

Divine Liturgy Intentions	Maronite Synaxarion
<p>Sunday, July 20th 8:30am James Kerrigan, Sr. by Sdn. Chuck and Mary Beth Abraham Souad Mouaness by Yvonne Jesser</p> <p>11:00am Marleine Lababidi by the Lababidi family David Massoud by Barbara Foster</p>	<p>Feast of Saint Sharbel and Elijah (Elias) the Prophet</p>
<p>Monday, July 21st No Divine Liturgy</p>	<p>St. Simon Salus and his friend, St. John</p>
<p>Tuesday, July 22nd 9:00am Divine Liturgy Salwa Sabbagh by the Sabbagh family</p>	<p>St. Nohra (Lucius), Martyr</p>
<p>Wednesday, July 23rd 10:00am Funeral Liturgy</p>	<p>St. Sharbel</p>
<p>Thursday, July 24th No Divine Liturgy</p>	<p>St. Christina of Tyre, Martyr</p>
<p>Friday, July 25th 9:00am Divine Liturgy Adiby Hamad by Donna and Louis Von Bruening</p>	<p>St. Anne, Mother of the Virgin Mary</p>
<p>Saturday, July 26th 9:00am Divine Liturgy</p>	<p>St. Bridget the Queen, The Righteous</p>
<p>Sunday, July 27th 8:30am James Kerrigan, Sr. by Sdn. Chuck and Mary Beth Abraham Souad Mouaness by Yvonne Jesser</p> <p>11:00am Marleine Lababidi by the Lababidi family David Massoud by Barbara Foster</p>	<p>St. Pantaleon, Martyr</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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Ourladyofthecedarschurch@gmail.com

Banquet Hall / Caterer:

**Tangier at the Cedars**  
Angelica George  
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*Our Lady of the Cedars of Mount Lebanon*  
MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH  
كنيسة سيّدة أرز جبل لبنان المارونيّة

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

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

**July 20, 2025**

**Feast of St. Sharbel**  
**Seventh Sunday of Pentecost**

“Then the  
righteous will  
shine like the  
sun in the  
kingdom of their  
Father.”  
Matthew 13:43



# READINGS

## THIS SUNDAY

### Feast of Saint Sharbel

Romans 8:28-39  
Matthew 13:36-43

### EPISTLE READERS

#### Sunday, July 20

8:30am - Cheryl Christ  
11:00am – Georgie Hasrouni

#### Sunday, July 27

8:30am – Chris Abraham  
11:00am – Sara Sabbagh

#### Sunday, August 3

8:30am – Cynthia Maroon  
11:00am – Noor Neochi

#### Sunday, August 10

8:30am – Sandy Hamad  
11:00am – Freddy Nemr

## Coming Events

Parish Advisory Board Meeting – TBA

Ladies’ Guild Meeting – TBA

Men’s Club Meeting - TBA

Caregivers’ Meeting - TBA  
(Following 8:30 Liturgy)

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### Next special collection:

August 17th  
Maintenance and General Upkeep

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

## Counting our Blessings

### *Weekly Collection*

*July 13, 2025*

*\$2,238.00*

*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:



**If you're passionate about golf and saving babies, this is the perfect event for you!** Join Right to Life of NEO for **GOLF FOR LIFE at Silver Lake Country Club on Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup>**. For \$125 per golfer, your registration includes breakfast, lunch, golf cart and prizes. Your participation helps us continue our mission of protecting the most vulnerable.

**Register by calling 234-334-0088 or visiting [RTLofNEO.com](http://RTLofNEO.com).** We can't wait to see you there!

Thank you for helping us in our mission of **“Protecting innocent human life from conception to natural death...no exceptions”**



## **\*\*\*\*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.

(If anyone wants copies of the flyer to hand out, please contact the Church office.)

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## Grape Leaf Rolling!

The festival time is almost here!!!

Please join **us this Sunday at 9:00am** in the Hall Kitchen to help us finish rolling the grape leaves for the festival.

Many hands make light work. We hope you will join us and bring a Friend!  
Thank you.





37th Annual

# Lebanese Festival

August 1st & 2nd

Friday & Saturday  
11-9 PM

507 S. Cleveland - Massillon Rd.  
330 • 666 • 3598

## LOST AND FOUND



There are many items in the tote  
In the sunroom that people have  
Left behind in the Church.

At the end of July, everything in  
The Lost and Found tote will be  
Finding a new home...donated!



## From the Desk of The Pastor



### The Power of a Simple "Hello"

In a world filled with noise, stress, and isolation, it's often the smallest gestures that carry the greatest power. One word, "Hello", can truly change a life.

We live in a time where individualism is on the rise. People are busier, more distracted, and often wrapped up in their own routines. The sense of community, which once held neighborhoods and parishes together like glue, seems to be fading. And yet, within each of us remains the power to bring connection and healing with the simplest act of kindness.

A warm greeting...

A genuine "How are you?"...

A phone call just to check in...

These are not small things. They are lifelines. For the person struggling with loneliness, grief, or quiet despair, such a gesture can remind them that they are seen, known, and loved.

Jesus calls us to go beyond what is expected:

"If someone forces you to go one mile, go with him two." (Matthew 5:41)

"If someone wants to sue you for your shirt, give him your cloak as well." (Matthew 5:40)

These teachings are not only about material generosity, they are about the heart. They remind us to offer more than what is convenient. To listen before speaking. To reach out even when we're tired. To give not just what is asked of us, but what is truly needed.

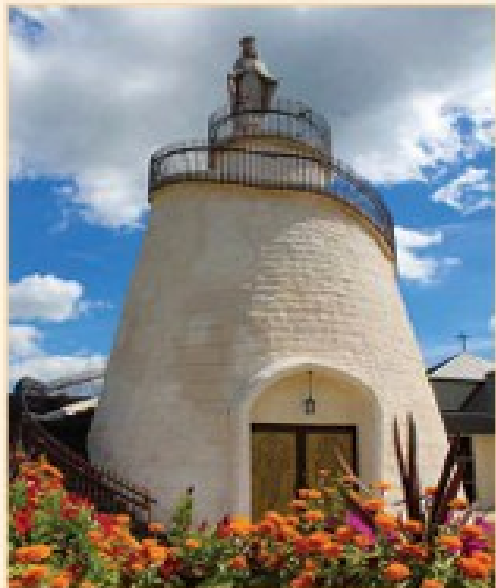
Next time you pass someone at church, at work, or even in the grocery store, don't underestimate the impact of a sincere "Hello" or "I'm praying for you."

You might not realize it, but God may be using you at that very moment to touch a heart in need.

Let us be a parish that listens more, speaks less, and loves deeply, starting with a simple "Hello."

With love in Christ,

Fr. Ron



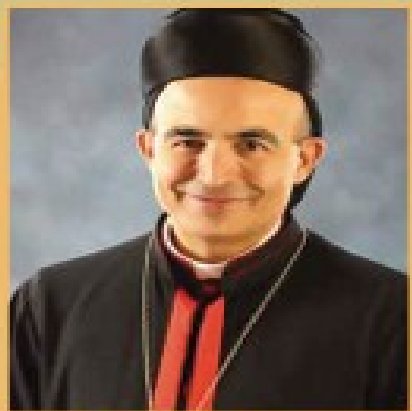
### WEDNESDAY AUGUST 13TH

- 9:00 AM: Shrine Opens  
10:00 AM: Gift Shop Opens  
3:00 PM: Cedars Dining Hall Opens  
Food will be available  
4 – 5:00 PM: Confessions in the Basilica Church  
7:00 PM: Roman Rite Liturgy  
Bishop David Bonnar, Celebrant  
Basilica Shrine Choir  
Adam Zagato, Director  
Singing of the "Te Deum"  
Procession and Blessing with the icon following the Liturgy  
Following Procession: Cedars Dining Hall open after Liturgy for food and refreshments

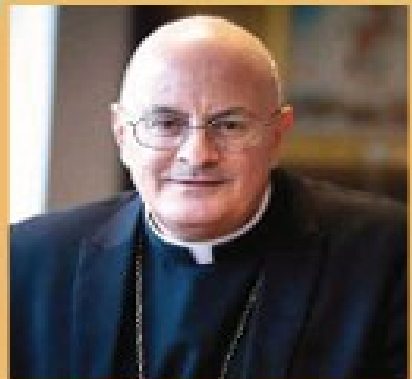


### FRIDAY, AUGUST 15TH 60TH ANNUAL FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

- 9:00 AM Shrine Opens  
10:00 AM Gift Shop Opens  
Maronite Divine Liturgy with anointing of the sick  
Bishop Gregory Mansour and Bishop Elias Zaidan, Celebrants  
11:00 AM Cedars Dining Hall Opens  
Food will be available  
1:30 - 4:30 PM Children's Activity  
At the outside tent  
3:00 PM Confessions in the Basilica Church  
Spiritual Conference in the Basilica  
Topic: Encountering Christ Our Hope in the Holy Rosary  
Sister Therese Maria Youma  
Maronite Servants of Christ the Light  
4:00 PM Organ Concert in the Basilica  
Robert Sullivan, Recitalist and Music Director, Basilica of St John the Baptist and Saint Peter Church, Canton, Ohio  
5:00 PM Lowellville Band Concert  
in the Cedars Dining Hall  
7:00 PM Maronite Pontifical Liturgy  
Bishop Elias Zaidan and Bishop Gregory Mansour, Celebrants  
Procession and Blessing with the icon following the Liturgy  
Following Procession: Cedars Dining Hall open after Liturgy for food, refreshments, Lebanese music, and Childrens' Dance Troupe



**Bishop A. Elias Zaidan, M.L.M.**  
Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon  
Los Angeles, California



**Bishop Gregory J. Mansour S.T.L.**  
Eparchy of St. Maron,  
Brooklyn, New York



**Archbishop William Skurla**  
Archeparchy of Pittsburgh



**Bishop David J. Bonnar**  
Diocese of Youngstown

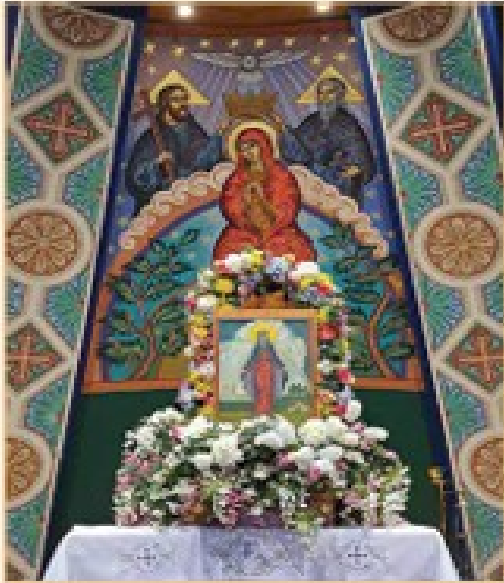
### THURSDAY, AUGUST 14TH

- 9:00 AM Shrine Opens  
10:00 AM Gift Shop Opens  
3:00 PM Cedars Dining Hall Opens  
Food will be available  
4:00 PM Confessions in the Basilica Church  
Spiritual Conference in the Basilica  
Topic: Gift of Mary, Mother of Hope  
Sister Therese Maria Youma  
Maronite Servants of Christ the Light  
7:00 PM Hierarchical Byzantine Liturgy  
Archbishop William Skurla, Celebrant  
Archeparchy of Pittsburgh  
Archeparchial Choir  
Denise Fayla, Director  
Dormition of the Virgin  
Dormition of the Virgin  
Procession following the Liturgy  
You are welcome to bring out flowers to place at Our Lady's tomb.  
Following Procession: Cedars Dining Hall open after Liturgy for food and refreshments

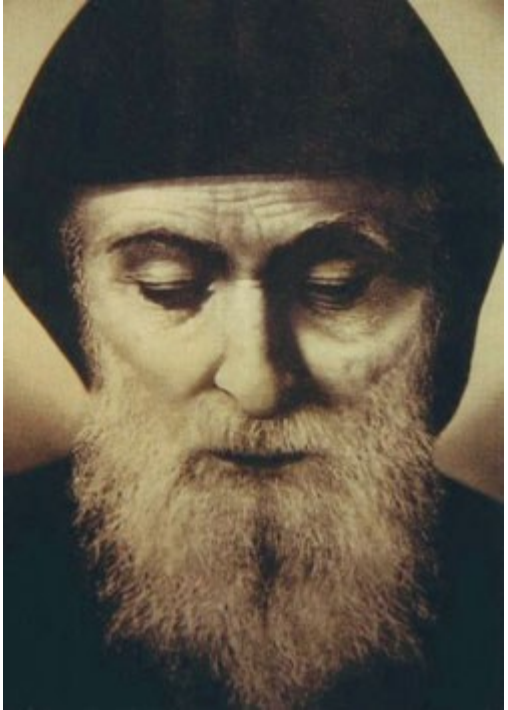


### SUNDAY, AUGUST 17TH CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF ST. ROCCO

- 10:00 AM Maronite Divine Liturgy:  
Celebrant: Archbishop Anthony Spina  
Rector Basilica & National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon  
11:00 AM Procession with the Statue of St. Rocco  
11:30 AM Refreshments Provided



# FEAST OF SAINT SHARBEL



Youssef Antoun Makhoul was born in 1828, in Bekaa Kafra (North Lebanon). He had a true Christian upbringing, which had given him a passion for prayer. Then he followed his two hermit uncles in the hermitage of the St Antonious Kozhaya monastery and was converted to monastic and hermetical life.

In 1851, he left his family village and headed for the Our Lady of Maifouk monastery to spend his first monastic year, and then he went to the St Maron monastery in Annaya, where he entered the Maronite Order, carrying the name Charbel, a name of one of the Antioch church martyrs of the second century. On November 1st, 1853, he exposed his ceremonial vows in St Maron's monastery - Annaya. Then he completed his theological studies in the St Kobrianous and Justina monastery in Kfifan, Batroun.

He was ordained a priest in Bkerky, the Maronite Patriarchate, on July 23rd, 1859. He lived 16 years in the St Maron's monastery – Annaya. From there, he entered, on February 15th, 1875, the St Peter & Paul hermitage, which belongs to the monastery. He was a typical saint and hermit, who spent his time praying and worshipping. Rarely had he left the hermitage where he followed the way of the saintly hermits in prayers, life and practice.

St Charbel lived in the hermitage for 23 years. On December 16th, 1898, he was struck with an illness while performing the holy mass. He died on Christmas' eve, December 24th, 1898, and was buried in the St Maron monastery cemetery in Annaya.

Few months later, dazzling lights were seen around the grave. From there, his corpse, which had been secreting sweat and blood, was transferred into a special coffin. Hordes of pilgrims started swarming the place to get his intercession. And through this intercession, God blessed many people with recovery and spiritual graces.

In 1925, his beatification and canonization were proposed for declaration by Pope Pius XI. In 1950, the grave was opened in the presence of an official committee which included doctors who verified the soundness of the body. After the grave had been opened and inspected, the variety of healing incidents amazingly multiplied. A multitude of pilgrims from different religious facets started flocking to the Annaya monastery to get the saint's intercession.

Prodigies reached beyond the Lebanese borders. This unique phenomenon caused a moral revolution, the return to faith and the reviving of the virtues of the soul.