

**OUR LADY OF MERCY
MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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**The First Sunday after Epiphany
January 12th, 2025**



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 - 9:30pm to 10:30pm

Fridays - 9:30am- 10:30am

Saturdays – 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 – The First Sunday after Epiphany

Saturday January 11th - In memory of Naaman, Ghandoura, and Samia Tabet

Sunday January 12th – In memory of Emile Khoury requested by Wadad Khoury & Family

Isaiah 40: 6-11; 2 Corinthians 10:1-11; John 1:29-34

Monday January 13th _ **NO LITURGY**

Tuesday January 14th – **NO LITURGY**

Wednesday January 15th – For the intentions Michael Eagan

Thursday January 16th – For the intentions of Janel Eagan

Friday January 17th _ For the intentions Ambrose Eagan

Saturday January 18th _For the intentions Philomena Jackson

Sunday January 19th - In memory of Sandra Griggs Requested by Houda Daou

Stewardship of God's Blessings for the Week of 12/30/2024-01/06/2025

Saturday/Sunday collection - \$1010.00 Online Giving - \$264.11; Total –\$1274.11 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.

-MAKE SURE TO CONFIRM OR CANCEL YOUR CHILD'S REGISTRATION (OR YOURS) FOR OUR ARABIC CLASSES THAT STARTED THIS PAST SATURDAY JANUARY 4TH 2025
-SAVE THE DATE – SAINT MARON CELEBRATION WILL TAKE PLACE ON SATURDAY FEBRUARY 22ND, 2025 – CHECK THE FLYER FOR MORE INFORMATION

Gifts of the Heart for the Month of January

Sanctuary Lamp in the church - In Memory of the Thomas Family offered by Denise Thomas.

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

Altar Candles, Sanctuary Lamp, Altar Bread and Wine in the chapel - All these items are offered for the intentions of Jeanine Melki, Jean Melki and family.

Altar Bread and Wine and Adoration Candles in the Church - All these items are offered for the intentions of the Williams Family

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](#).**

Scripture Verse for the week- **TRUST IN THE LORD WITH ALL YOUR HEART AND LEAN NOT ON YOUR OWN UNDERSTANDING; IN ALL YOUR WAYS SUBMIT TO HIM, AND HE WILL MAKE YOUR PATHS STRAIGHT** - Proverbs 3:5-6

Saint Maron Hafle

February 22nd 2025 - 08:30 pm

Adults \$75

Kids \$35
12 YO & under

Kibbeh Nayyeh
\$15/plate

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Reservation: (Deadline February 16)

* Emile Khoury: (774) 641-9707

* Rony Zoghby: (774) 312-3447

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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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The First Sunday after the Epiphany

Second Letter to the Corinthians 10:1-11.

I myself, Paul, appeal to you by the meekness and gentleness of Christ I who am humble when face to face with you, but bold towards you when I am away! I ask that when I am present I need not show boldness by daring to oppose those who think we are acting according to human standards. Indeed, we live as human beings, but we do not wage war according to human standards; for the weapons of our warfare are not merely human, but they have divine power to destroy strongholds. We destroy arguments and every proud obstacle raised up against the knowledge of God, and we take every thought captive to obey Christ. We are ready to punish every disobedience when your obedience is complete. Look at what is before your eyes. If you are confident that you belong to Christ, remind yourself of this, that just as you belong to Christ, so also do we. Now, even if I boast a little too much of our authority, which the Lord gave for building you up and not for tearing you down, I will not be ashamed of it. I do not want to seem as though I am trying to frighten you with my letters. For they say, 'His letters are weighty and strong, but his bodily presence is weak, and his speech contemptible.' Let such people understand that what we say by letter when absent, we will also do when present.

The Gospel according to Saint John 1:29-34.

The next day he saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.'

رسالة القديس بولس الثانية إلى أهل كورنثس 11-

1:10

يا إخوتي، أنا بولس نفسي أناشدكم بوداعة المسيح وحلمه، أنا المتواضع بينكم عندما أكون حاضراً، والجريء عليكم عندما أكون غائباً. وأرجو ألا أجبر عند حضوري أن أكون جريئاً، بالثقة التي لي بكم، والتي أنوي أن أجزو بها على الذين يحسبون أننا نسلك كأنا جسديين. أجل، إنما نحيا في الجسد، ولكننا لا نحارب كأنا جسديين؛ لأن أسلحة جهادنا ليست جسدية، بل هي قادرة بالله على هدم الحصون المنيعة؛ فإننا نهدم الأفكار الخاطئة، وكل سموخ يرتفع ضد معرفة الله، ونأسر كل فكر لطاعة المسيح. ونحن مستعدون أن نعاقب كل عصيان، متى كملت طاعتكم. إنكم تحكمون على المظاهر! إن كان أحد واثقاً بنفسه أنه للمسيح، فليفكر في نفسه أنه كما هو للمسيح كذلك نحن أيضاً. فأنا لا أخجل إن بالغت بعض المبالغة في الاختيار بالسلطان الذي وهبه الرب لنا لبنيانكم لا لهدمكم. ولا أريد أن أظهر كأني أخوفكم برسائلي؛ لأن بعضاً منكم يقولون: «رسائله شديدة اللهجة وقوية، أما حضوره الشخصي فهزيل، وكلامه سخييف.»

فليعلم مثل هذا القائل أننا كما نحن بالكلام في الرسائل، عندما نكون غائبين، كذلك نحن أيضاً بالفعل، عندما نكون حاضرين.

إنجيل القديس يوحنا 1:29-34

في الغد (بعد شهادة المعمدان) رأى يوحنا يسوع مقبلاً إليه فقال: «ها هو حمل الله الذي يرفع خطيئة العالم. هذا هو الذي قلت فيه: يأتي ورأي رجل قد صار قدامي، لأنه كان قبلي. وأنا ما كنت أعرفه، لكنني جئت أعمد بالماء لكي يظهر هو لإسرائيل.» وشهد يوحنا قائلاً: «رأيت الروح نازلاً كحمامة من السماء، ثم أسنقر عليه. وأنا ما كنت أعرفه، لكن الذي أرسلني أعمد بالماء هو قال لي: من ترى الروح ينزل ويسنقر عليه، هو الذي يعمد بالروح القدس. وأنا رأيت وشهدت أن هذا هو ابن الله.»