

OUR LADY OF MERCY

MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Newly
updated

SUNDAY OF THE REVELATION TO ST. JOSEPH

December 15th 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 1st 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

Divine Liturgy Intentions – SUNDAY OF THE REVELATION TO ST. JOSEPH

Saturday December 14th - For the intentions of Tony, Amal, Andrew and Anthony Saade

Sunday December 15th - For the intentions of the parishioners of our Lady of Mercy

Isaiah 7:10-15; Ephesians 3:1-13; Matthew 1:18-25

Monday December 16th – David Flammia (Birthday) & In memory of Fares ElMelki

Tuesday December 17th – For the intentions of Falamina Abi Elias

Wednesday December 18th – In memory of Catherine Frangie

Thursday December 19th – For the intentions of Joe Russell and his family.

Friday December 20th – Madeline Lemelin (Birthday)

Saturday December 21st - Fr Peter & Marise Frangie (21st Wedding Anniversary)

Sunday December 22nd – Elias Georges (1 year anniversary)

Stewardship of God's Blessings for the Week of 12/1-12/08/2024

Saturday/Sunday collection - \$1883.00 Online Giving - \$364.11 **Total – \$2247.11**

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 the big red button 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 ON SUNDAY DECEMBER 15th FOR BREAKFAST AND PHOTO WITH SANTA

3. 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 Oarty: \$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

YOU CAN STILL OFFER CHRISTMAS FLOWERS – Click [here](#) for more information

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
Flowers
Offerings**

**Our Lady of
Mercy Maronite
Catholic 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 Iovenio

Louise Iovenio

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

God's Blessings

The Flammia Family

God's Blessings

Joan Hanley

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

\$15/Person
\$8 kids 10 & under

Sunday December 15
11:30 am - 01:30 pm



**Breakfast & photo
with Santa**

Please RSVP by December 8

For reservation: Rony Zoghby (774) 312-3447
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Dinner **Ring In 2025 Together** **Music**

NYE Party
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\$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 10

Playing cards

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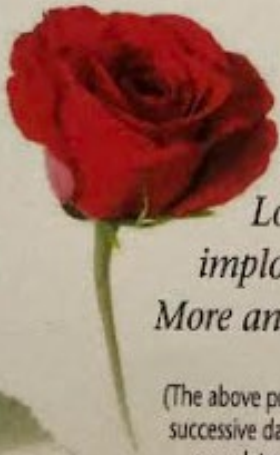
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St. Therese *The Little Flower,*
Please pick me a Rose from the Heavenly
Garden and send it to me with a Message of
Love. Ask God to grant me the Favor I Thee
implore and tell Him I will Love Him each day
More and More.

(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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Sunday of the Revelation to St Joseph

Letter to the Ephesians 3: 1-13.

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him. I pray therefore that you may not lose heart over my sufferings for you; they are your glory.

The Gospel according to Saint Matthew 1:18-25

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.' All this took place to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: 'Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel', which means, 'God is with us.' When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

أحد البيان ليوسف

رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل أفسس 3: 1-13

يَا إِخْوَتِي، أَنَا بُولُسُ، أَسِيرُ الْمَسِيحِ يَسُوعَ مِنْ أَجْلِكُمْ، أَتَيْهَا الْأُمَمَ.. إِنْ كُنْتُمْ قَدْ سَمِعْتُمْ بِتَدْبِيرِ نِعْمَةِ اللَّهِ الَّتِي وَهَبْتُ لِي مِنْ أَجْلِكُمْ، وَهُوَ أَنِّي بَوَّحِي أَطْلَعْتُ عَلَى السِّرِّ، كَمَا كَتَبْتُ إِلَيْكُمْ بِإِجَازٍ مِنْ قَبْلُ، حِينَئِذٍ يُمْكِنُكُمْ، إِذَا قَرَأْتُمْ ذَلِكَ، أَنْ تَدْرِكُوا فَهْمِي لِسِرِّ الْمَسِيحِ، هَذَا السِّرِّ الَّذِي لَمْ يُعْرَفْ عِنْدَ بَنِي الْبَشَرِ فِي الْأَجْيَالِ الْغَابِرَةِ، كَمَا أَعْلَنَ الْآنَ بِالرُّوحِ لِرُسُلِهِ الْقَدِيسِينَ وَالْأَنْبِيَاءِ، وَهُوَ أَنَّ الْأُمَمَ هُمْ، فِي الْمَسِيحِ يَسُوعَ، شُرَكَاءُ لَنَا فِي الْمِيرَاثِ وَالْجَسَدِ وَالْوَعْدِ، بِوَسِطَةِ الْإِنْجِيلِ، الَّذِي صِرْتُ خَادِمًا لَهُ، بِحَسَبِ هِبَةٍ نِعْمَةٍ اللَّهِ الَّتِي وَهَبْتُ لِي بِفِعْلِ قُدْرَتِهِ؛ لِي أَنَا، أَصْغَرُ الْقَدِيسِينَ جَمِيعًا، وَهَبْتُ هَذِهِ النِّعْمَةَ، وَهِيَ أَنْ أَبَشِّرَ الْأُمَمَ بِغَنَى الْمَسِيحِ الَّذِي لَا يُسْتَقْصَى، وَأَنْ أَوْضِحَ لِلْجَمِيعِ مَا هُوَ تَدْبِيرُ السِّرِّ الْمَكْتُومِ مُنْذُ الدُّهُورِ فِي اللَّهِ الَّذِي خَلَقَ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ، لِكَيْ تُعْرَفَ الْآنَ مِنْ خِلَالِ الْكَنِيسَةِ، لَدَى الرِّئَاسَاتِ وَالسَّلَاطِينِ فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ، حِكْمَةُ اللَّهِ الْمُتَنَوِّعَةِ، بِحَسَبِ قَصْدِهِ الْأَرْلِيِّ الَّذِي حَقَّقَهُ فِي الْمَسِيحِ يَسُوعَ رَبَّنَا، الَّذِي لَنَا فِيهِ، أَيْ بِالْإِيمَانِ بِهِ، الْوُصُولُ بِجُرْأَةٍ وَثِقَةٍ إِلَى اللَّهِ. لِذَلِكَ أَسْأَلُكُمْ أَنْ لَا تَضَعُفَ عَزِيمَتُكُمْ بِسَبَبِ الضِّيقَاتِ الَّتِي أَعَانِيهَا مِنْ أَجْلِكُمْ: إِنَّهَا مَجْدٌ لَكُمْ.

إنجيل القديس متى 1: 18-25

أَمَّا مِيلَادُ يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحِ فَكَانَ هَكَذَا: لَمَّا كَانَتْ أُمُّهُ مَرْيَمُ مَخْطُوبَةً لِيُوسُفَ، وَقَبْلَ أَنْ يَسْكُنَا مَعًا، وَجِدَتْ حَامِلًا مِنَ الرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ. وَلَمَّا كَانَ يُوسُفُ رَجُلًا بَارًّا، وَلَا يُرِيدُ أَنْ يُشَهِّرَ بِهَا، قَرَّرَ أَنْ يُطَلِّقَهَا سِرًّا. وَمَا إِنْ فَكَّرَ فِي هَذَا حَتَّى تَرَاءَى لَهُ مَلَائِكَةُ الرَّبِّ فِي الْحُلُمِ قَائِلًا: «يَا يُوسُفُ بْنُ دَاوُدَ، لَا تَخَفْ أَنْ تَأْخُذَ مَرْيَمَ أَمْرَأَتَكَ، فَالْمَوْلُودُ فِيهَا إِنَّمَا هُوَ مِنَ الرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ. وَسَوْفَ تَلِدُ أَبْنَاءَ، فَسَمِّهِ يَسُوعَ، لِأَنَّهُ هُوَ الَّذِي يُخَلِّصُ شَعْبَهُ مِنْ خَطَايَاهُمْ.» وَحَدَّثَ هَذَا كُلَّهُ لِيَتِمَّ مَا قَالَهُ الرَّبُّ بِالنَّبِيِّ: هَا إِنَّ الْعَذْرَاءَ تَحْمِلُ وَتَلِدُ أَبْنَاءَ، وَيُدْعَى اسْمُهُ عِمَّاثُوئِيلَ، أَيْ اللَّهُ مَعَنَا. وَلَمَّا قَامَ يُوسُفُ مِنَ النَّوْمِ، فَعَلَ كَمَا أَمَرَهُ مَلَائِكَةُ الرَّبِّ وَأَخَذَ أَمْرَأَتَهُ. وَلَمْ يَعْرِفْهَا، فَوَلَدَتْ أَبْنَاءَ، وَسَمَّاهُ يَسُوعَ.