



Saint George Maronite Catholic Church

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February 9, 2025

Feast of St Maron

Office Hours

Mon, Weds, Thurs, and Friday, from 9am
-12pm

The office is closed on Tuesday

Liturgical Schedule

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
10:00am

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am (Latin rite) and 10:30 am

Exposition of the Holy Eucharist Thursday 6:00pm

Weekly collections

\$1,399.00

Your generosity will
contribute to offset our
operational expenses.

THANK YOU!



Meet Your Clergy

Fr. Tony Saab, Pastor
frtonysaab@gmail.com

Deacon Farid Zaarour
fzaarour@yahoo.com



The Church Hall is available for rental.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism & Confirmation: One month in advance
with the Pastor.

Matrimony: Arrangements should be made by cou-
ples six months prior to the wedding date.

Reconciliation:

One hour before liturgies, or by appointment

Anointing of the Sick: Please notify the Rectory if
a member of your family is ill,
hospitalized, or homebound and would like to re-
ceive Holy Communion at home.

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Liturgical Intentions

2/8 4:00pm	Memorial liturgy for John Gavigon , requested by his loving family.
2/9 8:30am 10:30am	Feast of Saint Maron Liturgy for the well-being of Fr. Kevin Dwyer , requested by his loving family.
2/15 4:00pm	Memorial liturgy for Maurice Theeb , requested by his loving family.
2/16 8:30am 10:30am	Memorial liturgy for Msgr. Toufic Bouhadir , requested by his loving family
2/22 4:00pm	Memorial liturgy for all the deceased priests who served the Altars of Saint George church.
2/23 8:30am 10:30am	Memorial liturgy for Jay Caron , requested by his loving family
3/1 4:00pm	Memorial liturgy for all the loved ones who have passed in the Solomon, Azar, and Simon families and their spouses , requested by their loving families, followed by a dinner in the church hall
3/2 8:30am 10:30am	Three year anniversary for Malcolm Badway , requested by his loving family.
3/8 4:00pm	Anniversary liturgy for Majid and Alice Farhat , requested by their loving family.
3/9 8:30am 10:30am	Forty day liturgy for Fonsina Daou , requested by her son Nasser and his wife Salma, and their loving family.

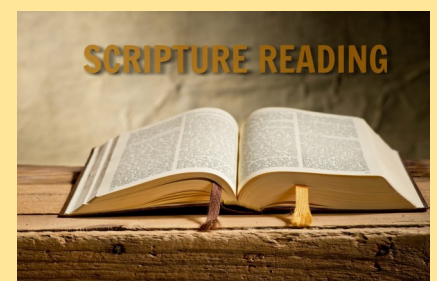
Reading Scriptures at liturgy is a privilege. please call or email the church office if you would like to read the Epistle at the weekend liturgies, **Weekend Reading Schedule 2/9**

Saturday at 4:00pm **Debra Thomas**

Sunday at 8:30am **Donna Treglia**

Sunday at 10:30am English: **Stephanie Imad**

Arabic: **Lina Aoun**



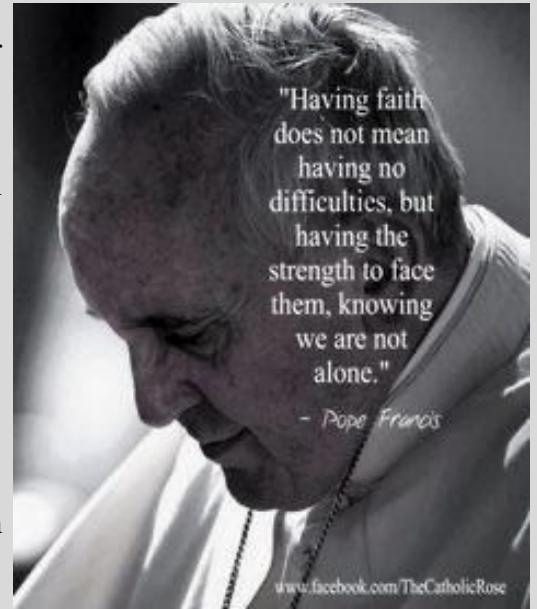
Sunday Readings

Malachi 2: 1 + 5-9

And now, priests, this commandment is for you: My covenant with Levi was the life and peace which I gave him, and the fear he had for me, standing in awe of my name. Reliable instruction was in his mouth, no perversity was found upon his lips; He walked with me in integrity and uprightness, and turned many away from evil. For a priest's lips preserve knowledge, and instruction is to be sought from his mouth, because he is the messenger of the LORD of hosts. But you have turned aside from the way, and have caused many to stumble by your instruction; You have corrupted the covenant of Levi, says the LORD of hosts. I, therefore, have made you contemptible and base before all the people, For you do not keep my ways, but show partiality in your instruction.

1 Timothy 4:6-16 Counsel to Timothy

If you put these instructions before the brothers and sisters, you will be a good servant of Christ Jesus, nourished on the words of the faith and of the sound teaching that you have followed. Have nothing to do with profane myths and old wives' tales. Train yourself in godliness, for, while physical training is of some value, godliness is valuable in every way, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance. For to this end we toil and struggle, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Savior of all people, especially of those who believe. These are the things you must insist on and teach. Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Until I arrive, give attention to the public reading of scripture, to exhorting, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you through prophecy with the laying on of hands by the council of elders. Put these things into practice, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress. Pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching; continue in these things, for in doing this you will save both yourself and your hearers.



John 12:23-30

Jesus replied, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant will also be. My Father will honor the one who serves me. "Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name!" Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and will glorify it again." The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to him. Jesus said, "This voice was for your benefit, not mine.



Life of Saint Maron:

Saint Maron was a 4th-century Christian monk and hermit, born in the region of Syria. His exact birth date is uncertain, but he lived during the reign of Emperor Julian the Apostate (361–363 AD). He became known for his ascetic lifestyle, dedicating his life to solitude, prayer, and spiritual discipline. St. Maron's deep faith and devotion to God attracted many followers, who eventually formed a monastic community under his guidance. This community grew and spread throughout the regions of Syria and Lebanon, laying the foundation for the Maronite Church.

Miracles:

Saint Maron is credited with several miracles during his life, particularly those related to healing and spiritual intercession. Some of the miracles attributed to him include *Healing the sick*. He was known for healing the ill, including a well-known miracle where he healed a paralyzed boy. *Casting out demons*. He was said to have cast out evil spirits from possessed individuals. Prayer and Divine Intervention. Saint Maron's intense prayer life was believed to have led to miraculous events, such as divine protection during times of hardship or danger. After his death, people reported experiencing miracles at his tomb, which helped solidify his sanctity and devotion.

While specific sayings attributed directly to Saint Maron are not as widely documented as those of some other saints, his life and teachings were centered around the ideals of asceticism, prayer, humility, and devotion to God. His legacy is built on the principles of self-denial and devotion, as well as compassion for others, particularly the poor. He emphasized the importance of living in solitude, dedicating oneself to God, and seeking purity of heart.

Death

Saint Maron died in 410 AD. After his death, his followers continued to honor him as a saint, and the Maronite Church was established in his name. His tomb became a site of pilgrimage, and many miracles were attributed to his intercession, further cementing his legacy as a revered figure in Christianity.



YOU ARE INVITED!!

Pre-Lenten Parish Dinner

Saturday February 22
at 7:00pm
Church hall.

**Homemade Lebanese
food,**

KK DJ, raffle, cash bar

Admission Donation
\$50.00

Cocktail hour at 6:00pm





MARONITE HISTORY

SAVE THE DATES!

Online Workshops at 8pm:

Feb. 6- St. Maron & the Maronite Liturgy
(Fr. Dominique Hanna)

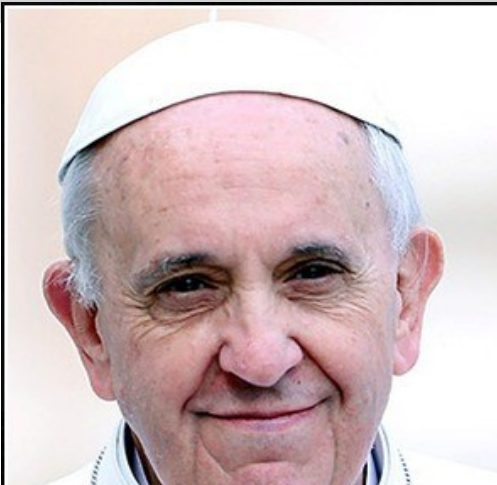
Feb. 13- Maronite Music & Melodies
(Fr. Neemtallah Oneissy)

Feb. 20 – Maronites & the Holy See
(Chorbishop John Faris)

VIA ZOOM

Hosted by the Maronite Servants of
Christ the Light in conjunction with
the St. Sharbel Spiritual Life Center.

To register and/or to learn more visit:
maroniteservants.org
saintsharbelcenter.org



We too can be saints in our family, in our neighborhood, wherever we live and work. Be a person who listens to what people need, communicating not only to grieve or tell others about your own problems. Listen in order to intercede and help out.

*Saint George
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Presents*

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Arabic Educational Foundation 2025 Scholarship Application

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MUST be postmarked by APRIL 15, 2025

Name (please print) _____

Your email address _____

Home address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Home email address _____ Home phone # _____

Father's first and last name _____ % Arabic _____

Mother's first and last name _____ % Arabic _____

HIGH SCHOOL APPLICANT INFORMATION

***The AEF organization WILL accept electronic transcript directly from your high school.**

High school currently attending: _____

College attending 2025 _____

***CIRCLE ONLY ONE— FINANCIAL OR ACADEMIC scholarship application** * Eligibility info: AEF website

COLLEGE APPLICANT INFORMATION

***The AEF organization WILL accept electronic transcript directly from your college.**

College /University currently attending: _____

Major(s) _____ YOG: _____

Previous recipient: Yes / No -/ What year(s) _____ * Sibling applying: Yes / No

***CIRCLE ONLY ONE —FINANCIAL OR ACADEMIC scholarship application** * Eligibility info on AEF website

***ESSAY QUESTIONS – Choose one. (Maximum 5/6 sentences)**

- 1) Share an experience you have had in an Arabic heritage group/event and how it influenced your life.
- 2) Name an Arab American, past or present, famous or personal acquaintance, who you admire and explain why.

***2024 COMMUNITY /VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE / OR GOOD DEED (Describe in 2/3 sentences.)**

To all our Parishioners and friends who are College students. Please contact the Arabic Educational Foundation for more information.

AEF 2025 Scholarship Eligibility

Scholarship Applications are:

1. Reviewed by scholarship committee – only if postmarked by APRIL 15, 2025
2. Held in complete anonymity by the Scholarship Committee
3. Consideration is final once selection of recipients is made by the Board Members
4. Destroyed after the recipients are selected

Eligibility Criteria for selection is based on the following:

1. Arabic Descent – minimum 12.5 % heritage or greater
2. Financial Need – **ONLY** submit EFC- Expected Family Contribution Page from- **2025 FAFSA form**
3. Academic Performance – full time student
 - High school FINANCIAL applicant (2.75 grade pt. avg. based on 4 point scale)
 - High school ACADEMIC applicant (3.25 grade pt. avg. based on 4 point scale)
 - College FINANCIAL applicant (2.75 GPA)
 - College ACADEMIC applicant (3.25 GPA)
4. Essay –Written response from application question (Maximum 5 / 6 sentences)
5. 2024 Community / Volunteer Experience / OR Good deed (Describe 2/3 sentences)

General Information

1. Enrolled as a full time student: Defined as full time BY an accredited COLLEGE
2. Siblings are considered: if funds are available
3. Non-Rhode Island residents are considered: if funds are available
4. Scholarships are limited to 4 years
5. Home schooled students are considered if official documentation from school district is enclosed / submitted with application
6. Only COMPLETE Applications postmarked by APRIL 15, 2025 are considered.

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AEF 2025 CHECKLIST

MISSION STATEMENT: THE PURPOSE OF THE ORGANIZATION SHALL BE TO OFFER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE STUDENTS OF ARAB AMERICAN DESCENT. ASSISTANCE IS BASED ON AN ESTABLISHED SET OF CRITERIA APPROVED BY THE AEF BOARD TO DETERMINE EACH APPLICANT'S ELIGIBILITY.



❖ FINANCIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD CHECKLIST - Grade Pt. Average – 2.75

- ____ Completed application POST MARKED by APRIL 15, 2025
- ____ *Essay Question (5/6 sentences) attached to application
- ____ FAFSA page ONLY FROM EFC- Expected Family Contribution
- ____ Community / volunteer experience / OR good deed in 2024 – (2/3 sentences)
- ____ Official transcript (May be emailed by school/ college) POST MARKED by APRIL 15, 2025

❖ ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD CHECKLIST - Grade Pt. Average- 3.25

- ____ Completed application POST MARKED: APRIL 15, 2025
- ____ *Essay question (5/6 sentences) attached to application
- ____ Official transcript (May be emailed by school/ college) POST MARKED by APRIL 15, 2025
- ____ Community / volunteer experience / OR good deed in 2024 (2/3 sentences)

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