

Divine Liturgy Intentions	Maronite Synaxarion
<p>Sunday, June 22nd 8:30am Helen Khoury Brown by the OLC Caregivers Albert Chaoui by Sdn. Chuck and Mary Beth Abraham</p> <p>11:00am Tom Hadley by Peggy and Tom Maroon and family Salwa Sabbagh by the Sabbagh family (9 yr. anniv.) Norma Bieganski by Yvonne Jesser</p>	<p>St. Eusebius, Martyr</p>
<p>Monday, June 23rd No Divine Liturgy</p>	<p>St. Agrippina, Martyr. Memorial of the 3rd Ecumenical Council (The Council of Ephesus)</p>
<p>Tuesday, June 24th 9:00am Divine Liturgy Souad Mouaness by Rosemarie George</p>	<p>The Birth of St. John the Baptist</p>
<p>Wednesday, June 25th 9:00am Divine Liturgy</p>	<p>St. Febronia, Martyr</p>
<p>Thursday, June 26th No Divine Liturgy</p>	<p>St. John and St. Paul, Martyrs. Blessed Abouna Yaacub the Capuchin</p>
<p>Friday, June 27th 9:00am Divine Liturgy</p>	<p>St. Sampson, the Hospitable.</p>
<p>Saturday, June 28th 9:00am Divine Liturgy Intentions of Doris Khoury by Sdn. Paul and Gena Boulos</p>	<p>St. Leo II, Pope</p>
<p>Sunday, June 29 8:30am Helen Khoury Brown by Sandy Hamad Tom Hadley by the OLC Caregivers</p> <p>11:00am Albert Chaoui by Walid and Renee Lababidi Antoine & Leila Ghorayeb by Camile and Jessica Ghorayeb Fr. Edward Burba by Sdn. Paul and Gena Boulos</p>	<p>Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles</p>

Please don’t forget to offer intentions for your Loved ones; living or deceased.
We believe in the Power of the Eucharist



PASTOR:

Welcome New Parishioners
Please register at our parish office

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

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

CONFESSION

Available following Saturday
Divine Liturgy
or by appointment

SACRAMENTS

Baptism & Chrismation
Contact the Parish Office

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

Sick Calls & Anointing
Notify Fr. Ron
Through the Parish Office

DEACON Thomas Maroon, Sr.

SUBDEACON Paul Boulos
SUBDEACON Chuck Abraham

CAREGIVERS Chuck Abraham

Website:
www.Ourladyofthecedarschurch.org

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Angelica George
(330) 418-4778

Our Lady of the Cedars of Mount Lebanon

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FATHER RONALD EID (330) 666-3598 EXT. 100

PARISH OFFICE HOURS TUESDAY – FRIDAY
9:00AM – 1:00PM



June 22, 2025

Third Sunday of Pentecost

“Whoever has my commandments and OBSERVES them is the one who loves me.”

John 14:21



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READINGS

THIS SUNDAY

Third Sunday of Pentecost

1 Corinthians 2:1-10
John 14:21-27

EPISTLE READERS

Sunday, June 22

8:30am – Sandy Hamad
11:00am – Michelle Reyes

Sunday, June 29

8:30am – Erica Peters
11:00am – Monique Binkley

Sunday, July 6

8:30am – Stephanie Hamad
11:00am – Mike Kelly

Sunday, July 13

8:30am – Tom Jesser, Jr.
11:00am – George Zogbi

Coming Events

Parish Advisory Board Meeting – TBA

Ladies’ Guild Meeting – TBA

Men’s Club Meeting - TBA

Caregivers’ Meeting - 7/6/2025
(Following 8:30 Liturgy)

Next special collection:

June 29th
Peter’s Pence Collection

Next First Friday Divine Liturgy
And Adoration
will be held on
September 5, 2025

Counting our Blessings

Weekly Collection

June 15, 2025

\$2,323.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Electronic Giving

If you would like to make your Sunday contributions, or give a donation please scan the QR Code below:



Notice from the Church Office

Father Ron will be at the NAM Conference From Sunday, June 29th until Friday, July 4th.

There will be no Divine Liturgies during the week.

The parish office will be closed For the Holiday on July 3rd and 4th.

Divine Liturgy will resume on Saturday, July 5th.



GOD BLESS AMERICA!!



****FOOD FESTIVAL NEWS****

Do you or someone you know own a business that could use some publicity at our 2025 Food Festival?

If you would like to help sponsor this year’s festival, Please consider donating to have your name and/or company name on a banner.

If you are interested in donating in this way, please call Roger Hamad at 330-338-9719.

Thank you for your consideration.

Dear Parishioners,

Our Lebanese Festival is coming soon, and we need your help with food preparation! Please join us on:

•**Sambousek** – Sunday, June 29

We’ll start at **9:00 AM** in the morning. Any time you can give is truly appreciated. Let’s make this year’s festival a great success together!

With gratitude,
Fr. Ron





NAM 2025 CONVENTION
 FAITH IGNITED - HOPE RENEWED
 80 YEARS ROOTED IN MARONITE TRADITION

July 3-6, 2025
Raleigh - NC

Hosted by Saint Sharbel Church
 Hilton Hotel, Raleigh North Hills
 Groupe Code: NAM25

Registration - Hotel Booking - Program
www.namconvention.org
 REGISTRATION DEADLINE JUNE 1, 2025

Trivias, Escape Room, Excursions, Board Games, & More
 Every Night - DJ Gilbert
 Thursday - Spiritual Night: Fun, Games & Tarateel
 Friday - Lebanese Folkloric Night & Celebrating the USA by Charbel Bassil
 Saturday - Gala Dinner by Lebanese Superstar Hisham El Hajj



NAM CONVENTION









From the Desk of The Pastor



Steps to Encounter Christ: A Journey Through the Ignatian Way

Seventeen years ago, I attended a silent retreat at St. Joseph Monastery in Taanayel, in the heart of the Bekaa Valley. It was led by Jesuit priests and shaped by the spirit of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Even after all these years, I still carry that experience in my heart, because it was there that I truly encountered Christ.

St. Ignatius teaches that Christ is not far. He is close, speaking through His Word, our hearts, our experiences, and the silence. But to encounter Him, we must make space. Here are some simple Ignatian steps that can help us deepen our prayer and meet the Lord personally in meditation:

1. Preparation

Find a quiet place. Become aware that you are in God's presence. Ask the Holy Spirit to guide your heart and mind. St. Ignatius calls this the "composition of place"—imagine the scene of the Gospel you are about to pray with.

2. Ask for the Grace

Before reading, ask God for what you desire. For example: "Lord, let me know You more clearly, love You more dearly, and follow You more nearly." Ignatian prayer is about asking for a specific grace each time.

3. Read and Imagine

Read a short Gospel passage slowly. Place yourself in the scene. Are you one of the disciples? A bystander? Speak to Jesus. Listen to Him. What do you see? Hear? Feel?

4. Speak with Christ

Ignatian prayer leads to conversation, heart to heart. Speak to Jesus as a friend speaks to a friend. Share your worries, your joys, your sins, your love.

5. Reflect and Respond

After this time of prayer, ask: What touched me? What stayed with me? What is Christ asking me to do or change? Let the encounter shape your actions.

6. End with Gratitude

Always finish by thanking God for what He revealed, even if it was silence. That silence, too, is holy.

As St. Ignatius teaches: *"It is not much knowledge that fills and satisfies the soul, but the ability to feel and taste things interiorly."*

May we all make space in our hearts to feel, taste, and encounter Christ the Lord, just as I did in that quiet place in Taanayel so many years ago.

In Christ,
Fr. Ron

The Birth of St. John the Baptist

In both the scriptures and in the Church's liturgy John the Baptist is referred to as an angel, prophet, apostle, hermit, and martyr, for these terms well describe his life and work. John, like the angels, was sent from God to be the messenger of the Lord. His message was that of the prophets who came before him: repent for the Messiah of God is at hand.

Like the Apostles who followed him, John pointed to Jesus and proclaimed him as the "Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world." He prepares for his ministry as a hermit in the desert, living a life of prayer, fasting and continence. And, like all those who dare to proclaim the truth, he suffered a martyr's death in fidelity to the word of God. The birth of John was announced by the Archangel Gabriel who would also announce Christ's birth. His birth, like that of the Lord, was surrounded by wonder: for an aged couple, with no hope of offspring, the angel gives the joyful news of the birth of a son, John. While in the womb, John was selected for his mission of preaching repentance and preparing the way for the Messiah.

Before their birth, Jesus and John encountered each other in the persons of their mothers. As Mary greeted Elizabeth, John (still in the womb) jumped with joy as he recognized the presence of Jesus in the womb of Mary. Thus John was born to grace before his human birth. Since he was to prepare the Lord's way, it was only proper that he should be prepared by God's grace for his prophetic work. May his prayers be with us.



"I have called you by name, you are mine."

Isaiah 43:1

A Spiritual Journey to Discern the Call to Consecrated Life

with the

Maronite Sisters of the Holy Family,
California

THIS INVITATION IS FOR
YOUNG WOMEN AGED 18 TO 35

Those who wish to participate are kindly asked to attend
all meetings and a spiritual retreat on the following dates:

- Wednesday, June 4
- Wednesday, June 18
- Wednesday, July 2
- Spiritual Retreat: Saturday, August 9

Meetings will be held on Zoom at 7:30 pm CA time

To participate and register, please contact

Sister Rose Therese Tannous
via WhatsApp on 657-657-4422
by 28th of May