



# Saint George Maronite Catholic Church

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## Hosanna Sunday (Palm Sunday)

### Meet Your Clergy

Fr. Tony Saab

Pastor

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Deacon



### Office Hours

Weds - Friday from 9am-12pm

### Liturgical Schedule

Wednesday 7:00pm

Thursday and Friday 09:00am

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am (Roman rite)  
10:30 am

### Exposition of the Holy Eucharist

Every Thursday 6:00pm



### Weekly collections

Saturday

**\$898.00**

Sunday

08:30am **\$458.00**

10:30am **\$771.00**

Eparchial Charities  
**\$398.00**

**The Church Hall** is available for rent for all types of events.

Donations are \$300 for parishioners, \$500 for non-parishioners.

Your **donation** to your church is an opportunity for you to contribute from the work of your hands to the ministry of Christ and His gospel.



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Please join us welcome and celebrate the liturgy of the washing of the feet on Thursday April 6, 2023

### **His Excellency Bishop Gregory Mansour**

Thursday of the Mysteries (HolyThursday)

7:00pm followed by the exposition of the Holy Eucharist.



### SACRAMENTS

#### **Baptism & Confirmation:**

One month in advance with the Pastor.

Donations: Church: \$200

Priest: Free Will

#### **Matrimony:** Arrangements

should be made by couples

six months prior to the

wedding date Donations:

Church \$500

Priest: Free Will

#### **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 unable

to come to Church and

would like to receive

communion at home.

### **Philippians 1:1-13**

Paul and Timothy, slaves of Christ Jesus, to all the holy ones in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the overseers and ministers: grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God at every remembrance of you, praying always with joy in my every prayer for all of you, because of your partnership for the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus. It is right that I should think this way about all of you, because I hold you in my heart, you who are all partners with me in grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value, so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God. I want you to know, brothers, that my situation has turned out rather to advance the gospel, so that my imprisonment has become well known in Christ throughout the whole praetorium and to all the rest. Praise be to God always.

### **John 12:12-22**

On the next day, when the great crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, they took palm branches and went out to meet him, and cried out: "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, (even) the king of Israel." Jesus found an ass and sat upon it, as is written: "Fear no more, O daughter Zion; see, your king comes, seated upon an ass's colt." His disciples did not understand this at first, but when Jesus had been glorified they remembered that these things were written about him and that they had done this for him. So the crowd that was with him when he called Lazarus from the tomb and raised him from death continued to testify. This was (also) why the crowd went to meet him, because they heard that he had done this sign. So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the whole world has gone after him." Now there were some Greeks among those who had come up to worship at the feast. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we would like to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. This is the Truth. Peace be with you.

### **Lectors schedule** (10:30am)

Arabic: Alexis Matta

English: Vasilio Giovanis

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### **Announcement corner**



- Please help support our MYO Maronite Youth Organization members in attending the National MYO Conference in June by participating in their fundraiser **BAKE SALE** on the weekend of April 1 and 2 after all liturgies. The approximate cost for each child is \$900.
- The Holy Rosary Sodality invites everyone to join them in praying the holy rosary on Saturday April 1st at 3:30pm in Church.
- Congratulations to the 200 Club prize winners, John & Lynn Barish (January); Mike & May Wakim (February); Ann Corriveau (March). Mabrouk!

## *Liturgical Intentions*

4/1 4:00pm	Memorial liturgy for all the deceased members of the <b>Khoury, Autiello, Campagnone, and Durante families</b> , requested by their loving families
4/2 8:30am 10:30am	<b>HOSANNA (PALM) SUNDAY</b> Memorial liturgy for <b>Joseph Simon</b> , requested by Theodora Barkett Twenty year memorial liturgy for <b>Silvia Rossi</b> , requested by her daughter and her loving family.
4/8 4:00pm	Glorious Resurrection of the Lord
4/9 8:30-am 10:30am	<b>GLORIOUS RESURRECTION OF THE LORD</b>
4/15 4:00pm	Memorial liturgy for <b>Anthony Budway</b> , requested by Georgeann Thomas
4/16 8:30am 10:30am	One year anniversary liturgy for <b>Anissa Rizk</b> , requested by Kevin Dejesus.
4/22 4:00pm	Memorial liturgy for <b>Anthony Budway</b> , requested by Roseann Constantine
4/23 8:30am 10:30am	Fifth anniversary mass for <b>Barbara Ann Zoglio</b> , requested by <b>Jo-Ann Mitchell</b> Second anniversary liturgy for <b>Michel Akkaoui, Therese and Fred Tanury, Rosemary and James DeNunzio</b> , requested by their loving families
4/29 4:00pm	Second anniversary liturgy for <b>Joseph Simon</b> , requested by his loving family
4/30 8:30am 10:30am	<b>First Communion Liturgy</b>
	<b>ETERNAL REST GRANT THEM O'LORD, AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM!</b>

A special thank you to the MYO for sponsoring the coffee hour during Lent. Please let us know if you would like to sponsor a coffee hour in honor of your loved ones!

## Schedule for Passion Week (Holy Week)

**Sunday April 2: Hosanna Sunday (Palm Sunday) احد الشعانين**

Procession with Palms (At the 10:30am Liturgy)

**Monday and Tuesday April 3, 4: Stations and Adoration of the Cross at 7:00pm**

**Wednesday April 5: Rite of the Lamp رتبة القديل**

Blessing the oil and anointing for the healing of the body and the soul at 7:00pm

**Thursday April 6: Thursday of the Mysteries (Holy Thursday) خميس الاسرار**

Liturgy of the Washing of the feet at 7:00pm celebrated by his Excellency Bishop Gregory Mansour, followed by the Exposition of the Holy Eucharist.

**Friday April 7: Great Friday of the Crucifixion (Good Friday) الجمعة العظيمة**

**Signing of the Chalice** Liturgy at 11:00am

Stations of the Cross (outside the church, weather permitting) 6:00pm

Adoration of the Cross/**Burial of the Lord** at 7:00pm

The Holy Rosary members will have flowers available to be placed at the Altar.

**Saturday April 8: Great Saturday of the Light سبت النور**

Liturgy of the Glorious Resurrection at 4:00pm

**Sunday April 9: Sunday of the Glorious Resurrection (Easter Sunday) احد القيامة المجيدة**

**King for a day?** Today, Jesus is king for a day! His glorious entrance into Jerusalem begins the journey through Holy Week with joy and praise. Followers cheered while dreaming of the changes that he would bring. We can only imagine the expectations of his disciples and those who accompanied him singing and waving palm branches. King David has finally returned! Jesus confronts the powers of the world! But we do not remain in this moment. Instead we read ahead, almost to the end of the story, and we know what the week will bring.

What if we lingered longer on this day saturated with hope and possibility? Jesus proceeds into Jerusalem in obedience to God. Obedience involves deep listening to the guidance of God's presence within us, where resistance gives way to receptivity, trust, and responsiveness. Confronting the unjust use of power of any form involves courage, hard work, risk—and sometimes the willingness to die.

We do not know where God will ask us to go in our lives. We do not know what we might face when we put ourselves at God's disposal. Challenging personal and social sin within ourselves and around us at whatever level of power requires the courage and hope of Palm Sunday—as well as the strength of knowing that whatever comes, the only power worth having is that which comes from God alone.

### *Reflection Questions:*

What do you hope for at this time for your family, your country and world?

What life decisions might God be calling you to discern during this Holy Week? Can you give up resisting what God asks of you?

What risks have you taken to confront the unjust use of power against oppressed groups in our lives and country?

