

LITURGY INTENTIONS

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

REQUESTED BY

Saturday	Dec. 31	5:00 pm	Rose & Jim Abraham	Daughters & Families
Sunday	Jan. 01	10:00 am	Badih & Nawal ElMekhtafi	M/M Samir Mansour
			Majid & Badwih Mansour	The Family
			Mansour Chayban	M/M Elia Mansour
			Amelia Moran	Amy Habib & Family
Sunday	Jan. 01	12:15 pm	Souhad Hayek	Ms. Houda Moussa
			Hanna & Radah Chbat	Mrs. Antoinette El Khoury
			Antonios & Bahieh Mansour	M/M Emil Mansour
			Issa Aboudib (Memorial Mass)	M/M Assad Aboudib
Tuesday	Jan. 03	8:00 am	Ghassan & Linda Kairouz	The Family
Wednesday	Jan. 04	8:00 am	Farouk & Joseph A. Kairouz	The Family
Thursday	Jan. 05	7:00 pm	<i>The Epiphany Vigil Mass</i>	
			Ghassan & Linda Kairouz	The Family
			Halim Habib	Amy Habib & Family
			Maurice & Boutros Chayban	M/M Boulos Chayban
Friday	Jan. 06	8:00 am	<i>Feast of The Epiphany</i>	
			Ghassan & Linda Kairouz	The Family
Saturday	Jan. 07	5:00 pm	Louise Azar	Dolores Godlewski
Sunday	Jan. 08	10:00 am	Majid & Badwih Mansour	The Family
			Louise & Tom Joseph & Richard Moses	The Moses Family
			Mansour Chayban	M/M Elia Mansour
			Nawal El Mekhtafi (Anniversary)	M/M Samir Mansour
			Halim Habib	Amy Habib & Family
Sunday	Jan. 08	12:15 pm	Souhad Hayek	M/M John Moussa
			Edmon Badawy & Badwya Mansour	M/M Emil Mansour
			Elie Eid (40 Day Mass)	Peter Eid & Family

The Altar Bread for January is in loving memory of Ghassan & Linda Kairouz by Abouna.

The Altar Wine for January is in loving memory of Ghassan & Linda Kairouz by Abouna.

The Sanctuary Lamp for January is in loving memory of Ghassan & Linda Kairouz by Abouna.

Wealth May Last A Lifetime. A Legacy of Charity & Good Deeds Lasts Forever.

PLEASE REMEMBER ST. JOHN MARON PARISH IN YOUR ESTATE PLANNING

OUR GRATITUDE TO ALL WHO ARE SUPPORTING ST. JOHN MARON CHURCH.

YOUR GENEROSITY IS A BLESSING.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP (Dec. 25, 2016)

Regular Tithes: 5:00 pm & 12:00 am Mass: \$3,650.00 11:00 am Mass: \$2,789.00 Total: \$6,439.00

*ALTAR SERVERS:	Sun. 10:00 am: Elias & Jonathan Mansour	*LECTORS:	Sat. 5:00 pm	Donna Amati
			Sun. 10:00 am	Nila Khoury
			Sun. 12:15 pm	Henri Khoury
*PEACE BEARERS:	Sun. 10:00 am:	*DEACONS:	Sat. 5:00 pm	Regina Joseph
			Sun. 10:00 am	Joseph Bittar
			Sun. 12:15 pm	Henri Khoury
*GIFT BEARERS:	Sun. 10:00 am:			
*INTERCESSIONS:	Sun. 10:00 am:			



2016-17 NEW YEAR'S SERVICE & MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 31:

New Year's Eve Mass @ 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 1:

New Year's Day @ 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 5:

Vigil of The Epiphany @ 7:00 p.m.

Friday, January 6:

Feast of The Epiphany @ 8:00 a.m.

JANUARY ROSARY

As we start the New Year, let us show our gratitude to our Blessed Mother by praying the Rosary asking for comfort and peace. The Altar and Rosary Society and Abouna invites all parishioners on Monday, January 9th at 7:00 p.m. for this devotion. Refreshments will follow.

2017 WEEKLY ENVELOPE BOXES

Your contribution envelopes for 2017 are located in the back of the church. Please pick up your envelopes and use them faithfully during the course of the year. *If you did not receive any envelopes, please contact the parish office.*

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Antoinette Shehadi, Mirna Haeick, Chris Curry, Loulou Chbat, Jacob Akiki, Norma Kamp, Mona Arida, Robert DiSibio, Victor Khoury, Joseph Martino, Theresa Mosey.

A NOTE OF GRATITUDE

I would like to thank you for your prayerful best wishes, Christmas cards and generous gifts during this Holy Season. Your kindness and continued support have deeply touched me. Please be assured of my daily prayers and Liturgies at the altar of St. John Maron throughout this coming year. May our generous Lord shower upon you His abundant graces and may He bless you and yours throughout the New Year!

Abouna Elie

FEAST OF THE GLORIOUS EPIPHANY

The Vigil of the Glorious Epiphany will be held on **Thursday, January 5th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.** and the Feast of the Glorious Epiphany will be held on **Friday, January 6th, 2017 at 8:00 a.m.** If you wish to have a bottle of water blessed, please bring one.

SAVE THE DATE

St. Maron Feast Day Annual Dinner is on Saturday, February 11th, 2017 starting @ 6 p.m.

Tax Exemption

Would you like to have a 2016 tax exemption and help St. John Maron Church? Please consider making a taxable donation to the St. John Maron Church **before December 31**. Please make check payable to: **St. John Maron Church**.

MASS BOOK FOR 2017

The 2017 Mass Book is now open for anyone who wishes to schedule Masses In ADVANCE.

**THE SECOND COLLECTION FOR THIS WEEK IS FOR The Circumcision, WD of Peace, New Years.
THE SECOND COLLECTION FOR NEXT WEEK IS FOR THE BUILDING FUND.**

This Weekend's Sacred Scriptures: Epistle: Eph 2:11-22 ~ Gospel: Lk 2:21
Next Weekend's Sacred Scriptures: Epistle: 2 Cor 10:1-11 ~ Gospel: Jn 1:29-34

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 Church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

- Jan. 1: No Class ~ Christmas Break
- Jan. 8: Regular Class
- Jan. 15: Regular Class; Children’s Mass
- Jan. 22: Regular Class

VOLUNTEERS FOR COFFEE HOUR

- Jan. 08: Joe & Ann Lattanzio
- Jan. 15: Elie & Fran Harfouche
- Jan. 22: Petty & Jacque Aldik

GOSPEL SOIREE

Come, join us for a relaxing night where we strengthen our fellowship and our understanding of the Word of God. Information regarding dates and times will be forthcoming.

PAINT NIGHT

NAM Buffalo presents Paint Night with *Splash on Canvas Art* to be held on **Sunday, January 15th, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.** in the Education Center. Leave with your very own coffee painting of a portrait that depicts our Maronite faith. Appetizers and juices served by Ashker’s Juice Bar. **This event has limited seats, so please RSVP by January 7, 2017.** Non-NAM Members \$35, Nam Members \$28. For more information please contact: Nila Khoury 716-868-6351 or Josiane AbouJaoude 716-430-1082

RE M I N D E R

SMOKING is ABSOLUTELY FORBIDDEN in ANY AREA of the Church or Church grounds at ANY TIME.

NATIVITY SET

We are in need of a Nativity Set. The present one has many broken pieces and is very fragile. We would like to get a permanent Nativity set of polymer resin which is highly durable. After checking various venues, the Church Supply Warehouse offered the best prices.

- Mary Figure - \$370*
- Gabriel Figure - \$398*
- Joseph Figure - \$335*
- Shepherd - \$370*
- Baby Jesus - \$150*
- Standing Sheep Figure - \$156*
- King Melchior - \$398*
- Sitting Sheep Figure - \$145*
- King Gaspar - \$398*
- Seated Donkey Figure - \$380*
- King Balthazar - \$398*
- Seated Ox Figure - \$380*

Total amount for the above is \$3,878.

We are asking all parishioners to please consider donating toward this necessity, or if you would like, purchase a figurine in memory of a loved one. Our sincerest gratitude for your help in purchasing this very special part of our Church. Please let Abouna know what you can do to help.

2017 St. John Maron CALENDAR

St. John Maron Calendar for the New Year is available at all the entrances of the Church. *Please take as many as you would like!!! Please remember our Sponsor Joe Lombardo.*

ST. JOHN MARON HOLY NAME SOCIETY

For all past, current, and all those interested in the St. John Maron Holy Name Society, there will be an organizational meeting on Wednesday, January 4th, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Education Center.

*Wishing You
A Happy And Blessed New Year!*

Lord, as the New Year begins....

*Give us JOY to fill our days,
Give us PEACE to fill our hearts,
Give us LOVE to fill our lives.*

ST. JOHN MARON NEW MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ **Zip:** _____

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