

**LITURGY INTENTIONS**

<u>DATE AND TIME</u>			<u>IN LOVING MEMORY OF</u>	<u>REQUESTED BY</u>
Saturday	Feb. 15	5:00 pm	Ronald Furstace Saad Naim Mershed (40 Day Mass) Lahood Elias & Victoria Lahood George Jammal Badwieh Mansour	The Family Mr. Michel Georges Ms. Anna Lahood Irene Jammal The Family
Sunday	Feb. 16	10:00 am 12:15 pm	Michael Nowak	M/M Abdou Farah
Tuesday	Feb. 18	12:00 pm	Ghassan & Linda Kairouz	The Family
Wednesday	Feb. 19	12:00 pm	Ghassan & Linda Kairouz	The Family
Thursday	Feb. 20	12:00 pm	Ghassan & Linda Kairouz	The Family
Friday	Feb. 21	12:00 pm	Ghassan & Linda Kairouz	The Family
Saturday	Feb. 22	5:00 pm	Joseph E. Joseph (Anniversary) Zaine Joseph (40 Day Mass)	Sadie Joseph & Family The Family
Sunday	Feb. 23	10:00 am 12:15 pm	Michael Nowak (40 Day Mass) Joseph Hanna Poor Souls Badwieh Mansour (40 Day Mass) Bachir Moussa	M/M John Farah Mrs. Mona Hanna & Family M/M Emil Mansour The Family Mrs. Marie Moussa & Fam.

**The Altar Bread** for February is in loving memory of the Deceased Members of the Elias & Rose Attea Family by The Family

**The Altar Wine** for February is in loving memory of the Deceased Members of the Elias & Rose Attea Family by The Family

**The Sanctuary Lamp** for February is in loving memory of Ronald Furstace & Chris Daniels by The Family

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

**This Weekend's Sacred Scriptures: Epistle:** Heb 12:18-24 ~ **Gospel:** Mt 25:31-46

**Next Weekend's Sacred Scriptures: Epistle:** 1 Thes 5:1-11 ~ **Gospel:** Lk 16:19-31

**PARISH STEWARDSHIP** (Feb. 9, 2014)

**Regular Tithes:**

5 pm & 10 am: \$1,604.00  
 12:15 pm: \$ 264.00  
**TOTAL: \$1,868.00**

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO USE YOUR ENVELOPES.**  
 OUR GRATITUDE TO ALL WHO ARE SUPPORTING ST. JOHN MARON CHURCH.  
**YOUR GENEROSITY IS A BLESSING.**

**THE SECOND COLLECTION FOR THIS WEEK IS FOR FUEL & UPKEEP .**  
**THE SECOND COLLECTION FOR NEXT WEEK IS FOR CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL.**

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| <b>*ALTAR SERVERS:</b>  | <b>Sat. 5:00 pm:</b>  | <b>*LECTORS:</b>  | <b>Sat. 5:00 pm</b>  | Tom Haykel    |
|                         | <b>Sun. 10:00 am:</b> | Jonathan Mansour,<br>Anthony Aldik                                | <b>Sun. 10:00 am</b> | Cory Badawy   |
|                         | <b>Sun. 12:15 pm:</b> | John Shelby, Michael Hayek  | <b>Sun. 12:15 pm</b> | Regina ElHawa |
| <b>*PEACE BEARERS:</b>  | <b>Sun. 10:00 am:</b> | John Shelby, Brandon Khoury                                       |                      |               |
| <b>*GIFT BEARERS:</b>   |                       | <b>*DEACONS:</b>  | <b>Sat. 5:00 pm</b>  | Regina Joseph |
|                         | <b>Sun. 10:00 am:</b> | Andrea Khoury, Mary Bitar   | <b>Sun. 10:00 am</b> | Nila Khoury   |
|                         |                       |   | <b>Sun. 12:15 pm</b> | Albert Farah  |
| <b>**INTERCESSIONS:</b> | <b>Sun. 10:00 am:</b> | Anthony Atallah, Alex ElKhoury,<br>Matthew Saleh, Samantha Khoury |                      |               |

**PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION**

In order to enhance the Religious Education Program for our children, St. John Maron Church is embarking upon the establishment of a Parent-Teacher Association (PTA). The focus of the PTA is to help deliver quality religious education. The PTA, which represents all parents of the children currently attending the Religious Education Program, will consist of seven (7) members.

**Why join the PTA?** The number one reason to join is to benefit your child. In doing so, you also help the Religious Ed. Program. But, there are many more advantages:

**\*Get connected:** to know what’s happening in your Religious Ed. Program.

**\*Tap into a network:** PTA provides opportunities to represent all parents; get to know parents and teachers; building a rapport and discussing issues that are important to your child.

**\*Speak Up:** It’s a means to more effectively improve your child’s Religious Ed. Program.

**\*Witness improvement:** By getting involved in your child’s Religious Ed. Program, you will be part of the solution, helping make positive changes. PTA plays an important role in fundraising to provide scholarships, spiritual and social events.

**\*Be a role model:** By becoming a PTA member, you will be demonstrating to your child the importance you place on Religious Education.

**WE NEED YOU.** Please join the PTA by submitting your name to one of our Religious Ed. Coordinators: Mrs. Debbie Tartick or Mrs. Christina Chibani. Thank you in advance for choosing to be a part of this very important Association.

**GOSPEL SOIRÉE**

Come, join us for a relaxing night where we strengthen our fellowship and our understanding of the Word of God. *Thursday, February 20, 2014 @ 7 p.m.* at the Parish House.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

**May 17, 2014** Car-Raffle Benefitting the Children Scholarship Fund.

**PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH**

Sadie Joseph, Raghad Dabbikeh Schroeder, Nelly Anthony, Norma Kamp, Fahed Kairouz, Michael Abraham, Myrna Haeick & Mona Arida



**ST. MARON’S FEAST DAY DINNER**

*St. Maron’s Feast Day Dinner last Sunday was once again a great success. It is with heartfelt pride that I say “thank you” to chairwoman, Carol Krestos; Co-chair, Vicki Karam; and their many committee members who contributed to this elegant celebration. We were again graced with the presence of His Excellency, Reverend Richard J. Malone, Bishop of the Diocese of Buffalo. His meaningful words reminded us that we are so rich with what God has given us, in both our heritage and our beautiful Maronite tradition. May God bless you all for what you do to keep St. John Maron the faith-filled parish that it is.*

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**MASS BOOK FOR 2014**

The 2014 Mass Book is now open for anyone who wishes to schedule Masses in ADVANCE.

**2013 RECORD OF CONTRIBUTIONS**

The record of contributions for your 2013 tax statement can be available *upon your request*. If you need a statement please contact our parish office.

**THOUGHT OF THE WEEK**

*Before you go to bed, give your troubles to God, He’s up all night anyway!*

**ST. JOHN MARON THANKS**

**CHOUCHANI, SAYEGH & BAGNARELLO, M.D.,L.L.P.**

[www.ChouchaniSayeghBagnarelloMd.com](http://www.ChouchaniSayeghBagnarelloMd.com)

*Please support and acknowledge them when needed as a “thank you” for advertising at St. John Maron.*

**ASH MONDAY SERVICE**

Lent begins with Ash Monday service and Liturgy, which will take place on **Monday, March 3, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.**

**LENTEN GUIDANCE**

Ash Monday (March 3), Good Friday (April 18), and ALL Fridays of Lent are days of Fast & Abstinence. Abstinence from meat, and fasting binds all physically capable Catholics, Eastern and Western, who are 14 years old and older. Fasting in the Catholic Church involves no eating or drinking (except water and medicine) from midnight until noon, and doing works of charity. The rest of the day's normal meals can be taken but without meat.

**CAR RAFFLE**

We're bringing it back.....the ever popular CAR RAFFLE! We will be selling raffle tickets for a **2014 Toyota Camry and additional cash prizes of \$1000, \$500, \$300, and \$200.**

The raffle, which will benefit the Children's Scholarship Fund, will take place on **Saturday, May 17, 2014 in the Cedars Banquet Facility.** Tickets are \$100 each. Complimentary coffee and desserts will be served.

We're counting on you to support the Church and this fundraiser by purchasing tickets from one of the captains, who will be contacting you. For further information, please call Fouad Hage (631-1301), Bob DiSibio (632-7895), or the parish office.

**ST. JOHN MARON PARISH SCHOLARSHIP**

Are you a high school senior? Are you looking for a chance to receive a scholarship? This scholarship was established to recognize a high school senior who is a member of St. John Maron Maronite Church, has been actively involved in parish activities, and has demonstrated participation in community services. A scholarship flyer, with detailed information, is available at the entrances to the Church.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

- Feb. 16, 2014:** No Class. Mid-winter break
- Feb. 24, 2014:** Regular Classes
- Mar. 2, 2014:** 10 a.m. Children's Mass  
Regular Classes
- Mar. 9, 2014:** Regular Classes
- Mar. 10, 2014:** 6:30 p.m. First Holy Communion practice with parents.

**CCD COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE**



- Feb. 23, 2014:** *Suzanne & Bill Cardone*
- Mar. 2, 2014:** *Claudia & Christian Behlok*

**ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY**

Please join us **Monday, February 17th** for our next meeting, which will follow the 6:30 p.m. Rosary. This meeting will offer a special treat for all members! An ethnic folklore dance session will be presented by Carol Krestos. *Come and listen to our beautiful Lebanese music, learn a few dance moves, and enjoy a delicious pot-luck meal!* Come one, come all!!

**Split Club Winners:**

- January:** Marie DiSibio, Amy Habib, Sadie Joseph
- February:** Theresa Utz, Ellen ElHawa, Maria Atallah

**Altar cleaners for February:** Debbie Tartick & Paula Chameli

**NAM CONVENTION 2014**

SAVE THE DATE: Our Lady of Victory Maronite Catholic Church, Pittsburgh, PA, will be hosting the NAM (National Apostolate of Maronites) Convention, which will be held from Wednesday, July 2 through Sunday, July 6, 2014. Please visit the NAM website at [www.namnews.org](http://www.namnews.org), or contact Colette Jowdy at (716) 706-0505, or her email: [cfjowdy@yahoo.com](mailto:cfjowdy@yahoo.com) for further information. Please note: hotel reservations should be made as soon as possible at the Wyndham Grand Hotel, downtown Pittsburgh, as a limited number of rooms have been set aside for NAM guests. et costs of candles.

**ST. JOHN MARON CHURCH MEMBERSHIP FORM**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CHECK ONE:**

- New Registration**
- Change of Address**
- Moving Out Of Parish**
- Want Envelopes**