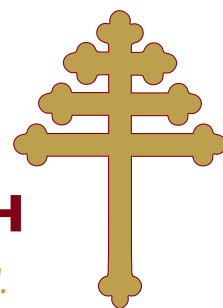




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A prayer to begin every day: *Good morning my good and my beloved Lord.*

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SAINTS FOR THIS WEEK

- 9 St. Matrona of Pamphylia, C
- 10 St. Maura, M
- 11 St. Mennas and His Companions, M
St. Martin, Bishop of Tours, C
- 12 St. Theodore the Studite, C
- 13 St. John Chrysostom, Doctor of the Church, C
- 14 St. Philip, Ap
- 15 Sts. Gurias, Samonas, and
Habib the Deacon, M

THE RENEWAL OF THE CHURCH

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8
Adoration 4:00 p.m.; Liturgy at 4:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9
Rosary at 9:30 a.m.; 10:00a.m.

GOSPEL

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



THE DEDICATION OF THE CHURCH.
The Maronite Icons: Modern Sacred Art.
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The main theme from this gospel is: Jesus says: "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me" (10:27). This verse reminds us that Christ knows each of us personally and calls us to trust and follow Him faithfully.

Father will pray the
ANAPHORA OF ST. SIXTUS
beginning on page 856

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 8 at 4:30 p.m.

Available

Sunday, November 9 at 10:00 a.m.

In memory of Zakeeya & Michel Noujaim
Requested by Hayat & Jack Comporesi
and Toni & Richard Noujaim

Saturday, November 15 at 4:30 p.m.

Available

Sunday, November 16 at 10:00 a.m.

Available

Saturday, November 22 at 4:30 p.m.

Available

Sunday, November 23 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the soul of John Ferguson
Requested by Donald & Lisa Kellogg

For the repose of the soul of Donald Kellogg
Requested by Mike and Lisa Soliani

Saturday, November 29 at 4:30 p.m.

For the repose of the soul of Oscar Hernandez
Requested by his friends

Sunday, November 30 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the souls of
Mario and Emelina Parajon
Requested by friends

Saturday, December 6 at 4:30 p.m.

For the repose of the souls of
Antonio and Alejandrina Tamari
Requested by their family

Sunday, December 7 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the soul of Mike (Lito) Nejaime
Requested by Nelly Nejaime and family

Saturday, December 13 at 4:30 p.m.

For the repose of the souls of Paulo & Maria
D'Addona and Genevieve & Nicholas Zampagione
Requested by Sal and Linda Rinaldi

Sunday, December 14 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the souls of Paul & Lola Keywan
and deceased members of Azar Keywan' family
Requested by Adla Keywan



As we prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ, let us open our hearts to those in need. We are collecting clothes for our homeless friends from now until Christmas. Please, bring new or clean, washed clothing to the parish hall. May our generosity bring warmth and hope to those who need it most.

CHURCH SUPPORT

Weekend of November 1/2

Saturday Offering

1st Collection **\$850.00**

Sunday Offering

1st Collection **\$688.00**

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Thank You!

THE SANCTUARY LAMP



The Sanctuary Lamp burns by the Tabernacle continuously signifying that the Blessed Sacrament is within the tabernacle. This candle burns for a week and then is replaced.

If you would like the Sanctuary Lamp to burn in memory of someone, please email the church office (office@saintmaronchurch.org) or speak with Fr. Fadi. There is only one sponsorship available each week and it will be published in the bulletin. The cost of the sponsorship is \$10.

Week of November 9

***In memory of Zakeeya & Michel Noujaim
Requested by their family***



Mother Marla Marie Lucas, Sister Therese Maria Touma, Sister Emily Mary Lattouf of the Maronite Servants of Christ the Light will be visiting St. Maron on Sunday, December 7

After Divine Liturgy, there will be light refreshments in the parish hall and a chance to speak with the sisters.

SAVE THE DATE FOR

OUR FIRST DESIGNER PURSE BINGO!

Friday, January 30, 2026 at 7pm in the church hall.
Doors open at 6pm.

EPISTLE

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.



GOSPEL

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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.



Save the Date!

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2026

Our St. Maron Feast Day Celebration!

Divine Liturgy at 4:30,

followed by a Lebanese Dinner, Music, Drinks
in the parish hall. \$35/PP



The Pastor's Corner

SHORT ARTICLES AND NOTES

My Dear Friends:

In the Acts of the Apostles, chapter 12, we see God's power and protection at work. King Herod persecutes the Church, even killing James, but God miraculously frees Peter from prison through an Angel. In Acts 13:11 Peter says when he recovered his senses: "Now I know for certain that the Lord sent his angel and rescued me from the hand of Herod and from all that the Jewish people had been expecting."

This chapter reminds us that God watches over His people and answers prayer, even in the most dangerous and hopeless situations.

My question for you this week is: Who are you grateful for today?

I pray that you will have a blessed week.

Fr. Fadi

THE MINOR PROPHETS: MALACHI

Malachi is the last prophet of the Old Testament, calling Israel back to faithfulness. He addresses the corruption of the priests, the neglect of worship, and the people growing doubt about God's Justice. He wrote: "For the lips of the priest are to keep knowledge, and instruction is to be sought from his mouth, because he is the messenger of the Lord of hosts" (2:7). In Malachi 3:14, the prophet says: "You have said, it is vain to serve God, and what do we profit by keeping his command." In Malachi's mind, he wants to convey that priests must teach faithfully because God's word is precious. On the other hand, the people must serve sincerely.

In fact, God calls His people to faithful obedience, trust, and integrity, guided by priests who faithfully communicate His Word, confident in His unchanging justice and covenant love.

OUR PARISH PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER IS FOR OUR PARISH FAMILIES:

Heavenly Father, bless the families of our parish with faith, unity, and love. Protect their homes, guide their hearts, and fill them with your peace. May they grow together in holiness and be a light to our community. Amen.

WISDOM FROM THE SAINTS

Good, better, best. Never let it rest.

Till your good is better and your better is best.

-- St Jerome



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