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# Saint Maron Maronite Catholic Church

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

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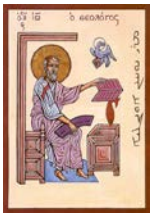
## Saints for this Week

8 St. Michael the Archangel, An
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
St. Frances Cabrini, V
14 St. Philip, Ap

**RENEWAL OF THE CHURCH**
**[Page 7 in the Book of Offering]**
**Saturday, November 7, 2026**
Adoration 4:00 p.m.; Liturgy at 4:30 p.m.
**Sunday, November 8, 2026**
Rosary at 9:30 a.m.; 10:00 a.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 blasphemy. You, a man, are



The Dedication of the Church
*The Maronite Icons: Modern Sacred Art.*
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Our Church becomes new when everyone listens to the voice of Jesus Christ and follow Him with renewed hearts.

Father will pray the
**Anaphora of Saint Peter**
beginning on page 774

## Mass Intentions

**Saturday, November 7 at 4:30 p.m..**

For all of our veterans, living and deceased

For the repose of the soul of Roy Dudley, MSW
Requested by Barney Marshall and Steven Marcus

For the repose of the soul of Marion T. Rooke
Requested by Renee and Steven Marcus

**Sunday, November 8 at 10:00 a.m.**

For all of our veterans, living and deceased

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

**Saturday, November 14 at 4:30 p.m..**

Available

**Sunday, November 15 at 10:00 a.m.**

For all foster families and for those who dedicate their lives to caring for children

## Church Support

**Weekend of October 31/November 1**

Saturday Offering
1st Collection **$1960.00**

Sunday Offering
1st Collection **$907.00**

Mail in: **$700.00**

Bingo: **$831.75**

**Annual Appeal**

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| Week of Oct. 25: | **$2,180.00** |
| Week of Nov. 1: | **$6,125.00** |
| Total to date: | **$8,305.00** |

*Thank You!*

*The second collection on **November 8** is for the*
**Maronite Patriarchal Charities**
*(All Proceeds from this collection are sent directly to our Patriarch for his charitable works.)*

## Upcoming St. Maron Parish Events & Opportunities!

**Rosary**

November 7 after Mass. Join us on this First Saturday in November as Fr. Fadi leads us in the Rosary before our shrine of the Blessed Virgin Mary. If the weather is bad, we will pray in the church.

**Veterans Mass on November 7 and 8**

Veterans will be honored at both weekend Masses on November 7 and 8

**Wednesday, November 11 at 12 p.m.**

Please join Fr. Fadi at Saint Paul's Lutheran Church in Torrington to pray for the repose of the souls of all of our veterans. There will be a prayer service. All are welcome.

**The St. Maron Holiday Craft Fair**

**November 28 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.**



30+ talented artisans/vendors will be selling their beautiful work giving you a chance to get your shopping done early!

A gift wrap table will be available for your convenience.
Beverages + food service are available all day!
Easy access to the fair: There is an elevator available!

**We would like to host a gift wrapping table at our November 28 Craft Fair** and are looking for donations of Christmas/holiday wrapping paper, tape, and bows. Gift wrapping supplies can be dropped off at the rectory or left in the church hall kitchen.

We are also looking for volunteers to do gift wrapping. Volunteers can text Helen Piechocki at 860.983.3933 or email her at helenpiechocki@gmail.com. Any period of time commitment would be helpful! Thank you!

## Christmas Flowers



The Christmas flowers which will decorate our altar in honor of Jesus' birth are paid for through your donations. If you would like to make a contribution towards our Christmas flowers, please make your donation no later than Sunday, December 6th. We will produce a program, as we have done in previous years, recognizing all those who donated and all the loved ones remembered with your donations. Fr. Fady will offer a Mass of Thanksgiving for all of the souls remembered this way. If you have any questions, please contact Judy Theeb.

### Cothing Donations Needed



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Winter is coming and we are once again collecting clothes from now through Christmas for our homeless friends. Please, bring new or clean, washed clothing to the parish hall. FISHNWCT (Friends In Service to Humanity of NW Connecticut) will be distributing the items we collect to those who need it most.

## 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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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.

## The Pastor's Corner

Short articles and notes

My Dear Friends:

I invite everyone to join me as we reflect on these two questions.

1- Why not spend one hour less on social media and one hour more with your family and friends?

2- Why not choose peace over arguments?

Ahead of Veteran's Day this Wednesday, I would like to thank all veterans for their service. May God bless you all.

I wish you a blessed and beautiful week ahead.

Fr. Fadi

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### Our November parish prayer intention is for parents who have lost their children in tragic accidents

Lord Jesus, comfort all parents who have lost their children in tragic accidents. Give them strength in their sorrow, peace in their hearts, and hope in Your everlasting love. Welcome their children into Your heavenly kingdom. Amen.

### Wisdom from this week's saints

*The Holy Scriptures were not given to us that we should enclose them in books, but that we should engrave them upon our hearts."*

*Faithfulness in little things is a big thing.*

-- St. John Chrysostom, feast day November 13

*Let us keep close to Jesus because if we lose him, we have lost everything.*

-- St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, feast day November 13



We thank Ryan Jackman for attending our Divine Liturgy on Sunday and speaking about the Fatherhood program at Family Strides (350 Main Street, Torrington.) This program helps men become strong fathers in the community. It is a vital program for our community in that it teaches life skills for fathers in an effort to instill best practices about fatherhood. God bless your good work, Ryan. If anyone has questions about the program or would like to participate, please speak with Fr. Fadi and he will help coordinate services.

*Left: Ryan Jackman and Fr. Fadi by our statue of St. Joseph, who is the patron saint of fathers.*





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