

Maronite Synaxarion	
Sunday, September 11th 10:30am Divine Liturgy Bassam Shedid by Subdeacon Paul and Gena Boulos Tarek Tayah by Yvonne and Tom Jesser and Family Mona Kahwaji by Peggy and Tom Maroon	St. Theodora
Monday, September 12th No Service	St. Cornelius, the Centurion
Tuesday, September 13th 5:00pm Divine Liturgy	St. Christopher, Martyr
Wednesday, September 14th 6:00pm Divine Liturgy	Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Thursday, September 15th No Service	St. Abramios (Shaina)
Friday, September 16th 6:00pm Divine Liturgy Robert Thomas II (1 yr. anniv. Of death) by Lisa Thomas and Family	St. Cyprian, Bishop of Carthage, Martyr
Saturday, September 17th 10:00am Divine Liturgy	St. Sophia and her three daughters, Martyrs
Sunday, September 18th 8:30am Robert Thomas II by Lisa Thomas and Family Milhelm and Samir Sahlani by Deacon Bob and Barbara Foster Graziella Pinzone by Subdeacon Paul and Gena Boulos 11:00am	The Flight of Jesus to Egypt.

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



Welcome New Parishioners
Please register at our parish office

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday	8:30am. & 11:00am
Monday	No Service
Tuesday	6:00pm
Wednesday	6:00pm
Thursday	No Service
Friday	6:00pm
Saturday	10:00am

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.
 (330) 239-3634

DEACON Bob Foster (Retired)

SUBDEACON Paul Boulos

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

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



SEPTEMBER 11, 2022

The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

“The message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.”
 (1 Corinthians 1:18)



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READINGS THIS SUNDAY

1 Corinthians 1:18-25
John 12:20-32

EPISTLE READERS

Sunday, September 11
10:30am Sara Sabbagh

Sunday, September 18
8:30am Cheryl Christ 11:00am Monique Binkley

Sunday, September 25th
8:30am Chris Abraham 11:00am Mike Kelley

Sunday, October 2nd
8:30am Cynthia Maroon 11:00am George Zogbi

Coming Events

Parish Advisory Board Meeting – TBA

Ladies' Guild Meeting - Sept. 18th

Men's Club Meeting - Sept. 18th

Caregivers' Meeting - Sept. 25th

*****Second Collection – September 11th*****
Catholic University

**Next First Friday Mass and
Adoration will be held on
Friday, October 7, 2022**

LADIES GUILD ACME CASH BACK FUNDRAISER **PLEASE SAVE YOUR ACME RECEIPTS**

We need your Acme receipts dated from August 4 thru
December 24, 2022.

Place your receipts in the box in the church lobby.
WE WILL DO THE REST!!

The funds benefit our church directly, so please help us out!!
The more Acme Fresh Market store brands you buy the more money
we will receive.

Ask your friends and family to save their receipts also.
THANK YOU!!

Counting our Blessings

Weekly Collection

September 4, 2022 \$ 2,441.00

Electronic Giving

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



Make a difference...
Support FINANCIALLY struggling
Clergy in Lebanon.
Our goal is \$5,000.00
Collected so far: \$2,626.00
Remainder: \$2,374.00



**ARE YOU STARTING BACK TO
SCHOOL FOR THIS YEAR?**



Father Ron wants you to return to school with God's blessing upon you!
During the 10:30am liturgy this weekend, Father will be Blessing **anyone**
who is returning to school.

*Registration is
now open for our
2022-2023
Arabic Classes.
The cost for the
classes
is \$100 per
Family.*



*Classes will be
Held on
Wednesdays
At 7:00pm beginning
on the First
Wednesday of
October.*

For information,
please contact:
Monique Sabbagh at
330-256-2856

ARABIC CLASS PRE-REGISTRATION:

NAME: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

NUMBER OF FAMILY MEMBERS TO ATTEND: _____

If you have any questions, please call Monique Sabbagh.

Divine Liturgy

OFFICIATED BY

Father Ronald Eid

THE CHALICE OF SAINT PADRE PIO



*"Pray, hope, and don't worry. Worry is useless.
God is merciful and will hear your prayer."
- ST. PADRE PIO*

During Liturgy, Father Ronald Eid will be using the chalice that was consecrated in the saintly hands of Padre Pio. This chalice has been used in many parishes in the area, and there have been miraculous cures associated with its use.

Please Join Us

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH AT 10:00AM

AND

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH AT 8:30 AND 11:00AM



THE TRIUMPH OF THE CROSS

September 14



When the sacred body of Jesus was taken down from the cross and carried to the grave of Joseph of Arimathea on Calvary, the cross on which Jesus died was thrown into a ditch or well, and covered over with stones and earth, so that the followers of Jesus might not find it. And to add more confusion in case the cross is discovered, they buried with it the two other crosses of the two thieves. Almost 300 years later, in 312 A.D. Constantine the Great, not yet a Christian, while battling with Maxentius for the throne of the Roman Empire, prayed in his despair to the God of his mother, Jesus, to aid him in his struggle.

In answer to his prayer a luminous cross appeared in Heaven bearing this inscription: "In this sign you will conquer". In gratitude for his victory over Maxentius at Milvian Bridge, on October 28 312 A.D., Constantine had the Sign of the Cross placed on the Roman banner and on the shields of the soldiers. He was baptized with a great number of his soldiers and it was the end of the persecutions against the Christians.

Then came the finding of the true cross at Jerusalem by St. Helena the mother of Constantine the Great. This holy lady in fulfillment of a vow, came to Jerusalem to build a magnificent Church, the Church of the Resurrection or the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, on the place of Calvary. During the excavations they found in a ditch the three crosses. To distinguish the true cross, the Patriarch of Jerusalem Cyril had the good idea of bringing a dead person. They laid the body on the first and second cross, but nothing happened. When it touched the third cross the dead person was raised to life. It was the true cross of Jesus. When this occurred, it was followed by many healings.

The cross of Jesus has been placed inside the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. In the present time what is left from the cross is kept in Rome in the Church of the Holy Cross. When they discovered the Cross, the Patriarch of Jerusalem, Cyrille ordered a big ceremony in the city of Jerusalem and every house made a little fire on the top of the roof as a sign of rejoicing. Throughout the years people would make fire on the top of the mountains to commemorate the finding of the Cross and this became the Feast of the Cross on September 14.

In the year 614 A.D. Chosroes II, King of Persia, invaded Palestine. He sacked Jerusalem and took with him the great relic of the true Cross. Then the Christian Emperor Heraclius of Constantinople at the head of a large army invaded Persia and forced the Persians to sue for peace and to restore the sacred Cross, which Heraclius piously brought back to Jerusalem in 629 A.D.

When he reached the city gate of Jerusalem on the way to Calvary the Emperor laid aside every robe and mark of royalty and clothed in sackcloth of penance and barefoot carried the Cross up to Calvary and restored it to its place in the Church of the Holy Sepulcher.

Children of every city, town and village will go to the closest mountain and with a torch made of dry reed will make fire from the bushes covering the top of the mountains. This they will do every year on the vigil of the Feast of the Cross on September 14. They will return home only when the reed is used completely which will go past midnight. The Feast of the Cross was considered in the East one of the great feasts of the year and churches were open 24 hours a day, with people kneeling and praying at any time of day and night. At that time every parish used to have a nice number of Priests, some of them counted around 26 Priests and on that day the alters of church were busy for the whole time with Priests celebrating mass and people attending more than one as a special devotion.

Amen.

Support Financially Struggling Clergy in Lebanon

and you could Win this Gorgeous Crucifix Necklace



TICKETS ARE \$10.00 EACH

They may be purchased after Liturgy
or by stopping into the parish office during office hours
(The drawing will be held on October 9th – Clergy
Appreciation Day)

*Thank you to Subdeacon Paul Boulos and
“The Jeweller’s Shop”
For this very generous donation.*



Our Lady of the Cedars

PICNIC

September 11
12-4 PM

Mass
10:30 AM

Parishioners are
encouraged to bring
side dishes & dessert

music
food
drink &
games

DON'T FORGET:
Beginning on September 6th, **Tuesday** Divine Liturgy will
be celebrated **at 5:00pm** instead **of 6:00pm**.

**Our Lady of the Cedars
Festival
August 5-6, 2022**

FINANCIAL REPORT

	2022	2019	<i>Difference</i>
<u>Festival Income</u>			
Food, pastries, beverages	\$ 115,168.55	\$ 92,862.18	\$ 22,306.37
Cultural/religious items	\$ 220.00	2,567.00	(2,347.00)
Silent auction/raffles	\$ 4,001.00	3,152.00	849.00
Activities (games, henna, facepaint, hookah)	\$ 2,640.00	1,655.00	985.00
MYO Tips	\$ 2,470.60	1,785.00	685.60
Food Festival income	\$ 124,500.15	\$ 102,021.18	\$ 22,478.97
Banners/Sponsors	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 12,900.00	\$ 600.00
Cash donations***	17,080.00	7,800.00	9,280.00
Total Festival Income	\$ 155,080.15	\$ 122,721.18	\$ 32,358.97
<u>Festival Expenses</u>			
Food/pastries/beverages	\$ 18,072.40	\$ 19,283.05	\$ (1,210.65)
Supplies	\$ 2,540.93	2,440.46	100.47
Advertising	\$ 2,803.62	3,260.70	(457.08)
Security	\$ 1,662.00	1,227.00	435.00
Tent/outside	\$ 4,527.52	4,385.44	142.08
Raffle/cultural/religious	\$ 394.25	625.90	(231.65)
Hall/other	\$ 8,869.87	13,771.05	(4,901.18)
Expenses paid by church***	\$ 38,870.59	\$ 44,993.60	\$ (6,123.01)
Festival Net Profit	\$ 116,209.56	\$ 77,727.58	\$ 38,481.98

***In addition, supplies were donated totaling: \$ 6,616.00 \$ 5,750.00

Congratulations to all on a very successful event!!!