Divine Liturgy Intentions	<b>Maronite Synaxarion</b>
Sunday, May 18th 8:30am  Deceased members of the Alessio family by Sdn. Paul and Gena Boulos Jane Hamad by Barbara and Larry Taylor 11:00am Albert Chaoui by Sami and Vera Boumadi Helen Khoury Brown by Yvonne and Tom Jesser	St. Theodotus and the Seven Martyrs. St. Bessarion, the Wonder-Worker
Monday, May 19th No Divine Liturgy	St. Philoterus & Cyriaca, Martyrs. The Abba Ammon, Hermit
Tuesday, May 20h No Divine Liturgy	St. Bernard of Siena. St. Thalaleus, Martyr
Wednesday, May 21st No Divine Liturgy	St. Helen, the Mother of Constantine
Thursday, May 22nd  No Divine Liturgy  Salwa Sabbagh by the Sabbagh family  (Intentions will be offered in Lebanon by Fr. Ron)	St. Rita of Cascia
Friday, May 23rd No Divine Liturgy Bahia Nemr by Sdn. Chuck and Mary Beth Abraham (Intentions will be offered in Lebanon by Fr. Ron)	St. Michael, Bishop of Synnada. St. Tobias the Merciful
Saturday, May 24th No Divine Liturgy	St. Simon the Stylites
Sunday, May 25th 8:30am Gloria Thomas by Lisa Thomas and family Jane Hamad by Dcn. Tom and Bernie Maroon Helen Khoury Brown by Clarissa and Allan Moser 11:00am Lisa Ann Owen (40 Day Liturgy) by the family جناز الاربعين Martha Kail by Sdn. Chuck and Mary Beth Abraham Norma Bieganski by Peggy and Tom Maroon and family	St. Basilla, Martyr



### **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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Banquet Hall / Caterer:

#### **Tangier at the Cedars**

Angelica George (330) 418-4778



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

May 18, 2025

# Fifth Sunday of the Resurrection

"Yes, Lord, you know that I love you."

John 21:15



## **READINGS**

#### **THIS SUNDAY**

#### Fifth Sunday of the Resurrection

Ephesians 2:1-10 John 21:15-19

#### **EPISTLE READERS**

#### Sunday, May 18

8:30am – Stephanie Hamad 11:00am – Georgie Hasrouni

#### Sunday, May 25

8:30am – Tom Jesser, Jr. 11:00am – Sara Sabbagh

#### Sunday, June 1

8:30am – Cheryl Christ 11:00am – Noor Neochi

#### Sunday, June 8

8:30am – Chris Abraham 11:00am – Freddy Nemr

## **Coming Events**

Parish Advisory Board Meeting - TBA

<u>Ladies' Guild Meeting – TBA</u>

Men's Club Meeting - TBA

Caregivers' Meeting - 5/18/2025 (New date)

(Following 8:30 Liturgy)

#### **Next special collection:**

June 1, 2025
Catholic Communications

Next First Friday Divine Liturgy
And Adoration
will be held on
Friday, July 4th

## Counting our Blessings

Weekly Collection
May 11, 2025
\$2,735.00
Thank you for your generosity!

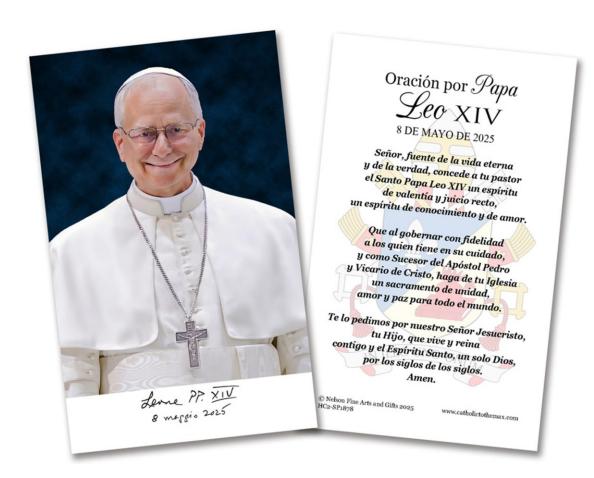
Electronic Giving

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



For the next few weeks,
Father Ron will be
offering
The daily Mass
intentions
From Lebanon.





## Welcome Pope Leo XIV

The Catholic Church has a new pope: Leo XIV.

Prior to his historic election Thursday via conclave, Leo was known as Cardinal Robert Prevost. The 69-year-old was born in Chicago, making him the first American to be elected to the papacy. Prevost's selection on the fourth ballot ended the search for a successor to Pope Francis following the latter's death on April 21.

Pope Leo greeted followers for the first time from the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica in Vatican City about an hour after white smoke billowed from the Sistine Chapel, signaling the cardinals had agreed on a new leader. "Peace be with you all," he began his short remarks in Italian.

"We can be a missionary church, a church that builds bridges, that is always open to receive everyone—just like in this square, to welcome everyone, in charity, dialogue and love," he told the large crowd, per The Washington Post.

Although he has decades of experience within the church, Prevost's selection came as a relative surprise given his origins. The only other pope to come from the Americas was Francis, who hailed from Argentina.

## CALLING ALL GARDENERS...young and old!!

Father is looking for a group of people/families to plant and tend

To the Shrine of Our Lady in the yard of the Church.

The Church will cover the expense of the plants/flowers, but he would Like someone to come and plant them and take care of them throughout the summer months.

The ground is cleared and ready to be Planted...usually after Mother's Day to Avoid any danger of frost.

This is the perfect time, and Our Lady is Waiting to have her area beautified!







Dear Beloved Parishioners of Our Lady of the Cedars,

Peace and love of Christ be with you all.

With a heart full of gratitude and emotion, I write to share that after four blessed years serving as your pastor, I will be stepping away from my parish responsibilities to pursue my Doctorate in Canon Law (J.C.D.) in Washington, D.C. Bishop Elias Zaidan has given me his full support and has granted me the freedom I need to dedicate myself entirely to this important mission of study and service to the wider Church. My last day with you will be Sunday, August 17, 2025. Beginning August 18, Fr. Armando Khoury will become your new pastor. I am confident that he will lead you with great love and care.

As I prepare to leave, I ask just one thing of you, a final pastoral commandment from my heart: Fall in love with Jesus Fall in love with His Word, with the Holy Scriptures, and with His living presence in the Eucharist. This is all I have ever wanted for you, and it is the one desire I leave with you today. Everything else, our festivals, our events, our programs, will bear lasting fruit only if your hearts are rooted in Christ and His Gospel. Do not be content with simply attending church; become the Church. Live the Gospel every day. Open your Bibles. Read the Word of God in your homes. Pray as families. Forgive each other quickly. Serve the poor and the forgotten. And above all, never lose sight of heaven, our final home.

I am deeply grateful for the love and support you have shown me these past four years. You are a beautiful, united community, one that knows how to work together as one family. Your Lebanese Festival is unmatched, but even greater is the faith and generosity I have witnessed among you.

From the depths of my heart, I ask forgiveness from anyone I may have hurt or disappointed during my time here. And I humbly ask you to keep me in your prayers as I begin this new chapter of study.

Until we meet again, stay faithful, stay joyful, and above all, stay in love with Jesus.

I love you all. In Christ's eternal love, Fr. Ron





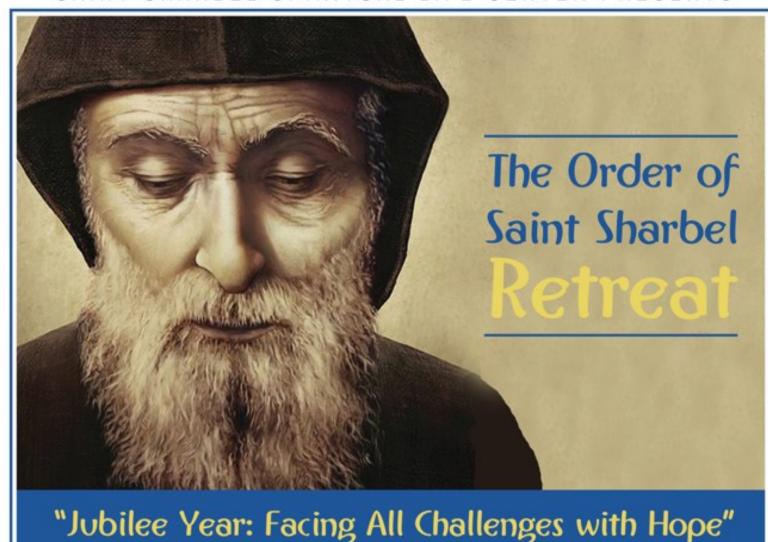






## THE MONTH DEDICATED TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER!

Pray the Rosary...Her favorite Prayer.



a weekend for the members & guests of The Order

## **SEPTEMBER** 12 - 14, 2025

Registration \$165 includes meals and all materials

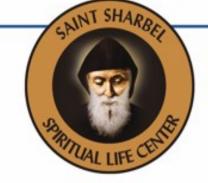
#### RESERVE YOUR SPOT TODAY!

For those traveling in need of hotel accomodations, contact the Holiday Inn Express & Suites Pittsburgh West-Greentree at 412-922-7070 to reserve one of the rooms blocked off for the retreat.

#### **SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTS**

- · Talks by Bishop Gregory Mansour
- · Talk by Fr. Boniface Hicks
- Talk by Dr. Anne Borik
- Daily Divine Liturgy
- · Eucharistic Adoration
- Confession
- Spiritual Direction
- Time for silent prayer and spiritual reading

For more information about The Order of Saint Sharbel, go to www.orderstsharbel.org.



To register, go to "Programs" on our website.

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