

## DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS

## Maronite Synaxarion

<p><b>Sunday, February 11th</b>  <b>10:30am</b>                  Deacon Bob Foster by the Community of Our Lady of the Cedars                  Nouha Abou Chehade by OLC Caregivers</p>	<p><b>St. Charalampias, Martyr</b></p>
<p><b>Monday, February 12th</b>  <b>Ash Monday</b>  <b>9:00am – Divine Liturgy and ashes</b>  <b>7:00pm – Divine Liturgy and ashes</b></p>	<p><b>St. Meletius, Patriarch of Antioch.</b>  <b>St. Alexander, the Charcoal Burner</b></p>
<p><b>Tuesday, February 13th</b>  <b>9:00am – Divine Liturgy</b>                  Robert Thomas by Lisa Thomas and family</p>	<p><b>St. Martinian the Hermit</b></p>
<p><b>Wednesday, February 14th</b>  <b>9:00am – Divine Liturgy</b></p>	<p><b>St. Valentine</b></p>
<p><b>Thursday, February 15th</b>  <b>No Service</b></p>	<p><b>St. Faustinus the priest, and St. Jovina the Deacon, Martyrs.</b></p>
<p><b>Friday, February 16th</b>  <b>9:00am – Divine Liturgy</b></p>	<p><b>St. Theodore Tyro, Martyr</b></p>
<p><b>Saturday, February 17th</b>  <b>9:00am – Divine Liturgy</b></p>	<p><b>St. Agapitus, Bishop of Phrygia.</b>  <b>St. Conrad</b></p>
<p><b>Sunday, February 18th</b>  <b>8:30am</b>                  Souad El Feghali by Sdn. Chuck and Mary Beth Abraham                  Deacon Bob Foster by Doris Khoury  <b>11:00am</b>                  Deacon Bob Foster by Mr. and Mrs. Cemil Hamad                  Souad Dib Nadour by Maria and Nathan Stewart                  Widad Akiki by Elie and George Akiki</p>	<p><b>St. Leo the Great, Pope</b></p>



### 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. Ronald  
 Text/call 330-509-0098

**DEACON** Thomas Maroon, Sr.

**SUBDEACON** Paul Boulos  
**SUBDEACON** Chuck Abraham

**CAREGIVERS** Chuck Abraham

www.Ourladyofthecedarschurch.org

Banquet. Hall / Caterer:  
 Tangier's – Angelica George  
 (330) 418-4778

Contact Fr. Ronald directly  
**(330) 509-0098.**

Contact Fr. Eid via email,  
 calling, or text message. If you  
 receive voicemail, he will return  
 your call

*Our Lady of the Cedars of Mount Lebanon*

MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

كنيسة سيّدة أرز جبل لبنان المارونيّة

PASTOR **FATHER RONALD EID (330) 666-3598**

[ourladyofthecedarschurch@gmail.com](mailto:ourladyofthecedarschurch@gmail.com)

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



**February 11, 2024**

**Entrance Into Great Lent  
 Miracle at Cana**

“Everyone serves  
 good wine first,  
 and then when  
 people have drunk  
 freely, an inferior  
 one; but you have  
 kept the good wine  
 until now.”

Luke 16:25



507 SOUTH CLEVELAND-MASSILLON ROAD, FAIRLAWN, OHIO 44333

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



# READINGS

## THIS SUNDAY

Entrance into Great Lent

Miracle at Cana

Romans 14:14-23

John 2:1-11

## EPISTLE READERS

Sunday, February 11

10:30am – Cheryl Christ

Sunday, February 18

8:30am – Chris Abraham

11:00am – Monique Binkley

Sunday, February 25

8:30am – Cynthia Maroon

11:00am – Mike Kelly

Sunday, March 3

8:30am – Sandy Hamad

11:00am – George Zogbi

## Coming Events

Parish Advisory Board Meeting – TBA

Ladies' Guild Meeting – March 3 at 10:00am

Men's Club Meeting - TBA

Caregivers' Meeting - TBA

(Following 8:30 Liturgy)

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Next special collection:

**March 3, 2024**

**Caritas Lebanon**

**Next First Friday Divine Liturgy**

**And Adoration**

**will be held on**

**Friday, March 1, 2024**

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## Counting our Blessings

*Weekly Collection*

*February 4, 2024*

*\$1,944.00*

*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:



The 2024 Eparchial Charities collection has begun.

Please be generous, as these donations Will be used to help others who are less Fortunate than we are.

Our goal for this year is \$7,000. Please help us to reach this goal!

### **Evening with the Scriptures**

On the **last Tuesday of each Month**, at 7:00pm, Father Ronald will be leading a Scripture Study at the Church.

**\*\*Next study will be held on February 27, 2024\*\***

All are welcome! Come and expand your knowledge of the Word of God.

*"Seek the Lord and His Strength; seek His presence continually!"*

*1 Chronicles 16:11*



## **ST. SHARBEL STATUE PROJECT**

Our Lady of the Cedars Parish is contemplating the installation of a beautiful statue of St. Sharbel on our Parish Grounds.

Having a representation of him on our grounds would not only enhance the spiritual ambiance but also create a meaningful focal point for reflection and prayer.

We are asking for every family that is able, to contribute to this project, either for your family, or in memory of a loved one.

There is a box available in the Church lobby for your donations and there are also envelopes for a memory donation.

The total cost of this project will be approximately \$40,000. Any contribution that you make, no matter how large or how small will be greatly appreciated.

Let us join hands in making this meaningful addition to Our Lady of the Cedars Parish, a testament to our shared faith and devotion.

## **ALL HANDS-ON DECK!!**

On Thursday, February 22nd the Ladies Guild will be making Fatayer Starting at 8:00am in the Tangier Banquet Center kitchen.

Please join us if you are able. Many Hands make light work!



# THINK ABOUT HOLY LENT



\*\* Ash Monday is on February 12th, 2024. Liturgies will be celebrated at 9:00am and at 7:00pm. Both will be followed by distribution of ashes.

\*\*Every Friday, we will pray the Way of the Cross and Benediction with the Cross at 6:00pm, followed by a simple meatless meal.

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Make a commitment to attend as many Fridays during Lent as possible. Volunteers are needed to take turns hosting a Friday meatless meal. Please sign up below.

Volunteers to Provide and Serve  
Meatless meals on Fridays in Lent:

Week 1 – February 16th ----OLC Ladies Guild

Week 2 – February 23rd -----The Sabbagh Family

Week 3 – March 1st -----Maroon, Stewart and Reusch Families

Week 4 – March 8th \_\_\_\_\_

Week 5 – March 15th \_\_\_\_\_

Week 6 – March 22nd ----Sahlani and Risha Family

Week 7 – March 29th Great Friday – No Meatless Meal.

The meatless meals are meant to be something simple such as soup, salad, bread or any ethnic favorite that is without meat.

Thank you for your commitment!



## From the Desk of The Pastor



Dear Parishioners,

As we approach the sacred Season of the Great Lent, I am reminded of the profound significance it holds within our Maronite tradition. This period of preparation is not merely a time of fasting and abstaining, but rather a journey of spiritual renewal and deepening of our faith.

In the ancient Antiochene tradition, the Sundays of Great Lent serve as poignant reminders of the mercy and compassion of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Each Sunday, we reflect on the miraculous acts of healing performed by Jesus, which serve as signs of His power over sin and death. These miracles point us towards the ultimate wonder of God—the resurrection of Christ from the dead.

As we embark on this Lenten journey, let us heed the call to personal conversion through penance, fasting, prayer, and almsgiving. Just as Jesus spent forty days in the desert in prayer and fasting, let us also dedicate ourselves to prayerful contemplation and self-denial, drawing closer to God with each passing day.

The Sundays of Lent, from Cana Sunday to Hosanna Sunday, invite us to meditate on the profound mysteries of our faith and to deepen our relationship with the Lord. Let us open our hearts to the transforming power of Christ's passion, death, and resurrection, allowing His love to purify and sanctify us.

May this Season of Great Lent be a time of spiritual growth and renewal for each member of our parish community. Let us journey together towards the glorious feast of the Resurrection, rejoicing in the hope of new life found in Christ.

In Christ's love,  
Fr. Ronald





UNITED SAGHBINE SOCIETY PRESENTS



# OUR ANNUAL *Fundraising Hafli*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2024

*Our Lady of the Cedars Church*

507 SOUTH CLEVELAND-MASSILLON ROAD – FAIRLAWN, OHIO

DOORS OPEN AT 7:00PM ~ MAZZA AT 7:30PM

DINNER SERVED AT 8:30PM ~ LIVE MUSIC 9:30PM

LEBANESE MAZZA AND 5 STAR CUISINE DINNER

Proceeds to benefit St. Anthony school in Saghbine, Lebanon.

Established in 1955, St. Anthony provides education for the children of Saghbine and neighboring villages.

Unable to attend but would still like to help, please consider a contribution. Donations are tax deductible.  
Make checks payable to United Saghbine Society.



*Featuring Andre Ebrahim and Band*

*Tickets* DONATION  
\$150 PER PERSON

\$150 OF YOUR DONATION  
IS TAX DEDUCTIBLE

CALL OR TEXT FOR TICKETS AND INFORMATION:

GEORGE MAROUN 330-697-2528

SAM KAHWAJI 330-283-9619

*Please call early  
for reservations*

## ST. MARON FEAST DAY DINNER

*Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>  
Following the 10:30am Liturgy*

### St. Maron Feast Day Sponsors:

Chris & Stephanie Hamad  
Sandy Hamad  
Roger & Nina Hamad  
Mark & Jackie Hamad  
Jim & Beverly Peters  
Elias & Nada Rami  
George & Nancy Sahlani  
Paul & Gena Boulos  
Zu & Clarissa Kahwaji  
Francois & Christiane Risha  
Patti Staeger  
Tom & Paula Hadley  
Walid & Autumn Kahwaji  
Elie & Violette Shamatta  
John & Erin Jesser  
Ace & Patty Morcos  
Kamil & Hanan Khoury  
Camile & Jessica Ghorayeb  
Dr. Louis & Dr. Andrea Saliba  
Leila Baker  
Fares Jasser

### MEAL MENU

Raw Kibbeh  
Kibbeh bil Sanieh  
Chicken with Rice  
Baba Ganoush  
Hummus  
Sheikh El Mahshi  
Laban with cucumbers  
Salad  
Fruits/Cakes  
Surprise sweets by Sweet Nancy

For Table Reservations  
(for groups of 4 or more)

Call Roger Hamad  
330-338-9719

Or  
The Parish Office  
330-666-3598