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Saint George Maronite Catholic Church

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Renewal of the Church

Sunday Gospel Reading

2 Macc 10: 1-6a+7b+8

When Maccabeus and his companions, under the Lord's leadership, had recovered the temple and the city, they destroyed the altars erected by the foreigners in the marketplace and the sacred shrines. After purifying the temple, they made another altar. Then, with fire struck from flint, they offered sacrifice for the first time in two years, burned incense, and lighted lamps. They also set out the showbread. When they had done this, they prostrated themselves and begged the Lord that they might never again fall into such misfortunes, and that if they should sin at any time, he might chastise them with moderation and not hand them over to blasphemous and barbarous Gentiles. On the anniversary of the day on which the temple had been profaned by the foreigners, that is, the twenty-fifth of the same month Kislev, the purification of the temple took place. The Jews celebrated joyfully for eight days as on the feast of Booths. They sang hymns of grateful praise to him who had successfully brought about the purification of his own place. By public decree and vote they prescribed that the whole Jewish nation should celebrate these days every year.

Hebrews 9:11-15

But when Christ came as high priest of the good things that have come to be, passing through the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made by hands, that is, not belonging to this creation, he entered once for all into the sanctuary, not with the blood of goats and calves but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls and the sprinkling of a heifer's ashes can sanctify those who are defiled so that their flesh is cleansed, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from dead works to worship the living God. For this reason he is mediator of a new covenant: since a death has taken place for deliverance from transgressions under the first covenant, those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.

John 10:22-42

The feast of the Dedication was then taking place in Jerusalem. It was winter. And Jesus walked about in the temple area on the Portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long are you going to keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered them, "I told you and you do not believe. The works I do in my Father's name testify to me. But you do not believe, because you are not among my sheep. My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one." The Jews again picked up rocks to stone him. Jesus answered them, "I have shown you many good works from my Father. For which of these are you trying to stone me?" The Jews answered him, "We are not stoning you for a good work but for blasphemy. You, a man, are making yourself God." Jesus answered them, "Is it not written in your law, 'I said, "You are gods"'? If it calls them gods to whom the word of God came, and scripture cannot be set aside, can you say that the one whom the Father has consecrated and sent into the world blasphemes because I said, 'I am the Son of God'? If I do not perform my Father's works, do not believe me; but if I perform them, even if you do not believe me, believe the works, so that you may realize (and understand) that the Father is in me and I am in the Father." (Then) they tried again to arrest him; but he escaped from their power. He went back across the Jordan to the place where John first baptized, and there he remained. Many came to him and said, "John performed no sign, but everything John said about this man was true." And many there began to believe in him.

Liturgical Intentions

11/8 4:00 pm	Forty-day liturgy for **Adele Jabour**, requested by her loving family.
11/9	**RENEWAL OF THE CHURCH**
8:30 am	Memorial liturgy for **Judge Frank Caprio**, requested by Michael, Kristin, and Michael Solomon, Jr.
10:30 am	**Boutros Geryes Fakhri,** who passed away in Lebanon, requested by his son Francois and his loving family.
11/15 4:00 pm	DIVINE LITURGY CELEBRATED BY BISHOP GREGORY MANSOUR
11/16 8:30 am	
10:30 am	Memorial liturgy for **Jay Caron, requested by his loving friends and family.**
11/22 4;00 pm	Memorial liturgy for **Hon. Anthony** and **Sarah Solomon,** requested by their loving family.
11/23 8:30 am 10:30 am	Would you like to receive the weekly **bulletin by Email** in color? Please email the office at stgeorgeri1@gmail.com 

The **Feast of the Renewal of the Church**

1. God Wants to Clean and Restore My Heart
The Maccabees cleaned the temple and gave it back to God.

There are things in my life that need cleaning: Thoughts, habits, distractions. God doesn't shame me . He rebuilds me.
What "temple" in my life needs cleaning today?
Phone habits? Friend group influence? Language? Time with God?
"Lord, clean my heart and help me start fresh with You."

2. Jesus Doesn't Just Forgive . He Transforms
Jesus didn't offer animals; He offered *Himself* to give us a new life and a clean conscience.

I am not stuck in who I used to be. I am not defined by my mistakes. Christ gives me a new future.
"Jesus, help me live like someone forgiven and chosen."

3. Following Jesus Means Listening for His Voice
At the Feast of Dedication, Jesus said His sheep hear His voice and follow Him.

God speaks , not through noise, but in prayer, Scripture, quiet, and the Church.
I can't follow Jesus if I don't listen to Him.

Meet Your Clergy

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$1,746.00

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Young Adults Bible Study

Join us every other Thursday for a Bible Study evening. Guests who are not young adults are also welcome! Next meeting is on **Thursday November 6 at 7:30 pm. All adults are welcome.**

Liturgical Schedule

Thursday and Friday
10:00 am
Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 8:30 am (Latin rite)
10:30 am

Exposition of the Holy Eucharist

Thursday 6:00 pm– 8:00 pm

Sacraments

Baptism & Confirmation

One month in advance with the Pastor.

Matrimony:
Arrangements should be made by couples six months prior to the wedding date.

Reconciliation:
One hour before liturgies, or by appointment.
Please call the office or email frtonysaab@gmail.com

Anointing of the Sick:

Please notify the office if a member of your family is ill, hospitalized, or homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion at home.

Save the date!

Saturday 11/15: Bishop Gregory visits our parish at 4:00 pm.

Saturday 11/22: Annual Thanksgiving Dinner at 7:30 pm

Sunday 12/7: Feast of Saint Barbara Party for children..

Saturday 12/6: "The importance of Women in the Church" presented by Vivian Akel, 1:45 pm to 3:30 pm.

Thursday 12/18: MYA Christmas Dinner.

Sunday 12/21: Children Christmas Celebration after the 10:30 am liturgy.

Announcement corner

- To register to vote in the Lebanese parliamentary election, please follow this link **diasporavote.mfa.gov.lb**
- **To reserve a liturgy intention,** please call or email the church office.
- **Forty-day liturgies** are considered a priority. When necessary, they will be scheduled with other previously reserved intention.

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(1 Cor 10:31)

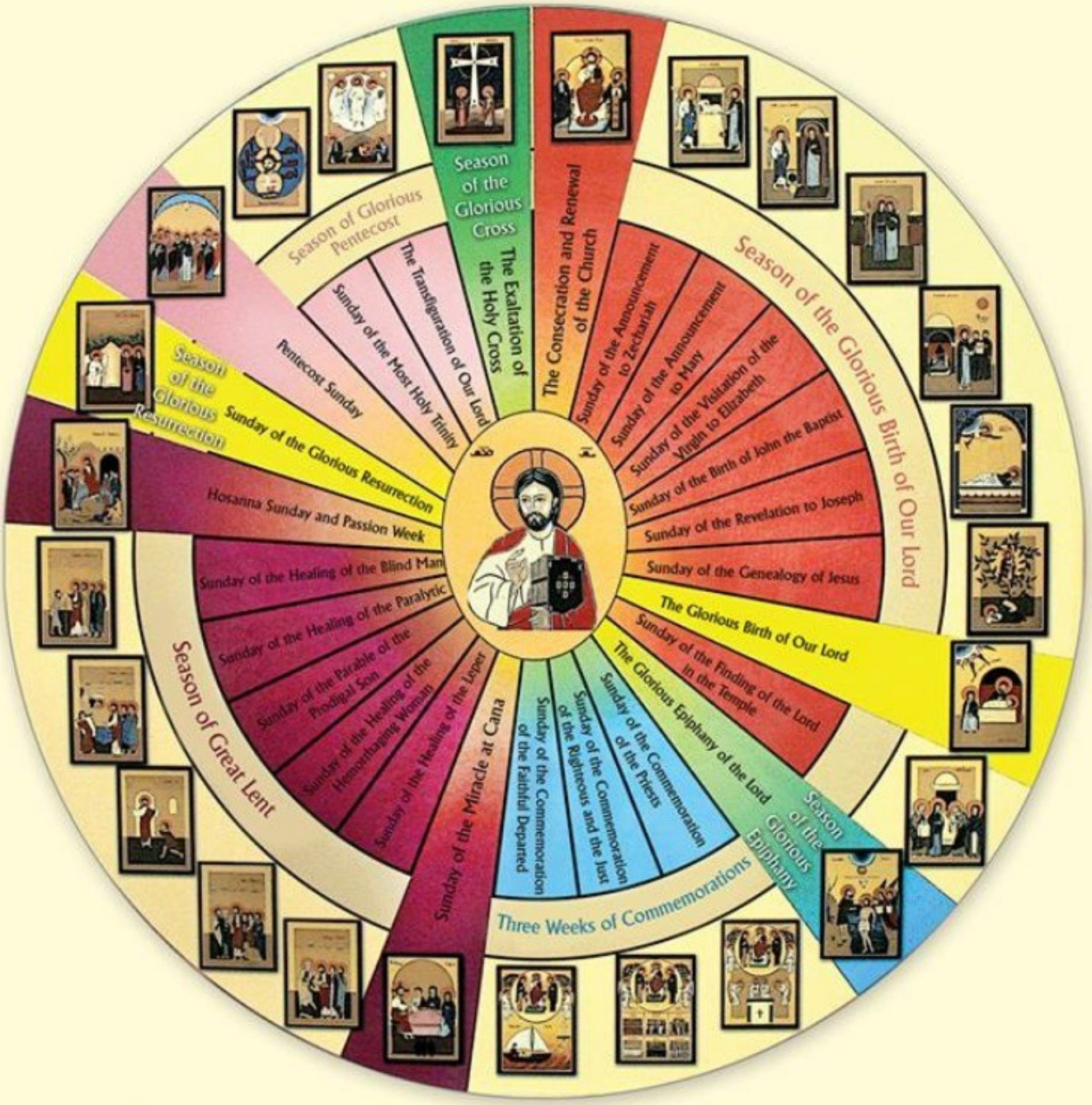
St. George Parish Family joyfully welcomes
His Excellency,
Bishop Gregory Mansour
Bishop of the Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn



to celebrate the Divine Liturgy
on **Saturday, November 15, 2025, at 4:00 p.m**.

"Come in peace, O Shepherd"

Liturgical Calendar Cycle



Feasts of the Maronite Saints :

Feast of Saint Maron - February 9
Feast of Saint John Maron -March 2
Feast of Saint Rafka - March 23
Feast of the Massabki Martyrs - July 10
Feast of Saint Sharbel - July 23
Feast of the 350 Maronite Martyrs - July 31
Feast of Saint Nemtallah - December 14

Saint George Maronite Catholic Church, Cranston RI

Invites you to Join and celebrate the

Annual Thanksgiving Dinner



Saturday November 22, 2025

7:30 pm at the Church Hall

$50.00 Adults

$20.00 children under 12

Authentic Lebanese food, Cash bar, Raffle

DJ entertainment.

For tickets and reservation, please call/email the Church Office at 401-723-8444 stgeorgeri1@gmail.com