

Mass Time & Intentions

Epistle **Eph 2: 17-22** Gospel: **Lk 19: 1-10**

Anaphora: **Saint Peter**

Sat Aug 16 5:00 PM	(+) Emil & Gloria Rizk By David & Michael Rizk (+) Rita MacDiarmid By The Family (+) Deceased Members of Elias Mansour & Hanna Mansour Families (Anniv) By Amal Mansour (-) Special Intention By John & Amy Zavitz
Sun Aug 17 10:30 AM	(+) George Mansour By The Family (+) Essa Dabbikeh By Ferouz Dabbikeh (+) Semaan Mahfoud (Anniv) By Hind Chaiban

(+) =Deceased; (-) = Intention not deceased



WELCOME!

If you are a guest or visitor to St. John Maron Church, we are happy to have you. PLEASE, make yourself at home. You Are Among Family.



SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Altar Bread, Wine and Sanctuary Candle burns this month for the soul of George Nader requested by The Family. May he rest in Peace.



Beginning September 7, the Sunday Liturgies will return to 9:30AM English Mass and 11:30AM Arabic Mass.



For your information, first aid kits and AED Devices are located in the Education Hall and in the kitchen of the Cedars Banquet Hall.

Mass Time & Intentions Next Week

Epistle **Eph 3: 1-13** Gospel: **Mt 15: 21-28**

Sat Aug 23 5:00 PM	(+) Emil & Gloria Rizk By David & Michael Rizk (+) Rita MacDiarmid By The Family (+) Joseph & Rose Assaf By Elizabeth Assaf (+) Sadie A. Joseph (Anniv) By The Family
Sun Aug 24 10:30 AM	(+) George Mansour By The Family (+) Essa Dabbikeh By Ferouz Dabbikeh (+) Elia Lattouf By Rimom Moawad



TOTAL BASKET COLLECTION

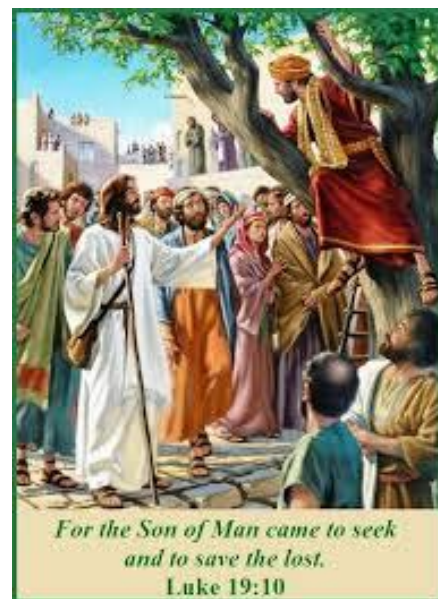
August 10, 2025

Regular Collection: \$2,248.00

Second Collection: \$217.00

Online Collection: \$0.00

Our gratitude to all who are supporting our parish. Your generosity is a blessing.



PARISH CONTACTS

Pastor	Fr Dany Abi-Akar	716-634-0669 EXT 1
Parochial Vicar	Fr Tony Kairouz	724-732-4064
Administrative Assistant	Debbie Tartick	716-634-0669 EXT 2
Parish Council	Reggie Joseph	716-472-8420
Finance Committee	Anthony Habib	716-913-4174
Knights of Columbus	Chuck Mosey	716-228-8313
Religious Education	Debbie Tartick	716-472-6149
Building Committee	Henri Khouri	716-479-9143

SICK OR IN NEED

If you or someone you know is sick or in need of a visit from clergy, please call the office. 716-634-0669.

**Please pray for those who are sick,
homebound or in the hospital.**

Theresa Utz, Paula Chameli, Ferouz Dabbikeh, John Joseph, Jr., Gregory Joseph and Therese Hayek

CEDARS HALL RENTAL

For information, please contact Michael Khoury or Joseph Mahfouz at 716-393-9266. Check out the cedarsvenue.com website for more information.

2025-2026

CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY TUITION ASSISTANCE

TO ST JOHN MARON CHURCH FAMILIES

A parishioner of St. John Maron is pleased to provide Catholic Elementary tuition assistance to St. John Maron families. **APPLICATIONS ARE IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



The new school year will be starting soon and we are in need of teaching assistants for grades PK/K, 1 and 2. If you are interested in helping, please contact

Christina ElChibani at 716-713-4454.

Religious Education classes will begin **Sunday, September 7, 2025.** It is important for each child to attend class weekly to enhance



his or her knowledge of their Maronite Catholic Faith and Spiritual Growth. If you wish your child to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist, they must start attending Religious Education classes no later than 1st Grade.

Registration will take place Sunday, September 7 and 14 between 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 in the Education Center. Calendars will be available during this time. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Christina ElChibani at 716-713-4454.



August 31st: "Blessing of the Backpacks".

For all children of the parish to bring their backpacks to 10:30 Mass and receive a blessing from Father Dany for a fruitful school year!

August 31st: MYO Parent-Teacher Meeting following 10:30 Mass. Light refreshments served.



LEBANESE FESTIVAL

Our 22nd Annual Lebanese Festival hosted over 5,200 visitors. We were blessed with an overabundance of volunteers and many sponsors who made this an amazing community event. This was by far our best year yet! For all of those hardworking volunteers who made our festival a resounding success, we **THANK YOU!!**

Our Finance Committee is still working on finalizing the specific numbers for the venues, but we expect to net above \$200,000. We could not have achieved this success without the help of many volunteers, captains, committee chairs, sponsors and donors.

Our Lebanese festival was a vibrant celebration that proudly showcased our community to the entire city, offering a rich display of our heritage, traditions, and hospitality. Through traditional music, dance, and food, visitors had the opportunity to experience the heart of Lebanese culture firsthand. The event created a welcoming space where people from all backgrounds could connect, learn, and appreciate the beauty of our customs. For many in the Lebanese community, it was also a meaningful way to reconnect with their roots and share their identity with others. The festival not only highlighted our cultural pride but also strengthened the bond between our community and the wider city.



DONATE USING YOUR MOBILE DEVICE

In an effort to make it easier to donate to St. John Maron Church, scanning this QR Code leads the mobile camera to our Church's Donate landing site.



ST JOHN MARON GOLF TOURNAMENT



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

@ Glen Oak Golf Course
711 Smith Rd, East Amherst, NY 14051

10:30 AM - Registration
12 PM - Shotgun Start

- 4 Man Scramble
- Longest Drive/Closest to the pin
- Prizes and Raffles
- Snack & Drinks
- Dinner to Follow

\$150

PER GOLFER

CONTACT TO RESERVE
 Mark Mahfouz | 716-566-8658
 Joseph Mahfouz | 716-725-3185

PEW RESTORATION !!



As we continue the last efforts to complete the necessary repairs and renovations to our beautiful church, we are refinishing the pews and adding kneelers. We would love to have the total cost of the pews covered by families sponsoring pews or making donations toward the refinishing. Each pew/kneeler costs \$1,400. Your sponsorship of a pew will include a plaque with your name, similar to what is currently on the pews. This would be a lasting legacy for your family. **Close to half the pews have already been assigned to specific families. Please call the office if you haven't already requested a specific pew and we will try to accommodate your request.**

