

# St. John Maron

## Maronite Catholic Church



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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 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.



**"The message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God." 1 Cor. 1:18**

**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. Oct. 29	Joseph E. Joseph Anna Marie Falletta Agra Concetta (40-Day Mass)	Laila Hazzan M/M Tony Zinaty M/M Charles Gangarossa
10:00 AM Sun. Oct. 30	Elizabeth Sayers Majid Mansour Mary Theresa Genevive (Memorial)	Dr/M Joseph Hayek Betty Mansour Abouna Elie
12:15 PM Sun. Oct. 30	Habib Yazbec Peter Hayek Sayed Moawad Linda Kairouz	Amy Habib & Family The Hayek Family Philip & Sonya Badawy Laila Hazzan
<b>7:00 PM Mon. Oct.31</b>	<b>All Saint's Day Vigil (Holy Day of Obligation)</b> Mamie Moran	Amy Habib & Family
12:00 PM Tues. Nov. 1	<b>All Saint's Day</b> Joseph Hanna	Mona Hanna & Family
12:00 PM Wed. Nov. 2	Fawzi Maalouf	Dr./M Joseph Hayek
12:00 PM Thurs. Nov. 3	Ella Braham	Elaine Braham
12:00 PM Fri. Nov. 4	Linda Kairouz	Abouna
5:00 PM Sat. Nov. 5	Joseph E. Joseph Rose & James Abraham	M/M Joseph Bittar Daughters & Families
10:00 AM Sun. Nov. 6	Nemtala & Jenette Moses Felix Sr. & Madeline Labaki Mary Theresa Genevive	Richard & Celine Moses Dr/M Felix Labaki Sally Deeb
12:15 PM Sun. Nov. 6	Fr. Saad, Joseph Saad & Maurice Saad Michael Wardan El Khoury All Souls Fawzi Maalouf	M/M Francis Saad & Family M/M Sayed El Khoury M/M Fouad Natanios Dr/M Joseph Hayek

**The Altar Bread** for this Month of November is given for the intentions of

**The Altar Wine** for this Month of November is given for the intentions of

**The Sanctuary Lamp** for this Month of November is given in loving memory of Fr. Elias Abou Jaoude by Dr. & Mrs. Phillippe Abou Jaoude

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

**This Weekend's Sacred Scriptures: Epistle:** Rom 12:9-21 ~ **Gospel:** Mt 25:31-46

**NEXT Weekend's Sacred Scriptures: Epistle:** Heb 9:1-12 ~ **Gospel:** Mt 16:13-20

**Parish Stewardship** (Oct. 23, 2011) **TO MEET EXPENSES WE NEED \$3,800 IN THE WEEKLY OFFERTORY.**

**THE WEEKLY COLLECTIONS ARE KEY TO PAYING BILLS.**

REGULAR TITHES                      \$2,412.00

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.

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

**TODAY THE SECOND COLLECTION IS FOR ASSESSMENT/BISHOP APPEAL**  
**THE SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK IS FOR BUILDING FUND**

**Altar Servers:** Sat. 5 p.m.: George Newcomb  
 Sun. 10 a.m.: Jonathan Mansour & Elias Zinaty  
 Sun. 12:15 p.m. Peter Hayek

**\*Lectors:** Sat. 5 p.m.: Bassam Deeb  
 Sun. 10:00 a.m.: Ellen El Hawa  
 12:15 p.m.:

**\* Peace Bearers:**



**A HEARTFELT THANK YOU**

I would like to express my sincere thanks to all those who graciously remembered my dear mother at the time of her death. Your kindness has helped to support six needy families in Lebanon in so many ways. May the Lord bless you and your families with health for many years to come. Abouna

**ALTAR SERVERS**

Abouna Elie would like to thank Jonathan Mansour, Michael Hayek, Elias Zinaty, George Newcomb, John Shelby, Peter Hayek, and their parents for attending the meeting and practice for altar servers. Your presence shows your commitment and love for God and your Church. God Bless You.

**PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH**

Lillian Noah, Raghad Dabbikeh Schroeder, George Hayek, Lily Simon, Nagibe Betros

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

**HOLY NAME SOCIETY**

The next meeting of the Holy Name Society will be held after the 10:00 a.m. Liturgy on **Sunday, November 13, 2011**. Please join your fellow members for some friendly dialogue, official business, and coffee and Danish.

**ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY**

The Altar & Rosary Society wishes to thank Felix & Yvonne Labaki and Abouna Elie for providing an inspirational Rosary Devotion on Monday evening, October 24th. After the devotion, there was a reception in the Education Center, which was organized by Dolores Sapienza. Over 50 attendees enjoyed sharing prayer and fellowship with parishioners and friends. Thank you to all who led prayers, cooked, baked, served, cleaned and joined together to make this event a wonderful evening.

Altar cleaners for November are Ellen ElHawa, Sonia Hage, and Marie DiSibio.

Fifteen Week Split Club memberships are still available. The forms are in the bulletin racks, along with Altar & Rosary Society membership forms. If you have not joined the Society, we encourage you to do so.

**SUNDAY'S COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEER LIST**

**10:00 a.m. Mass**

- October 30 - Chris & Claudia Bellok
- November 6 - Claude & Nadine Badawy
- November 13 - Jackie & Karam Khoury
- November 20 - Patrick Harris

**A FRIENDLY REMINDER**

Please note that if you wish to have a Mass said for a loved one, a "Divine Liturgy Intention Form" must be filled out and submitted to Abouna or sent to the Rectory. The form is located at each entrance of the Church. This is also necessary for the "Altar Bread and Wine and Sanctuary Lamp." Thank you for your cooperation. **Also, articles for the bulletin must be submitted to Abouna no later than Tuesday of each week.**

**ALTAR BREAD AND WINE & SANCTUARY LAMP**

Sponsors are 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.

**YOUR COMMITMENT IN THE 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!

**AUTUMN SPECTACULAR FUNDRAISER**

Dinner will be held on **Saturday, November 12, 2011**. The Dinner Committee is hard at work planning the event and finalizing the details for a first-class Lebanese meal. As in past years, there will only be 450 tickets sold for the event and they are expected to go fast. Tickets are \$100. You can wait to be contacted by a ticket captain or you can purchase your ticket **now** by calling the Rectory (634-0669) or Fouad Hage, the event chairman (631-1301) or Dick Saffire (228-9052).

Dinner reservations will be accepted until Sunday, November 6th or until sold out. Dinner tickets are \$15 for the first reservation and \$25 for each additional guest. All prices are the same as past years. **Reservations will be limited this year, and there will be NO walk-ins accepted at the door on the night of the event.** This is always a great event, please reserve early.

**S.A.V.E. -O.N.E.**

The Board of Directors of S.A.V.E.-O.N.E. wishes to thank Abouna Elie for his continued support and interest in our endeavor, supporting orphanages in Lebanon. His attendance at the "Taste of Lebanon" dinner meant a great deal to all who attended. **Thank you Abouna!**

**LITURGICAL COMMITTEE**

A Liturgical Committee for St. John Maron is being formed. The committee will consist of five parishioners, including a member of the Parish Council. The Committee will be given the responsibility of improving the overall quality of worship at the Parish. Specific duties will include:

- 1) Planning Masses with Abouna—Opening the Church, preparing and coordinating readers, ushers, gift bearers, and the needs for special services and holyday Masses.
- 2) Ensuring the congregation is silent and solemn before and during Masses.
- 3) Working with the choir to coordinate music and liturgy.
- 4) Working with the Altar & Rosary Society to prepare the altar for Sundays and holydays.

Any parishioner who would like to be considered for this position, should call Abouna Elie at 634-0669.

**THANKSGIVING FOOD DONATIONS**

It's that time of year again. We are now collecting Thanksgiving food donations of non-perishable foods and/or monetary gifts for the poor. Please be generous in helping our friends in need. Food containers may be found at the entrances of the Church. May God bless you for your generosity.

**FESTIVAL "SURPLUS" FOR SALE**

We have Lebanese bear and soda pop remaining from the Festival. Anyone interested in purchasing, please call the rectory.

- 24 Bottle Case Lebanese Bear.....\$30.00
- 12 Pack Coca Cola Pop.....\$ 5.00