

Divine Mysteries Intentions	Maronite Synaxarion
Sunday, October 5th 8:30am Glen Melton by Sdn. Chuck and Mary Beth Abraham Tom Jesser, Sr. by Judy Seabolt and family Dan Obermeyer by Dcn. Tom and Bernie Maroon 11:00am Jane Hamad by Teddi Kay John & Silva Mahrouk by the Sabbagh family Lisa Owen by Barbie and Larry Taylor Tom Hadley by Sdn. Paul and Gena Boulos	St. Paul the Simple. Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos
Monday, October 6th No Divine Liturgy	St. Thomas the Apostle
Tuesday, October 7th 9:00am Divine Liturgy Glen Melton Tom Jesser, Sr.	St. Sarkis and Bacchus <i>Anaphora of St. John</i> <i>p. 815</i>
Wednesday, October 8th 9:00am Divine Liturgy Dan Obermeyer Jane Hamad	St. Pelagia of Antioch <i>Anaphora of St. Mark</i> <i>p. 835</i>
Thursday, October 9th No Divine Liturgy	St. James, Brother of the Lord
Friday, October 10th 9:00am Divine Liturgy Souad Mouaness by Rosemarie George	St. Eulampius and His Sister St. Eulampia and their companions <i>Anaphora of St. Sixtus</i> <i>p. 856</i>
Saturday, October 11th 9:00am Divine Liturgy Lisa Owen Tom Hadley John & Silva Mahrouk	St. Philip the Deacon Pope St. John XXIII The First Council of Nicea <i>Anaphora of St. James</i> <i>p. 794</i>
Sunday, October 12th 8:30am Tom Jesser, Sr. by the OLC Caregivers Ray Hamad by Tom and Peggy Maroon and family Richard Traxler by Sdn. Chuck and Mary Beth Abraham Dan Obermeyer by Barbie and Larry Taylor 11:00am Laurice Mourad (40 Day Liturgy) by her family جناز الاربعين John Lahood by Camile and Jessica Ghorayeb Lisa Owen by the Stewart family	St. Edno



PASTOR:

Welcome New Parishioners
Please register at our parish office

DIVINE MYSTERIES SCHEDULE

Sunday	8:30am. & 11:00am
Monday	No Service
Tuesday	9:00am
Wednesday	9:00am
Thursday	No Service
Friday	9:00am
Saturday	9:00am

MYSTERIES

CONFESSION

Available following Saturday
Divine Liturgy
or by appointment

Baptism & Chrismation
Contact the Parish Office

Marriage
Contact the Parish Office at least
6 months before the wedding

Sick Calls & Anointing
Notify Fr. Armando Elkhoury
(202) 876-6648

DEACON Thomas Maroon, Sr.

SUBDEACON Paul Boulos
SUBDEACON Chuck Abraham

CAREGIVERS Chuck Abraham

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father@ourladys.church

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كنيسة سيّدة أرز جبل لبنان المارونيّة

FATHER ARMANDO ELKHOURY (330) 666-3598

PARISH OFFICE HOURS TUESDAY – FRIDAY
9:00AM – 1:00PM
BETTY’S EMAIL ADDRESS:
betty@ourladys.church



October 5, 2025

**Third Sunday after
The Holy Cross**

“For just as lightning comes from the east and is seen as far as the west, so will the coming of the Son of Man be.”

Matthew 24:27



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**YOUR TICKET IS YOUR
CHANCE TO WIN!**

TICKET PRICE:

\$50 EACH Limited to 300 Tickets

**Draw Date: October 11, 2025 – At 10:00 PM
at the Education Foundation Fundraiser**

We can purchase tickets by calling the parish office at 330-792-2371
or Mrs. Marilyn Mastronarde at 330-550-7806

Winner need not to be present to be eligible!



Our Lady of the Cedars

507 S. Cleveland Massillon Rd, Akron, OH

Fall Lebanese Dinner

A Lady's Guild Fundraiser

featuring a selection of our popular festival cuisine

Wednesday October 8, 2025

Doors open at 5:30pm | Dinner at 6:30pm

\$30 per person | \$15 for children under 12

If you are unable to dine in, a limited amount of **pre-paid** to-go orders are available for pickup between 4:00-5:00pm. "Drive up under the canopy" to the front doors of the hall (behind the church) for curbside pickup.

Menu

Spinach and Meat Pies, Green Beans and Rice,
Kibbee, Chicken and Rice, Humous, Fattoush Salad & More

DINE IN RESERVATION & PRE-PAID TO-GO ORDERS

REQUIRED BY FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2025

CALL NINA 330-338-2051

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**Winner must be present for 50/50 raffle only.*



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HOUSTON, TX



WHEN:
OCTOBER 24-26, 2025

COSTS:
CONFERENCE: \$175
HOTEL: \$99/NIGHT

HOTEL INFORMATION:
HYATT PLACE
HOUSTON SUGARLAND
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Our crafted drinks and Cigars are available for purchase.

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\$85 per person

Reserve online at tinyurl.com/edfund25



Saturday - October 11 (6-11 pm)
Maronite Center



READINGS

Sunday, October 5, 2025

Third Sunday after the Holy Cross

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Matthew 24:23-31

EPISTLE READERS

Sunday, October 5

8:30am – Erica Peters

11:00am – Noor Neochi

Sunday, October 12

8:30am – Stephanie Hamad

11:00am – Freddy Nemr

Sunday, October 19

8:30am – Tom Jesser, Jr.

11:00am – Layla Roland

Coming Events

Ladies Guild Meeting – 10/5/25

10:00am

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting – 10/6/25

Monday, 6:30-7:30pm

Caregivers' Meeting - 10/18/25

Saturday, 10:00am

Facilities Committee Meeting

If you need to report child or vulnerable adult sexual abuse by a Cleric (Priest or Deacon), Member of a Religious Congregation, Lay Employee or Volunteer in the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles contact

Dr. Laura Kahwaji
Victim Assistant Coordinator

(323) 428-6815



Weekly Offerings

September 28, 2025

\$3,074.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Next Special Offering:

**World Mission Sunday-
Propagation of the Faith
October 19, 2025**

**Next First Friday Divine Liturgy
And Adoration will be held on
November 7, 2025, at 9:00am.**

**To offer Liturgy intentions, please
email Betty at:
betty@ourladys.church.**

**This way we have the correct
spelling of the names. Please also
indicate which Liturgy time you
prefer!**

Saint Dionysius the Areopagite

On 3 October, the Maronite Church commemorates Saint Dionysius the Areopagite. Nothing is known about Saint Dionysius' early life. Dionysius lived in the first century and, as is recorded in the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 17:16-34), he was converted by Saint Paul. Saint Paul, while in Athens, went to the Areopagus and noticed all the pagan idols and shrines, and said: "You Athenians, I see that in every respect you are very religious. For as I walked around looking carefully at your shrines, I even discovered an altar inscribed, 'To an Unknown God.' What therefore you unknowingly worship, I proclaim to you." (Acts 17:22-23)

After Saint Paul had preached about the true God and salvation through Him, Acts continues, "But some did join [Paul] and became believers. Among them were Dionysius, a member of the Court of the Areopagus, a woman named Damaris, and others with them." (Acts 17:34) According to tradition, Saint Dionysius became a companion of Saint Paul and accompanied him in preaching the Word of God. Later, Saint Paul appointed Dionysius as the bishop of the city of Athens, and Dionysius was present at the repose of Mary, the Mother of God in the year 57. Saint Dionysius decided to continue Saint Paul's mission and left Athens to preach in the West.

In his journeys he was accompanied by the Presbyter Rusticus and Deacon Eleutherius. They visited Rome, Germany and Spain, converting many pagans to Christianity. During a persecution of Christians in Gaul, Saints Dionysius, Rusticus and Eleutherius were arrested and imprisoned. Saint Dionysius celebrated the Divine Liturgy that night and was joined by Angels of the Lord. In the morning Dionysius and his two companions were beheaded and received crowns of martyrdom. An old legend says that Saint Dionysius picked up his own head, and processed with it to the church and fell down dead; after which a pious woman named Catulla buried Dionysius' holy relics.

There exists a collection of writings, known as the Corpus Dionysiacum, which are of a mystical and spiritual nature, and are attributed to Saint Dionysius the Areopagite. The Corpus Dionysiacum contains four books and ten letters to various people. The four books are: On the Celestial Hierarchy, On the Ecclesiastical Hierarchy, On the Names of God, and On Mystical Theology. The Corpus Dionysiacum has greatly influenced the writings of many other spiritual authors in the East and the West. The traditional "nine ranks of angels" (Seraphim, Cherubim, Thrones, Dominions, Powers, Authorities, Principalities, Archangels and Angels), are found in On the Celestial Hierarchy, in which Dionysius groups them in three sets of three.

Today, most scholars do not accept the attribution of the Corpus Dionysiacum to Saint Dionysius the Areopagite, the Bishop of Athens, as authentic, and thus the author of this collection is now referred to as "Pseudo-Dionysius the Areopagite" and these writings are believed to have been composed in the early sixth century, not in the first century, but nevertheless point to the influence of this saint on Christian theology.

Fr. Claude Franklin is the pastor of St. Joseph Maronite Church in Olean, NY, a member of the Maronite Patriarchal Liturgical Committee, and a feature writer of The Maronite Voice

Sunday, October 12, 2025

“So, Faith comes by hearing the Word of the Living God”

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS

EPISTLE

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 **Vigilance**

Brothers and Sisters: Concerning times and seasons, you have no need for anything to be written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night. When people are saying, “Peace and security,” then sudden disaster comes upon them, like labor pains upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to overtake you like a thief. For all of you are children of the light and children of the day. We are not of the night or of darkness. Therefore, let us not sleep as the rest do, but let us stay alert and sober. Those who sleep go to sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we are of the day, let us be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love and the helmet that is hope for salvation. For God did not destine us for wrath, but to gain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live together with him. Therefore, encourage one another and build one another up, as indeed you do.

Praise be to God Always!

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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS

GOSPEL

Matthew 24:45-51 **The Faithful or the Unfaithful Servant**

The Lord Jesus says: “Who, then, is the faithful and prudent servant, whom the master has put in charge of his household to distribute to them their food at the proper time? Blessed is that servant whom his master on his arrival finds doing so. Amen, I say to you, he will put him in charge of all his property.” “But if that wicked servant says to himself, ‘My master is long delayed,’ and begins to beat his fellow servants, and eat and drink with drunkards, the servant’s master will come on an unexpected day and at an unknown hour and will punish him severely and assign him a place with the hypocrites, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.”

This is the Truth. Peace be with you.



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