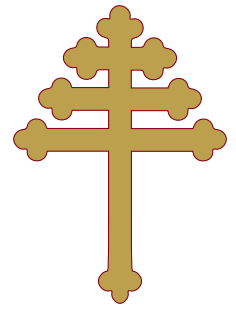




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A prayer to begin every day: *Good morning my good and my beloved Lord.*

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SAINTS FOR THIS WEEK

- 27 St. Vincent de Paul, C
- 28 St. Chariton, C
- 29 St. Romanos (Cyriacus),
known as Rouhanna the Cantor, C
- 30 St. Gregory the Illuminator, M
- 1 St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus,
Doctor of the Church, V
- 2 Sts. Cyprian and Justina, M
- 3 St. Dionysius the Areopagite, M
St. Mother Théodore Guérin (USA), C

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER HOLY CROSS

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2026
Adoration 4:00 p.m.; Liturgy at 4:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2026
Rosary at 8:30 a.m.; 10:00 a.m.

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 24:1-14



Jesus left the temple area and was going away, when his disciples approached him to point out the temple buildings. He said to them in reply, "You see all these things, do you not? Amen, I say to you, there will not be left here a stone upon another stone that will not be thrown down." As he was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples approached him privately and said, "Tell us, when will this happen, and what sign will there be of your coming, and of the end of the age?"

Jesus said to them in reply, "See that no one deceives you. For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am the Messiah,' and they will deceive many. You will hear of wars and reports of wars; see that you are not alarmed, for these things must happen, but it will not yet be the end. Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be famines and earthquakes from place to place. All these are the beginning of



JAMES TISSOT. THE DISCIPLES ADMIRE THE BUILDINGS OF THE TEMPLE (LES DISCIPLES ADMIRENT LES CONSTRUCTIONS DU TEMPLE), 1886-1894. THE Brooklyn Museum.

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Jesus does not promise us a life without problems. He promises us that if we remain faithful, our difficulties will not have the final word. Amen.

Father will pray the
ANAPHORA OF SAINT PETER
beginning on page 774

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 26 at 4:30 p.m..

For the repose of the soul of Albert Joseph Ryder
Requested by the Parish Community of St. Maron

Sunday, September 27 at 10:00 a.m.

In Memory of George and Vera Balakgie
Requested by their children

Saturday, October 3 at 4:30 p.m..

Available

Sunday, October 4 at 10:00 a.m.

For the Community Education and Outreach team
of the Susan B. Anthony Project as they serve and
support those in need

Saturday, October 10 at 4:30 p.m..

Available

Sunday, October 11 at 10:00 a.m.

Available

CHURCH SUPPORT

Weekend of September 19/20

Saturday Offering

1st Collection **\$330.00**

2nd Collection **\$167.00**

Sunday Offering

1st Collection **\$487.00**

2nd Collection **\$110.00**

Mail in: **\$0**

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Thank You!

UPCOMING ST. MARON PARISH EVENTS!

St. Maron Church Cookbook

This is the last week to submit recipes -
the deadline is September 30, 2026.

Please email your recipes to Helen

Piechocki at helenpiechocki@gmail.com

You may also mail them to: St. Maron
Church, Attn: Helen/Recipes, 613 Main
Street, Torrington, CT 06790



UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

COURSE

The Maronite Institute of Theology & Christian Studies will be offering the course **MORTALITY • REDEMPTION • RESURRECTION • HOPE** (DIP 701) during the Fall session.

This course is a theological and existential exploration of human mortality, Christ's redemptive work, and the Christian hope of everlasting life taught by Fr. Nicolas El-Kada.

The six classes will meet via Zoom.

October 1: Life, Death & Beyond and the Theological Method

October 8: Human Death

October 22: The Existential Dimension of Death

November 12: Christ's Redemption

November 19: Christian Hope and the Resurrection

December 10: Eschatological Fulfillment and the Meaning of Life

To register go to www.imtec.ca/formulaire-d-admission-et-dinscription/

The cost is \$50 CAD or equivalent

ROSARY

Beginning in October, Fr. Fadi will pray the Rosary before our shrine of the Blessed Virgin Mary on the first Saturday of every month after Mass. Please join him in prayer.

YOUTH CATECHISM CLASS

Starting the first Monday in October, Father will be offering a catechism class in the rectory from 6 to 7 PM. The class is for young people ages 10 through 15 and designed to help them learn more about our beautiful Maronite faith. Classes will run monthly throughout the academic year. All are welcome.

Parish Breakfast

Sunday, October 11 9:00 a.m. - Noon

ADULTS: \$15 • 12 AND UNDER: \$10 • UNDER 6: Free!



WE WOULD LOVE YOUR HELP!

We need volunteers to help make the breakfast a success. If you are able to, please add

your name to the volunteer sign-up sheet at the back of the church.

We are also gratefully accepting donated baked goods for the breakfast. A sign-up sheet in the back of the church is available with a list of needed items.

Every helping hand is greatly appreciated! Thank you!



**PLEASE JOIN US IN HONORING OUR VETERANS
AT MASS ON NOVEMBER 7 AND 8**

We would like to publish a Veterans Honor Roll for the bulletin. Please submit your Veteran names and service branch, if available, to be included in the Honor Roll. Names can be submitted via email, the weekly collection basket, or by mailing to the church office. If you would also like to contribute to a recognition tribute wreath, it would be greatly appreciated.

DON'T FORGET TO MARK YOUR CALENDARS:
*The St. Maron Holiday Craft Fair is on
November 28!*

EPISTLE

1 CORINTHIANS 15:19-34

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are the most pitiable people of all. But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead came also through a human being. For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order: Christ the firstfruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ; then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to his God and Father, when he has destroyed every sovereignty and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death, for "he subjected everything under his feet." But when it says that everything has been subjected, it is clear that it excludes the one who subjected everything to him. When everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will (also) be subjected to the one who subjected everything to him, so that God may be all in all. Otherwise, what will people accomplish by having themselves baptized for the dead? If the dead are not raised at all, then why are they having themselves baptized for them? Moreover, why are we endangering ourselves all the time? Every day I face death; I swear it by the pride in you (brothers) that I have in Christ Jesus our Lord. If at Ephesus I fought with beasts, so to speak, what benefit was it to me? If the dead are not raised: "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die." Do not be led astray: "Bad company corrupts good morals." Become sober as you ought and stop sinning. For some have no knowledge of God; I say this to your shame.

GOSPEL

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the labor pains. Then they will hand you over to persecution, and they will kill you. You will be hated by all nations because of my name. And then many will be led into sin; they will betray and hate one another. Many false prophets will arise and deceive many; and because of the increase of evil-doing, the love of many will grow cold. But the one who perseveres to the end will be saved. And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached throughout the world as a witness to all nations, and then the end will come.



The Pastor's Corner

SHORT ARTICLES AND NOTES

My Dear Friends:

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

1- Why not start our day by thanking our beloved Lord Jesus Christ before checking our phones?

2- Why not read one verse from the Gospel every day this week?

3- Why not make the sign of the Cross before leaving home?

Please remember that we will pray the Rosary before the shrine of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday, October 3, after Mass.

Also, please remember that the Catechism Class for young people ages 10 through 15 will start on Monday, October 5. It will be in the Rectory from 6 to 7 PM.

And finally, I will celebrate Mass at Wolcott Hall on Friday, October 2, at 11 am. and at Litchfield Woods on Saturday, October 3, at 10:30 am. Please join me if you can as your presence brings such joy to the residents.

I wish you a blessed week ahead.

Fr. Fadi

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WISDOM FROM THIS WEEK'S SAINTS

Make it a practice to judge persons and things in the most favorable light at all times and under all circumstances.

Go to the poor: you will find God.

St. Vincent de Paul, Feast Day September 27



True charity consists in bearing all our neighbor's defects - not being surprised at their weakness, but edified at their smallest virtues.

He does not call those who are worthy, but those whom He pleases.

St. Thérèse of Lisieux, Feast Day October 1

OUR PARISH PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER IS FOR **Doctors**

My Beloved Lord Jesus Christ,
bless all doctors and guide their hands.
Give them wisdom, strength, and compassion
to care for the sick and bring them healing and hope.
Amen.



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