

# 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

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**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

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# 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 23 AUG / 12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF PENTECOST / St. Isaac of Nineveh**

**4:30 PM**

- + Repose of **Madlynne Crooks & James Julian, Jr.** by Michael & Georgia Dohar & Families
- + Repose of **Alice Ellis** by Aggie's Children
- + Repose of **Richard, Francis, Lena and Ronnie Marinelli** by Beverly Marinelli

**SUN 24 AUG / 12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF PENTECOST / St. Eutyches of Sebastia**

**08:30 AM**

- + Repose of **Fr. Naji Kiwan** by the St. Maron - Youngstown Parish
- + Repose of **Beverly Hilderbrand** by Nick & Silva Ghossain
- + Repose of **Aleda Bukovinsky** by Samira Timarko

**11:00 AM**

- + Repose of **Fr. Naji Kiwan** by the St. Maron - Youngstown Parish
- + Repose of **Joseph, Ursula & Kathy Calabria** by Joe & Rosa Calabria
- + Repose of **Melanie Bou Said & Antoine Abi Salloum** by Bachir & Marie Abi Salloum

**MON 25 AUG / St. Titus, One of the 72 Disciples**

**NO LITURGY**

**TUE 26 AUG / 8:30 AM / Pope St. Zephyrinus**

- + Repose of **Ray Najem** by Family

**WED 27 AUG / 7:00 PM / St. Biyameen (Poemen) the Hermit**

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

**THU 28 AUG / 08:30 AM / St. Moses the Ethiopian / St. Augustine, Doctor of the Church**

- + Repose of **Jake Rezek** by Sue Nakley

**FRI 29 AUG / Beheading of St. John the Baptist**

- + Repose of **Marian Nemer** by Thomas & Vinetta Metzinger

**SAT 30 AUG / 13<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF PENTECOST / Bl. Brother Estephan Ne'mee**

**4:30 PM**

- + Repose of **James & Ann Julian** by Michael & Georgia Dohar & Families
- + Repose of **Elias Yazbek** by Family
- + Repose of **George & Agnes Galip** by Family

**SUN 31 AUG / 13<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF PENTECOST / St. Zakhia / St. Aegidius / St. Abda**

**08:30 AM**

- + Repose of **Gladys Thomas** by Mark & Anne-Marie Luchansky and Joe & Debbie Thomas, & Families
- + Repose of **William Michael** by The Sandine Family

**11:00 AM**

- + 1-yr Anniversary of **Aleda Bukovinsky** by Family
- + Repose of **Hoda Chedid** by Samir & Yolla Boulos



*Remember in your prayers*

**SHUT-INS AT HOME:**

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

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Ruth 1:15-19a; Eph 3:1-13;

Mt 15:21-28

**Lectors - August 23 & 24**

**Saturday**

**4:30 pm:** Christopher Brocious  
/ Charles Zidian, Jr.

**Sunday**

**8:30 am:** Brian Godsen  
/ Salma Hallett

**11:00 am:** Joseph Simon  
/ Alexander Simon



## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Gen 2:8-10,15-17; 1Cor 3:1-11;

Lk 8:1-15

**Lectors - August 30 & 31**

**Saturday**

**4:30 pm:** Carol Essad  
/ Mike Dohar

**Sunday**

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

**11:00 am:** Kalyn Sharrow  
/ Linda Awad



## ALTAR SERVERS

**THIS WEEK - August 23 & 24**

**Sat. - 4:30 pm** Delaney / Volunteer

**Sun. - 8:30 am** Joe / Anna

**11:00 am** Kathryn / Volunteer



**NEXT WEEK - August 30 & 31**

**Sat. - 4:30 pm** Volunteers

**Sun. - 8:30 am** Ryan / Ava

**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  
August 23 - 29

Stephen M. Kalna,  
John Dohar,  
Alex K. Hayek,  
Faye Clouse,  
Margaret Zagorsky,  
Louise Alexander,  
Donald Dempsey,  
Joseph W. Dohar,  
Theresa Abraham,  
Russell Saadey III,  
Agnes Galip,  
Josephine Saba,  
Sayde Gabriel,  
Mary Beth Morton

## CONNECT TO LIVE STREAMS:

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



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

# 12TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

AUGUST 23 & 24, 2025

## SANCTUARY CANDLES - AUGUST

- ♦ In Loving Memory of **John & Fran Dohar**  
by Michael & Georgia Dohar & Families
- ♦ In Loving Memory of **Vincent L. Marzano, Sr.**  
by Loving Wife Yvonne Marzano
- ♦ In Loving Memory of **Tony Khazzaka** by Waleed & Rola Saab

## ALTAR WINE - AUGUST

- ♦ In Loving Memory of **Tony Khazzaka** by Sue Nakley

## ALTAR BREAD - AUGUST

- ♦ In Loving Memory of **Lloyd Yazbek** by Linda & Family

## Happy Birthday!

- Aug 23 Cathy George, Chuck Guerrieri, Emily Smith
- Aug 24 Matthew Hallett
- Aug 25 Janice Alexander
- Aug 27 Ashley Oeken
- Aug 28 Anthony Boulos, Nina Chammas, Garrett Molnar, Elias Saadi



## Happy Anniversary!

- Aug 23 Robert & Justine Truslow (16 Years)
- Aug 24 Joseph E. & Laurece Chahine (34 Years)  
Robert & Marie Eckenrode (61 Years)
- Aug 25 Louis & Chloe Irizarry (7 Years)
- Aug 26 Michael & Ann Manser (37 Years)
- Aug 28 Khattar & Doreen Hasrouni (3 Years)
- Aug 29 Keith & Mary Ann Lemke (49 Years)  
George III & Ashlee Rohan (10 Years)



## PITTSBURGH LEBANESE FOOD FESTIVAL

Our Lady of Victory Maronite Church are having the Pittsburgh Lebanese Food Festival on September 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Let's go support and enjoy delicious food, entertainment, and culture on Friday & Saturday (12 to 10 pm) and Sunday (12 to 6 pm).



Congratulations to **Lucille Ruffo**, daughter of Jacob & Karlina who celebrated her baptism at St. Maron Church, Youngstown on Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025. May God continue to bless her as she continue her faith journey.



## THANK YOU

For the Assumption of Our Blessed Mother at the Basilica & National Shrine to the MYO, MYA, and Parents. We offer our deepest gratitude to Fr. Youssef; Yolla & Tony Boulos; Maroun, Rhona, Charbel & Christa Farah; Patricia, Joe & Anna Godsen; Mark, Matthew, Steven & Sabine Moradian; Dan Mohn, for your generous hearts and tireless efforts in setting up and taking down chairs. Your dedication, teamwork, and love ensured everything flowed seamlessly, and your volunteer service has truly blessed all the pilgrims who attended the Liturgy. May Our Lady of Lebanon watch over you always, enfolding you in Her tender mantle, guiding your steps, and filling your days with peace, joy, and grace.

With heartfelt appreciation and prayers, **Rosa Calabria**



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**MCF Classes** - Starting Sunday September 14<sup>th</sup>, between Liturgies  
**Education Foundation Fundraiser Dinner** - Sat., Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm  
**The Knights of St. Maron Fall dinner** - Thurs., Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm  
**Save The Date - St. Maron Festival 2026** - July 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026

## THANK YOU

... to all who assisted in the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Assumption Pilgrimage at the Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon - North Jackson. The dedication & generosity of the parishioners of St. Maron is very much appreciated. Please know that you are remembered in our prayers daily.

*Chorbishop Anthony and Staff*

## ST. MARON EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Even though the church is not hosting our traditional Wine Taste this year, don't frown because we are thrilled to announce that St. Maron's Education Foundation is having its annual fundraiser on Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, from 6 to 11 pm at The Maronite Center! This year, we're going all out with **THE ROYAL DEAL**, featuring an open bar, appetizers, and delicious dinner, plus cigars and specialty drinks available for purchase, but most of all, exciting casino-style gambling! All proceeds benefit our mission to provide scholarships and educational assistance to students in our parish community.



## THE KNIGHTS OF ST. MARON

We are delighted to invite you to our upcoming Semi-Annual Meeting and Dinner on Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. A delicious dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. All members of the Knights of St. Maron are encouraged to join us, and we warmly invite you to bring a guest or friend who may be interested in becoming a member.

Please RSVP by October 10<sup>th</sup> by contacting the parish office at 330-792-2371 or by email at [stmaronyoungstown@gmail.com](mailto:stmaronyoungstown@gmail.com).

The due payment is \$100 per person, and payments may be made at the door or in the collection basket at church.

Your generous contributions go directly to help those in need within our parish community.

This important work allows us to quietly and compassionately support our brothers and sisters who may be struggling, ensuring they feel the love and care of their parish family without ever feeling burdened.



## WELCOME FR. GILBERT WALKER

Gilbert Walker was born in New Orleans in 1959 and was raised on the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

The Daughters of Charity taught him in High School in Gulfport, MS.

After getting a B.S. in Chemistry from Mississippi State University, he entered the Vincentians in 1981, (known as Lazarists in Lebanon).

They were founded by St. Vincent de Paul in France for the purpose of evangelizing the poor, especially the people who lived in rural areas.

Ordained to the priesthood in 1987, Gilbert served in parish ministry in Texas, first in Dallas and then in San Antonio, where he met the Maronites.

Bishop Elias Zaidan was then the pastor of St. George Parish, and he invited Father Gilbert to collaborate occasionally by celebrating the Liturgy at St. George.

After San Antonio, he served as chaplain to the Hispanic Apostolate in Baton Rouge, Louisiana for another 2 years.

Gilbert then served in a rural parish in the Dominican Republic before becoming the director of the novitiate program there for 3 years.

In 2003 he moved to Cuba and became the Provincial Director of the Daughters of Charity for the next 11 years. Then, he continued to serve as spiritual director at the Archdiocesan Seminary and formation director for the Vincentian seminarians.

He returned to the U.S. in 2020, and after a sabbatical was assigned to St. Louis, MO, where he reconnected with the Maronite community at St. Raymond's Cathedral. He was then assigned to New Orleans where he celebrated the Liturgy with the Maronites there and helped establish Holy Trinity Maronite Catholic Mission.

He is excited to serve at St. Maron Parish and looks forward to deepening his experience of Maronite life.

We warmly welcome **Fr. Gilbert Walker** who will be spending some time with us at St. Maron Church - Youngstown, starting next weekend.

We hope he will be very happy during his time here.



## Weekly Financial Report

08/17/2025

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Offertory Collection (72 envelopes used of 258) | \$5,495.00 |
| Candles   | \$201.00   |
| Assumption Offering (11 envelopes)              | \$305.00   |
| Needy (6 envelopes)                             | \$175.00   |
| Online Offerings (5 envelopes)                  | \$375.00   |

**Thank you for your generous donations!**



# ST. MARON EDUCATION FOUNDATION

## PRESENTS



featuring an open bar, appetizers, and dinner!  
2 Startup chips included.

Enjoy our Patio Cigar Lounge and two Specialty bars.  
Our crafted drinks and Cigars are available for purchase.

### CRAPS - ROULETTE - BLACKJACK - POKER

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Reserve online at [tinyurl.com/edfund25](https://tinyurl.com/edfund25)



**Saturday - October 11 (6-11 pm)**

**Maronite Center**







THE PARISH OF  
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**Fall Dinner**  
**Thursday,**  
**October 16**  
**at 6:00 PM**  
**Antioch Hall**

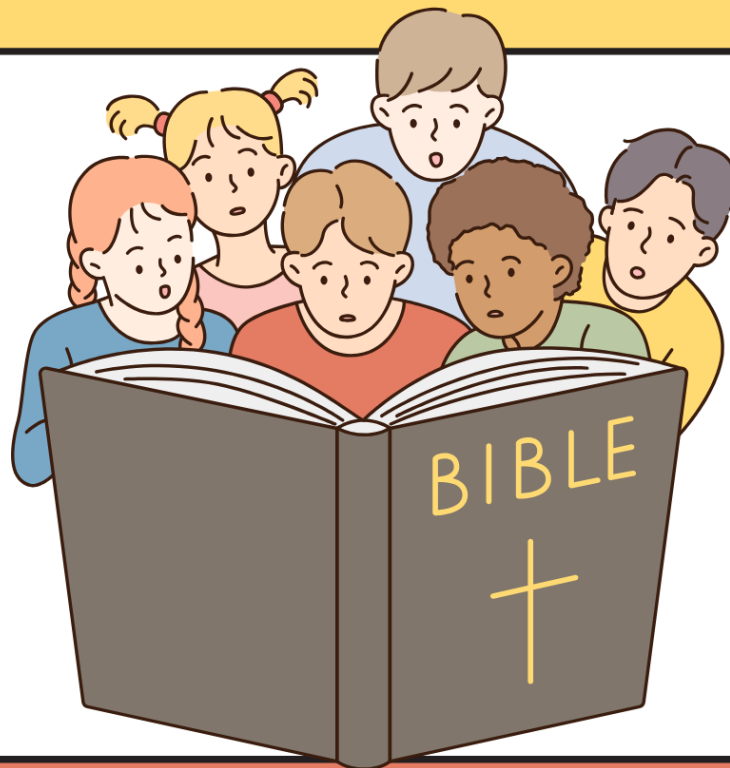


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# MCF Classes

**Maronite Christian Formation Classes  
will begin Sunday, September 14th between  
the 8:30 am & 11:00 am liturgies.**



**Children must also attend MCF to qualify for  
Catholic school tuition allowances.**

**We need a count of the kids attending,  
so please register as soon as possible.  
Online registration available**



# The Pittsburgh Lebanese Food Festival

## September 5th, 6th & 7th

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