Divine Liturgy Intentions	Maronite Synaxarion
Sunday, August 3rd 8:30am Reno and Beverely Alessio by Sdn. Paul and Gena Boulos Norma Bieganski by Sdn. Chuck and Mary Beth Abraham Tom Hadley by Doris Khoury 11:00am Jane Hamad by Dcn. Tom and Bernie Maroon Souad Mouaness by Rosemarie George Tom Jesser, Sr. by Barbie and Larry Taylor	The Prophet David
Monday, August 4th 10:00am Funeral	St. Dominic
Tuesday, August 5th No Divine Liturgy	St. Christopher, Martyr
Wednesday, August 6th No Divine Liturgy	Transfiguration of the Lord
Thursday, August 7th No Divine Liturgy	St. Doumit (Domitius), Martyr
Friday, August 8th No Divine Liturgy	St. Sixtus II, Pope., Martyr. St. Myron
Saturday, August 9th 9:00am Divine Liturgy John and Silva Mahrouk by the Sabbagh family	St. Mathias, Apostle
Sunday, August 10th 8:30am Norma Bieganski by Dave and Andrea Reusch Jane Hamad by Nila and Paul Ellis Tom Jesser, Sr. by the Stewart family 11:00am Dr. Joe and Margot Massoud and Dr. John and Nancy Massoud by Barbara Foster Lisa Owen by Sdn. Chuck and Mary Beth Abraham	St. Lawrence, 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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Ourladyofthecedarschurch@gmail.com

Banquet Hall / Caterer:

Tangier at the Cedars

Angelica George (330) 418-4778

Our Lady of the Gedars of Mount Lebanon MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH كنيسة سيّدة أرز جبل لبنان المارونيّة

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

9:00AM – 1:00PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS TUESDAY - FRIDAY

August 3, 2025

Ninth Sunday of Pentecost

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

Luke 4:14-21



READINGS

THIS SUNDAY

Ninth Sunday of Pentecost

2 Corinthians 5:20-6:10 Luke 4:14-21

EPISTLE READERS

Sunday, August 3

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

Sunday, August 10

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

Sunday, August 17

10:30am – Erica Peters

Sunday, August 24

8:30am – Stephanie Hamad 11:00am – Layla Roland

Coming Events

<u>Parish Advisory Board Meeting – TBA</u>

<u>Ladies' Guild Meeting – TBA</u>

Men's Club Meeting - TBA

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

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 27, 2025
\$2,875.00
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:



RECIPE FOR SPIRITUAL/ETERNAL SUCCESS

- CONFESSION TO CLEAR OUT ANY MISTAKES OR PROBLEMS.
- ROSARIES TO SEND ALL OF OUR HOPES TO MARY, MOTHER OF GOD.
- LITURGIES WHAT BETTER WAY TO PRAISE AND WORSHIP OUR LORD.
- ADORATION SPENDING TIME WITH OUR LORD TO SPEAK AND TO LISTEN.

MIX ALL INTO YOUR DAILY ROUTINE AND YOU WILL FEEL THE PRESENCE OF OUR LORD WITH YOU!!





Face to Face

In today's world, we are more "connected" than ever. A post online can gather dozens of hearts, thumbs up, and kind comments in a matter of minutes. Many of you interact faithfully with our parish Facebook page, liking prayers, sharing feast day reflections, or commenting "Amen" to a Bible verse.

But sometimes, I wonder: what happens when we meet in person?

Too often, the warmth we see online doesn't always carry into face-to-face encounters. The eye contact is less frequent. The smiles are more reserved. The conversations are shorter. And we leave wondering, were those "likes" just digital gestures, or signs of something deeper?

This isn't to criticize, but to invite reflection. We are human beings, created not for screens but for communion. Not just "connection," but *presence*.

Even our Lord, God Himself, chose not to stay in heaven and send blessings from afar. He became flesh and dwelt among us. He walked with us, ate with us, cried with us, touched the leper, and looked into the eyes of the sinner and the saint alike. The Incarnation wasn't a long-distance message, it was love made visible, present, and face to face.

If relationships could grow fully from a distance, the Lord would have stayed on His throne and simply "liked" our prayers. But He didn't. He came. He stayed. He gave us His presence.

So let us take His example seriously. Let's not let our online presence replace our inperson love. Let our smiles, greetings, and conversations in church, in the hall, or in the parking lot reflect the same joy and encouragement we share on social media.

Let us be truly *present*, to God, and to one another.

With love in Christ, Fr. Ronald