OUR LADY OF MERCY MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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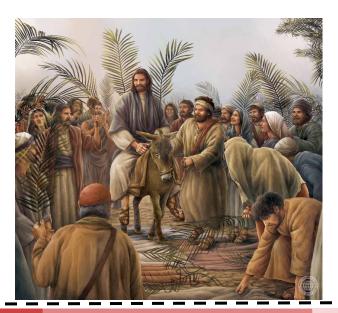
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Hosanna Sunday: Palm Sunday April 13th, 2025



Reconciliation (Confessions)

Saturday –2:30pm to 3:30pm Sunday – 8:30am to 9:30am By appointment

First Saturday Devotion

Every 1st Saturday
2:00pm — Eucharistic Exposition
3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet
3:10pm Holy Rosary
4:00 pm Divine Liturgy

Divine Liturgy/Mass Schedule

Tuesday through Friday 9am in the Chapel.

Saturday – 4pm/Sunday – 10am

Baptism and Chrismation

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

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursdays -9:30am to 10:30am Fridays - 9:30am- 10:30am Saturdays - 2pm to 3:45pm

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

<u>Divine Liturgy Intentions</u> – Hosanna Sunday: Palm Sunday

Saturday April 12th @ 9:00 AM- For the intentions and donors of Catholic Extension

Saturday April 12th @ 4:00 PM- For the intentions and donors of Catholic Extension

Hosanna Sunday April 13th @10:00 AM- In memory of Youssef & Labiby Jreij Requested by their son Michel Jreij & granddaughter Laura Bitar

Zech 9:9-11,15a,16-17; Phi 1:1-13; John 12:12-22

Monday of Passion week April 14th @7:00 PM- For the intentions and donors of Catholic Extension

Tuesday of Passion week April 15th @7:00 PM – For the intentions and donors of Catholic Extension

Wednesday of Passion week April 16th @7:00 PM – Liturgy &Rite of the Lamp

Thursday of the Mysteries April 17th @ 7:00 PM- Divine Liturgy of the Rite of the Washing of the feet

Good Friday of the Crucifixion, April 18th 9 AM- Liturgy of the Anaphora of the Signing of the Chalice

7:00 PM – Liturgy of the Adoration of the Cross

Great Saturday of the light, April 19th @ 11 AM- Prayer of Forgiveness

Easter Vigil, Saturday April 19th @6PM– For the intentions and donors of Catholic Extension Sunday of the Great Resurrection Liturgy & the Rite of Peace April 20th @ 10:00 AM- For the Intentions of the Parishioners

Stewardship of God's Blessings for the Week of 03/31/2025-04/06/2025

Saturday/Sunday collection - \$1653.00; Online Giving - \$264.11; Bishop Appeal: \$252.00; Total - \$2169.11 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.

"Whatever you do, do from the heart, as for the Lord and not for others, knowing that you will receive from the Lord the due payment of the inheritance" (Colossians 3:23-24) and remember that "God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:7)

Please remember Our Lady of Mercy Church in your will.

SUPPORT OUR BAKE SALE ON PALM SUNDAY APRIL 13 AFTER 10 AM DIVINE LITURGY

Gifts of the Heart for the Month of April

Altar Candles in the church - In memory of Louis Iovieno offered by Louise Iovieno.

Altar Bread and Wine, Sanctuary Lamp and Adoration candles in the Church – For the intentions of Don & Pat Quintiliani and their family

Altar Candles, Sanctuary Lamp, Altar Bread and Wine in the chapel – For the intentions of Don & Pat Quintiliani and their family

<u>Promoting Vocations</u> - 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.**

Scripture Verse for the week- FOR I KNOW THE PLANS I HAVE FOR YOU," DECLARES THE LORD, "PLANS TO PROSPER YOU AND NOT TO HARM YOU, PLANS TO GIVE YOU HOPE AND A FUTURE. - Jeremiah 29:11







HOLY WEEK & RESURRECTION SUNDAY AT OUR LADY OF MERCY Maronite Catholic Church

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Saturday April 12: Vigil Palm Sunday - 04:00 pm

- Sunday April 13: Palm Sunday with Solemn procession 10:00 am
- Monday April 14: Coming to the Harbor 07:00 pm
- Tuesday April 15: Coming to the Harbor 07:00 pm
- Wednesday April 16: Healing Service / Rite of the Lamp 7:00 pm
- Thursday April 17: Washing of the Feet 07:00 pm

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament - 09:00 pm to Midnight

- Friday April 17: Signing of the Chalice / Pre-sanctified Gifts 09:00 am Burial of the Lord - 07:00 pm
- Saturday April 19: Awaited Light / Prayer of Forgiveness 11:00 am Vigil Liturgy of Easter Sunday - 06:00 pm
- Sunday April 20: Easter 10:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered daily from 06:00 pm to 06:45 pm Except Holy Thursday and Saturday of the Light from 10:00 am to 10:45 am

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ALL OUR LITURGIES.

May you experience on a deeper level the merciful love of Christ through the Sacrament of Reconciliation & an appreciation for the redemptive work of Christ on the cross * (508) 752-4287 / www.ourladyofmercymaronite.org







2025 Jubilee Year of "Pilgrims of Hope"

The Jubilee Year is a time of grace, mercy, and renewal. It is a time to open wide the doors of our hearts to Christ, to draw closer to him in every way, and to let the Holy Spirit transform us into faithful disciples.

Live in the Hope of Christ and be a shining hope for others.

Please share with your friends that our parish is designated as a Pilgrimage Site for this year until January 6, 2026.

https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/bollettino/pubblico/2024/05/13/240513f.html

Lent Guideline

Our Lent begins this year with

Ash Monday, March 3rd

and concludes on

Easter Sunday, April 20th

Below are the Lent Regulations

All those who have reached their 14th birthday are to abstain from eating meat on Ash Monday and on all Fridays of Lent. Fasting should be from midnight until noon. Of course you are all encouraged to also fast and do other acts of penance on the other days during Lent, especially Fridays. There are plenty works of charity and you can help by doing your share of compassion and mercy. Most importantly do good things instead of just giving up some food.

Have a blessed Lent.

Confessions during Lent

You are encouraged to approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation during this season of Lent. Catholics must go to confession at least once a year and as often as they need it in order to cleanse themselves of sins and be in a state of grace.



Holy Door

The practice was reestablished in the year 1300 by
Pope Boniface VIII. Issued a bill of indulgence
proclaiming that Christians who confessed their sins,
received the Eucharist, and made a pilgrimage to
Rome could receive a plenary indulgence — a grace
granted by the Church through the merits of Jesus
Christ to remove the temporal punishment due to sin.
Let us rejoice, our Parish is designated as a pilgrimage
site.

To live the Holy Year fully and fruitfully, the faithful are encouraged to embrace the following:

- Prayer: Personal and communal, frequent participation in the Holy Eucharist and Mystery of Reconciliation
- Pilgrimage and Indulgences: Visit a pilgrimage site, meet the requirements for plenary indulgency and prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father
- Acts of Charity and Mercy: Practice other corporal and spiritual works of mercy.

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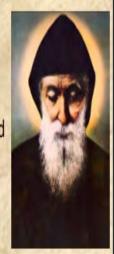
Join the Order of St. Sharbel

The order of St. Sharbel supports the education of Maronite seminarians and our retired priests who deserve a decent retirement.

Please consider joining the Order as an Annual Member for \$500 a year, or Perpetual Member for \$5,000 for life.

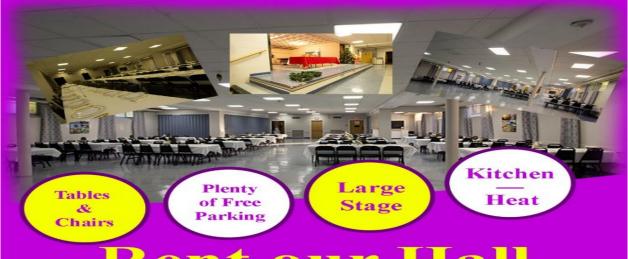
Information about the Order can be found at www.orderstsharbel.org

Thank you for considering this invitation.



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The gates of heaven are opened through prayer and fasting.



Rent our Hall Our Lady of Mercy

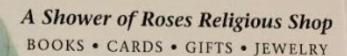
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St. Therese The Little Flower,
Please pick me a Rose from the Heavenly
Garden and send it to me with a Message of
Love. Ask God to grant me the Favor I Thee
implore and tell Him I will Love Him each day
More and More.

(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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Hosanna Sunday

Letter to the Philippians 1: 1-13

Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus, to all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the bishops and deacons: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now.

I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel.

For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that on the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God. I want you to know, beloved, that what has happened to me has actually helped to spread the gospel, so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to everyone else that my imprisonment is for Christ.

The Gospel according to Saint John 12: 12-22

The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, 'Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord the King of Israel!' Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written: 'Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!' His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him. So the crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to testify. It was also because they heard that he had performed this sign that the crowd went to meet him.

The Pharisees then said to one another, 'You see, you can do nothing. Look, the world has gone after him!' Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus.

أحد الشعانين

رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل فيلبّى 1:1-13

يا إخوتي، مِنْ بُولُسَ وطِيمُوتَاوُس، عَبْدَي المسيح يَسُوع، إلى جَميع القِدِّيسِينَ في المَسِيح يَسُوع، الَّذِينَ في فِيلِبِّي، مع ٱلأَساقِفَةِ وِ الشَّمامِسَةُ: إَلنِّعْمَةُ لَكُم، والسَّلامُ من اللهِ أَبينَا والرَّبِّ يَسُوعَ المَسِيح! أَشْكُرُ إِلهِي، كُلَّمَا ذَكَرْ تُكُم،

الشكر إلهي، كلما لدر لكم، ضارعًا بِفَرَحٍ على الدَّوامِ في كُلِّ صلَواتِي مِنْ أَجْلِكُم جَمِيعًا، لِمُشَارَكَتِكُم في الإنْجِيلِ مُنْذُ أُوَّلِ يَومٍ إلى الآن. وإنِّي لَوَاثِقٌ أَنْ الَّذي بَدأَ فِيكُم هذَا العَمَلَ الصَّالِحَ سَيُكَمِّلُهُ حتَّى يَومٍ

معربي يسرى. فَإِنَّهُ مِنَ العَدْلِ أَنْ يَكُونَ لي هذا الشُّعُورُ نَحْوَكُم جَمِيعًا، لأَنِّي أَحْمِلُكُم في قَلبي، أَنْتُم جَميعًا شُرِكائِي في نِعْمَتِي، سَواءً في قُيُودِي أو في دِفَاعِي عَن الإِنْجِيلِ وِ تَثْبِيتِهِ،

فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ شَافِدٌ لَى كُمْ أَتَشَوَّقُ إِلَيكُم جمِيعًا في أَحْشَاءِ المسِيح يَسُوع. رَح و هذِهِ صَلاتَي أَنْ تَزْدادَ مَحَبَّتُكُم أَكْثَرَ ۖ فَأَكْثَرَ في كُلِّ فَهْمٍ وَمَعْرَ فَة، لِتُمَيِّزُوا مَا هُوَ الأَفْصَل، فتَكُونُوا أَنْقِيَاءَ وبَغَيْر أَعِثَارِ إِلَى يَوْمِ المَسِيح، مُمْتَلِئِينَ مِن ثَمَر البِرِّ بِيَسُوعَ المَسِيح لِمَجْدِ اللهِ ومَدُّحِهِ.

أُرِيدُ أَنْ تَعْلَمُوا، أَيُّهَا الْإِخْوَة، أَنَّ مَا كَدَثَ لِي قَد أَدَّى بِالحَرِيِّ إلى نَجَاح الإنْجيل،

حَتَّى إِنَّ قُيُودِي مِن أَجْلِ المسيح صارت مشهورةً في دار الولاية كُلِّهَا، وفي كُلِّ مَكَانِ آخَرِ. كُلِّهَا، وفي كُلِّ مَكَانِ آخَرِ.

إنجيل القديس يوحنا 12:12-22

لِمَّا سَمِعَ الجَمْعُ الكَثِيرِ، الَّذي أَتَى إلى العِيد، أَنَّ يَسُوعَ آتٍ إلى

حَمَلُوا سَعَفَ النَّخْل، و خَرَجُوا إلى مُلاقَاتِهِ و هُمْ يَصِرْ خُون: ﴿هُو شَعْنَا! مُبَارَكُ الآتِي بِٱسْمُ الرَّبِّ، مَلِكُ أِسر ائِيل. «

و وَجَدَ يَسُوعُ جُحْشًا فَرَكِبَ عَلَيْهُ، كَمَا هُوَ مَكْتُوب:

» لا تَخَافِي، يَا ٱبْنَةَ صِهْيُون، هُوَذَا مَلِكُكِ يَأْتِي رَاكِبًا عَلَى جَحْشِ ٱبْن

--ں.٬٬٬ وَمَا فَهُمَ تَلامِيذُهُ ذَلِكَ، أَوَّلَ الأَمْرِ، ولكِنَّهُم تَذَكَّرُوا، حِينَ مُجِّدَ يَسُوع، أَنَّ ذلكَ كُتبَ عَنْهُ، و أَنَّهُم صَنَعُو هُ لَهُ.

و الجَمْعُ الَّذِي كَانَ مَعَ يَسُوع، حِينَ دَعَا لَعَازَرَ مِنَ القَبْرِ وأَقَامَهُ مِنْ بَيْنِ الأَمْوَاتِ، كَانَ يَشْهَدُ لَهُ.

بِيْنِ أَجْلِ هَذَا أَيْضًا لَاقَاهُ الْجَمْعِ، لأَنَّهُم سَمِعُوا أَنَّهُ صَنَعَ تِلْكَ الآيَة. مِنْ أَجْلِ هَذَا أَيْضًا لاقَاهُ الْجَمْعِ، لأَنَّهُم سَمِعُوا أَنَّهُ صَنَعَ تِلْكَ الآيَة. فَقَالَ الْفَرِّيسِيُّونَ بَعْضُهُم لِبَعْض: ﴿أَنْظُرُوا: إِنَّكُم لا تَنْفَعُونَ شَيْئًا! هَا هُوَ الْعَالَمُ قَدْ ذَهَبَ وِرَاءَهُ. ﴿!

وكَانَ بَينَ الصَّاعِدِينَ لِيَسْجُدُوا في العِيد، بَعْضُ اليُونَانِيّين.

فَدَنَا هُؤُلاءِ مِنْ فِيلِبُّسَ الَّذِي مِنْ بَيْتَ صَيْدَا الجَلِيل، و سَأَلُوهُ قَائِلين: «يَا سَيِّد، ثُر يدُ أَنْ نَرَى يَسُو ع. ﴿

فَجَّاءَ فِيلَيُّسُ وقَالَ لأَنْدرَ اوُسَ، وجَاءَ أَنْدرَ اوُسُ وفِيلِيُّسُ وقَالا لِيَسُوع.