

**OUR LADY OF MERCY  
MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Resurrection  
June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025**



**Reconciliation (Confessions)**

Saturday – 2:30pm to 3:30pm

Sunday – 8:30am to 9:30am

& By appointment

**Divine Liturgy/Mass Schedule**

Monday through Friday 9am  
in the Chapel.

Saturday – 4pm/Sunday – 10am

**Eucharistic Adoration**

Thursdays - 7:00pm to 8:00pm

Fridays - 9:30am- 10:30am

Saturdays – 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**

## **Divine Liturgy Intentions – 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Resurrection**

Saturday May 31<sup>st</sup> @ 4:00 PM — For the intentions and donors of Catholic Extension

**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Resurrection- June 1<sup>st</sup> 10:00 AM- In memory of Fouad Thomas; Requested by his Family**  
Lev 19:1-2, 11-18; Eph 1:15-23; John 13:31-35

Monday June 2<sup>nd</sup> @9:00 AM- For the poor souls in Purgatory

Tuesday June 3<sup>rd</sup> @9:00 AM- For the poor souls in Purgatory

Wednesday June 4<sup>th</sup> @9:00 AM – For the poor souls in Purgatory

Thursday June 5<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 AM– For the poor souls in Purgatory

Friday June 6<sup>th</sup> 9:00 AM– For the poor souls in Purgatory

Saturday June 7<sup>th</sup> @ 4:00 PM — For the intention of Edd and Donna Byrnes

**Pentecost Sunday - June 8<sup>th</sup> 10:00 AM- For a new Pentecost in our Parish and in the Universal Church**

## **Stewardship of God's Blessings for the Week of 05/19/2025-05/25/2025**

Saturday/Sunday collection - \$954.00; Online Giving - \$211.99; Total –\$1165.99

**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.**

## **UPCOMING MEETINGS / EVENTS**

**Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament and Rosary – Thursday June 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm**

**Sessions about the Eucharist on Wednesday and Thursdays – Check the flyer for more information**

## **Gifts of the Heart for the Month of June**

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

Altar Bread and Wine, Sanctuary Lamp and Adoration candles in the Church, Altar Candles, Sanctuary Lamp,

Altar Bread and Wine in the chapel – In memory of Mouhsen Basim offered by Adrian Basim & 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- AND THEY WERE ALL FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT AND BEGAN TO SPEAK WITH OTHER TONGUES, AS THE SPIRIT WAS GIVING THEM UTTERANCE. ACTS 2 :1-4**

### **Church Dress Code**

**Please Dress Modestly.** Modesty is a Christian virtue that refers to dressing and acting in a way that shows reverence for God. Please, dress your best when you come to Church. It is a holy ground and we should dress modestly in respect for God's house. **Ask yourself this question and be honest. How should you dress in the house of the King of Kings? If you went to Buckingham Palace or the White House, what would you wear? Why should you dress with any less respect for the only King that matters?**

Please, if possible no shorts, sleeveless dresses, miniskirts or T-shirts, tight dresses or tight skirts, short dresses or skirts (knee length skirts and dresses are acceptable)

Thank you for your consideration to this friendly reminder.

الثياب المحتشمة

لطفاً الرجاء ارتداء الثياب المحتشمة في بيت الله.

يرجى عدم ارتداء "الشورت" او التنانير القصيرة , او الثياب بلا اكمام.

مع الف شكر!

### **Mass etiquette from St John Bosco** **(compiled by Fr Augustine Opara Ikechukwu)**

**1. Try to be early to Mass always. A few minutes spent in before Mass can open your soul to wonderful graces**

2. When you enter or leave the church, take holy water and sign yourself with the sign of the cross.

3. Always genuflect (or bow according to our Maronite tradition) when you enter or leave your seat. This is an act of adoration to Almighty God, present in the tabernacle. Take time to genuflect reverently, facing the altar and saying "My Lord and My God" as your right knee touches the floor

**4. Don't talk in church unless absolutely necessary. Talk only to Jesus - it is Him you have come to visit. Don't talk as you leave either. Some people may still be praying.**

5. Listen to the homily it is from God which could bear much fruit for you.

6. Don't start to leave the church until the priest has returned to the sacristy. Stay to thank God for the graces you received from Him in the Mass.

Every day we take a step closer to Heaven. Every act should be for the greater glory of God and every morning we should renew our resolve to work for the salvation of souls.



Join us in this Jubilee  
of Hope as we delve  
into the Eucharist,  
source of our hope  
and strength, by  
reading and  
reflecting on true  
stories from  
Beautiful Eucharist.

EVERY WEDNESDAY FROM MAY 14 TO JUNE 25 @ 9:00AM -10:30AM  
DIVINE LITURGY FOLLOWED BY ROSARY AND HYBRID SESSION

OR

EVERY THURSDAY FROM MAY 15 TO JUNE 26 @ 7:00PM – 8:45 PM  
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FOLLOWED BY IN PERSON SESSION

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For more information and to register, check our website:  
<https://ourladyofmercymaronite.org/>

Come as you are and as often as you can!  
No commitment required!  
Just open your heart to encounter Christ in the Eucharist!





## 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>

## 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:

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

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



To create the Culture of Life in our society

You formed my inmost being; you knit me in my mother's womb.

I praise you, because I am wonderfully made; wonderful are your works!

My very self you know. My bones are not hidden from you. When I was being made in secret, fashioned in the depths of the earth, Your eyes saw me unformed; in your book all are written down; my days were shaped, before one came to be.

How precious to me are your designs, O God. Psalms 139:13-17

Beliefs about the sanctity of life lie at the heart of all the ethical debates on embryo experiments, abortion and euthanasia. Learn what you can about what is being done to protect life and create a Culture of Life in Minnesota.

May is often referred to as the Month of Mary. It's a time when Catholics, and many others, are encouraged to pay special attention to the Blessed Virgin Mary through prayers, devotions, and reflection on her life and role in salvation history. It is the perfect time to focus your actions on promoting this Culture of Life.

For more information, check out these websites:

Prolife Action Ministries [www.plam.org/events](http://www.plam.org/events) (40 Days for Life, Prayers at local abortion sites.)

Prolife Across America [www.prolifeacrossamerica.org](http://www.prolifeacrossamerica.org) (The billboard people and crisis resources information)

Familiarize yourself with Lila Rose and Abby Johnson

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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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Seventh Sunday of the Resurrection

الأحد السابع من زمن القيامة

**Letter to the Ephesians 1: 15-23**

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

**The Gospel according to Saint John 13: 31-35**

When he had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

**رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل أفسس 1: 15-23**

يا إخوتي، أنا أيضاً، وقد سمعتُ بإيمانكم بالرب يسوع، ومحبتكم لجميع الإخوة القديسين، لا أزال أشكر الله من أجلكم، وأذكركم في صلواتي، ليعطيكم إله ربنا يسوع المسيح، أبو المجد، روح الحكمة والوحي في معرفتكم له، فينبير عيون قلوبكم، لتعلموا ما هو رجاء دعوته، وما هو غنى مجد ميراثه في القديسين، وما هي عظمة قدرته الفائقة من أجلنا، نحن المؤمنين، بحسب عمل عزة قوته، الذي عمله في المسيح، إذ أقامه من بين الأموات، وأجلسه إلى يمينه في السموات، فوق كل رئاسة وسلطان وقوة وسيادة، وكل اسم مسمى، لا في هذا الدهر وحسب، بل في الآتي أيضاً؛ وأخضع كل شيء تحت قدميه، وجعله فوق كل شيء، رأساً للكنيسة، وهي جسده وملؤه، هو الذي يملأ الكل في الكل.

**إنجيل القديس يوحنا 13: 31-35**

لما خرج يهوذا الإسخريوطي قال يسوع: «الآن مجد أبن الإنسان ومجد الله فيه. إن كان الله قد مجد فيه، فالله سيمجده في ذاته، وحالاً يمجده. يا أولادي، أنا معكم بعد زمناً قليلاً. ستطلبوني، ولكن ما قلته لليهود أقوله لكم الآن: حيث أنا أمضي لا تقدرون أنتم أن تأتوا. وصية جديدة أعطيتكم، أن تحبوا بعضكم بعضاً. أجل، أن تحبوا بعضكم بعضاً كما أنا أحببتكم. بهذا يعرف الجميع أنكم تلاميذي، إن كان فيكم حب بعضكم لبعض.»