



Saint George Maronite Catholic Church

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Sixteenth Sunday of Pentecost

Luke 18:9-14

He then addressed this parable to those who were convinced of their own righteousness and despised everyone else. "Two people went up to the temple area to pray; one was a Pharisee and the other was a tax collector. The Pharisee took up his position and spoke this prayer to himself, 'O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity-greedy, dishonest, adulterous-or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, and I pay tithes on my whole income.' But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.' I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.

LUKE
18:14

FOR ALL THOSE WHO
EXALT THEMSELVES
WILL BE HUMBLLED,

*and those who humble
themselves will be exalted."*

Pastor's Corner

This Sunday's Gospel has an important lesson for our parish family. It is really easy to point our fingers at other people's faults and weaknesses. We readily identify who's not showing up to church enough, who's not volunteering enough, who messed up, who should be doing more. But Jesus reminds us that Christian life does not begin by examining everyone around us, but by examining our own hearts.

A strong parish is not a parish full of perfect people. It is a community where people encourage rather than criticize, forgive rather than hold grudges, welcome those who have been away, and help rather than complain.

We all have something to contribute to the spirit of our church. Before asking what others need to do differently, maybe we should ask: Am I helping to make my parish more loving, welcoming and united?

This week let our prayer be simple:
"Lord, begin with me, and
have mercy on me."

All are welcome!

PARISH LIFE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEET YOUR CLERGY

Fr. Tony Saab, Pastor
401-723-8444, frtonysaab@gmail.com

Deacon Farid Zaarour
fzaarour@yahoo.com

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Thursday and Friday 10:00 am; Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 8:30 and 10:30 am

EXPOSITION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Thursday 6:00 – 8:00 pm

THIS WEEK AT ST. GEORGE

FIRST COMMUNION AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Registration is now open for children entering Second Grade, ages 7-8. Please contact the Church Office.

WEEKLY BULLETIN AND BUDGET ENVELOPES Would you like to receive the bulletin by email or receive budget envelopes for your contributions? Please email us at stgeorgeri1@gmail.com.

FESTIVAL PASTRY DONATIONS The Festival Pastry Station is accepting donations of homemade pastries and baked goods on *Thursday, September 17, starting at 3:00 pm. in the Church Hall.* Please include the name or a short description of what you are bringing.

SACRAMENTS & PASTORAL CARE

Baptism & Confirmation: Contact the pastor at least one month in advance.
Matrimony: Arrange six months before the wedding.
Reconciliation: One hour before liturgies or by appointment.
Anointing of the Sick: Notify the Church Office.

الوصول عالوقت للقداس الإلهي

القداس الإلهي ببيلش من صلاة الافتتاح، مش بس وقت المناولة. كل قسم من القداس إلو أهميته. الصلوات، القراءات، الإنجيل، والعظة كلن بيحضرونا لنستقبل القربان المقدس.

منطلب منكن تحاولوا توصلوا قبل القداس بكم دقيقة. هيك بيكون عندكن وقت تحضروا حالكن شوي، تصلوا، وتحضروا قلبكن للقداس. أكيد منعرف إنه أوقات بتصير ظروف. العجقة، الولاد، الشغل، أو أي ظرف تاني ممكن يآخرنا. وإذا تأخرتوا، أكيد تعوا وما تصلوا بالبيت.

GENERAL PASTORAL GUIDELINES

The Sacrament of the **Anointing of the Sick** is not only for someone who is dying. If you or a loved one is seriously ill, preparing for major surgery, or becoming weaker because of age or illness, please call the parish.

Please do not wait until a loved one is unconscious or in the final moments of life before calling the priest.

Live streaming

Liturgies and parish activities are available to the sick and homebound on YouTube and Facebook



Weekly collections

Saturday 4:00 pm: **\$376.00**
Sunday 8:30 am: **\$389.00**
Sunday 10:30 am: **\$1,064.00**

Total weekend collections: \$1,829.00

Liturgical Intentions

9/5 4:00 pm	For the well-being of Alfred Alexander , requested by his loving son Dr. Scott Alexander.
9/6 8:30 am 10:30 am	For all those affected by any type of violence, abuse, or persecution . Forty-day memorial liturgy for Ibrahim Boutros , requested by his loving family.
9/12 4:00 pm	Liturgy intention available
9/13 8:30 am 10:30 am	Liturgy intention available Memorial liturgy for Bechara and Juliette Daccache , requested by their son Jihad and his loving family. Memorial liturgy for Jamile Tayyar , requested by her loving son Elias Ayoub.
9/20 10:30 am	Festival Special Intentions
9/26 4:00 pm	Liturgy intention available
9/27 8:30 am 10:30 am	Liturgy intention available For the intentions in the book of Remember me in your Kingdom .
10/3 4:00 pm	Liturgy intention available
10/4 8:30 am 10:30 am	Liturgy intention available For the well-being of our parishioners who are facing sickness, hardship, and difficult times in their lives.

 **CONGRATULATIONS!** 
This Month's St. George 200 Club Winner

NUMBER 199

WINS \$1,000!

Could your number be next?
Next month, another **\$1,000 winner!**

JOIN THE ST. GEORGE CHILDREN'S CHOIR!

Children in **second grade and older** are
invited to join the
St. George Children's Choir

Saturday, September 12 at 5:00 pm

To register, please call or email the church
office.

A heartfelt thank you to all the businesses, families, and friends who have stepped forward to support our Church and our Annual Lebanese Festival.

Your sponsorship helps make our **Annual Lebanese Festival** a great success while giving your business valuable exposure before thousands of festival guests and members of our community.

DIAMOND

Tanury Industries
Joe Jr. and Seta Accaoui
Drapery House

PLATINUM

Pasquariello Family
Christopher and Debra
Thomas
Fred Auto Service
Leo Tire Auto Sales
Georgeann Thomas
Marasco and Nesselbush Law
Offices
J & A Auto sales

GOLD

Maron Construction
Tile Showcase
Hon. George T. Salem Jr.
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Chloe's Café
Vasilios Pizza
Crown Restaurant
State Representative Joseph J.
Solomon Jr.

GOLD – Cont.

D & H Auto Group
A & R Auto Sales
Tony and Amal Simon
Martinous Law Associates
Councilwoman Jo-Ann Ryan
Top of the Bay Restaurant
Mendon Dental Associates
Quickets
Dartmouth Gas
Coventry Gas and Service

SILVER

Nardolillo Funeral Home
Woodlawn Funeral Home
Gibby's Ice Cream
Gloria Maron
Elie Jewelers
A.A. Mariani & Son Funeral
Home
Clare Jabbour Law Offices
Donald and Cheryl Solomon
Eco Fuel Gas Station
Naomi J. Andon
Verified Financials, LLC
Warwick Auto Repairs
Layali Restaurant
George's Junk Removal
O.E.S Cleaning Services, Inc.
Class Act Motors, Inc.
D'Agostino Auto Sales
& Salvage
Boston Transportation Group
Semer Yousif
Mineral Springs Gas Station

SILVER – Cont.

Ernest Badway
Michael Solomon
Advance Realty
Coffee Connection
Axis Wealth Partners
A.E. Mazika Insurance
Tracie Hall Real Estate
RentProv Realty
Antonio Restaurant
Michael Family
Suzanne Cannon
Sam's Inn Restaurant
Sam's Automotive
Lebanese Forces RI
Raymond Barish
Coggshell Sunoco
Rouhana Family
Gus' Barbershop
Elias Felefle
Action Auto parts
Alliance Interpreting Service
Charles and Maryann Anthony

**\$34,000 in Festival
Sponsorships to
Date**

**Thank you for
supporting St. George!**

Around our Faith Community

Our Lady Of Purgatory Church

70th Lebanese Festival

Food . Bar . Live Music . Sqj . Raffles . Dancing . Hookah . Dessert .

Friday, September 11, 2026
5:00PM – 11:00PM

Saturday, September 12, 2026
12:00PM – 11:00PM

Sunday, September 13, 2026
12:00PM – 5:00PM

Live Entertainment
With Bashir El-Khouury Band

Mitchel Katsounas (Friday)

Ahmad AlKaisi (Saturday)

Wood Dr. Band (Saturday afternoon)

Money Raffles Prizes
\$1,000 - \$500 - \$200
Drawing
Sunday, September 13, 2026.
4:00PM

NO OUTSIDE FOOD, DRINK OR HOOKAH
4254 Acushnet Ave, New Bedford, MA 02745

MARONITE SERVANTS OF CHRIST THE LIGHT

2nd ANNUAL BENEFIT DINNER for the Sisters

Join us for an evening of fellowship, fine dining, and entertainment in support of the Maronite Servants of Christ the Light. Your generosity helps the sisters continue their mission and service as spiritual mothers in our Church.

We will honor three outstanding friends and faithful supporters with the Radiate His Light Award.

Joining us is our guest of honor, His Excellency, Bishop Gregory J. Mansour.

FRIDAY OCTOBER 2, 2026
6:30 PM – 9:00 PM EDT

300 N Eastern Ave
Fall River, MA 02723, USA

"Let your light shine before others."
MATTHEW 5:16

TICKETS & SPONSORSHIPS

GENERAL ADMISSION \$75
Grants entry to enjoy a gourmet meal, cash bar, live entertainment, 50/50, Wine Pull and Gift Basket Raffle.

TABLE OF TEN \$750
Grants entry for you and nine of your guests to enjoy a gourmet meal, cash bar, live entertainment, 50/50, Wine Pull and Gift Basket Raffle.

SPONSORSHIP
Please consider an additional gift to help us meet the expenses of this event.

CHILD UNDER 12 - ADMISSION \$35
Grants entry to the event to enjoy a meal, entertainment, and children's activity space.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and friendship. We are excited to celebrate with you!

Join us as we celebrate a special milestone

The Arabic Educational Foundation

60th 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)

MARONITE COLLEGE COMMUNITY in Boston

DIVINE LITURGY ONCE A MONTH DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR

EMMANUEL COLLEGE CHAPEL
Eisner Administration Building
400 Fenway, Boston, MA 02115

SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY
20	18	22	13	24
FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	
14	14	11	2	

5:30PM

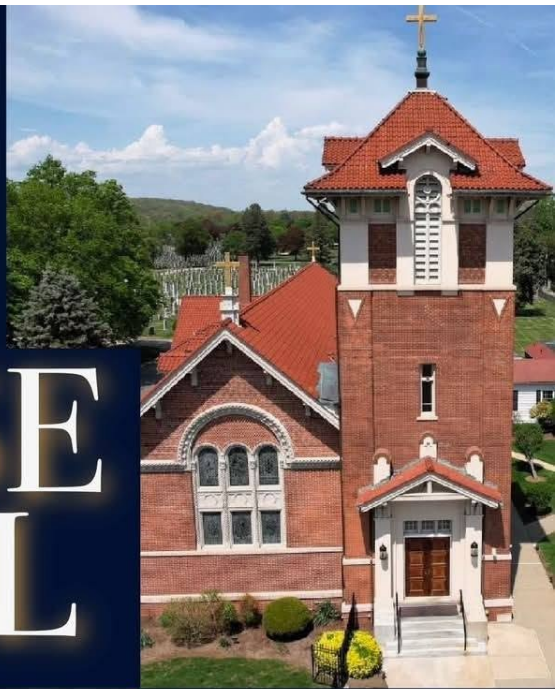
ACCESSIBLE BY GREEN AND ORANGE T LINES

Celebrated by REV. CHRISTIAN HBAITER

ALL YOUNG ADULTS STUDYING / LIVING IN BOSTON ALL ARE WELCOME!

Worship. Community. Faith. **YOU BELONG HERE.**

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Annual LEBANESE FESTIVAL



LIVE
MUSIC



DABKE



RAFFLES



CASH
BAR



HOOKAH



FAMILY
FRIENDLY

Fun for All!

THREE DAYS OF FAITH, CULTURE, & COMMUNITY

FRIDAY

SEPTEMBER 18

2:00 PM

— to —

12:00 AM

SATURDAY

SEPTEMBER 19

12:00 PM

— to —

12:00 AM

SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 20

12:00 PM

— to —

7:00 PM

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT



FRIDAY
RAMY
KANJ



SATURDAY
AYAD
ATALLAH



SUNDAY
DJ KK



Authentic
LEBANESE CUISINE



FREE
ADMISSION



FREE
PARKING



RAIN
OR SHINE



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SAINT GEORGE

MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH



2026
FESTIVAL

SEPTEMBER
18, 19 & 20

Be part of
**SOMETHING
BIGGER!**

SPONSOR OUR 2026 FESTIVAL!

Grow your business. Support our parish.



REACH THOUSANDS
of local families and
festival visitors.



GREAT VISIBILITY
for your business on
our festival grounds.



SUPPORT OUR PARISH
and help us continue
our mission.



SHOW YOUR COMMUNITY
you care and support
local traditions.

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS



SILVER
\$250

Vinyl Banner
18" x 24"



GOLD
\$500

Vinyl Banner
24" x 36"



PLATINUM
\$1,000

Vinyl Banner
24" x 48"



DIAMOND
\$2,500

Vinyl Banner
24" x 72"



BLACK DIAMOND
\$5,000

Vinyl Banner
48" x 96"



DEADLINE TO SPONSOR:
SEPTEMBER 8, 2026



PAYMENT ACCEPTED:
CHECK, CREDIT CARDS,
VENMO & PAYPAL



QUESTIONS? CONTACT US!

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or Jihane Ayoub: jihanayoub07@gmail.com

Thank you ❤️
*for your generosity
and strong support!*