

# Saint George Maronite Catholic Church

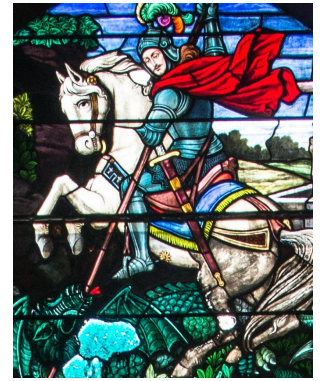
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## August 13, 2023 Twelfth Sunday of Pentecost

### Ephesians 3:1-13

Because of this, I, Paul, a prisoner of Christ (Jesus) for you Gentiles-- if, as I suppose, you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, (namely, that) the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have written briefly earlier. When you read this you can understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, which was not made known to human beings in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit, that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this I became a minister by the gift of God's grace that was granted me in accord with the exercise of his power. To me, the very least of all the holy ones, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the inscrutable riches of Christ, and to bring to light (for all) what is the plan of the mystery hidden from ages past in God who created all things, so that the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known through the church to the principalities and authorities in the heavens. This was according to the eternal purpose that he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have boldness of speech and confidence of access through faith in him. So I ask you not to lose heart over my afflictions for you; this is your glory.



### Matthew 15:21-28

Then Jesus went from that place and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman of that district came and called out, "Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not say a word in answer to her. His disciples came and asked him, "Send her away, for she keeps calling out after us." He said in reply, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But the woman came and did him homage, saying, "Lord, help me." He said in reply, "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed from that hour.

### Office Hours

Weds - Friday from 9am-12pm

### Liturgical Schedule

Wednesday 7:00pm, Thursday and Friday  
10:00am

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am (*Latin rite*) 10:30 am

Exposition of the Holy Eucharist  
on Thursday 6:00pm

### Weekly collections

Saturday	04:00pm	\$324.00
Sunday	08:30am	\$463.00
	10:30am	\$973.00

### The Church Hall

is available for **rent** for all types of events.  
Rental donations are \$300 for registered parishioners,  
\$500 for non-registered parishioners.

### Meet Your Clergy

**Fr. Tony Saab, Pastor**

frtonysaab@gmail.com

**Farid Zaarour, Deacon**

### 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 communion at home.

Giving or Donating to your church is an act of **Faith** and  
**Commitment to Support** the gospel of Christ and the ministry of  
His Church. It is an opportunity for you to contribute from the  
work of your hands back to God, the source of all blessings. Do not  
hesitate to be Generous Giver of what God has blessed you with.



## Annual Lebanese Festival

Rain or Shine!



LIVE MUSIC, GREAT FOOD,  
DANCE, RAFFLE & HOOKAH

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"Fun for All!"



Middle Eastern Cuisine

Live Entertainment

Friday &  
Saturday

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Saturday  
& Sunday

St. George Maronite Catholic Church  
1493 Cranston Street, Cranston RI

Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>: 3PM-12AM

Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>: 12PM-12AM

Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>: 11:30AM-7PM

FREE ADMISSION AND PARKING

### Saint George Maronite Catholic Church

1493 Cranston Street Cranston, Rhode Island 02910 (Phone) 401-723-8444

### 2023 Festival Banner Sponsorship Form

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### Banner Sponsorship Tiers

Black Diamond — \$5,000

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Silver — \$250

Vinyl Banner (18" X 24")

To purchase a Banner Sponsorship or for more information  
about the Festival  
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Please make check payable to St. George Church. Your  
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### Annual Festival Dates

Friday, Saturday and Sunday on September 15, 16, and 17  
Please submit before September 1, 2023

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## ***Liturgical Intentions***

8/12 4:00pm	Memorial liturgy for <b>Valerie Thomas</b> , requested by James Salem.  Memorial liturgy for <b>Raymond and Therese Yazbek</b> and <b>Anthony Budway</b> , requested by Lydia and George Yazbek.
8/13 8:30am 10:30am	Forty day liturgy for <b>Bassel George Yousif</b> , <b>باسل جورج يوسف</b> requested by his brother Nizar Yousif and his loving family
8/14 7:00pm	<b>Feast of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary</b> (August 15) Memorial liturgy for <b>Tanios and Catherine Akl</b> , requested by their loving family
8/19 4:00pm	Second anniversary for <b>Mary Ann Solomon</b> , requested by her loving husband Donald and his family.
8/20 8:30am 10:30am	One year anniversary for <b>Juliette Daccache</b> requested by her son Jihad and Samar Daccache and their loving family
8/26 4:00pm	Forty day liturgy for <b>Denise Solomon</b> , requested by her loving husband Michael A. Solomon and his loving family.
8/27 8:30am 10:30am	Memorial liturgy for <b>the deceased members of the Ayoub and Raheb families</b> , requested by their loving families.
9/2 4:00pm	Memorial liturgy for <b>John and Beatrice Thomas</b> , requested by their loving children.

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Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve: to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary!

Leader: Pray for us O Holy Mother of God, All: That we may be worthy of the promises of Christ.



**The Feast of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary** is celebrated on August 15th. It commemorates our Catholic belief that the Blessed Mother, the Virgin Mary was assumed into heaven both in body and soul after her earthly life had ended.

Here are *three lessons* we reflect on from this feast:

1. **Faith and Surrender to God's Will:** The Assumption of Mary highlights the importance of faith and surrendering to God's will. Mary's life is an embodiment of trust and obedience to God's plan. Her acceptance of the angel's message at the Annunciation and her unwavering devotion to her son Jesus demonstrate her complete submission to God's divine plan. This feast reminds us to trust in God's guidance and have faith in His promises, even when we may not fully understand the path laid out before us.

2. **The Dignity of Human Life:** The Assumption of Mary emphasizes the dignity of human life and the potential for all humanity to participate in God's heavenly kingdom. It shows that God values each individual and has a plan for each one of us. Mary's assumption into heaven, body and soul, reflects the belief in the resurrection of the body and eternal life. This feast reminds us of the sanctity of human life and the ultimate destiny of all believers to be united with God in heaven.

3. **The Role of Mary as Intercessor:** The Assumption of Mary also highlights her role as a powerful intercessor and advocate for humanity. Our Catholic Tradition sees Mary as the "Queen of Heaven," and we believe her to be our compassionate and caring mother who intercedes on behalf of believers. The feast encourages us to seek Mary's intercession in our lives and to turn to her as a source of comfort, support, and prayer.



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