO REQUEST BUDGET ENVELOPES •



Email the Parish Office  
[stgeorgeril@gmail.com](mailto:stgeorgeril@gmail.com)



Thank you for your generosity, faith, and commitment to St. George Parish.

*May God bless you!*



*"Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."  
 - 2 Corinthians 9:7 -*



## → Young Adult Workshop & Networking

# MEN AND WOMEN MADE FOR LOVE

*Discovering God's Design for Love...*

Exploring the deepest longing of the human heart - to love and to be loved through:

- Theology of the Body
- The Song of Songs
- Wholeness & Healing in Christ
- Masculine and feminine spirituality
- Christ's model of sacrificial love
- Ignatian meditation & imaginative prayer

### Participants will discover:

- What it means to love authentically
- How divine love restores and heals the human heart
- The beauty of communion and self-giving love
- The call to become fully alive in love



Speaker:  
Adeline Khouri

### Date & Time



10 July, 2026

7:00–8:00 PM - Workshop  
8:00–9:00 PM - Fellowship

### Location



St Anthony of Desert Maronite  
Catholic Church, 300 N Eastern Ave  
Fall River MA 02723



Ages 18+

[REGISTER HERE](#)

“Arise, my beloved, my beautiful one, and come.”

Song of Songs 2:10



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Annual Lebanese Festival Committee  
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June 5, 2026

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Saint George Church's Annual Lebanese Festival will be held on September 18, 19, and 20, 2026. Preparations have already begun to ensure the success of this wonderful community event. As always, the festival will feature our delicious Lebanese cuisine, live entertainment, and activities for the entire family to enjoy.

A major portion of the festival's fundraising efforts comes from our Banner Sponsorship Program and Grand Raffle Sale. Banners are available to individuals, families, and businesses and will be displayed throughout the festival grounds for the entire weekend.

- Black Diamond Sponsor — \$5,000
- Diamond Sponsor — \$2,500
- Platinum Sponsor — \$1,000
- Gold Sponsor — \$500
- Silver Sponsor — \$250

These banners provide a wonderful opportunity to show your support for Saint George Church while promoting your family or business to the many guests expected to attend the festival.

Please complete the enclosed sponsorship form and return it in the enclosed self-addressed envelope or email it to us at [stgeorgeri1@gmail.com](mailto:stgeorgeri1@gmail.com).

Thank you for your support and consideration. We kindly ask that you respond at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

سلام المسيح!

Saint George Church Festival Committee



# St Basil The Great Melkite Catholic Church *Summer Festival*

**Save the Date**

**Saturday July 25**

**Sunday July 26th**



**DELICIOUS MIDDLE EASTERN FOOD**

**Chicken Shawarma • Kafta  
Falafel • Baklava & More!**



**Middle Eastern Music & Dabke Performance**

**15 Skyview Drive  
Lincoln, RI 02865**

*Join us as we celebrate a special milestone*

The Arabic  
Educational Foundation  
*60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*  
*Grand Hafla*

October 3rd 2026

6:00 PM to 11:00 PM

St. Basil the Great Melkite Church,  
Lincoln, Rhode Island

*Entertainment by*  
George Malouf,  
St. Basil's Arabic Dance Troupe, and  
Saint George's Dance Group

*Dinner provided by*  
Kaza Maza Restaurant

Contact Donna (401-954-3044) or  
Sharon (Arabic.ed1966@gmail.com)  
for tickets (\$ 100)