

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 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.

DIVINE LITURGIES

WeekdaysTuesday-Friday.. (No Mass On Monday) ..12:00 PM
Holy Days 12:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Weekends 5:00 PM Saturday; 10:00 AM & 12:15 PM Sunday
July - August 5:00 PM Saturday; 11:00 AM Sunday

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sundays (September through May) 11:00 AM – 12:00 Noon
Parents must be active parishioners and must attend church regularly in order to enroll their children in the Religious Education program of St. John Maron.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Upon request or according to the following schedule:

Saturday4:30 – 4:50 PM
Sunday 9:30 – 9:50 AM and 11:45 – 12:05 PM

HOSPITAL & ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call and notify the parish so that we can attend to your spiritual needs

MYSTERIES OF INITIATION

For Baptisms and Confirmation, please contact the parish office to set a date and to make arrangements

MYSTERY OF CROWNING

Marriage arrangements must be made Six (6) Months in advance. Those who plan to get married outside of the United States and need a testimonial for Free State to Marry must contact the Pastor in advance.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

A Heartfelt Welcome to all new parishioners. We would invite each family and/or individual to please register with us by filling out the Registration Form available at the entrances of the Church or by stopping by the Parish Office.

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. Nov. 26	Joseph E. Joseph	Isabelle Abraham
10:00 AM Sun. Nov. 27	George Daher (1 year anniversary) Michel Wardan El Khoury	The Daher Family M/M Richard Kabalan
12:15 PM Sun. Nov. 27	All Souls Tamine & Maroun Natanios Joseph G. Hanna Mousa, Ameena, Joseph, Elias, Assad & Martha Joseph	M/M Sayed El Khoury M/M Fouad Natanios Mona Hanna & Family M/M Francis Saad & Family
12:00 PM Tues. Nov. 29	NO MASS	
12:00 PM Wed. Nov. 30	Marie Rouhana Shallita	Doumet El Khoury
12:00 PM Thurs. Dec. 1	Ghassan & Linda Kairouz	Abouna
12:00 PM Fri. Dec. 2	Ghassan & Linda Kairouz	Abouna
5:00 PM Sat. Dec 3	Esther Ganem Michaels Joseph E. Joseph	Cousin Sadie & Family Amy Habib & Family
10:00 AM Sun. Dec. 4	Mulhim Badawy Dorothy Mattar	The Family St. John Maron Church
12:15 PM Sun. Dec. 4	Habib Yazbec Jeanne D'Arc Abou Antoun Linda Kairouz	Amy Habib & Family M/M Fouad Natanios M/M Edward A. Mariani

The Altar Bread for this Month of November is given for the intentions of **Simon & Rae Thomas by Dr. & Mrs. Robert DiSibio**

The Altar Wine for this Month of November is given for the intentions of **Russell & Alice DiSibio by Dr. & Mrs. Robert DiSibio**

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: Eph 1:1-14 ~ **Gospel:** Lk 1:39-45
NEXT Weekend's Sacred Scriptures: Epistle: Gal 4:21 -5:1~ **Gospel:** Lk 1:57-66

Parish Stewardship (Nov. 20, 2011) **TO MEET EXPENSES WE NEED \$3,800 IN THE WEEKLY OFFERTORY.**
THE WEEKLY COLLECTIONS ARE KEY TO PAYING BILLS.

REGULAR TITHES	\$1,624.00
THANKSGIVING	\$ 512.00
Total	\$2,136.00

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

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

***Lectors:** Sat. 5:00 p.m.: Tom Haykel
 Sun. 10:00 a.m.: Ellen El Hawa
 12:15 p.m.: Rita Hayek

*** Peace Bearers:**

OFFICE BUSINESS, REQUESTS FOR RECORDS, MASSES, ETC.,

Parishioners who are in need of anything from the Parish Office or *Abouna*, such as scheduling Masses, Baptisms, meetings, requests for records, etc... are kindly asked to call or visit the parish office during the week (Monday-Friday) so that we can properly attend to matters.

NO SATURDAYS OR SUNDAYS.

Please, call the Parish Office and leave a message.

PLEASE NOTE: Articles for the bulletin must be submitted to the Parish Office no later than Tuesday of each week.

YOUR COMMITMENT 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!**

2011 RAFFLE WINNING NUMBERS

Ticket #	Prize
5	\$200
13	\$200
14	\$200
36	\$200
38	\$200
41	\$200
44	\$200
61	\$250
75	\$200
90	\$200
120	\$200
130	\$200
143	\$250
148	\$250
166	\$250
188	\$200
189	\$1,000

Ticket #	Prize
216	\$200
240	\$200
279	\$200
287	\$500
290	\$200
298	\$200
315	\$500
317	\$200
318	\$200
327	\$200
364	\$200
368	\$200
369	\$200
372	\$2000
389	\$10,000
424	\$200
446	\$200

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MASS AT ERIE COUNTY HOME

The Catholic Ministry at the Erie County Home, 11580 Walden Avenue, Alden, NY, needs volunteers. Disabled and elderly residents need help to get from their rooms to the Chapel, pushed in wheelchairs. Services are Thursday afternoon Mass (2 p.m.), and Saturday Rosary and Evening Prayer of the Church (2:30 p.m.). Residents respond with loving gratitude to the help of our volunteers.

They also invite Eucharistic Ministers to take communion to the bed-ridden residents. If you can help them out, please phone Herb Batt, 839-0295.

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Lillian Noah, Raghad Dabbikeh Schroeder, George Hayek, Lily Simon, Nagibe Betros, Jennie Abounader, Richard Hunter

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

SUNDAY'S COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEER LIST

10:00 a.m. Mass:

December 4 - Rania & Rodique Khoury

December 11 - Joseph & Rita Hayek

December 18 - Collette Jowdy

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.

PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY

St. John Maron's Annual adult Christmas Party will be held on **Saturday, December 10, 2011, from 6 p.m.—9 p.m. at the Cedar's Banquet Facility**. It will be a Potluck dinner followed by Holiday desserts and coffee. Come join us, eat, drink and sing our favorite Christmas Carols. **All parishioner are invited!** For information, please contact Diana Harfouche @ 908-1939.

2012 MASS BOOK

The 2012 Mass Book is now open for anyone who wishes to schedule Masses IN ADVANCE.

CHILDREN'S PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our annual Children's Christmas Party (parents are welcome) will be held on **Saturday, December 17, 2011 at 6 p.m. at the Cedar's Banquet Hall**. Food & entertainment will be provided. Also, guest appearance will be Santa Claus! For reservations and information, please call Rimon Moawad (572-3213) or Ellen Elhawa (380-2423) by December 7.

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."

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

To love is to receive a glimpse of heaven.