

## OUR LADY OF MERCY

### MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## GENEALOGY SUNDAY December 22<sup>nd</sup> 2024



### Reconciliation (Confessions)

Saturday – 2:30PM to 3:30PM

Sunday – 8:30AM to 9:30AM

By appointment

### Divine Liturgy/Mass Schedule

Tuesday through Friday 9AM

in the Chapel.

Saturday – 4PM/Sunday - 10AM

### Eucharistic Adoration

Thursdays - 5:30pm to 6:30pm

Fridays - 9:30am- 10:30am

Saturday - 2PM to 3:45PM

### First Saturday Devotion

Every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday

2:00pm – Eucharistic Exposition

3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

3:10pm Holy Rosary

4:00 pm Divine Liturgy

### Baptism and Chrismation

Contact the priest at least  
three (3) months prior to the  
requested date.

### Matrimony /Crowning

Contact the priest at least  
one (1) year prior to  
requested date.

If you are new to the parish, please know that you are dearly loved and welcomed to be a member of our community of faith. To ensure receiving communication from the parish as a parishioner, please see the priest or one of the ushers.

**“YOU ARE PRECIOUS AND HONORED IN MY SIGHT AND I LOVE YOU” ISAIAH 43:4**

**I AND MARISE WISH YOU AND YOUR LOVED ONES A VERY BLESSED, JOYFUL  
AND MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HEALTHY, HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

**Divine Liturgy Intentions – GENEALOGY SUNDAY**

**Saturday December 21<sup>st</sup> - Fr Peter & Marise Frangie (21<sup>st</sup> Wedding Anniversary)**

**Sunday December 22<sup>nd</sup> – Elias Georges (1-year anniversary) Isaiah 11:1-4a,6-9; Roman 1:1-12; Matthew 1:1-17**

**Monday December 23<sup>rd</sup> – In memory of Cecilia Manrique Ortiz**

**Tuesday December 24<sup>th</sup>, Christmas Vigil (5:30pm) – For the intentions of the Williams Family**

**Christmas Midnight Liturgy (11:30pm) – For conversion of hearts and salvation of souls**

**Wednesday December 25<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Day – For the intentions of the Flammia and Yago Families**

**Thursday December 26<sup>th</sup> - For the intentions of Roger Nehme and his family.**

**Friday December 27<sup>th</sup> - In memory of Cecilia Manrique Ortiz**

**Saturday December 28<sup>th</sup> - In memory of David “Duddie” Massad (5 years anniversary of death)**

**Sunday December 29<sup>th</sup> – In memory of Barbara Karrat (1 year anniversary of death)**

**Stewardship of God’s Blessings for the Week of 12/09-12/15/2024**

**Saturday/Sunday collection - \$1434.00 Online Giving - \$163.11; Breakfast/w Santa -1657.00**

**Total – \$3254.11 Thank you for your continuous support of our parish and its many needs. May God bless your generosity to Our Lady of Mercy. To make a tax-deductible online offering especially when you are not here, please go to our Church’s website and scroll down to donate.**

**Please remember Our Lady of Mercy Church in your will.**

**1. REGISTER FOR OUR ARABIC CLASSES STARTING IN JANUARY 2025**

**2. JOIN US FOR NEW YEAR’S EVE PARTY- DECEMBER 31ST**

**For more information about our events listed above, our Christmas Novena and liturgies schedule, our hall rental, please check the flyers.**

**November 2024 Financial Standing**

**Ordinary Income Collections on Sundays- \$8772.46 Stipend, Donations, Candles, Gifts of the heart...**

**\$1100 All Saints Day Party: \$3400**

**Total Income - \$13272**

**Ordinary Expenses Payroll, Gas, Electricity, Eparchial Appeal, Garbage pickup, past due expenses...**

**\$16,707.71**

**Total Ordinary Income vs Expenses: -\$3435.25**

**Do you know? A couple of basic monthly expenses: The Church’s monthly building Insurance is \$1764.00. The Monthly Eparchial Assessment & Bishop’s Appeal is 1,000 a month. Thank you for your support and for maintaining the Church through your donation and the different activities we plan.**

**Gifts of the Heart for the Month of December**

**Altar Bread and Wine in the chapel, Altar Candles and Sanctuary Lamp in the church and in the chapel – All these items are offered for the intentions of the Parishioners of St Anthony in VA.**

**Altar Bread and Wine in the church - In Thanksgiving for God’s blessings requested by Deacon Adonis ElAsmar**

**Adoration Candles in the Church – For the Blati Family**

**Altar Candles in the chapel - In memory of Louis Iovieno requested by Louise Iovieno**

**Promoting Vocations - The Eparchy is trying to bring more awareness to the different vocations in life. For this reason, an icon of the Holy Family along with a prayer will be given to a different family each week for prayer every night so God may guide us to discern and promote the various vocations. See Fr. Peter for more information. To register, please click [here](#).**



# 2024 Christmas Novena, Reconciliation and Divine Liturgy Schedule

## Christmas Novena & Confessions

Christmas Novena begins on December 15 and ends on December 23. On weekdays the novena will be prayed during Holy Hour and confessions will be heard. Join us to prepare your heart for the birth of our Savior.

Sunday December 15 - immediately after 10 am Divine Liturgy

Monday December 16 - Friday December 20 - at 6:30pm

Saturday December 21st - at 3:30pm before 4pm Divine Liturgy

Sunday December 22nd- immediately after 10 am Divine Liturgy

Monday December 23rd - at 6:30pm



### Divine Liturgy of the Nativity of Our Lord

Tuesday December 24th - 5:30pm

Tuesday December 24th - 11:30pm (Midnight)

Wednesday December 25th - 11:00am

### Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

Tuesday December 31st - 8:30pm

Wednesday January First 2025 - 11:00am

### Reconciliation (Confessions)

Saturdays 2:30-3:30pm, Sundays 8:30am -9:30am Weekdays

Christmas Novena (as indicated above)

Our Lady of Mercy Maronite Catholic Church  
341 June Street Worcester MA 01602



**Dinner** **Ring In 2025 Together** **Music**

**NYE Party**  
**Our Lady of Mercy**  
**Church Hall** **BYOB**

**\$50 Adults**  
**\$25 Kids**  
**12 YO & under**

**08:30 pm: Divine Liturgy - 09:30 pm: Party**

**Bring a gift worth \$15 to participate in the**  
**Christmas White Elephant Exchange (optional)**  
**Please RSVP by December 25**

**Playing cards**

**For Reservation: Elie Sleiman: (978) 746-4639**  
**Rony Zoghby: (774) 312-3447**

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**2024 Christmas  
Flowers  
Offerings**

**Our Lady of  
Mercy Maronite  
Catholic Church**



**Many thanks to everyone who offered  
Christmas Flowers to decorate our church**

***To the Glory of God  
and in Loving Memory of:***

***Offered by:***

Sam Aswad & Tony Chaaya

Grace Aswad

Mohsen Bassim  
Najat and Faris Malki

Sabine and Adrian Bassim

The deceased members of the Daou  
& Kahale Families

Hoda Daou

The deceased members of the  
El Hayek & Sbat Families

Carine and Ralph ElHayek

Louis Ioveno

Louise Ioveno

The deceased members of the  
George and Louis Families

Joe & Dianne Louis

The deceased members of the  
Morroe & Elybri Families

Mirra Morroe

Patricia and Walter Thomas

Denise Thomas

***To the Glory of God  
and in Thanksgiving for:***

God's Blessings

Noha Azzi

God's Blessings

Claude and Charles Blati

God's Blessings

Hoda Daou

God's Blessings

Fr Peter & Marise Frangie

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**St. Therese** *The Little Flower,*  
Please pick me a Rose from the Heavenly  
Garden and send it to me with a Message of  
Love. Ask God to grant me the Favor I Thee  
implore and tell Him I will Love Him each day  
More and More.

(The above prayer, plus 5 Our Fathers, 5 Hail Mary's, 5 Glory Be's, must be said on 5 successive days, before 11 a.m. On the 5th day, the 5th set of prayers having been completed, offer one more set — 5 Our Father's, 5 Hail Mary's, 5 Glory Be's.)

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## Genealogy Sunday

### Letter to the Romans 1:1-12

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed throughout the world. For God, whom I serve with my spirit by announcing the gospel of his Son, is my witness that without ceasing I remember you always in my prayers, asking that by God's will I may somehow at last succeed in coming to you. For I am longing to see you so that I may share with you some spiritual gift to strengthen you or rather so that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine.

### The Gospel according to Saint Matthew 1:1-17

An account of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham. Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Aram, and Aram the father of Aminadab, and Aminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon, and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab, and Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse, and Jesse the father of King David. And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah, and Solomon the father of Rehoboam, and Rehoboam the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father of Asaph, and Asaph the father of Jehoshaphat, and Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of Uzziah, and Uzziah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah, and Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, and Manasseh the father of Amos, and Amos the father of Josiah, and Josiah the father of Jechoniah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon. And after the deportation to Babylon: Jechoniah was the father of Salathiel, and Salathiel the father of Zerubbabel, and Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, and Abiud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of Azor, and Azor the father of Zadok, and Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eliud, and Eliud the father of Eleazar, and Eleazar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called the Messiah. So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; and from David to the deportation to Babylon, fourteen generations; and from the deportation to Babylon to the Messiah, fourteen generations.

## أحد النسبة

### رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل رومة 1:1-12

يا إخوتي، من بولس عبد المسيح يسوع، الذي دُعي ليكون رسولاً، وفُرز لإنجيل الله، هذا الإنجيل الذي وعد به الله من قبل، بأنبيائه في الكتب المقدسة، في شأن ابنه الذي ولد بحسب الجسد من نسل داود، وجعل بحسب روح القداسة ابن الله بقوة أي بالقيامة من بين الأموات، وهو يسوع المسيح ربنا، به نلنا النعمة والرسالة لكي نهدى إلى طاعة الإيمان جميع الأمم، لمجد اسمه؛ ومن بينهم أنتم أيضاً مدعوون لتكونوا ليسوع المسيح؛ إلى جميع الذين في روما، إلى أحبائهم الله، المدعوين ليكونوا قديسين: أَلتَّعْمَةُ لَكُمْ وَالسَّلَامُ مِنْ اللَّهِ أَبِيْنَا وَالرَّبِّ يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحِ إِقْبَلْ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ، أَشْكُرُ إِلَهِي يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحَ مِنْ أَجْلِكُمْ جَمِيعًا، لِأَنَّ إِيمَانَكُمْ يُنَادِي بِهِ فِي الْعَالَمِ كُلِّهِ. يَشْهَدُ عَلَيَّ اللَّهُ، الَّذِي أَعْبُدُهُ بِرُوحِي، بِحَسَبِ إِنْجِيلِ ابْنِهِ، أَنِّي أَذْكُرْكُمْ بِغَيْرِ انْقِطَاعٍ، ضَارِعًا فِي صَلَّاتِي عَلَى الدَّوَامِ أَنْ يَتَسَبَّرَ لِي يَوْمًا، بِمَشِيئَةِ اللَّهِ، أَنْ أَتِيَ إِلَيْكُمْ. فَإِنِّي أَتَشَوَّقُ أَنْ أَرَاكُمْ، لِأَشْرِكْكُمْ فِي مَوْهَبَةِ رُوحِيَّةٍ وَأَشَدِّدْكُمْ، أَيْ لِأَتَعَزَّى مَعَكُمْ وَبَيْنَكُمْ بِإِيمَانِي وَإِيمَانِكُمُ الْمُشْتَرَكِ.

### إنجيل القديس متى 1:1-17

«كِتَابُ مِيلَادِ يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحِ، ابْنِ دَاوُدَ، ابْنِ إِبْرَاهِيمَ: إِبْرَاهِيمُ وَلَدَ إِسْحَقَ، إِسْحَقُ وَلَدَ يَعْقُوبَ، يَعْقُوبُ وَلَدَ يَهُوذَا وَإِخْوَتَهُ، يَهُوذَا وَلَدَ فَارَصَ وَفَارَصَ مِنْ تَامَارَ، فَارَصُ وَلَدَ حَصْرُونَ، حَصْرُونَ وَلَدَ أَرَامَ، أَرَامُ وَلَدَ عَمِينَادَابَ، عَمِينَادَابُ وَلَدَ نَحْشُونَ، نَحْشُونَ وَلَدَ سَلْمُونَ، سَلْمُونَ وَلَدَ بُوعَزَ مِنْ رَاْحَابَ، بُوعَزُ وَلَدَ عُوبِيدَ مِنْ رَاغُوتَ، عُوبِيدُ وَلَدَ يَسَى، يَسَى وَلَدَ دَاوُدَ الْمَلِكِ. دَاوُدُ وَلَدَ سُلَيْمَانَ مِنْ أَمْرَأَةٍ أُورِيَا، سُلَيْمَانَ وَلَدَ رَحْبَعَامَ، رَحْبَعَامُ وَلَدَ أَبِيَا، أَبِيَا وَلَدَ آسَا، آسَا وَلَدَ يُوشَافَاطَ، يُوشَافَاطُ وَلَدَ يُورَامَ، يُورَامُ وَلَدَ عُوزِيَا، عُوزِيَا وَلَدَ يُوتَامَ، يُوتَامُ وَلَدَ أَحَازَ، أَحَازُ وَلَدَ جَزَقِيَا، جَزَقِيَا وَلَدَ مَنَسَّى، مَنَسَّى وَلَدَ أَمُونَ، أَمُونَ وَلَدَ يُوشِيَا، يُوشِيَا وَلَدَ يُوْكَنِيَا وَإِخْوَتَهُ، وَكَانَ السَّبْيُ إِلَى بَابِلَ. بَعْدَ السَّبْيِ إِلَى بَابِلَ، يُوْكَنِيَا وَلَدَ شَالْتِيئِيلَ، شَالْتِيئِيلُ وَلَدَ زُرْبَابِلَ، زُرْبَابِلُ وَلَدَ أَبِيهُودَ، أَبِيهُودُ وَلَدَ إِلْيَاقِيمَ، إِلْيَاقِيمُ وَلَدَ عَازُورَ، عَازُورُ وَلَدَ صَادُوقَ، صَادُوقُ وَلَدَ أَخِيمَ، أَخِيمُ وَلَدَ إِلْيَهُودَ، إِلْيَهُودُ وَلَدَ إِلْيَعَازَرَ، إِلْيَعَازَرُ وَلَدَ مَتَّانَ، مَتَّانُ وَلَدَ يَعْقُوبَ، يَعْقُوبُ وَلَدَ يُوسُفَ رَجُلَ مَرْيَمَ، الَّتِي مِنْهَا وَلَدَ يَسُوعَ، وَهُوَ الَّذِي يُدْعَى الْمَسِيحُ. فَجَمِيعُ الْأَجْيَالِ مِنْ إِبْرَاهِيمَ إِلَى دَاوُدَ أَرْبَعَةٌ عَشَرَ جِيلًا، وَمِنْ سَبْيِ بَابِلَ إِلَى سَبْيِ بَابِلَ إِلَى الْمَسِيحِ أَرْبَعَةٌ عَشَرَ جِيلًا.