



Saint George Maronite Catholic Church

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Second Sunday after the Holy Cross

Matthew 24:1-14

Jesus left the temple area and was going away, when his disciples approached him to point out the temple buildings. He said to them in reply, "You see all these things, do you not? Amen, I say to you, there will not be left here a stone upon another stone that will not be thrown down." As he was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples approached him privately and said, "Tell us, when will this happen, and what sign will there be of your coming, and of the end of the age?" Jesus said to them in reply, "See that no one deceives you. For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am the Messiah,' and they will deceive many. You will hear of wars and reports of wars; see that you are not alarmed, for these things must happen, but it will not yet be the end. Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be famines and earthquakes from place to place. All these are the beginning of the labor pains. Then they will hand you over to persecution, and they will kill you. You will be hated by all nations because of my name. And then many will be led into sin; they will betray and hate one another. Many false prophets will arise and deceive many; and because of the increase of evil-doing, the love of many will grow cold. But the one who perseveres to the end will be saved. And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached throughout the world as a witness to all nations, and then the end will come.

Pastor's Corner

Jesus warns us that difficult times can cause "the love of many to grow cold." This may be the greatest danger in today's Gospel. Troubles will come but Christ tells us not to be frightened or deceived. He asks us to remain faithful and not allow fear, disappointment, or disagreement to harden our hearts. This applies to our parish life. A church is not held together only by its building, programs, or traditions. It is held together by people who continue to love and serve one another. We protect that love when we refuse gossip, forgive mistakes, welcome those who feel forgotten, and offer our time without seeking attention or praise. Jesus says, "The one who perseveres to the end will be saved." Perseverance is not simply enduring hardship. It means continuing to pray, serve, forgive, and love when doing so becomes difficult. When we remain united in Christ and faithful to one another, our parish becomes a living witness to the Gospel.

Blessings to each one of you and to your families!

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 HOLY ROSARY SODALITY pray the Holy Rosary on Saturday October 3, 2026 at 3:30 pm.

THANK YOU FOR A BEAUTIFUL FESTIVAL WEEKEND

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who made our Annual Lebanese Festival possible. Thank you to our station coordinators, volunteers, sponsors, donors, cooks, workers, and everyone who welcomed our guests with Lebanese hospitality.

May God bless you and your families for your generosity and service to St. George.

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.

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.

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: **\$0.00**

Sunday 8:30 am: **\$0.00**

Sunday 10:30 am: **\$1002.00**

Total weekend collections: **\$1,002.00**

Liturgical 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.
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 fallen 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
	ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD!



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!

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.**