



Saint George Maronite Catholic Church

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First Sunday after the Holy Cross

Mark 10:35-45

Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." He replied, "What do you wish (me) to do for you?" They answered him, "Grant that in your



glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup

that I drink or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" They said to him, "We can." Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink, you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right or at my left is not mine to give but is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they became indignant at James and John. Jesus summoned them and said to them, "You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones make their authority over them felt. But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant;

whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Pastor's Corner

In today's Gospel, James and John ask Jesus for places of honor. They want to be noticed. Jesus gives them a very different understanding of greatness: "Whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant."

Christian service is not about being seen. It is not about titles or recognition. Some of the most beautiful acts of service this weekend will happen quietly: someone preparing food, cleaning a table, carrying supplies, volunteering on registers, or staying late when everyone else has gone home.

This is the spirit of our church tradition. Our ancestors built churches, monasteries, and communities through sacrifice. Many served without their names ever appearing anywhere. They simply gave because the Church was their family.

So, this weekend, whether we are cooking, serving, cleaning, welcoming guests, or helping wherever we are needed, let us do it with joy and without looking for praise.

The greatest volunteer may not be the person everyone notices. It may be the person who quietly sees what needs to be done and simply does it.

That is service. That is humility. And according to Jesus, that is greatness.

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: Registration is now open for children in Second grade, ages 7-8. Classes will be held on **Saturdays at 3:00 pm**. First Class will be on **Saturday, October 10, 2026**. Please contact the Church Office.

JOIN THE ST. GEORGE CHILDREN'S CHOIR!

Children in **second grade and older** are invited to join the St. George Children's Choir
To register, please call or email the church office.

REVERENCE DURING DIVINE LITURGY

Please do not eat, drink, chew gum, walk, or talk unnecessarily during the Divine Liturgy and other liturgical services.

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.

GENERAL PASTORAL GUIDELINES

Please let us know when someone is in the hospital

Hospitals do not automatically notify the parish when one of our parishioners is admitted. If you or a loved one is hospitalized, please call the Church Office and let us know.

Our pastor is always happy to visit, pray with the sick, hear Confession, and offer the Anointing of the Sick when appropriate.

Live streaming

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



Weekly collections

Saturday 4:00 pm: **\$406.00**

Sunday 8:30 am: **\$577.00**

Sunday 10:30 am: **\$836.00**

Total weekend collections: \$1819.00

Liturgical Intentions

9/20 10:30 am	Festival Special Intentions FOR ALL the departed parish donors, benefactors, and volunteers who loved and served their church for so many years.
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.
10/10 4:00 pm	Birthday remembrance for Joseph and Mary Simon , requested by Theodora Barkett.
10/11 8:30 am 10:30 am	Memorial liturgy for the Martyrs of the Lebanese Army on October 13, requested by Wissam Tarabay, Coordinator of LACD New England Chapter.
10/17 4:00 pm	Memorial liturgy for Solomon A. Solomon and Lillian Solomon , requested by her loving family.
10/18 8:30 am 10:30 am	Liturgy intention available Liturgy intention available



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!

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

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

LACD New England Chapter

KAZA Maza Restaurant

The Novel Eye

24/7 Collision and Sales

Fuelspot

Daniel Ryan

Ghazi and Marcelle Saab

Anonymous

GOLD

Maron Construction

Tile Showcase

Hon. George T. Salem Jr.

Donna Harrison

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

Charles Obeid Insurance

Knights Of Columbus 1738

Nino's Pizza and Restaurant

Anthony and Kristen Rebello

Showcase Auto, Milford

Sicilia Pizza

Kiriaki and Assosiates

Terrazza Bistro Patio Bar

Duffy Whole Sales

Opa Restaurant

Elmwood Auto Sales

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

SILVER – Cont.

Mineral Springs Gas Station

Ernest Badway

Michael Solomon

George Thomas 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

Foot Care Specialist of RI

Lorice Khoury

Moon Market

Raid Dental Equipment

Services

Ken Scotti, Broker Associate

Beacon Bank

Elevated Media/R.C Landscaping

Nostalgic Barbershop

MossPure

Saint Basil Melkite Church

Jon M. Badway

\$50,250
in Festival
Sponsorships to
Date
Thank you!

Around our Faith Community

 **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!

Bishop Gregory Mansour
and the Eparchy of Saint Maron
cordially invite you to attend the

17th Annual Benefit Dinner Celebrating 60 Years of The Eparchy of Saint Maron

Thursday, October 15, 2026
The Metropolitan Club
One East 60th Street
New York City

6:00 - Cocktail Reception and Silent Auction
7:00 - Dinner

Register online at stmaron.org/eparchial-benefit
or return the enclosed reply card by October 5, 2026

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.**