



SAINT MARON MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**Fifteenth Week of Pentecost:
August 26, 2018**

Welcome to Saint Maron Church

We are a Catholic Church, Maronite rite. What is “Maronite Catholic Rite”?

There are 22-24 rites in the Catholic Church. The Maronite rite is one of them.

The Latin or Roman rite is another.

A rite represents an Church tradition about how the sacraments are to be celebrated. **Rome, Antioch (Syria), and Alexandria (Egypt)** are the main centers of those rites.

The Maronite rite traces its origins to the work of St. Maron in the 4th century who founded a monastery east of Antioch. Later monks moved to the mountains in what is today Lebanon.

All rites *are entrusted to the Pope*, the divinely appointed successor of St. Peter. As the Bishop of

Rome, he is the head of the Latin or Roman rite, by far the largest rite in the Church.

As Vicar of the universal Church, the Pope is shepherd of the rites of the West and the East.

The Maronite church is the only Catholic Church named after its founder, Saint Maron.

The music and prayers you will sing and pray here have been in use for more than 1,500 years!

Our motto is: ALL ARE WELCOME!!!

Welcome again and we hope you will join our Parish Family!



Meet our Pastoral Team!

Father Tony Saab

Pastor
860-725-2924 (Direct line)

Steven P. Marcus

David Leard

Deacons

Paul Comeau

Subdeacon

Organists

Melanie Libby,

Sunday 10:00 am

Michael Nejaime,

Saturday 4:30 pm

Office Assistant:

Kathleen Perrotti

Bingo

Mondays and Fridays

Starting at 5:00 pm

Pastoral Council moderator

Mike Soliani

Fundraising Committee

Chairperson

Jack Leifert

Daughters of Lebanon:

Adla Keywan

Finance Committee

Friendship Circle

Knights of Columbus

Bingo Volunteer team

Sacraments

Baptism and Confirmation: Please contact the priest ASAP after the birth of your child.

Reconciliation: Before or after Liturgy or by appointment.

Marriage: Couples must contact the Priest six months before the wedding.

Office hours

Monday, Weds, Friday

9:00am to 1:00pm

Church office



Liturgy Schedule

Saturday 4:30PM

Sunday 10:00AM

Please join us!

Luke 7:36-50

A Pharisee invited him to dine with him, and he entered the Pharisee's house and reclined at table. Now there was a sinful woman in the city who learned that he was at table in the house of the Pharisee. Bringing an alabaster flask of ointment, she stood behind him at his feet weeping and began to bathe his feet with her tears. Then she wiped them with her hair, kissed them, and anointed them with the ointment. When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would know who and what sort of woman this is who is touching him, that she is a sinner." Jesus said to him in reply, "Simon, I have something to say to you." "Tell me, teacher," he said. "Two people were in debt to a certain creditor; one owed five hundred days' wages and the other owed fifty. Since they were unable to repay the debt, he forgave it for both. Which of them will love him more?" Simon said in reply, "The one, I suppose, whose larger debt was forgiven." He said to him, "You have judged rightly." Then he turned to the woman and said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? When I entered your house, you did not give me water for my feet, but she has bathed them with her tears and wiped them with her hair. You did not give me a kiss, but she has not ceased kissing my feet since the time I entered. You did not anoint my head with oil, but she anointed my feet with ointment. So I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven; hence, she has shown great love. But the one to whom little is forgiven, loves little." **He said to her, "Your sins are forgiven."** The others at table said to themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?" But he said to the woman, **"Your faith has saved you; go in peace."**

Weekly Collections

Saturday August 18: \$408.00

Sunday August 19 : \$470.00

Monday Bingo: \$3.00 Sealed tickets \$153.00

Friday Bingo: \$177.00 Sealed Tickets: \$110.00

"I was sick and you visited me!"

Please let us know if any parishioner is sick or shut-in. Fr. Tony and the deacons would love to *visit you* and *bring you Holy Communion* or administer the *sacrament of the anointing*.

Please call the church office and notify us. Prayers for the sick and departed are essential in their healing and their rest.



Liturgical Intentions

8/25	
8/26	
9/1	Rico Soliani and Daniel Pietrefase, requested by Marie Soliani and family
9/2	
9/8	
9/9	Mayer J. Slaiby, requested by the Slaiby family
9/15	40 Day Mass for Kathleen Lenihan, requested by her son Brian and his family
9/16	Mary and John Comporesi, requested by Hayat and Jack Comporesi
9/22	
9/23	Paul T. Keywan, requested by Lola and Adla Kewan
9/29	
9/30	
10/6	Willard W. Soliani, requested by Marie Soliani and her family
10/7	

Upcoming Special Collection

August 26: Monthly offering

Sept. 9: Catholic University



The fundraising committee proudly invites you to join us

Mediterranean Buffet

Thursday September 13, 2018

4:30-7:30 PM

In our Church Bingo Hall
Food made by Noujaim Bistro
Food, desserts, drinks, music...

Tickets \$30 a person

All proceeds are to support our church financial needs



Because many of you asked, We are putting together a new fundraising event

Pilgrimage Trip to Lebanon

from **September 24 to October 4** for two reasons: To give an opportunity to everyone who wants to visit Lebanon the ability to do so; and to help raise funds for Saint Maron church.

Cost will be \$2100.00, including lodging, transportation, breakfast and dinner, and all costs of sites entry. The above price does not include airfare. Please spread the word and let us know if you are interested or if you have any questions. 860-489 9015



Pilgrimage to Lebanon September 24 - October 5

\$2,100 (Breakfast + Dinner + Hotel + Transportation + Site Entry)

Tuesday Sept 25: Arrive to airport. Check in at hotel. Dinner at hotel.

Wednesday Sept 26: Visit to Byblos (Jbeil) and Jeita Grotto.

Thursday Sept 27:

“Our Lady of Nouriyeh” Chekka, Becharri, Museum of Khalil Gebran, The Cedars Mountains, Spring of Mar Sarkis and Saint Antonios Kozhaya.

Friday Sept 28: Baalback, Zahle, And Our Lady of Zahle

Saturday Sept 29: Saint Charbel Anaya- Saint Hardini, Sainte Rafqa and the blessed Estephan . Visit Harrisa by teleferique. Return by bus and stop in Bkerki.

Sunday Sept 30 Museum of Beirut. Raoucheh Rock. El- Chouf, Moussa Castle, & Beit El Dine

Monday Oct 1 South Lebanon. Our Lady of Mantara , Sidon , Tyre and Cana.

Tuesday Oct 2: Free time for shopping and personal time.

Wednesday Oct 3: St. Charbel in Faraya. Free time in evening.

Thursday Oct 4: Check out. Transport to airport.

Saint Maron Bingo!

Please join us every Monday and Friday for fun and great food in our church bingo hall.

Show up and we'll get you working as volunteers or playing!

**Two Jackpots; Early Bingo;
Door prizes; Regular Bingo.**

We need Volunteers!

We need players

Free meal for everyone who brings a new player!

***All Bingo game proceeds are the main Financial Support
of our church***



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