

**LITURGY INTENTIONS**

<u>DATE AND TIME</u>			<u>IN LOVING MEMORY OF</u>	<u>REQUESTED BY</u>
Saturday	Mar. 22	5:00 pm	Donald Murphy	Abouna
Sunday	Mar. 23	10:00 am	Mkheiber & Zahibeh Zayrouk	Mrs. Asma Gerges
			Hassebeh Elias Mansour (Anniversary)	Amal Mansour
			Antonios & Zalfa Shady	M/M Tony Ibrahim
		12:15 pm	Majid & Badwiah Mansour	The Family
			Genevieve & Hawwa Elias & Souls in Purgatory	Mrs. Marie Moussa
			Georgette Nasr	Georgina & Tony Moussa
Tuesday	Mar. 25	12:00 pm	Boutros & Eid Majed	Mrs. Hanne Houry
Wednesday	Mar. 26	12:00 pm	Ghassan & Linda Kairouz	The Family
Thursday	Mar. 27	12:00 pm	Ghassan & Linda Kairouz	The Family
Friday	Mar. 28	12:00 pm	Rose M. Kairouz	The Family
Saturday	Mar. 29	5:00 pm	Loretta Mosey	The Children
Sunday	Mar. 30	10:00 am	Ghassan Aziz Kairouz	The Kairouz Family
			Alfred Deeb Sr.	Ms. Sally A. Deeb
			12:15 pm	Joseph Hanna
			Fr. George Louis	M/M Kamal Jaoude

**The Altar Bread** for March is in loving memory of Elias & Rose Attea by Pat & Rita MacDiarmid

**The Altar Wine** for March is in loving memory of Elias & Rose Attea by Pat & Rita MacDiarmid

**The Sanctuary Lamp** for March is in loving memory of Elias & Rose Attea by Pat & Rita MacDiarmid

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

**This Weekend's Sacred Scriptures: Epistle:** 2 Cor 13:5-13 ~ **Gospel:** Lk 15:11-32

**Next Weekend's Sacred Scriptures: Epistle:** 1 Tim 5:24-6.5 ~ **Gospel:** Mk 2:1-12

**PARISH STEWARDSHIP (MAR 16, 2014)**

**Regular Tithes:**

5 pm & 10 am: \$1,196.00  
 12:15 pm: \$ 395.00  
**TOTAL: \$1,591.00**

**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 THE ASSESSMENT/BISHOP'S APPEAL .**  
**THE SECOND COLLECTION FOR NEXT WEEK IS FOR EASTER FLOWERS.**

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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>Mark Ibrahim |                  | <b>Sun. 10:00 am</b> | Nila Khoury  |
|                        | <b>Sun. 12:15 pm:</b> | John Shelby<br>Joey Hayek        | <b>*DEACONS:</b> | <b>Sat. 5:00 pm</b>  | Bob DiSibio  |
|                        |                       |                                  |                  | <b>Sun. 10:00 am</b> | Tania Badawy |
|                        |                       |                                  |                  | <b>Sun. 12:15 pm</b> | Henri Khoury |
- \*PEACE BEARERS: Sun. 10:00 am:**
- \*GIFT BEARERS: Sun. 10:00 am:**
- \*INTERCESSIONS: Sun. 10:00 am:**

**MARCH 23, 2014**

**Parable of the Prodigal Son**

**2014 ASSESSMENT/BISHOP'S APPEAL**

Letters and pledge/donation cards have been mailed to every parish family. As Christians, it is our responsibility to make the commitment and help others in need. Please find it in your hearts to be generous with your donations to the Assessment/Bishop's Charity Appeal. Every parish family is kindly asked to do its share so that our St. John Maron Parish will be able to meet its goal, which is (\$32,000).

**PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENT  
BANQUET FACILITY REPORT**

The Cedars Banquet Facility has had a few scheduled events from December 2013 to March 2014. The net income from these events was \$35,000.00.

**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.**

This raffle, which will benefit *Our Children's Scholarship Fund and Activities*, 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.

**PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH**

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



**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.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent at 7:00 p.m.

**LEBANESE FESTIVAL 2014**

**THE DATE IS SET FOR OUR LEBANESE FESTIVAL: July 25, 26, and 27. Please mark your calendar.**

**ALTAR BREAD, WINE & SANCTUARY LAMP**

Anyone who wishes to sponsor the Altar Bread & Wine & Sanctuary Lamp 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.

**THOUGHT OF THE WEEK**

*Let all that you do be done with  
God's love.*

**ST. JOHN MARON THANKS**

**ALLCARE FAMILY SERVICES, INC.**

**625 Delaware Ave., Ste. 150, Buffalo, NY 14202 ~ 1-800-967-0275**

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

**THANK YOU**

On March 17, 18, and 19, we had a beautiful retreat. I want to thank all those who worked hard to make this event possible. Thank you to the Altar & Rosary Society’s Religious Coordinator, Marie DiSibio, for organizing this wonderful retreat.

*Abouna Flie*

**LENTEN GUIDANCE**

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.

**GOSPEL SOIRÉE**

Come, join us for a relaxing night where we strengthen our fellowship and our understanding of the Word of God. **Thursday, March 27, 2014 @ 7 p.m.** at the Parish House.

**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**

- Mar. 23:** Regular Classes
- Mar. 30:** Regular Class
- Apr. 6:** Regular ClassGrs. 4, 5, 6: Movie  
Gr. 3: Movie & Last Supper
- Apr. 13 & 20:** No Classes

All children are encouraged to participate in the NAM Poster Contest by creating a “grade-themed” poster or essay. Flyers are available from the teachers. Posterboard available from the 3rd Gr. Classroom. NAM Scholarship applications are available online at [www.namnews.org](http://www.namnews.org). The deadline is May 15, 2014.

**CCD COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE**



- Mar. 23, 2014:** Patricia & David Bittar
- Mar. 30, 2014:** Jeanne & Bill Krier

**ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY**

The Altar & Rosary Society will be holding a *Spring Arts & Craft Show* on **Saturday, April 26, 2014, from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.** This event will be in the Cedars Banquet Facility. There will be a variety of crafters. We invite you and your friends to come, enjoy and peruse the many items for purchase. Proceeds from this event will benefit St. John Maron Church.

**Split Club Winners:**

**March:** Theresa Akiki; Georges Atallah; Sadie Joseph.

**Altar cleaners for March:** Laura Mansour and Silvana Badawy.

**NAM CONVENTION 2014**

Colette Jowdy will be available after the 10:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Masses on Sunday, March 23 and 30, for those interested in signing up for the “NAM Membership Drive”. She will be available to answer any questions that you might have regarding NAM and the convention in Pittsburgh. She will have membership forms available, or you can join online at [www.namnews.org](http://www.namnews.org).

**ST. JOHN MARON CHURCH MEMBERSHIP FORM**

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

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

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

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

**CHECK ONE:**

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