# Saint Maron

#### 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

Subdeacons: James Essad, Albert Dohar 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



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 6 JUL / 8TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST / St. Maria Goretti 4:30 PM

- + Repose of Sunny & Shirley Sunderlin by Children & Grandchildren
- + Repose of **Shirley Sunderlin** by Her Siblings
- + Repose of Eileen Galip by Husband Ron & Family

## SUN 7 JUL / 8TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST / St. Thomas the Hermit 8:30 AM

- + Repose of William Michael by Eva Mina & Family
- + Repose of Elizabeth Joyce by Mr. & Mrs. Ghassan Rajeh

#### 11:00 AM

- + 40-day Memorial of **Zina Dohar Herrara** by Family
- + Repose of Elias Yazbek by Bella & Yazbek Families

MON 8 JUL / St. Procopius NO LITURGY

TUE 9 JUL / St. Pancras NO LITURGY

WED 10 JUL / The Three Blessed Massabki Maronite Martyrs NO LITURGY

THU 11 JUL / St. Benedict NO LITURGY

FRI 12 JUL / Sts. Rufina and Secunda / St. Susanna of Rome

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

## SAT $\,$ 13 JUL / 9TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST / Joel the Prophet $\underline{4:30~PM}$

- + Repose of Vincent Morgione by Jim & Danette Fisher
- + Repose of **Shamel Rushwin** by Michael & Georgia Dohar

## SUN 14 JUL / 9TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST / St. Bonaventure 8:30 AM

- + Repose of **Tom Rohan** by Betty Garono
- + Repose of Jim Borak by Victoria Rance

#### 11:00 AM

- + Repose of Frances Rouhana by Lorraine Ellis
- + Repose of Karimeh Rafidi by Joe & Linda Warino

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# Remember in your prayers - SHUT-INS AT HOME:

Frank Santisi, Jr., Marie Eckenrode, Vail Rohan, Liz Manser, Ida Michael

#### CONNECT TO LIVE STREAMS:





#### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Is 42:1-9, Rom 8:1-11, Mt 12:14-21



Lectors - July 6 &7

**Saturday** 

4:30 pm: Patti Machuga

/ Carol Essad

**Sunday** 

**8:30 am:** Anne-Marie Luchansky

/ Salma Hallett

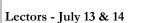
11:00 am: Joe Simon

/ Zach Zidian

#### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Is 61:1–4, 8–10a; 2 Cor 5:20-6:10;

Lk 4:4:14-21



Saturday

4:30 pm: Christopher Brocious

/ Mike Dohar

Sunday

**8:30 am:** Beverly Mike-Nard

/ Jean Estephan

11:00 am: Christa Farah

/ Charbel Farah

#### ALTAR SERVERS

THIS WEEK - July 6 & 7

Sat. - 4:30 pm Volunteers

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

11:00 am Celine / Croix

#### NEXT WEEK - July 13 & 14

Sat. - 4:30 pm Volunteers

Sun. - 8:30 am Ryan / Veronica

11:00 am Alivia / Kathryn

#### **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, July 6-12

Joseph Farris, Peter M. Dohar, Charles George Habib, Elias Yazbek, Elizabeth George, Eniss Saybe, William Michael, Mary Koury, Gregory Dimoff, Miriam Miller, John N. Bishara, Helen Rohan, Yazbek L. Yazbek, Susan E. Saker, Annie Abraham, John C. Seaman, Debie Zola, Maria Achkar, George Rohan, Sr.

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

#### **SANCTUARY CANDLES - JULY**

In Loving Memory of **William Walker** by Amelia M. Yazbek In Loving Memory of John Abbas, Sr. by Michael & Georgia Dohar and Families

In Loving Memory of Joni B. Craven & Helene D'Apolito by Cousin Yvonne Marzano

#### <u>ALTAR WINE - JULY</u>

In Loving Memory of John N. Bishara by Family

#### ALTAR BREAD - IULY

In Loving Memory of Henry & Elizabeth Hanna by Nina Hanna

#### Happy Birthday!

- Mia Abi Ghanem, Heather Brocious, Remon Hayek
- Nasta Khoury, Samuel Warg Jul 9
- Jul 10 Frances Sarkis
- Laura Calko, Laurece Chahine, Maryann Joseph, Jul 11
- Jul 12 Nawal Cuddy, Carol Desmond, William George, Carmen Moradian

#### Happy Anniversary!

- Jul 11 Vincent & Colette Mikula 4 years James & Tracy Rohan - 15 years
- Jul 12 John & Cheryl Cucchiara 38 years Jon & Lisa Saadey - 33 years Andre & Marise Sahyoun - 16 years Edward & Adwane Warchol - 44 years



"Lady Kindness", a unique work of sculptural art, will be unveiled in a spectacular event on Saturday, August 17th, hosted by Dr. Farid Naffah, a gastroenterology specialist in Warren, OH and has over 40 years of experience in the medical field, he is also the founder and president of Avamar Foundation, the founder of Cadobaz, and the President Emeritus of the Medici Museum.



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This event is an evening of flowing lights and music, wine and delicacies, and it will take place at Cadobaz (Culture, Arts, and Dining of Bazetta), in Northeastern Ohio.

All proceeds of the event are to benefit "Avamar Foundation".

The Avamar Foundation is committed to helping the needy elderly population in our community obtain access to medications by providing temporary financial assistance through the generous donations of the benefactors.

"Lady Kindness" offers a rose, symbol of love, to each and everyone, but especially to the neglected, the abandoned, and the forgotten.

So let's support the Avamar Foundation and help the elderly while enjoying a night to remember.

Tickets are on sale online at www.ladvkindness.com/event

#### Kindness is boundless and powerful.

Weekly Financial Report	6/30/24
Offertory Collection (85 envelopes used of 288)	\$4,669.00
Candles	\$157.00
Needy (2 envelopes)	\$30.00
Online Offerings (7 envelopes)	\$375.00
Thank you for your generous donations!	

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Lebanese FunFest - July 20th & 21st

Parish Festival Thank You Party - Sunday, Aug. 18th, after 11.00 mass

#### PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Monday, July 8th through Thursday, July 11th. Friday, Saturday and Sunday liturgy schedule remains the same.

Everyone should have received your raffle tickets and sponsorship letters for our upcoming Lebanese FunFest 2024. If you have not received yours, or if you need additional raffle tickets, or you wish to be a sponsor, please contact the parish office (Rhona) at 330-792-2371.



#### **CALLING ALL FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS!**

NEEDED Sign-up forms are in the fover. Please complete the forms and submit them to the office as soon as possible so that we can start scheduling and try to place everyone at their preferred assignments! You can also register online by clicking here for the volunteers' signup.

#### **FESTIVAL WISH LIST**

If you are able to donate some items for the festival, please remember to check out our Festival Wish List in the church's foyer! We are still in need of a number of items, and we greatly appreciate any donations that you can help to provide.

#### PROMOTING OUR UPCOMING FESTIVAL



The festival's yard signs are ready in the church's foyer (Thanks to Dave Touvelle)

We are asking everyone to please pick up one or more and display wherever possible to promote our upcoming Lebanese FunFest! Kindly, hit that share button on Facebook and on Instagram, distribute flyers, display those yard signs and let's spread the word!

#### **LET'S GET BAKING**



We are once again asking for donations of baked goods. We need UNREFRIGERATED baked goods, for the upcoming festival. Please package each item individually, and bring them to the church on either Friday evening, July 19th, or Saturday morning, July 20th and drop them off in Antioch Hall.

Thank you for your generous donations and help!

#### ST. MARON BOCCE LEAGUE



Another week and the bocce league is going great.

Everyone is having so much fun!! We thank all of the teams who have come out and spent enjoyable evenings at our bocce court.

We are offering food and drinks during the games and are needing volunteers at the concession stand, so if you are able to help, we would appreciate it.

You can also lookup the St. Maron Bocce League - July's schedule - on the website at stmaronyoungstown.org/bocce

Remember there will be NO GAMES, on July 3rd, 4th, 17th, and 18th.

#### **EDUCATION FOUNDATION DINNER** Tickets are On Sale



The St. Maron Education Foundation Committee is excited to announce that the **Dinner & Reverse Raffle** tickets are on sale!

The dinner will be held on Saturday, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> at The Maronite Center.

To purchase your tickets, an Education Foundation member will be available for tickets' sale after liturgies on Saturdays and Sundays, or you can call the parish office (Rhona) at 330-792-2371.

#### PARENTS OF FIRST COMMUNICANTS



Your children's First Communion banners are in the Library room, you are welcome to come in and pick them up.



## SATURDAY **JULY 20** 4pm - 11pm

Food Service till 10:00 pm

# SUNDAY **JULY 21**

12 pm - 8 pm

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## Patriarch Estefan Duwayhi



Church bells are ringing joyfully in Lebanon.

This year Venerable Patriarch Estephan Duwayhi will be beatified on 2 August, the day of his birth in 1630, at the patriarchate headquarters in Bkerke.

He had pious and good parents: Deacon Mikhael Duwayhi and Mariam Duwayhi; one brother, Moussa; an uncle, Bishop Elias Duwayhi. He lost his father when he was three years old.

At age five, he entered the Parochial School of St. Peter in North Ehden, acquiring basics of arithmetic, Arabic and Syriac languages, and a solid Christian formation.

He distinguished himself by his exceptional and advanced intelligence.

Aware of his intellectual capacity and of his religious and moral qualities, Patriarch Gerges Omayra Duwayhi and Bishop Elias Duwayhi, both from Ehden, sent him to Rome where he arrived in June, 1641; he was only eleven years old.

He joined the Maronite College of Rome where he astonished everyone by his superior intelligence, profound piety, and outstanding personality. His professor, Father Sparsa, testified: "I taught in many lands and in many universities, but I have not found the likes of Estefan, in the brightness of his mind and the purity of his life."

Because of his intense studying, he became almost completely blind, but, through the intercession of Mary, Mother of God, he miraculously regained his sight, never having to wear glasses.

He learned all that the Eternal City had to offer to a brilliant student. He earned a Doctorate in Philosophy and Theology. Besides his canonical formation, he was fluent in Arabic, Syriac, Latin, Italian, Greek and Hebrew. Later he obtained some knowledge of French and Turkish.

In 1655, he brilliantly finished his intellectual formation and his reputation spread throughout Europe.

However, he refused all tempting offers in universities and Royal Courts. He chose to return to Lebanon, after remaining in Rome for another six months, visiting all the libraries and gathering precious documents about the Maronites. He returned to Lebanon on April 3, 1655, following fourteen years in Rome.

He was ordained a priest on March 25, 1656 by Patriarch Youhanna at the Monastery of Sts. Sarkis and Bacchus in Ehden.

He opened a free school for children at the Monastery of St. Yacoub Al Ahbach in Ehden. In 1657, he was sent to Aleppo (Syria) by Patriarch Gerges Bshebhely, to work for the unity of Christians and to help his friend, Bishop Andrew Agheejan, who became the first Syrian Catholic Patriarch.

In 1658, he was named missionary of the Congregation of the Propagation of the Faith and returned to his school in Ehden. That same year, he was sent by Patriarch Bshebhely to Jheeta, Kasrouan, Lebanon to teach and preach, and then to South Lebanon, to Saida, Bekah, Marjehyoun. Finally, he was appointed pastor of Ardee and the neighboring villages in North Lebanon.

In 1662, at the request of Patriarch Bshebhely and the people, he returned to Aleppo (Syria), where he was called "The Second Chrysostom." He remained there for six years.

In May, 1668, Duwayhi returned to Lebanon and went with his mother and brother for a pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

Upon his return from the Holy Land, he was surprised to learn he had been elected Bishop of Cyprus.

On July 8, 1668, he was ordained Bishop by Patriarch Gerges Bshebhely.

He refused the Roman honors and tried to refuse the Episcopate and Patriarchate. He used to receive the poor and peasants the same as he would receive great leaders.

Before leaving for Cyprus, Patriarch Bshebhely sent him to visit and comfort the parishes of Jebbee, Zawiya and Akkar in North Lebanon.

That same year, he entered the Diocese of Cyprus, establishing his residence in Nicosia, but visiting all the Maronite cities of the Island, preaching, gathering documents and organizing the Diocese which had been vacant for thirty-four years.

May 20, 1670, Bishop Estefan Duwayhi was elected Patriarch. Two days later, he was ordained Patriarch at Qannubine, the Holy Valley.

Throughout his thirty-four years of Patriarchate, Duwayhi did not taste rest. Nine times, he was forced to flee from his See of Qannubine. He was always on the move, hiding in caves and places almost unhealthy, carrying notes and documents, writing late into the night under very bad conditions, and caring about everyone and everything in the Maronite Church.

He built twenty-seven churches and many monasteries, ordained fourteen bishops and many priests. He protected the Maronite Church from Latinization, gave her the proper and distinguished identity.

Patriarch Estefan Duwayhi died, as he wished, at his See of Qannubine in the aroma of sanctity, on May 3, 1704.

Patriarch Estefan Duwayhi was revered as a saint. Many miracles are attributed to him, both during his life and after his death.

He was a man of prayer. He liked to seclude himself in caves or in hidden places for prayer and meditation. In Qannubine, he had made an opening in his room so he could look freely at the Blessed Sacrament and the Icon of Mary in the church.

He never ate meat during his life, except when ordered by his medical advisor or his spiritual director and only for health reasons.

His love for his Church and country was always the guideline of his life. Thanks to him, the Maronite Church was furnished with all the liturgical books needed for prayers, consecrations and benedictions. He has been rightly named, "The Father of the Maronite Church."

He was a giant, a genius, so gifted a person that the world would not see the likes of him for centuries. His biographer, Semaan Awad said, "He was like an eagle flying above all the birds and was among his peers like the sun among the stars." They talked about his miracles, but without doubt, the greatest miracle he ever performed was certainly his various and immense writings. Only a person inspired, encouraged and pushed from above can produce the giant-like and encyclopedic treasure he left for posterity to admire.

Patriarch Estephan El Duwayhi died with the scent of holiness, and despite the passage of time, he remained in the hearts of many who believed in his holiness, so they asked for his intercession and prayed for the declaration of his holiness.

The miraculous healing of Rosette Karam, which was attributed to Duwayhi's intercession, has led to his beatification.

Rosette Zakhia Karam, a married woman who suffered from seronegative polyarthritis that left her partly disabled. She was instantly cured, after a family prayer in front of the statue of Patriarch Duwayhi, which stands on the square in front of the church of Ehden, and after taking a piece of land surrounding the pedestal of the statue in her coffee. Rosette Karam immediately felt better enough to walk a great distance to visit her sister, two kilometers from the church.

His eminence and Beatitude, **Cardinal Mar Bechara Boutros Rai** will be celebrating "The Beatification of the Venerable **Mar Estephan El-Duwayhi**" with the representative of His Holiness, **Pope Francis**, "His Eminence **Cardinal Marcello Semeraro**" in a divine liturgy at Bkerke on Friday August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 at 8.30 PM.

As well as a Thanksgiving liturgy on Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 at Ehden at 6.30 PM. Anyone attending must register using the QR code for one or both events.



## Congratulations to the Education Foundation Scholarship Recipients

Mia Abi Ghanem - Monsignor Peter A. Eid Memorial Scholarship

Joselyn Bishara - Monsignor Dominic F. Ashkar Scholarship

Tony Boulos - Josephine Hanna Memorial Scholarship

Elena Chahine – St. Maron Education Foundation for Special Achievement and Dedication Scholarship

Maria Chahine - Dr. John J. Stephens, Jr. Memorial Scholarship

Francesca Dohar - Elizabeth Jabaley Beshara, First Scholarship

Nicholas Judy - John J. and Anna L. Stephens Scholarship

Joseph Marzano - Elizabeth Jabaley Beshara, Second Scholarship

Marissa Marzano - Beverly Mike-Nard Excellence in Nursing Scholarship

Christopher Simon - Betty Claire Nohra Memorial Scholarship

Jon Chahine - Saint Maron Education Foundation Scholarship

Carson Essad - Saint Maron Education Foundation Scholarship

Mark Moradian - Deacon Joseph S. Nohra Scholarship

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