

St. John Maron

Maronite Catholic Church



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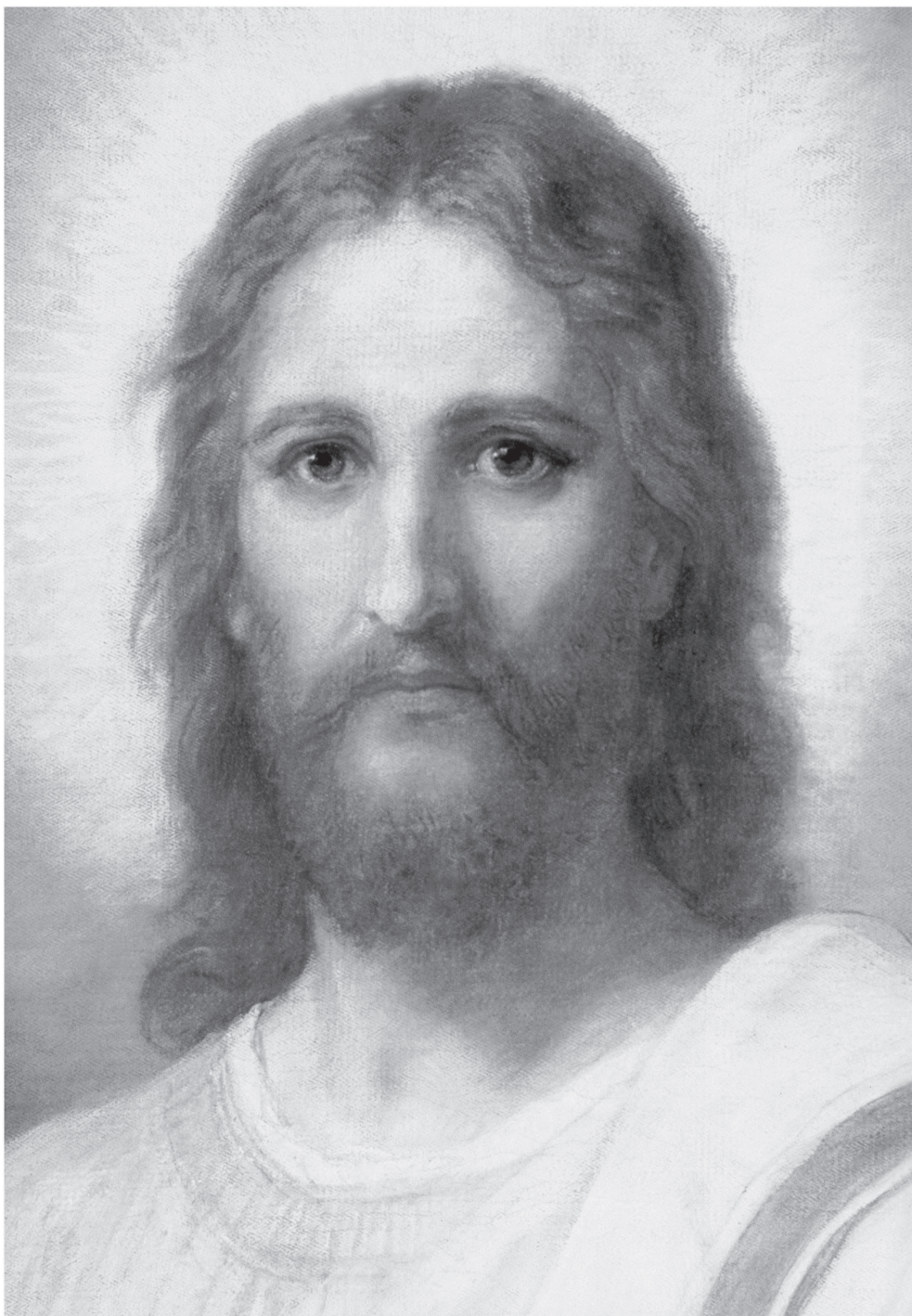
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ST. JOHN MARON PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Maronite Catholic Family in Western New York, descendants of the Church of Antioch, children of Beit Maroun, and part of the same Universal Church, are committed, through Time, Talent and Treasure, to preserve the faith of Peter, to hand down the torch of our precious heritage to our children and to promote human life and dignity in our community and in the world.



Christ's Image, by Heinrich Hofmann, courtesy C. Harrison Conroy Co., Inc.

Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.

2040 Wehrle Drive, Williamsville, NY

LITURGY INTENTIONS

<u>TIME AND DATE</u>	<u>IN LOVING MEMORY OF</u>	<u>REQUESTED BY</u>
5:00 PM Sat. Sept. 3	Victoria Lahood Elias & Rose Attea Antoine, Marie & Emile Habib Jeanne D'Arc Abou Antoun Linda Kairouz	George Copeland The Family Amy Habib & Family M/M Mark Kabalan Terry Abraham
10:00 AM Sun. Sept. 4	Semaan Mahfouh Jeanne D'Arc Abou Antoun Francis Michael Chemaly Edward Arida	Joseph & Georgiana Al Mekhitifi M/M Mark Kabalan The Family St. Theresa's Club
12:15 PM Sun. Sept. 4	Marie Breier Maroun Sleiman's Family Peter Hayek	The Lahood Family D/M Joseph Hayek Sarkis & Victoria Zaiter
12:00 PM Tues. Sept. 6	Victoria Lahood	Annie & Samir Yasbeck
12:00 PM Wed. Sept. 7	Linda Kairouz	Dr. Joseph Hayek
12:00 PM Thurs. Sept. 8	Peter Hayek In Thanksgiving for Maya, Marie, May Atallah	The Hayek Family Georges Attallah
12:00 PM Fri. Sept. 9		
5:00 PM Sat. Sept. 10	Joseph E. Joseph Jeanne D'Arc Abou Antoun William Evan Linda Kairouz	Isabelle Abraham M/M Edward Marianni Zaine Joseph Isabelle Abraham
10:00 AM Sun. Sept. 11	Peter Hayek Louise B. Stritzel	M/M Fouad Hage & Family Revs. Elie Kairouz & Dany A. Akar
12:15 PM Sun. Sept. 11	Radah Chbat Jeanne D'Arc Abou Antoun Badih Al-Mekhitifi Peter Hayek	Antoinette El Khoury M/M Paul Chaiban Samir & Katia Mansour Leila Deeb & Family

The Altar Bread for this Month of September
The Altar Wine for this Month of September
The Sanctuary Lamp for this Month September

****KEEP THE LEGACY ALIVE****
****PLEASE REMEMBER ST. JOHN MARON PARISH IN YOUR ESTATE PLANNING****

This Weekend's Sacred Scriptures: Epistle: 1 Cor 3:1-11 ~ **Gospel:** Lk 8:1-15

NEXT Weekend's Sacred Scriptures: Epistle: 1 Cor 1:18-25 ~ **Gospel:** Jn 12:20-32

Parish Stewardship (Aug. 28, 2011) **TO MEET EXPENSES WE NEED \$3,800 IN THE WEEKLY OFFERTORY.**
THE WEEKLY COLLECTIONS ARE KEY TO PAYING BILLS.

REGULAR TITHES \$1387.00

PLEASE CONTINUE TO USE YOUR ENVELOPES.
 THANKS TO ALL WHO ARE HELPING. YOUR GENEROSITY IS A BLESSING.
 IF EACH PARISHIONER HELPS A LITTLE, WE CAN ACCOMPLISH A LOT.

TODAY THE SECOND COLLECTION IS FOR THE BUILDING FUND
THE SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK IS FOR THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA

“A Tithe is not only a Debt we owe; It is also a Seed we Sow

Altar Servers: Sat. 5 p.m.: George Newcomb ***Lectors:** Sat. 5 p.m.: Regina Joseph
 Sun. 10 a.m.: John Mansour & Stephen Khoury Sun. 11:00 a.m.: Arabic: Rita Hayek
 Sun. 12:15 p.m. Gabriel & Luke Issa English: Tania Khoury

*** Peace Bearers:** 11:00 a.m.:

*** Intentions:** 11:00 a.m.:



From the Pastor's Desk...

A Most Successful Lebanese Festival!

Thank you again to our dedicated festival workers for their efforts in making the 2011 Lebanese Festival the best yet!!! A detailed festival budget report will be published in the church bulletin at a later date.



Please Note: Beginning September 4, Sunday Masses will return to the usual schedule of 10:00 AM and 12:15 PM.

HOLY DAY 9/14/11—In honor of the Feast of The Exaltation of The Holy Cross, Mass on September 13 will be at 7:00 p.m. instead of 12:00. On September 14, Mass will be at 12:00 noon as usual.

A MESSAGE FROM ABOUNA DANY



I was honored to be the Parochial Vicar at St John Maron Church. Thank you to Abouna Elie who is a friend, mentor, and a great advisor. I will be forever grateful to him.

As you know, Priests come and go. I came to St. John Maron nine months ago, and I was greeted by a parish that was so considerate, supportive and helpful. Now it is time for me to leave and go to my new assignment.

I want you all to know that I have enjoyed my time here and will miss you all. Thank you for all the help you have given me.

Each time you think of me, please say a prayer to Our Father. Your kind prayers are needed in my new assignment. Please remember you will always be in my prayers.

ALTAR BREAD AND WINE & SANCTUARY LAMP

Sponsors needed for the Altar Bread and Wine & Sanctuary Lamp. Anyone who wishes to do so in thanksgiving or in memory of deceased loved one(s), may fill out the appropriate form available at each of the entrances of the church. You may sponsor each or all items on a weekly or monthly basis. The offering is \$10 for each week of Altar Bread, \$10 for each week of Altar Wine and \$10 for each week of Sanctuary Lamp.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL SUPPORT IS NEEDED

St. John Maron Parish exists to Support Your Faith & Attend to Your Spiritual Needs. We need **Your Faithful Weekly Financial Support**. Please **Remember to Make Up your Weekly Envelopes** (Weekly, Fuel, Building Fund etc.) for your Saint John Maron Parish...when returning after being away for Vacation, Travel, etc...**Our Parish is the responsibility of us all.** Thank you in advance for your Commitment and your generosity. May God Bless you!

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Lillian Noah, Raghad Dabbikeh
Schroeder, George Hayek,
Lily Simon, Elizabeth Sayers

Please remember the sick of our Parish family in your prayer.

IN REMEMBRANCE

There have been many parishioners asking about what we could do in memory of Abouna Elie's mother, Linda Kairouz. If you would like, donations can be sent to St. John Maron Church for a charity that will be set up in her name.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Instruction will begin on **Sunday, September 11, 18, and 26**. If you have not received a letter in the mail, I apologize and ask that you please join us and register your child on the above dates.

Teachers and Assistants are also needed. If you have any questions, please contact Corinne Sindo at 834-7301.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Please be advised that the Parish office hours are **Mondays and Wednesdays from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** Any requests for Masses, Baptismal's, Marriages, etc. should be made at that time. A message can be left on the office phone at any time during the week. Thank you for your cooperation.

SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH OCTOBERFEST ~

will be held on Sunday, September 25, 2011, from 5:00-9:00 p.m., at St. Aloysius Gonzaga Church, 157 Cleveland Dr., Cheektowaga, NY. German music, food and drinks will be featured. Cost: \$5.00 per person (or \$6.00 at the door). Call 759-6454, Ext. 20, for tickets or information.

FESTIVAL NAME TAGS

Festival volunteers were given name tags to wear while working. If you still have your name tag, would you be so kind to drop it off in the box located in the entrance of the Church. Thank you.

ORGANIST NEEDED

St. John Maron Church is looking for an Organist to organize our music ministry. If you know of anyone, please contact Abouna Elie @ 634-0669

A warm farewell to Abouna Dany.....We will miss him!!!