

LITURGY INTENTIONS

<u>DATE AND TIME</u>			<u>IN LOVING MEMORY OF</u>	<u>REQUESTED BY</u>
Saturday	Sept. 14	5:00 pm	<i>Feast of The Exaltation of The Holy Cross</i> Ghassan & Linda Kairouz Ayyoub Elias and Elias Ayyoub Zinaty, & Jean D'Arc Abou Antoun	The Family Mrs. Losazine Zinaty & Family
Sunday	Sept. 15	10:00 am 12:15 pm	Arthur Zohab Nagibe Betros Souls of Pergatory Hanna Mansour	Abouna M/M Emil Mansour Amal Mansour
Tuesday	Sept. 17	12:00 pm	Ghassan & Linda Kairouz	The Family
Wednesday	Sept. 18	12:00 pm	Ghassan & Linda Kairouz	The Family
Thursday	Sept. 19	12:00 pm	Ghassan & Linda Kairouz	The Family
Friday	Sept. 20	12:00 pm	Ghassan & Linda Kairouz	The Family
Saturday	Sept. 21	5:00 pm	John Phillips	M/M Bruce Shelby
Sunday	Sept. 22	10:00 am 12:15 pm	Joseph Merii Youssef El Khoury Joseph Hanna In Thanksgiving to St. Theckla	M/M Tony Hamad The Khoury Family Mona Hanna & Family Kamal & Colette Jowdy & Family

The Altar Bread for September is in loving memory of Irene J. Youakim by Dr. & Mrs. George Youakim

The Altar Wine for September is in loving memory of Irene J. Youakim by Dr. & Mrs. George Youakim

The Sanctuary Lamp for September is in loving memory of Irene J. Youakim by Dr. & Mrs. George Youakim

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

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

Next Weekend's Sacred Scriptures: Epistle: 1 Cor 15:19-34 ~ **Gospel:** Mt 24:1-14

PARISH STEWARDSHIP (Sept. 08, 2013)

Regular Tithes:

5 pm & 10 am: \$ 1,654.00
12:15 pm: \$ 1,116.00
TOTAL: \$ 2,770.00

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 AND UPKEEP .
THE SECOND COLLECTION FOR NEXT WEEK IS FOR ASSESSMENT/BISHOP'S APPEAL.

*ALTAR SERVERS:	Sat. 5:00 pm	*LECTORS:	Sat. 5:00 pm	Tom Haykel
	Sun. 11:00 am		Sun. 10:00 am	Joe Bittar
			Sun. 12:15 pm	Albert Farah
*PEACE BEARERS:	Sun. 12:15 pm	*DEACONS:	Sat. 5:00 pm	Reggie Joseph
*GIFT BEARERS:	Sun. 12:15 pm		Sun. 10:00 am	Nila Khoury
			Sun. 12:15 pm	Henri Khoury
*INTERCESSIONS:	Sat. 12:15 pm			

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education classes began last Sunday, September 8, 2013. It is imperative for each child to attend class weekly to enhance his or her knowledge of their Maronite Catholic Faith and Spiritual Growth. Please keep in mind that your child needs to consistently attend class in order to participate in church functions such as Christmas plays and festival dancing.

Registration will take place Sunday, September 15, and 22nd between 11:00 a.m. and 12 noon in the Education Center. Calendars will be available during this time. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact **Debbie Tartick** (Religious Education Coordinator) at (716) 681-6844 or (716) 472-6149.

CCD COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE

September 15, 2013: *Dolla Khoury-Sobon & Betty Aldik*
September 22, 2013: *Elizabeth Mekhtafi*

HOLY LOVE ALPHABET

- A** Always have Holy Love in your heart.
- B** Be holy.
- C** Call upon the Name of the Lord or His Mother in every need.
- D** Delight in doing good.
- E** Excuse your neighbor's faults.
- F** Forgive and forget.
- G** Give to those in need.
- H** Holy Love is the answer, and the way to heaven.
- I** Ignore those who persecute you.
- J** Jesus should be the center of your life.
- K** Knock and the door shall open to you.
- L** Leave the world behind.
- M** Make many sacrifices.
- N** Never break the Commandments of Love.
- O** Open your heart to prayer.
- P** Place God and others first.
- Q** Quiet your heart and listen to the Lord.
- R** Remember Holy Love in the present moment.
- S** Speak always in Holy Love.
- T** Turn your heart and your lives over to the Divine will Through Holy Love.
- U** Unite your hearts to the United Hearts.
- V** Virtues must be your building blocks of holiness.
- W** Win hearts for Jesus by evangelizing Holy Love.
- X** XXXX Many kisses to Jesus and Mary.
- Y** Your Will, Lord, not my own.
- Z** Zero in on personal holiness through Holy Love.

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Sadie Joseph, Raghad Dabbikeh Schroeder,
Zaine Joseph, Nelly Anthony,
Norma Kamp, Angele Boujaoude,
Myrna Haeick, Helen Milliken,
Souraya Mansour,
Mona Arida, Herbert Batt



HOLY NAME SOCIETY

The Annual, "*Membership Steak Dinner*"
on Sunday, October 13, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.
will be held in the Education Center.

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

It is with great honor that we continue with the legacy of The Altar & Rosary Society of St. John Maron Parish. It is your presence and membership that allows this society to continue with its wonderful traditions. The Membership "Tea" will take place this Monday, September 16, 2013, at 6:30 p.m. in The Cedars Banquet Facility. This year, there will be a **Divine Liturgy before the Membership "Tea".** Special featured guest; music by Paul Hage and Mirage. We encourage and invite each one of you to this very special event. Let us all come together as women of St. John Maron to continue this historic tradition and carry out the true meaning of the Altar and Rosary within our parish.



MARONITE YOUNG ADULT (MYA)

The MYA Group would like to invite all parishioners for Rosary Prayers on Wednesday, September 25th @ 7:00 p.m. in honor of Saint Moura's Feast Day, a Martyr from the Middle East. A reception with coffee and desserts will follow.

S.A.V.E. O.N.E.

S.A.V.E. O.N.E. is a foundation to support orphans in Lebanon. The Annual Fund Raising event, "**The Taste of Lebanon**" will be held on **Tuesday, October 1, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. at Joseph's Country Manor.** Reservations are \$65 per person, and must be made by September 24. Contact

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

The future is as bright as the promises of God.

ST. JOHN MARON THANKS

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

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Nov. 9, 2013** Autumn Spectacular Fundraiser
- Dec. 7, 2013** Adult Christmas Party
- Dec. 14, 2013** Children's Christmas Party
- Dec. 31, 2013** New Year's Eve Party
- Feb. 8, 2014** St. Maron Annual Dinner
- May 17, 2014** St. John Maron Scholarship Split Club

FEAST OF THE HOLY CROSS

The Feast of the Exaltation of The Holy Cross is a holy day of obligation. It will be celebrated at the 5:00 Mass Saturday, September 14th.

CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

An anonymous donor has made a scholarship available to St. John Maron families with children attending Catholic elementary schools within the Diocese of Buffalo. Please contact The Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo at (716) 847-8369.

WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy and sincere condolences go to the family, friends, and relatives of **Mary Salim**, who passed away recently in Florida. May the Lord grant eternal rest to the soul of His servant, Mary, and may He grant comfort and consolation to all those who mourn her.

IMPORTANT REGULATIONS REGARDING SACRAMENTS AT ST. JOHN MARON CHURCH BAPTISM:

All parents who desire Baptism for their child must contact the parish office two months prior to scheduling the date for Baptism.

WEDDINGS:

Engaged couples who desire the Sacrament of Marriage **MUST** schedule an appointment with the pastor to discuss marriage preparation and scheduling a coordinated date between the intended couple and the pastor. This **MUST** be done prior to any other wedding plans that are made.

FUNERALS:

Please contact the pastor as soon as possible after the death of a loved one to schedule a date and make arrangements.

BOOK ON THE LIFE OF ST. SHARBEL

Over the years, we have received requests for information on the life of St. Sharbel. We have been fortunate to receive a recently printed book entitled St. Sharbel From His Contemporaries To Our Era. The Book of St. Sharbel is located on a table in the entrance of the church. Please pick one up.

A LASTING GIFT

Have you considered making a lasting gift in memory of a loved one in lieu of flowers at a time of Death, Wedding, Baptism, First Communion, or any occasion?! Please give primary consideration to **ST. JOHN MARON'S ENDOWMENT FUND & ST. JOHN MARON'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND**. These two special funds will ensure that the work and mission of St. John Maron Church can continue for future generations. Making such a donation is a lasting testament that has great significance.

"SMOKE FREE" CAMPUS

As a friendly reminder please, **DO NOT SMOKE** in front of entrances and exits of the Church, Banquet Facility, and Education Center. (This is a New York State Law). We also ask that you **DO NOT PARK** in the front entrance of the Church. Please park in designated parking spots only! (This is a New York State Law and Fire Hazard) Let's kindly remind ourselves of our environment and our safety.

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!

PLEASE RESPECT OUR NEW LITURGY BOOKS BY HANDLING THEM WITH CARE AND RETURNING THEM PROPERLY IN THE PEWS

ST. JOHN MARON CHURCH MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone: _____

CHECK ONE:

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