



## Saint George Maronite Catholic Church

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July 14, 2024

### Ninth Sunday of Pentecost

#### Is 61: 1-4 + 8-10a

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; He has sent me to bring good news to the afflicted, to bind up the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives, release to the prisoners, To announce a year of favor from the LORD and a day of vindication by our God; To comfort all who mourn; to place on those who mourn in Zion a diadem instead of ashes, To give them oil of gladness instead of mourning, a glorious mantle instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of justice, the planting of the LORD to show his glory. They shall rebuild the ancient ruins, the former wastes they shall raise up And restore the desolate cities, devastations of generation upon generation. For I, the LORD, love justice, I hate robbery and wrongdoing; I will faithfully give them their recompense, an everlasting covenant I will make with them. Their offspring shall be renowned among the nations, and their descendants in the midst of the peoples; All who see them shall acknowledge them: "They are offspring the LORD has blessed." I will rejoice heartily in the LORD, my being exults in my God.

#### 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:10

So we are ambassadors for Christ, as if God were appealing through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who did not know sin, so that we might become the righteousness of God in him. Working together, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. For he says: "In an acceptable time I heard you, and on the day of salvation I helped you." Behold,

now is a very acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We cause no one to stumble in anything, in order that no fault may be found with our ministry; on the contrary, in everything we commend ourselves as ministers of God, through much endurance, in afflictions, hardships, constraints, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, vigils, fasts; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, in a holy spirit, in unfeigned love, in truthful speech, in the power of God; with weapons of righteousness at the right and at the left; through glory and dishonor, insult and praise. We are treated as deceivers and yet are truthful; as unrecognized and yet acknowledged; as dying and behold we live; as chastised and yet not put to death; as sorrowful yet always rejoicing; as poor yet enriching many; as having nothing and yet possessing all things.



#### Luke 4:14-21

Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news of him spread throughout the whole region. He taught in their synagogues and was praised by all. He came to Nazareth, where he had grown up, and went according to his custom into the synagogue on the sabbath day. He stood up to read and was handed a scroll of the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord." Rolling up the scroll, he handed it back to the attendant and sat down, and the eyes of all in the synagogue looked intently at him. He said to them, "Today this scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."

## Liturgical Intentions

7/13 4:00pm	Memorial liturgy for <b>Antoine, Esmalia, George, Samira, George, Jr.,</b> and <b>William Thomas</b> , requested by Georgeann Thomas.
7/14 8:30am 10:30am	<p>Birthday remembrance for <b>Owen Bingham</b>, requested by his grandparents Steve and Joanne Mollica.</p> <p>Forty day liturgy for <b>Dolly Keiruz Baaklini</b>, requested by her loving family.</p>
7/20 4:00pm	<b>Feast of Saint Elias (The prophet Elijah)</b> Memorial liturgy for <b>Mary Simon, Rodney Thomas, Ann Badway, Saad Habchi</b> , and all the deceased members of the Holy Rosary Sodality.
7/21 8:30am 10:30am	<b>Feast of Saint Charbel</b> <p>Memorial liturgy for <b>Joanna Bartolomeo</b>, requested by the Solomon family.</p> <p>Ten year anniversary for <b>Kenneth Fiyod</b>, requested by his wife and her loving family.</p>
7/27 4:00pm	
7/28 8:30am 10:30am	Third anniversary liturgy for <b>James Maron</b> , requested by his wife Gloria and her loving family.
8/3 4:00pm	
8/4 8:30am 10:30am	<i><b>“The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and he helps me. My heart leaps for joy, and with my song I praise him.” (Psalm 28:7)</b></i>
8/10 4:00pm	
8/11 8:30am 10:30am	
8/17 4:00pm	Forty day liturgy for <b>Richard George</b> , requested by his loving family, followed by a meal of mercy.
8/18 8:30am 10:30am	<i><b>ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM!</b></i>

## Meet Your Clergy

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## Weekly collections

Weekend collections 7/7  
\$2,605.00

**THANK YOU!**



## Gospel reflection

**Living Out the Gospel:** As followers of Jesus, we are called to continue His mission. We are to proclaim the good news, care for the poor, work for justice, and offer healing and hope to those around us. This passage challenges us to reflect on how we can embody Jesus' mission in our own lives and communities. How are we reaching out to the marginalized? How are we being agents of God's love and grace?

**Empowered by the Spirit:** Just as Jesus was empowered by the Holy Spirit, we, too, need the Spirit's power to fulfill our calling. Let us seek a deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit, asking for His guidance, strength, and wisdom in all we do. It is through the Spirit that we can effectively share the love of Christ and bring about transformation in our world.

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## Office Hours

Mon, Weds, Thurs, and Friday,  
from 9am-12pm  
The office is closed on Tuesday

## Liturgical Schedule

Wednesday, 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

*The Church Hall is available for rental.*

## 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

**Anointing of the Sick:** Please notify the Rectorate if a member of your family is ill, hospitalized, or homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion at home.

Reading Scriptures at liturgy is a privilege. please call or email the church office if you would like to read the Epistle at the weekend liturgies, **Weekend Reading Schedule 7/14/24**

Saturday at 4:00pm      George Thomas III

Sunday at 8:30am      Derek Iacobucci

Sunday at 10:30am    English: Tracy Harb

Arabic: Salma Daou

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The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) teaches extensively about **Life in Christ**, particularly in Part Three, titled "Life in Christ." Here are the key themes and teachings:

1. The Dignity of the Human Person (CCC 1700-1876)

- **Human Dignity:** Every human being is created in the image and likeness of God and possesses inherent dignity (CCC 1700).
- **Moral Conscience:** The conscience helps individuals discern good and evil. Forming and following a well-informed conscience is crucial (CCC 1776-1802).
- **Virtue and Sin:** The Catechism distinguishes between virtues, which are habitual and firm dispositions to do good, and sins, which are offenses against God (CCC 1803-1869).

**Grace and Justification:** God's grace justifies and sanctifies us, allowing us to live according to God's will (CCC 1987-2029).

2. The Human Community (CCC 1877-1948)

- **Social Nature of Humanity:** Human beings are social by nature and are called to live in community (CCC 1878-1885).
- **Common Good:** The common good involves respect for the human person, social well-being and development, and peace (CCC 1905-1912).

**Participation:** Every person has a right and duty to participate in social life, seeking the common good (CCC 1913-1917).

3. God's Salvation: Law and Grace (CCC 1949-2051)

- **Moral Law:** The moral law is the work of divine wisdom and is divided into the eternal law, natural law, revealed law, and civil and ecclesiastical laws (CCC 1950-1974).
- **Grace:** Grace is a free and undeserved gift from God that helps us respond to his call (CCC 1996-2005).

**Justification:** Justification is a grace of the Holy Spirit that cleanses us from sin and communicates to us the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ (CCC 1987-1995).

4. The Ten Commandments (CCC 2052-2557)

- The Catechism provides a detailed explanation of each of the Ten Commandments, showing how they guide Christians in living a life in Christ.
- 1. **First Commandment:** Calls for faith, hope, and charity towards God, avoiding idolatry and superstition (CCC 2084-2141).
- 2. **Second Commandment:** Emphasizes respect for God's name, avoiding blasphemy and false oaths (CCC 2142-2167).
- 3. **Third Commandment:** Requires observance of the Lord's Day and attending Mass (CCC 2168-2195).
- 4. **Fourth Commandment:** Involves honoring parents and authority figures (CCC 2197-2257).
- 5. **Fifth Commandment:** Upholds the sanctity of life, condemning murder, abortion, euthanasia, and other forms of violence (CCC 2258-2330).
- 6. **Sixth Commandment:** Calls for chastity and fidelity in relationships (CCC 2331-2400).
- 7. **Seventh Commandment:** Prohibits theft and calls for respect for others' property (CCC 2401-2463).
- 8. **Eighth Commandment:** Demands truthfulness and condemns lying, perjury, and gossip (CCC 2464-2513).
- 9. **Ninth Commandment:** Addresses covetousness, particularly of another's spouse, promoting purity of heart (CCC 2514-2533).
- 10. **Tenth Commandment:** Deals with coveting others' goods and calls for detachment from material possessions (CCC 2534-2557).

In summary, "Life in Christ" in the Catechism of the Catholic Church centers on living a moral and virtuous life, guided by the teachings of Christ and the Church, to achieve communion with God and the fulfillment of human dignity.

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

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strong support for St. George Maronite Catholic  
Church.**

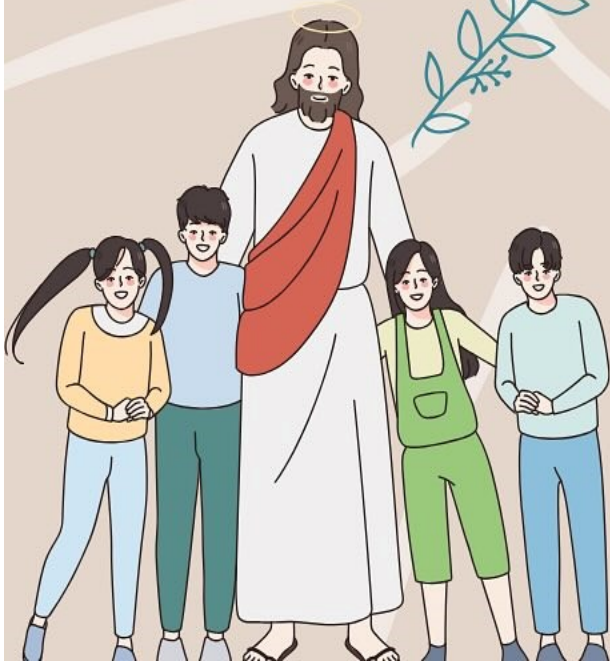
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