

THE PARISH OF Saint Maron

LITURGIES

Weekdays

- 8:30 a.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays
- 7:00 p.m. Wednesday following with Holy Hour
- No Liturgy on Mondays (Except Holy Days)
- Fridays at noon; no liturgies on legal holidays

Weekends

- Saturday evening at 4:30 p.m.
- Sunday morning at 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

CONFESSION

Every Saturday at 3:30 p.m. • Wednesdays 8:00 p.m.
Sundays 30 mins. before Liturgy, or by appointment

COMMUNION CALLS FOR SHUT-INS

Conducted weekly. Please contact the Parish office to arrange for special visits.

HOSPITAL CALLS

If someone is in the hospital, please call the Parish office.

Maronite Center: 330-792-7671

Antonine Sisters: 330-538-2567

Adult Daycare: 330-538-9822

Music Director: Micky Hafely 330-272-7557

Pastor: Rev. Tony Massad

Deacon: William George

Subdeacon: James Essad

Director of Religious Education:

Sr. Samia Abou-Shakra

PRAYER LINE

Please call the office with names of family and friends in need of our prayers.

MYSTERIES OF INITIATION (BAPTISM AND CHRISMATION)

Arrangements for these Mysteries must be preceded by instructional classes for parents and sponsors.

(One sponsor must be an active Catholic and both sponsors must be 18 years or older.) It is desirable that classes be taken when a couple learns of pregnancy. Sponsorship forms are required for sponsors. Contact Fr. Tony Massad for instructions.

MARRIAGES

The couple themselves should contact the Parish office at least **six months** in advance.

FUNERAL LITURGY AND PRAYER SERVICES

Have the funeral director contact the Parish Office directly.

Pastor must be consulted to set times for Prayer Service and Funeral Liturgies. The regular Parish Liturgy will be cancelled on the day of the funeral, on weekdays only.

MARONITE CATHOLIC FORMATION (MCF)

From September to May

1555 South Meridian Rd. • Youngstown, Ohio 44511

Office: 330-792-2371

Parish E-mail: parishoffice@stmaronyoungstown.org

Web: www.stmaronyoungstown.org



DIVINE LITURGIES



We pray the Rosary in church every Saturday at 4:10 pm and before weekday liturgies at 8:10 am on Tuesday and Thursday and at 11:40 am on Friday.
We also pray the Rosary every Wednesday at 6:15 pm in the church and on Facebook.

SAT 06 DEC / BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST / St. Nicholas (Zakhia)

4:30 PM

- + Repose of **George & Agnes Galip** by Family
- + Repose of **Richard, Francis, Lena & Ronnie Marinelli** by Beverly Marinelli
- + Repose of **Sam & Connie Beshara** by Bukovinsky Nieces & Nephews

SUN 07 DEC / BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST / St. Ambrose

08:30 AM

- + Repose of **Gertrude Greco** by Beverly Marinelli
- + Repose of **Joseph A. Warino** by Joe, Linda, & the Warino Family

11:00 AM

- + Repose of **Elizabeth Manser** by Richard Coury & Daughter Sierra
- + Repose of **George ElKhoury** by Richard Coury & Daughter Sierra

MON 08 DEC / The Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)

12:00 PM

- + Repose of **Braeden Koserski** by The Farah Family

07:00 PM

- + Repose of **Dave Myers** by John Abbas, Jr.

TUE 09 DEC / 8:30 AM / St. Francis of Paola

- + Repose of **Alice Rohan** by Richard Coury & Daughter Sierra

WED 10 DEC / 7:00 PM / Pope St. Miltiades

- + 10-yr Anniversary of **Genevieve M. Yazbek** by David & Madeline Clarke, and Children

THU 11 DEC / 08:30 AM / St. Daniel, the Stylite

- + Repose of **The Holy Souls in Purgatory** by John Abbas, Jr.

FRI 12 DEC / 12:00 PM / St. Spyridon, the Wonderworker / Our Lady of Guadalupe

- + Repose of **Bill Miller** by The Borak Family

SAT 13 DEC / REVELATION TO JOSEPH / St. Lucy

4:30 PM

- + Repose of **John and Busma Koury** by Nina Hanna
- + Repose of **Norman & Sadie Bishara, Rizzie & Genevieve Yazbek** by Their Families
- + Repose of **Rema Beshara Lansing** by Bukovinsky Nieces & Nephews

SUN 14 DEC / REVELATION TO JOSEPH / St. Nemtallah El-Hardini

08:30 AM

- + Repose of **Adwane Warchol** by Anthony & Christine Vross
- + Repose of **Alice Rohan** by Beverly Mike-Nard

11:00 AM

- + Repose of **Joseph M. & Maria Joseph** by Bruce & Karen Joseph
- + Repose of **George Nakley** by Marie Eckenrode



Remember in your prayers

SHUT-INS AT HOME:

Ann Detec, Marie Eckenrode, Joann Knuth,
Vail Rohan, Frank Santisi, Jr.

CONNECT TO LIVE STREAMS:

Website: <https://www.stmaronyoungstown.org>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/stmaronyoungstown>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/saintmaronyo>



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

1 Sam 1:9-11, 19b-22; Gal 4:21-5:1;
Lk 1:57-66



Lectors - December 6 & 7

Saturday

4:30 pm: Madeline Clarke
/ Carol Essad

Sunday

8:30 am: Beverly Mike-Nard
/ Vince Talley

11:00 am: Joseph Simon
/ MCF (2nd Grade)

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Is 7:10-15, Eph 3:1-13,
Mt 1:18-25



Lectors - December 13 & 14

Saturday

4:30 pm: Christopher Brocius
/ Mike Dohar

Sunday

8:30 am: Beverly Mike-Nard
/ Anne-Marie Luchansky

11:00 am: Makayla DePasquale
/ Meckenzie DePasquale

ALTAR SERVERS

THIS WEEK - Dec. 6 & 7

Sat. - 4:30 pm Volunteers
Sun. - 8:30 am Ryan / Ava
11:00 am Sergio / Juliani



NEXT WEEK - Dec. 13 & 14

Sat. - 4:30 pm Volunteers
Sun. - 8:30 am Joe / Anna
11:00 am Charbel / Christa

Ushers:

Sat: Michael Essad, Bill Alexander,
Buddy Rezek and volunteers, please
Sun: John Farris and Volunteers, please



Please pray for

the following people who have died
in the past years
December 6 - 12

Assad (Issac) F. Naffah,
Simon Zakaria, Bansut F. Abdalla,
George Galip, Nazih Y. Saker,
Zakeeb Abdalla, Joseph Saadi,
Ibrahim Basile, Kafa Sarkies,
Alfred Hammond, Abla Abbas,
Genevieve D. Yazbek, Lulu Saab Fares,
Annie Zinie Jaboor, Wilson Yazbek,
Gloria S. Thomas, Nasef Thomas

For emergencies,
Please contact:
Fr. Tony Massad at (810) 691-7055

BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

DECEMBER 06 & 07, 2025

SANCTUARY CANDLES - DECEMBER

- ◆ In Loving Memory of **Thomas M. & Mary Zakia Joseph**
by Their children, Grandchildren, and Great-grandchildren.
- ◆ In Loving Memory of **Vince L. Marzano, Sr. & Vince Marzano, Jr.**
by Loving Wife & Mother, Yvonne Marzano and Family
- ◆ In Loving Memory of **Helene D'Apolito & Joni B. Craven**
by Cousin Yvonne Marzano

ALTAR WINE - DECEMBER

- ◆ In Loving Memory of **Joe & Rose Hanna**
by Nina Hanna

ALTAR BREAD - DECEMBER

- ◆ In Loving Memory of **Joseph Hanna**
by Nina Hanna

Happy Birthday!

Dec 06 Linda Carano, Anne-Marie Luchansky
Dec 07 Noah Krause
Dec 08 Julie Palusak
Dec 09 Lisa Beshara, Jessica Morgione
Dec 10 Ghassan Rajeh
Dec 11 Lynn Chahine, Steven Chahine, Robert Truslow



Happy Anniversary!

Dec 12 Bernie & Nouhad Pavlock (27 Years)



ANNUAL GIVING TREE

The giving tree is up in the church foyer.
Deadline to submit your donations is Sunday, December 14th.



CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE

We are still collecting non-perishable canned goods and foods.
Please place your food donations in the box in the foyer. Thank you.



Congratulations to **Dominic Michael Paul Thomas**, son of Danny & Ashley, who celebrated his baptism at St. Maron Church on Sunday, November 30th, 2025. May God continue to bless him, along with his family, as he continues his faith journey.



GOSPEL OF THE WEEK

Luke 1:57-66 reveals God's faithfulness, the importance of obedience, and the transformative power of His plans. of those around remind us that God's works often surpass understanding and invite communal recognition. In reflection, we are encouraged to trust God's timing, embrace His guidance even when it challenges tradition, and witness to His faithfulness through our own lives, recognizing that His purposes bring joy, hope, and astonishment beyond what we imagine.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Silver Bullets Christmas Party - Wed., Dec. 10th (Antioch Hall)
Adult Christmas Party - Fri., Dec. 12th at 7 pm
Parish Christmas Pageant & Party - Sunday, Dec. 14th
MYO Kolachi Day - Sat., Dec. 20th (Antioch Hall)
Save The Date - St. Maron Festival 2026 - July 11th & 12th, 2026

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Holy Day of Obligation, Divine Liturgies as follow:
Monday, December 8th at 12:00 pm
Monday, December 8th at 07:00 pm



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Contribute \$20 per Christmas plant, in Memory or in Honor of your loved ones. Their names will be listed in a special insert in the Christmas bulletin.

SILVER BULLETS CHRISTMAS PARTY!!

If you are 50 years or older, join us this Wednesday, Dec. 10th - Liturgy at 11:00 am and party to follow. Please bring a "White Elephant" wrapped gift to exchange (\$10 spending Limit)
RSVP to the Parish Office at 330-792-2371 by Wed., Dec. 3rd.



ADULT GROUP CHRISTMAS PARTY

Join us on Friday, December 12th, at 7:00 pm in Antioch Hall. We'll have food, fun, music and dancing. All of our parishioners are welcome to join. **Please bring a dessert to pass - BYOB**
Sign-up form is in the church's foyer.



CHRISTMAS PAGEANT & PARTY

Our Christmas Pageant will be held on Sunday, December 14th after the 11:00 am Liturgy. You can sign-up online at [Kids' Christmas pageant](#) or you can find forms in the church's foyer. Following the pageant, all parishioners are welcome to come & celebrate with us at the Maronite Center at our annual Christmas Party. Reservations are required at the office or online at [Annual Christmas](#). Christmas party reservations forms are in the church's foyer. Please complete the form, enclose the number of attendees (adults & kids), and submit it to the church's office by December 7th, with a \$20 donation per family.
If you don't have kids, reserve your seats and enjoy lunch together.



MYO CHRISTMAS KOLACHI BAKE SALE!

Order your delicious Kolachi rolls for the season!!!
Your choice of Nut, Poppy Seed, or Apricot, for \$15 each!
Orders are due by Wednesday, Dec. 17th, and the rolls will be available for pickup after Liturgies on Saturday, December 20th at 5:30 pm and on Sunday, December 21st at 9:30 am & 12:30 pm.
Order forms are in the church's foyer, call the church office to place your order, or order online at [MYO Christmas Kolachi Order](#).



MYO "Branches of Love" Christmas Ornament

The Maronite Youth Organization (MYO) invites you to honor the living and deceased members of your family with a "Branches of Love" Memorial Ornament.
These ornaments are available to order after each liturgy on Saturdays and Sundays, and will be placed on the beautiful Christmas tree in back of the church. Please fill out the order slip (one form per ornament) indicating the name of the family member you wish to honor (living or deceased), and return the completed slip with your donation to the MYO volunteer table. Thank you for your support!



NEW YEARS EVE PARTY

Come and Celebrate the New Year with our Family New Year's Eve Party on Wed., Dec. 31st, after 8:00 pm Liturgy, in Antioch Hall. Bring a side dish or dessert. BYOB! Cost is \$20 for adults, and 18 & under are free. Sign up sheet is in the foyer or email the office. Please send your payment by mail or put it in the offertory basket.



Weekly Financial Report

11/30/2025

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| Offertory Collection (66 envelopes used of 258) | \$5,642.00 |
| Candles | \$133.00 |
| Needy (4 envelopes) | \$65.00 |
| Patriarchal Charities (1 envelope) | \$25.00 |
| Christmas Flowers (4 envelopes) | \$140.00 |
| Christmas Offerings (1 envelope) | \$50.00 |
| Online Offerings (6 envelopes) | \$375.00 |

Thank you for your generous donations!



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Christmas Season Schedule

Christmas Novena - Dec. 15th - 23rd at 7 pm

Dec. 20th after 4:30 pm Liturgy

Dec. 21st after 11 am Liturgy

Christmas Liturgies Times

+ Christmas Concert 4:30 pm

+ Christmas Eve (Children's Liturgy) 5:00 pm

+ Christmas Eve 8:00 pm

+ Christmas Day 10:00 am

New Year's Eve & Day Liturgies Times

+ New Year's Eve 8:00 pm

+ New Year's Day 11:00 am

Wishing you joy and happiness this glorious season.



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"Branches of Love"

Christmas Ornament

**Honor your family's living and
deceased members with
"Branches of Love" Memorial
Ornament**

**Each ornament will be hung on the
church Christmas tree**

**A free-will donation
will be accepted for
each ornament to
support our youth
programs and church
initiatives.**



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

If you wish to donate
poinsettia plants for Christmas
in memory of a loved one,
or for any other intention.
The suggested donation is

\$20 per plant



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SILVER BULLETS CLUB

CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS

JOIN US ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10TH
MASS AT 11:00 AM, LUNCH TO FOLLOW, AT THE ANTIOCH HALL

PLEASE BRING A "WHITE ELEPHANT" WRAPPED GIFT TO EXCHANGE
(\$10 SPENDING LIMIT)

RSVP TO THE PARISH OFFICE



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Christmas Party

All Adults are welcome

Friday, December 12th, 2025
Starts at 7 PM - Antioch Hall

Food, Fun, & Music

Bring a Dessert to pass - BYOB

Please RSVP by email at
stmaronyoungstown@gmail.com
or call the Parish Office at 330-792-2371

St. Maron Maronite Church

Children's Christmas Pageant

Sunday, December 14th, 2025

(At the end of the 11:00 am Divine Liturgy — in the Church)



Open to ALL children in the parish!

Little ones can be sheep or angels

Rehearsal Schedule:

Saturday, November 22nd at 11:00 AM (Lunch provided)

Saturday, December 6th at 11:00 AM (Lunch provided)

Saturday, December 13th at 11:00 AM (Lunch provided & Dress Rehearsal)

Please contact:

Tresa Van Heusen at 910.988.6620 or info@monasticcreations.org
Or the office at 330.792.2371 or stmaronyoungstown@gmail.com
for more information.

Children's Christmas Pageant

Please fill out this form and return to _____.

Roles will be decided at the first rehearsal on _____.



Parents/Guardian: _____ Email: _____

Child #1

Name: _____ Age: _____ What role would the child like to play? Please
list three options: 1st: _____ 2nd: _____ 3rd:

Child #2

Name: _____ Age: _____ What role would the child like to play?
Please list three options: 1st: _____ 2nd: _____ 3rd:

Child #3

Name: _____ Age: _____ What role would the child like to play?
Please list three options: 1st: _____ 2nd: _____ 3rd:

Child #4

Name: _____ Age: _____ What role would the child like to play?
~~Please~~ list three options: 1st: _____ 2nd: _____ 3rd:

Roles Needed in the Play:

Speaking Roles:

Narrator
Archangel Gabriel
Mary
Joseph
Innkeepers (3)
Shepherds (2)
Angels (2)
Kings (3)
Angel Choir (singing)

Non-Speaking Roles:

Star
Angels
Sheep (lambs)
Shepherds



St. Maron Church Parish Christmas party

Come celebrate the holidays with us on
Sunday, December 14th

11:00 am Liturgy in the Church

Followed by the Children's Christmas Pageant

12:30 pm Party at the Maronite Center

Activities, Lunch, a visit & pictures with Santa, and Gifts!

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED.

Please complete and submit the form below
with a donation of \$20 per family.

Mail or drop off the form at the Parish Office
by Sunday, December 7th.

Family Name: _____ Phone: _____

Number of Adults over 12 _____ Number of Children under _____

Please list the first name & age of each child under 12
to help Santa find the perfect gifts!

Name _____ Age _____

Name _____ Age _____

Name _____ Age _____

Name _____ Age _____

Name _____ Age _____

Name _____ Age _____

Even if you don't have kids, reserve your seats
and join us for lunch together.

MYO Christmas Kolachi BAKE SALE

Deadline to order is Wednesday, Dec. 17th

No Extras will be available

ORDER NOW



\$15 each

Your choice: Nut, Poppy Seed, or Apricot

**Pickup will be
after 4:30 Liturgy on Saturday, Dec. 20th
and after both liturgies on Sunday, Dec. 21st**

**Order Forms are available in the church's foyer
and online.**

**Please submit your orders as early as possible.
You may drop your order forms in the offertory basket, at
the office, or with Deacon William.**

Any questions, call the church's Office at 330-792-2371



FAMILY NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

2026

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT
31ST DECEMBER, 2025**

AFTER 8 PM LITURGY

At the Antioch Hall

Main courses will be provided!!

You may bring a side dish or dessert

BYOB!

Cost is \$20 for adults

18 & under are free

For more information,
contact the parish office at 330-792-2371

SAVE THE DATE



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FESTIVAL
2026

FunFest on Saturday & Sunday,
July 11th & 12th, 2026

It would be wonderful to see you at your church's festival!!

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