



## Saint George Maronite Catholic Church

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## 14th Sunday after Pentecost

08/22/ 2021

### Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday

8:30 am (Latin Rite)

10:30 am

### Sacraments

#### **Baptism and Confirmation:**

Please contact the Priest for an appointment.

**Reconciliation:** Before or after Liturgy or by appointment.

**Marriage:** Couples must contact the Priest six months before the wedding.

### Weekly Collection

Sat 4:00pm \$810.00

Sun 8:30am \$306.00

Sun 10:30am \$621.00

All Weekend Collections  
\$1737.00

Second Collection \$618.00

THANK YOU!

### Meet Your Clergy

**Fr. Tony Saab**

Pastor

**Farid Zaarour**

Deacon

### 1 Thessalonians 2:1-13

For you yourselves know, brothers, that our reception among you was not without effect. Rather, after we had suffered and been insolently treated, as you know, in Philippi, we drew courage through our God to speak to you the gospel of God with much struggle. Our exhortation was not from delusion or impure motives, nor did it work through deception. But as we were judged worthy by God to be entrusted with the gospel, that is how we speak, not as trying to please human beings, but rather God, who judges our hearts. Nor, indeed, did we ever appear with flattering speech, as you know, or with a pretext for greed--God is witness--nor did we seek praise from human beings, either from you or from others, although we were able to impose our weight as apostles of Christ. Rather, we were gentle among you, as a nursing mother cares for her children. With such affection for you, we were determined to share with you not only the gospel of God, but our very selves as well, so dearly beloved had you become to us. You recall, brothers, our toil and drudgery. Working night and day in order not to burden any of you, we proclaimed to you the gospel of God. You are witnesses, and so is God, how devoutly and justly and blamelessly we behaved toward you believers. As you know, we treated each one of you as a father treats his children, exhorting and encouraging you and insisting that you conduct yourselves as worthy of the God who calls you into his kingdom and glory. And for this reason we too give thanks to God unceasingly, that, in receiving the word of God from hearing us, you received not a human word but, as it truly is, the word of God, which is now at work in you who believe.



### Luke 10:38-42

As they continued their journey he entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary (who) sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me." The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her."

# Liturgical Intentions

8/21 4:00pm	40 Day Liturgy for <b>Gloria Baurkot</b> who passed away in Easton PA, requested by the Saker and Thomas families.  Memorial Liturgy for <b>Therese and Raymond Yazbek</b> , and <b>Mariane Zincone</b> , requested by George, Lydia, and Melissa Yazbek.
8/22 8:30am 10:30pm	One year anniversary Liturgy for <b>Mariam Bou Saleh Osko</b> , and <b>George Osko</b> , requested by their loving children and their families.
8/28 4:00pm	40 Day Liturgy for <b>Antoine Joseph Elias Saker</b> , requested by his loving aunt Bader Saker and her family.
8/29 8:30am 10:30am	<b><i>Parish Sunday Brunch (9:00am-12:00pm)</i></b>
9/4 4:00pm	Memorial Liturgy for <b>Haifa and Assad Raad</b> , requested by Noel Laoulache and her family
9/5 8:30am 10:30am	Memorial Liturgy for <b>Marco Paolo Thomas</b> , requested by his loving family.  Memorial Liturgy for <b>Eveline Anne Gergora David</b> , by the Holy Rosary Sodality
9/11 4:00pm	Memorial Liturgy for <b>Nakhle Saker</b> , requested by his loving wife and family
9/12 8:30am 10:30am	
9/18 4:00pm	
9/19 8:30am 10:30am	

**Live Streaming of Liturgies on Facebook**

For those who are unable to join in person



[www.facebook.com/stgeorgemaronitecatholicchurchRI/](http://www.facebook.com/stgeorgemaronitecatholicchurchRI/)



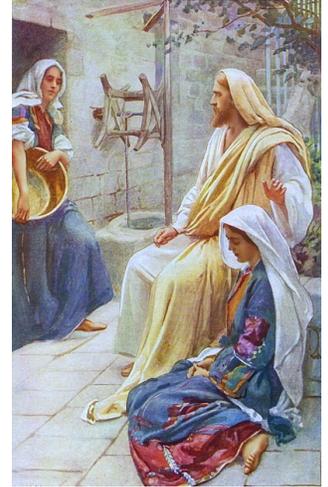
Do not worry about why problems exist in the world - just respond to people's needs.

— Mother Teresa —

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## *The Gospel: Martha and Mary*

Jesus had three friends who were sisters with their brother: Mary, Martha, and Lazarus. They lived not too far from the city of Jerusalem in a town called Bethany. Jesus was their friend and their guest. Jesus loved these three and found warmth and comfort to go to their home and visit. However, on one occasion there surfaces from the heart and lips of Martha an intense worry.



The reason for the worry? By nature Mary was more of a contemplative. This means that Mary thrived on silence, reflection, and contemplation. On the contrary, Martha was a ball of energy! By nature very active, Martha liked to get things done. She was a planner and an organizer. A homemaker and cook, she liked things to turn out according to her plans and schedule.

On one occasion Jesus was a guest and apparently Martha was off schedule and did not have things ready according to her preconceived plans. Somewhat nervous, moving a mile a minute, carrying and worrying for Jesus she stopped to observe a scene that really bothered her. Despite the many tasks that were incomplete, her sister Mary was simply sitting before Jesus and apparently doing nothing; or at least Mary was not doing anything very profitable! Mary was just sitting at the feet of Jesus, even though still so much had to be done!

**Martha**, the pragmatist and the “doer” had a simple but, what she thought, a very efficient idea: two hands are better than one; or the other proverb: “Many hands make light work.” Therefore, Martha goes to Jesus to complain, what Martha thought was a very justified complaint! In any case, the complaint was directed at having things ready quicker for Jesus! So Martha tells Jesus to tell Mary to help her! This seems to be a fairly reasonable request, very logical, practical, well-ordered and reasonable!

Jesus gave a surprising response: a gentle rebuke! Instead of Jesus telling Mary to get up in a hurry and to help Martha so as to have the schedule run perfectly on time, according to Martha’s criteria, Jesus gently rebukes Martha. Listen to Jesus’ words: “Martha, Martha, you are worried about many things. Mary has chosen the best part and she will not be deprived of it.”

Jesus was not displeased at the attention, concern, hospitality, and hard work that Martha manifested toward Him. Never forget that the Church actually celebrate Martha as a saint, every year July 29<sup>th</sup>. The point that Jesus wants to highlight in this passage as well as all throughout Sacred Scripture is the importance of the prayer life, the importance of silence which fosters contemplation and union with the Lord Jesus. Martha symbolizes the active life of service to others, if you like the Corporal Works of Mercy. “I was hungry and you gave me to eat; I was thirsty and you gave me to drink; I was a foreigner and you welcomed me...” (Mt. 25: 31-46) Indeed we will be judged by Jesus on how faithfully we have lived out these works of mercy!

Food . Bar . Live Music . Saji . Hookas . Raffles . Dancing

**Our Lady Of Purgatory Church**

# Summer Lebanese Festival

**Saturday, September 18, 2021**  
12:00PM – 11:00PM

Live Entertainment  
**George Maalouf and Sand**



**Money Raffles Prizes**  
\$1,000 - \$500 - \$200

**Drawing**  
Saturday, September 18, 2021  
10:30PM

11 Franklin Street, New Bedford, MA 02740

All are invited to come and join us  
Festivities will go on come rain or shine!  
Under the tents or in our climate controlled hall!

**FREE ADMISSION**

Alcoholic Beverages  
Hookah

**Lebanese Mahrajan Food Festival**

Friday, August 27<sup>th</sup> ~ 5pm to 11pm  
Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup> ~ Noon to 11pm  
Sunday, August 29<sup>th</sup> ~ 11am to 7pm

Live Entertainment



**DJ George Ayoub**  
Fri: 12:00pm-10:30pm  
Sat: 11am-2:30pm  
Sun: 11am-6pm



**Mitchell Kaitunas  
Arabic Band**  
Sat: 6:30pm-10:30pm



**The Khoourys**  
Sat: 2:30pm - 5pm

Authentic Lebanese Food and Pastry

Children Activity Area

Facebook: St Anthony of the Desert Maronite Catholic Church  
Website: <http://saochurch/>

**FREE PARKING**

Saint Anthony Maronite Church  
Present

# 49<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL FESTIVAL

# LEBANESE MAHRAJAN

## LABOR DAY WEEKEND

<b>FRIDAY 9/03</b> 6:00PM-01:00AM	<b>SATURDAY 9/04</b> 5:00PM-02:00AM	<b>SUNDAY 9/05</b> 12:00PM-12:00AM
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FEATURING LIVE ENTERTAINMENT / FOLKLORIC DANCE & RAFFLES, SOUVENIRS / HOMEMADE LEBANESE CUISINE & PASTRIES CHILDREN GAMES & ACTIVITIES

ST. ANTHONY MARONITE CHURCH - 145 AMESBURY ST. LAWRENCE, MA 01841  
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Our Pastoral team is always available to minister to your spiritual needs.

PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE WHENEVER YOU OR YOUR LOVED ONES ARE IN NEED OF A PASTORAL VISIT, COMMUNION, OR ANOINTING.

We have no way of knowing if you, or your loved ones are hospitalized, or in need of our prayers and support. Please feel free to contact the office at 401-723-8444 or email at stgeorgeril@gmail.com

# Pastoral CARE

Our parish MYA (Maronite Youth Adults) invites you to join their first church activity and to bring the parish family together and support the Church.



## Sunday Brunch

August 29, 2021. 9:00am-12:00pm

St George Parish hall.

*Would you like to join and become an MYA member?* If you are between the age of 18 and 30, you are invited to contact the Church Office by phone or email, and join the team!

**Please join us for a**

# Lebanese Breakfast

**Sunday, August 29**

**| 9 A.M. to 12 P.M. |**

**1493 Cranston St, Cranston, RI, 02920**

**~ Church Hall ~**

**All your donations from this event will go towards supporting St. Georges Church in Cranston**

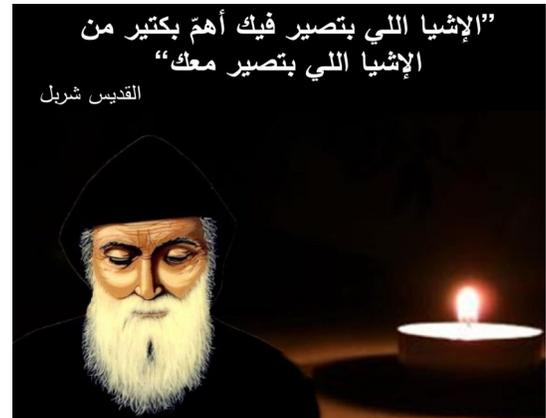
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**See you there!**

Please join us, Starting this month and every month, for the

## Liturgy of St Charbel

on the 22nd of every month.



**Sunday August 22 (10:30am)**

**Weds September 22, 7:00pm**

**Friday October 22, 7:00pm**

**Monday November 22, 7:00pm**

**Wednesday December 22, 7:00pm**

**St Charbel,  
intercede for us!!**