

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 22 MAR / PARABLE OF THE PRODIGAL SON / St. Sergius Paulus
4:30 PM

+ Repose of **Eileen Galip** by Ronald Galip
+ Repose of **Beatriz Ramirez Granados** by Michael & Georgia Dohar

SUN 23 MAR / PARABLE OF THE PRODIGAL SON / St. Rafka
08:30 AM

+ Repose of **Connie Berardino** by Bruce & Karen Joseph
+ Repose of **Faye Basile** by Hekmet & Jean Estephan

11:00 AM

+ Repose of **Rocco & Joann Mediati** by Joe & Rosa Calabria
+ Repose of **Fady Chamoun** by Frances Sarkis

MON 24 MAR / St. Artemon, Bishop of Seleucia
NO LITURGY

TUE 25 MAR / THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE VIRGIN MARY
NO LITURGY

WED 26 MAR / 7:00 PM / St. Gabriel the Archangel
+ Repose of **Susan Garcia** by Yvonne Marzano

THU 27 MAR / 8:30 AM / St. Matrona of Thessalonica
+ Repose of **The Health of the Joseph & Elizabeth Manser Family** by Liz Manser

FRI 28 MAR / DIVINE LITURGY - 12:00 PM / St. Philetus, St. Lydia & Their Children
+ Repose of **William Michael** by Remon Hayek

1:00 PM - 7:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions (24 Hours for the Lord)
7:00 PM Friday Prayer of the Cross
8:00 PM - 12:00 AM Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions

SAT 29 MAR / PARABLE OF THE HEALING OF THE PARALYTIC / St. Cyril of Baalbek
4:30 PM

+ Repose of **Peter Mike (Dohar)** by Michael & Georgia Dohar & Families
+ Repose of **Jane Vigorito** by Nina Hanna

SUN 30 MAR / PARABLE OF THE HEALING OF THE PARALYTIC / St. John Climacus
08:30 AM

+ Repose of **Jim Borak** by Steve & Marian Welsh
+ Repose of **Joseph A. Warino** by Betty Garono

11:00 AM

+ 40-day Memorial of **Ghassan Ghossain** by Sister Renee Ghossain, and Family
+ Repose of **Bassil & Amira Estephan, Estephan Estephan, Nadia Menhem, Joseph Faraj** by Family

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Zech 3:1-7; 2 Cor 13:5-13;
Lk 15:11-32



Lectors - Mar. 22 & 23

Saturday

4:30 pm: Carol Essad
/ Mike Dohar

Sunday

8:30 am: Anne-Marie Luchansky
/ Vince Talley

11:00 am: Charbel Farah
/MCF (3rd & 4th Grade)

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Is 35:1-6,8,9b-10; 1 Tim 5:24-6:5;
Mk 2:1-12



Lectors - Mar. 29 & 30

Saturday

4:30 pm: Christopher Brocius
/ Madeline Clarke

Sunday

8:30 am: Beverly Mike-Nard
/ Salma Hallett

11:00 am: Rose Sahyoun
/Linda Awad

ALTAR SERVERS



THIS WEEK - Mar. 22 & 23

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

NEXT WEEK - Mar. 29 & 30

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

Ushers:

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

No matter how far we wander,
He will
always
run to welcome us back.



Remember in your prayers

SHUT-INS AT HOME:

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



Please pray for

the following people who have died
in the past years
Mar 22 - 28

John J. Stephens, Jr,
Glen El-Hayek, Naum Hayek,
Baderia Alexander,
Helen M. Burnett,
Elizabeth Farris,
Charlotte Thomas,
Sharife Rushwin, Joanne K. Hayek
Nabiha Abraham Basile,
John M. Saba, Ablen Mike,
Joseph Rushwin, John Sheban,
Mary Joseph Saadi,
Virginia Feranchak,
Joseph E. Bukovinsky,

CONNECT TO LIVE STREAMS:

Website: <https://www.stmaronyoungstown.org>
Facebook: www.facebook.com/stmaronyoungstown
Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/saintmaronyo>



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

PARABLE OF THE PRODIGAL SON

MARCH 22 & 23, 2025

SANCTUARY CANDLES - MARCH

- ◆ In Loving Memory of **Colin Donahue**
by Michael & Georgia Dohar & Families
- ◆ In Loving Memory of **Birdie Vantell** by Best Friend Yvonne Marzano
- ◆ In Loving Memory of **Adwane Warchol** by Sue Nakley & Family

ALTAR WINE - MARCH

- ◆ In Loving Memory of **Donna Gabel**
by Daughters, their Spouses & Grandchildren

ALTAR BREAD - MARCH

- ◆ In Loving Memory of **Adwane Warchol** by Sue Nakley & Family

Happy Birthday!

- Mar 22 Marie Basile, Cheryl Cucchiara, Donald Porter
- Mar 23 Camille Chamoun, Nikki Ghossain, Salloum Sahyoun
- Mar 24 Diana Berringer
- Mar 25 William Alexander, Laura Awaida, Mariana Bishara,
Thomas Joseph, Ezra Luchansky
- Mar 26 Gabriel Dohse, Judith Saadey
- Mar 27 Thomas Rohan
- Mar 28 Clara Donchatz



Happy Anniversary!

- Mar 23 Chuck & Rose Guerrieri (51 Years)



BINGO & CARD PARTY

The Mother of the Crucifix Society of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Basilica of Youngstown, Ohio is sponsoring their annual Bingo and Card Party on Sunday, March 30, 2025 at 3 PM. Lunch will be served and the tickets are available for \$7.



JUBILEE YEAR EPARCHIAL PILGRIMAGE

The Maronite Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles is organizing a Pilgrimage to Rome & Sicily from Aug. 25 - Sep. 4. There are only 50 available spots, and over half have already been reserved. See the attached flyer for more information.



THE PRODIGAL SON

The Parable of the Prodigal Son is profoundly significant in the Maronite faith, beautifully illustrating God's infinite mercy, the power of repentance, and the joy of reconciliation. In the story, the father's unwavering love, demonstrated by his eagerness to embrace his returning son, reveals the heart of our Maronite spirituality — that no sin is beyond God's forgiveness. This image of a merciful and compassionate Father is central to our liturgy, especially in prayers that plead for His grace and healing. The robe, ring, and sandals given to the prodigal son symbolize restored dignity, echoing the renewal we experience in the sacraments, particularly in Confession and the Eucharist. The joyful feast prepared by the father mirrors the heavenly banquet we anticipate, where repentance leads to full communion with God. As Maronites, this parable calls us to embrace humility, recognize our need for God's mercy, and extend that same forgiveness to others, fostering peace within our families, communities, and the Church.



UPCOMING EVENTS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- Lenten Bible Study** - Every Thursday at 6:30 pm (Antioch Hall)
- Friday Lenten Services** - Every Friday during Lent at 7 pm (Church)
- Fish Fry** - Every Friday till April 11th, from 3 till 7 pm (Maronite Center)
- Hosanna Brunch** - Sunday, Apr. 13th after 11 am Liturgy (Maronite Center)
- Knights of St. Maron Dinner** - Thursday, May 15th at 6 pm (Antioch Hall)
- VBS - Exploring the Maronite Divine Liturgy** - June 16th through 20th



FRIDAY PRAYER OF THE CROSS

Join us in the church every Friday evening at 7:00 pm during Lent for Ramsho (Evening Prayers), Prayer of the Cross, and Benediction.



24 HOURS FOR THE LORD

His Holiness Pope Francis marked March 28-29, 2025 as a special event during the Jubilee Year, titled "24 Hours for the Lord". This occasion is meant as a special way to celebrate with the Blessed Sacrament exposed. This event is specifically timed to be part of our Lenten journey as we work on our spiritual connection and reconciliation with our GOD and with our brothers and sisters. Therefore, We will have a Divine Liturgy on Friday, March 28th at 12 pm followed by the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament which will stay exposed till 7 pm, when we'll have the Friday Lenten Services. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed again after the Friday Prayers till midnight. We need 2 persons each hour to be at church accompanying the Blessed Sacrament. Sign up sheet is available at the foyer and [online](#). This is our unique way to spend time with the Eucharist and each other preparing for the Resurrection of our Lord.



NO GREATER LOVE - LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

Join us as we grow and walk this sacred Lenten journey together, through Christ's passion. Every Thursday, through April 10th, at 6:30 pm at the Antioch Hall. Food and refreshments will be provided. Signup online at: [Lenten Bible Study 2025](#)



RENEWAL DAYS

The Men's Renewal will be on Sat., March 22nd, 2025. Join us for a beautiful day of faith-building and fellowship. Sign-up sheets are in the church's foyer or online at the links below. You may also call Deacon William for more details at 330-787-2937.



MYO EASTER KOLACHI BAKE SALE!

Order your delicious Kolachi rolls for the season, for \$15 each! Orders are due by Wed., Apr. 9th, and the rolls will be available for pickup [after liturgies](#) on Saturday, April 12th at 5.30 pm, and on Sunday, April 13th at 9.30 am & 12.30 pm. Order forms are in the church's foyer, or call the church office to place your order, or order online at [MYO Easter Kolachi Order](#).



EASTER FLOWERS

If you wish to donate Easter flowers for the altar, in memory of a loved one or for any intention, you may do so for \$20 per plant. You can put your contribution with your intention in an envelope dropped in the offertory basket or at the office.



Weekly Financial Report

03/16/2025

Offertory Collection (74 envelopes used of 288)	\$4,360.00
Candles	\$95.00
Easter Flowers (7 envelopes)	\$500.00
Eparchial Developmental Appeal (1 envelope)	\$50.00
Needy (1 envelopes)	\$20.00
Online Offerings (6 envelopes)	\$360.00

Thank you for your generous donations!

CALLING ALL BAKERS!!

We need baked goods/desserts for our Fish Fry starting March 7th. If you are able to bake & donate, please bring your items to the Maronite Center each Friday morning during the lent season.



HOSANNA SUNDAY BRUNCH

Please join us on Sunday, April 13th, following 11 am Liturgy at the Maronite Center! Please buy your tickets by [Tue., Apr. 8th, 2025](#). We will have a brunch buffet, a raffle, children's entertainment! Adults \$15, youth ages 7-12 \$10, and children 6 and under are free. Tickets are sold online, just scan QR Code  Or visit: [Hosanna Brunch 2025](#)



Have a Blessed
Feast of the
Annunciation
to the Blessed Virgin



“Let it be with me according to Your Word”
Luke 1:38





Join us in the church
during Lent,
every Friday at 7:00 pm

Ramsho (evening prayers),
Prayer of the Cross, and
Benediction.

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ST. MARON CHURCH

LENTEN FISH FRY



Dinner Selections

- Fried Jumbo Haddock - \$16
- Baked Jumbo Haddock - \$16
- Clam Dinner - \$16
- Smelts Dinner - \$18
- Jumbo Shrimp Scampi - \$18
- Fried Jumbo Shrimp - \$18
- Baked Fish w/ Scampi - \$18
- Grilled Tuna Steak - \$23

A La Carte Selections

- Lebanese Cheese \$5
- French Fries \$5
- Mjadra \$6
- Mac & Cheese \$7
- Pierogies \$7
- Clam Strips \$7
- Smelts \$9
- Fried Shrimp \$9

Dinner order includes:

Dinner Roll, 1 side, coleslaw, dessert & coffee

Side Selection:

Pierogies or Mjadra or Fries or Mac & Cheese

AT THE MARONITE CENTER

EVERY FRIDAY

MARCH 7, 14, 21, 28

& APRIL 4, 11

3 - 7 PM

Call-in Orders: 330-792-7671

Cash & Credit Cards Accepted

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24 Hours for the Lord

FRIDAY, MARCH 28
From Noon till Midnight

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Confessions

Prayer of the Cross
7:00 PM



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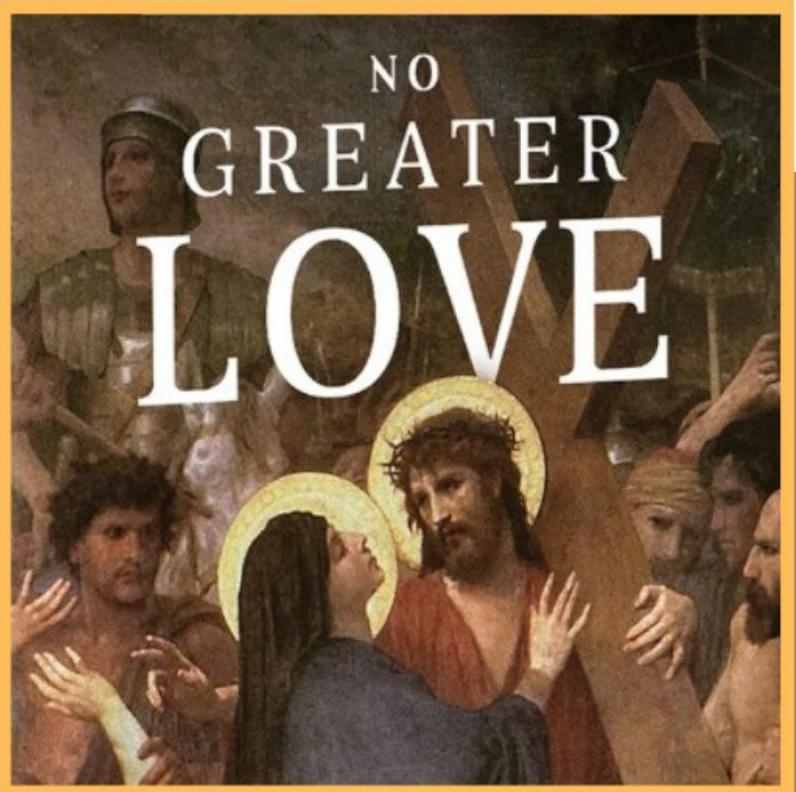
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Lenten Bible Study

Join us as we grow and walk
this sacred Lenten journey,
through Christ's passion.



**Every Thursday, through April 10th,
at 6:30 pm at Antioch Hall.**

**Sign up online at:
tinyurl.com/lentenstudy25**



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The Guild of St. Anthony Annual Recognition Dinner

**Saturday, April 26th
6 pm**

**at the Cedar Hall
of the Basilica & National Shrine
of Our Lady of Lebanon
2759 North Lipkey Road
North Jackson, OH 44451**



The Guild of St. Anthony of the Desert is an annual fundraiser that helps raise money to assist the Antonine Sisters in their ministry for the elderly and disabled, especially those with Alzheimer's Disease.

**\$95 per person
(\$65 is tax deductible)**

**PLEASE RSVP to the Antonine Sisters
330-538-9822 by Friday, April 18.**

Upcoming Events



MYO

2025

**All MYO are asked to attend Friday Prayers
during Lent (Every Friday at 7 PM)**

MAR
16
5.30 - 8.30PM

Meeting

APR
12
9AM - 5PM

Kolachi Day

MAY
04
11 AM-4.30PM

Blessed Mother Spiritual Day

JUN
23-28

National Conference MYO

MYO Easter Kolachi Sale

Deadline to order is Wednesday, April 9th

ORDER NOW

HAPPY
EASTER

\$15 each
Your choice:
Nut
Poppy Seed
Apricot



Pickup will be after 4:30 Liturgy
on Saturday, Apr. 12th
and after both liturgies on Sunday, Apr. 13th

Order Forms are available in the church's foyer
and online at tinyurl.com/easterkolachi

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



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EASTER FLOWERS

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

\$20 per plant



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2025 LENTEN APPEAL

BISHOP'S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

As we approach the Lenten season, I want to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering support of our cherished Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles. These times present us with numerous challenges, both locally and internationally, and yet your commitment remains steadfast.

Lent offers us a unique opportunity to deepen our spiritual lives through prayer, fasting, and acts of kindness. It invites us to reflect on the countless blessings bestowed upon us and encourages us to extend our hands to those who are in need.

This Lent, I reach out to you for your assistance in addressing our most pressing needs:

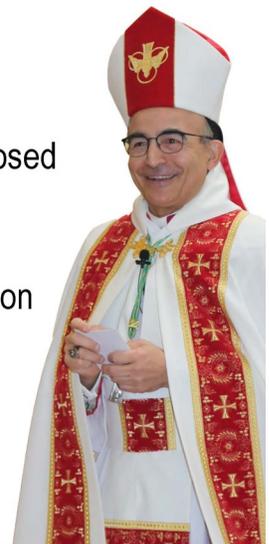
- Education and Formation for our Seminarians
- Support for Missions and Parishes
- Development of Ministries for our Children, Youth, and Young Adults
- Charitable Aid for our brothers and sisters both here in the USA and in Lebanon, Syria, and across the Middle East

The Annual Appeal details these urgent needs, as outlined in the enclosed brochure. Your generous contributions and prayers are invaluable and deeply appreciated. On behalf of those who will benefit from your kindness, I want to personally thank you for your thoughtful consideration and support.

Prayerfully yours in Christ,

+A. Elias Zaidan

Bishop of the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles





**Maronite Patriarchate
of Antioch And All the Est**

The Great Lent - Collective Procession

Fifteenth Lent Message

Of His Eminence

The Patriarch Cardinal Bechara Boutros Raii

Patriarch of Antioch and All the East

Bkerke 2025

The Great Lent Collective Procession

We are all called to observe Lent, following the example of Our Lord Jesus Christ who, “After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry” (Matthew 4:2). The forty-day community journey rests on three integrated and interconnected foundations: fasting, prayer and almsgiving.

Fasting, abstaining from food from midnight until noon, as a sign of repentance, contrition and remorse for venial and mortal sins, while confessing them. It is a time of renewal for the repentant, and the beginning of a new life. Lent is a time of returning to God through the sacrament of reconciliation, instituted by Our Lord Jesus Christ, with the abundance of his love and divine mercy; it is like a new birth, erasing the old life deformed by sins. Fasting is a sacred time during which we return to God, stand in solidarity with our brothers and sisters, share Christ's fasting, life and sufferings, and resist the tempter.

Prayer is the elevation of mind and heart to God, a human response to the Word of God that nourishes our faith. It is humility of heart before the magnificence of God, and man's need for God, from whom comes all that is good. Lent is a time of prayer and renewal through divine grants. Authentic and effective prayer is that of the heart, not of the lips, for if the heart is far from God, prayer of the lips is meaningless. The heart is God's dwelling place, where our prayer becomes a relationship of covenant and communion with God.

Almsgiving means sharing with our brothers and sisters what they need from what we have, whether it is a lot or a little. Through sharing and communion, we overcome the temptation of selfishness, possessive greed and the love of money, which stand in the way of God's priority in our lives. The worship of worldly riches separates us from God and our brothers and sisters, and deceives us with illusory happiness. Almsgiving is an act of love towards those in material, moral, spiritual or social need. Christ identifies with these brothers and sisters (cf. Matthew 25:35-36).

Almsgiving can be carried out directly or through groups, charitable associations and institutions, and well-known organizations such as Caritas Lebanon, which is the social body of the Church in Lebanon and is present throughout the country. Caritas is conducting a collection campaign throughout Lent.

We would like to express our gratitude to all donors, individuals and groups.

Pastoral guidelines

A- Great Lent and fasting during and outside Lent

1. **Great Lent** lasts seven weeks, in preparation for Easter. It begins on Ash Monday and ends on the evening of Holy Saturday. It is based on **abstinence from food** from midnight to midday, as well as abstinence from meat and whites (milk, its derivatives and eggs).

2. The Saturdays, Sundays and the following public holidays **are exempt from fasting and abstinence**: Saint Jean Maron (March 2), the Forty Martyrs (March 9), Saint Joseph (March 19), the Annunciation (March 25) and the Patron Saint of the parish. Throughout Holy Week, from Monday to Holy Saturday, fasting and abstinence remain mandatory.

3. **Exempted from fasting and abstinence** are, in general, the sick and elderly whose state of health requires them to eat adequately in order to regain their strength, in particular those undergoing medical treatment for chronic illnesses or in special, delicate health conditions. This exemption also applies to patients undergoing temporary or regular hospitalization. It is also established that children begin fasting the year after their First Communion, while taking into account their situation during school days.

Those who are exempt from the law of fasting and abstinence are asked to make do with a breakfast sufficient to take the medicine.

In view of the necessities of life and to ease the burden on the faithful, the law of abstinence remains obligatory during the first week of Great Lent and during Holy Week, provided that those who cannot adhere to abstinence must compensate by acts of charity.

4. **Abstinence is practiced in the Church on the occasion of three feasts**, each limited to one week according to our authority. These are: **the abstinence of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul**, and of the Twelve Apostles (June 21 to 28), **the abstinence of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary** (August 8 to 14) **and the abstinence of Christmas** (December 16 to 24).

5. **The Friday fast** lasts all year round. Fridays excluded: the Friday before the start of Great Lent, the Fridays between Easter and Pentecost, and between Christmas and Epiphany. Fridays coinciding with the following feasts are also excluded: The Circumcision of the Child Jesus (January 1), Saint Anthony the Great (January 17), The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple (February 2), Saint John Maron (March 2), The Forty Martyrs (March 9), Saint Joseph (March 19), The Annunciation (March 25), Saints Apostles Peter and Paul (June 29), Assumption of the Virgin Mary (August 15), Beheading of John the Baptist (August 29), Nativity of the Virgin Mary (September 8),

Exaltation of the Cross (September 14), Immaculate Conception (December 8), Christmas (December 25), Patron Saint of the parish, Sacred Heart of Jesus.

B- Eucharistic fast

This is the abstinence from light food by priests and faithful in preparation for receiving the Most Holy Eucharist during the Divine Liturgy, at least one hour before the start of Mass. And we take this opportunity to remind you of the importance of maintaining a state of grace, decency of dress and piety, as well as invoking Christ the Lord present in the bread and wine.

Conclusion

6. Great Lent is the “**favorable time**” for spiritual and human merits, stemming from fasting, prayer and almsgiving, as well as repentance and reconciliation. It is a “**time of grace**” that leads us to the “crossing over” to new life with Christ's Passover.

We pray God, through the intercession of our Mother, the Virgin Mary, Our Lady of Lebanon, and of our father Saint Maron, to grant His grace to all the members of our Church: pastors, priests, monks, nuns and faithful, in Lebanon, in the patriarchal territory and in the countries of the diaspora. We implore stability and peace for our homelands, for the glory of the Most Holy Trinity: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

With my love, prayers and apostolic blessing.

Bkerke, February 24, 2025

+ Cardinal Bechara Boutros Raii
Patriarch of Antioch and All the East

Maronite Enrichment Days 2025

St. Ephrem The Man and the Myth



Joseph P. Amar,
PhD

April

30

The Stories We Tell

10:00–11:30 am

We do terrible things to the saints. Instead of modeling ourselves on them, we recreate them in our own image. This session opens with an overview of how the Ephrem of history has been systematically erased and replaced by a caricature of someone who never existed. The reasons for this are as troubling as they are destructive.

Ephrem's World

1:30–3:00 pm

Recovering the Ephrem of history begins by letting him speak for himself, from his own time and place. How did the circumstances of Ephrem's life shape him? How did Ephrem become Ephrem?

May

01

The Work of Your Helper

10:00–11:30 am

How did Ephrem understand himself? He informs us that he has the anointing of heaven, that he speaks for God, that the power that animates and enlivens scripture flows into him, and through him, into his own time. But there are skeletons in his closet: Ephrem carries a dark secret from his past.

Why Ephrem Matters

1:00–2:30 pm

Ephrem's vision offers a path that is simple but hard. It is not the path of orthodoxy (right doctrine) or orthopraxy (right morality) but of orthopathy (authentic spirituality), which is nothing less than an embrace of ROZO.

**Our Lady of Lebanon
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Schedule—Maronite Enrichment Days
Ephrem the Syrian: The Man and the Myth
Guest Speaker:
Joseph P. Amar, PhD

Schedule Maronite Enrichment Days April 29-May 02, 2025				
	Tuesday, April 29, 2025	Wednesday, April 30, 2025	Thursday, May 01, 2025	Friday, May 02, 2025
8:30 am–9:30	Arrival	Celebration of the Divine Mysteries		Celebration of the Divine Mysteries
9:30–10:00		Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break
10:00–11:30		1st Session:	3rd Session:	
		The Stories We Tell	The Work of Your Helper	
12:00–1:00 pm		Light Lunch	Light Lunch	
1:00–1:30pm		Concert 1:00–1:30	4th Session: 1:00–2:30	
		Maronite Seminary Chamber Choir	Why Ephrem Matters	
1:30–3:00pm		2nd Session: 1:30–3:00		
	Ephrem’s World		Break: 2:30–5:45pm	
5:45–6:45	Celebration of the Divine Mysteries	Free Time	Celebration of the Divine Mysteries	
6:45 pm—?	Light Dinner		Dinner	



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Hosanna Sunday Brunch

SUNDAY, APRIL 13TH
FOLLOWING 11:00 LITURGY
THE MARONITE CENTER



**TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED
IN ADVANCE BY APRIL 4TH**

\$15 for adults, \$10 ages 7-12
Kids under 6 are free

**Buy your tickets online at:
tinyurl.com/hosanna2025**



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The National Apostolate of Maronites (NAM) is the official lay apostolate of the Maronite Church of the USA and the only one in the world. Its mission is to assist its bishops, serve as a link in unifying Maronite laity in the US, and strengthen the bond between clergy and laity. Helping to preserve Beit Maroun for generations to come. You can make a difference, keep the flame burning.



WHY BECOME A MEMBER

- *Participation in NAM Conventions and Events*
- *Discounted Registration*
- *Eligibility to Run For Office*
- *Eligibility to Become a Delegate*
- *Scholarship Eligibility*
- *Enrich Your Spiritual and Cultural Connection*
- *and more!*

REGISTER HERE!



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THE MARONITE ACADEMY
INITIATIVE, **8TH ANNUAL SESSION**

In honor of the late H.E. **MICHEL EDDE**
Founder and honorary President
of the Maronite Foundation

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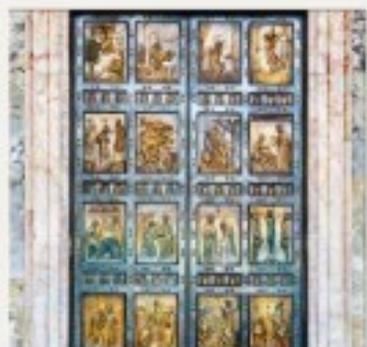
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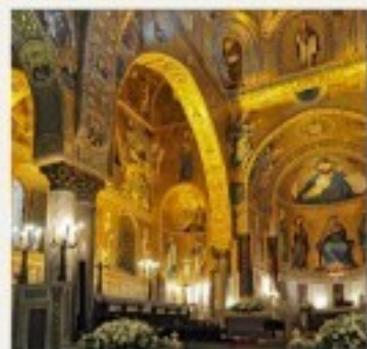
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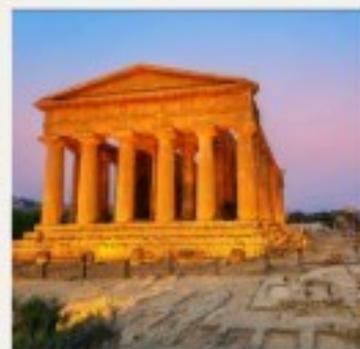
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Pilgrimage Itinerary

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Monday, August 25, 2025

Depart the United States to Rome Airport (FCO)

Tuesday, August 26-ROME

Wednesday, August 27-ROME

Thursday, August 28- ROME

Friday, August 29-ROME – PALERMO – MONREALE

Saturday, August 30-PALERMO

Sunday, August 31-ERICE – SELINUNTE – AGRIGENTO

Monday, September 1-AGRIGENTO VALLE DEI TEMPLI – STAIRWAY OF THE TURKS OF REALMONTE

Tuesday, September 2-AGRIGENTO VILLA ROMANA DEL CASALE di PIAZZA ARMERINA E CEFALU' – PALERMO

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