DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS	Maronite Synaxarion
Sunday, July 14th 8:30am Cemil Hamad by Yvonne and Tom Jesser Habiba Chamoun and Silva El-Mahrouk by Nina and Roger Hamad 11:00am David Massoud by Barbara Foster Peter Nofel by Peggy and Tom Maroon and family Laurice Ghattas and Marie Ghattas by Michelle Reyes	St. Bonaventure, Doctor of the Church.
Monday, July 15th No Service	St. Kyriakos and his Mother Yolitta, Martyrs.
Tuesday, July 16th 9:00 Divine Liturgy	Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Wednesday, July 17th 9:00am Divine Liturgy Intentions of Father Ronald by Sdn. Paul and Gena Boulos	St. Marina, the Nun of Qannoubine
Thursday, July 18th No Service	St. Symphorosa and her 7 Children, Martyrs.
Friday, July 19th 9:00am Divine Liturgy	St. Margaret of Antioch, Virgin and Martyr
Saturday, July 20th 9:00am Divine Liturgy	Elijah (Elias) the Prophet.
Sunday, July 21st 8:30am Intentions of Christiane and Francois Risha by Sdn. Paul and Gena Boulos Silva El-Mahrouk by Maria and Nathan Stewart and family 11:00am Margaret Hamad by her family	St. Simon Salus and his Friend, St. John

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



DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

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

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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

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



9th Sunday of **Pentecost**

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor."

Luke 4:18



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READINGS

THIS SUNDAY

Ninth Sunday of Pentecost
2 Corinthians 5:20-6:10
Luke 4:14-21

EPISTLE READERS

Sunday, July 14

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

Sunday, July 21

8:30am – Cheryl Christ 11:00am – Sara Sabbagh

Sunday, July 28

8:30am – Chris Abraham 11:00am – Noor Neochi

Sunday, August 4

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

(Please note some changes in the reading schedule!)

Coming Events

Parish Advisory Board Meeting - TBA

Ladies' Guild Meeting - TBA

Men's Club Meeting - 7-14-2024

<u>Caregivers' Meeting - 8-4-2024</u> (Following 8:30 Liturgy)

Next special collection:

August 18, 2024
Maintenance and Upkeep

Next First Friday Divine Liturgy
And Adoration
will be held on
Friday, September 6th
(None in August because of the festival)

Counting our Blessings

Weekly Collection July 7, 2024 \$3,353.00

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:





PRAYER FOR THE FAMILY

Father, thank you for each one of my precious children.

Lord, you know their hearts. You know their strengths, their weaknesses and every tiny detail about them. God, I pray that You draw them closer to You. Show them who You are. Let them see their need for you, Lord. Capture their hearts and fill them with Your Spirit. Lord, I pray that they would seek You above all else.

That as they wake up in the morning and go to sleep at night, You would be on their minds and hearts.

That everywhere they go and in everything they do, they would see You. In Jesus' name, Amen.



The raffle basket committee has begun collecting donations for this year's amazing raffle!

There are many different ways for you to help out and they appreciate
Anything that you are willing to donate.
They are looking for cash donations for Lottery scratch-off baskets, gift cards, event tickets and vouchers, along with many other products.

If you own a business, please consider donating a product or service.

Please contact Nancy Sahlani at 347-578-2291 if you have any questions, or for more information.

Thank you.



The Festival is almost here...mouthwatering Food will be on the menu.

SPREAD THE WORD!!!





FESTIVAL BANNER SALES

DO YOU, OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW OWN A BUSINESS
THAT COULD
USE SOME PUBLICITY AT OUR 2024 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.

The cost is \$250.

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

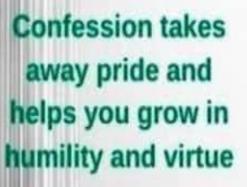
Thank you for your generous donation.



Confession restores our relationship with God and increases grace



Confession purifies and removes the burden and weight of sin from you



Confession strengthens and prepares you for spiritual combat

Confession makes
you aware of your
weakness and helps
you achieve greater
self-control

Confession prevents your sin from turning into bad habits and also helps you overcome bad habits



The Gift of Confession: Embracing the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Dear Parish Family,

As we approach the introduction of our new confessional, I would like to take a moment to reflect on the profound gift of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Confession is more than just a practice; it is a beautiful encounter with the boundless mercy of God, a chance for renewal and healing.

Understanding Confession

Confession, or the Sacrament of Reconciliation, is one of the seven sacraments instituted by Christ. It is a sacred moment where we humbly present our sins to God through the priest and receive His absolution. This sacrament offers us the grace to overcome our failings and strengthens us to live a life more aligned with God's will.

Why Should We Go to Confession?

- 1. Healing and Forgiveness: Confession is an opportunity to unburden our hearts from sin and receive God's forgiveness. It brings a sense of peace and spiritual healing that only God's mercy can provide.
- 2. Renewal of Our Souls: Regular confession helps us grow in holiness. It renews our souls, making us more receptive to God's grace and better equipped to resist temptation.
- 3. Spiritual Guidance: The priest, acting in the person of Christ, offers not only absolution but also guidance to help us overcome our sins and grow spiritually.

Preparing for Confession

To fully benefit from this sacrament, a good preparation is essential. Here are some steps to help you prepare:

- 1. Examine Your Conscience: Reflect on your actions, thoughts, and words since your last confession. Consider how you have lived according to God's commandments and the teachings of the Church. Here are a few questions to guide you:
 - Have I loved God with all my heart?
 - Have I been patient and kind with others?
 - Have I been honest and just in my dealings?
 - 2. Express Sorrow for Your Sins: Feel true contrition for your sins and a firm resolve to avoid them in the future.
- 3. Confess Your Sins: Be honest and thorough in your confession. The priest is there to help you and to absolve you in the name of Christ.
 - 4. Complete Your Penance: The penance given by the priest is a part of the sacrament and helps to repair the harm caused by sin.

Prayers Before Confession

To help you prepare spiritually, here are some prayers you might find helpful:

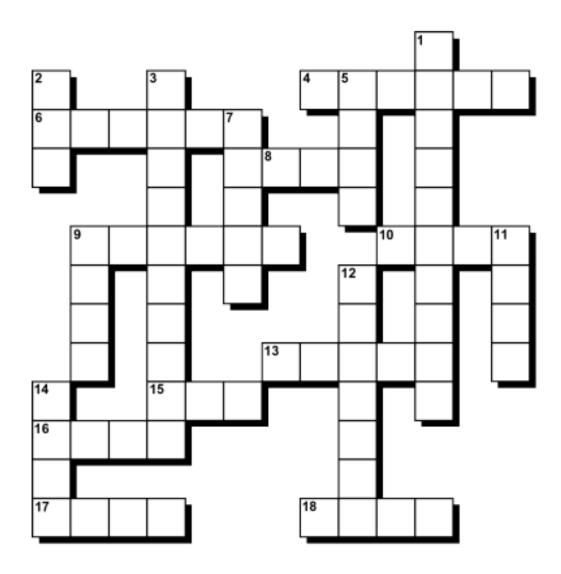
- Act of Contrition: "O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended You, and I detest all my sins because of Your just punishments, but most of all because they offend You, my God, who are all-good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of Your grace, to sin no more and to avoid the near occasions of sin. Amen."
- Prayer to the Holy Spirit: "Come, Holy Spirit, guide me in my examination of conscience. Enlighten my mind and strengthen my will to make a good confession. Amen."

As we open our new confessional, I encourage everyone to embrace this sacrament regularly. Let us not wait for a crisis to seek God's mercy but make confession a regular part of our spiritual lives. By doing so, we will grow closer to God and experience the true peace that only He can give.

In Christ's Love,

Fr. Ronald Pastor, Our Lady of the Cedars Parish

THE LORD'S PRAYER



ACROSS

- The Catechism of the Catholic Church refers to the Lord's Prayer as the quintessential prayer of the ____
- Being in relationship with God means we are also in relationship with
- 8. When we pray "deliver us from ____" we ask that God keep us from things that would harm us
- God is personal and loving, and so Jesus referred to him as ____
- When we pray the third petition, we ask God to help us to know how to do his ____
- In the early days of the Church, the Lord's Prayer was prayed this many times a day
- First word of the Lord's Prayer
- 16. This means "it is true"

- 17. What "trespasses" are
- "Who art in heaven" tells us that God is ___

DOWN

- When we pray "thy kingdom come" we ask God to help us put our ____ in order
- Three petitions in the Lord's Prayer focus on the glory of ____
- 3. Invitation to do something wrong
- 5. What "hallowed" means
- 7. Number of petitions in the Lord's Prayer
- The number of requests in the Lord's Prayer that name our human needs
- When we pray for "our daily bread" we pray for all we need to ____
- The fifth petition in the Lord's Prayer includes the condition that we ____ others
- 14. The Lord's Prayer is said during this

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FAMILY PUZZLE FOR YOU!

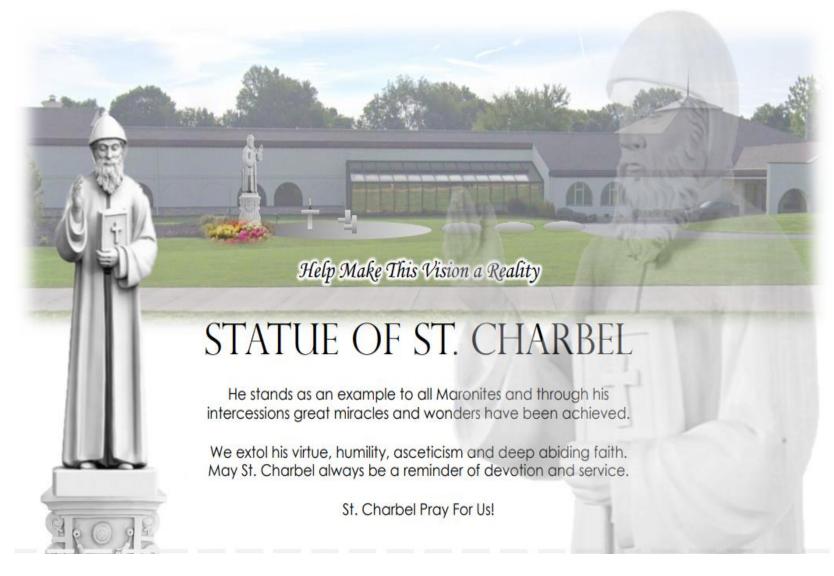
(Solution Next Week!)

Evening with the Scriptures

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

No studies will be held in the summer months (June and July). Study will resume in the Fall.

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



We have raised \$24,714.00 toward this beautiful statue. Please continue to make your donations... for yourselves or in memory of a loved one.