

December 1, 2024

Visitation of the Virgin to Elizabeth

Mass Time & Intentions

Epistle: Eph1: 1-14

Gospel: Lk 1: 39-45

Sat Nov. 30 5:00 PM	For Emil & Gloria Rizk By David & Michael Rizk For The Akiki Family By Dr. & Mrs. Michel Maouad For Norbert & Pat Bishop By Mr. & Mrs. Tom Haykel For Souhad Hayek By The Family For Romanos & Asma Georges By Michael Georges
Sun Dec. 1 9:30 AM	For Emil & Gloria Rizk By David & Michael Rizk
Sun Dec. 1 11:00 AM	For The Arida Family By The Family For Sarah & Sadie Betros By Rosemary Lunghino For Nawal Mekhtafi By Narimane Mansour For Essa Dabbikeh By Ferouz Dabbikeh For Souhad Hayek By The Hayek Family




WELCOME!

If you are a guest or visitor to Saint 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 souls of Elias, Sadie & Joseph E. Joseph requested by the Family. May she rest in Peace.

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) for 2025 can call or email the office to request a specific month.



TOTAL BASKET COLLECTION

November 24, 2024

\$4,521.00

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



WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy and sincere condolences go to the family, friends, and relatives of Mr. Essa Dabbikeh who passed to the Lord on November 21, 2024. Essa was the beloved son of Ferouz Dabbikeh. May the Lord grant eternal rest to the soul of His servant, Essa, and may He grant comfort and consolation to all those who mourn him.



CONGRATULATIONS



Our congratulations to the following parents on the Baptism & Chrismation of their children.

Mr. & Mrs. Peter Eid on the baptism of their daughter Josephina Mary.

Mr. & Mrs. Johnathan Eid on the baptism of their daughter Grace Emily.

Mr. & Mrs. Victor Kairouz on the baptism of their son Mateo Victor.

May God, who created us out of His outpouring of love, grant the newborns Josephina, Grace and Mateo, good health and long life so that they may grow in His Church to love, adore and praise Him. May He also grant Peter & Hala, Johnathan & Emily and Victor & Sonia a good healthy life to raise them according to our Maronite Catholic Tradition.



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



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.



BIBLE QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled. Luke 1:45



MARONITE YOUNG ADULT ANGEL CHRISTMAS TREE

Please take an ornament from our tree and bring an age-appropriate unwrapped toy in support of Saint Luke's Mission of Mercy. Unwrapped toys can be donated now through December 8.



ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

Our Annual Wine and Spirit Tasting will take place Friday, December 6 at Addy's Wine and Spirits on Transit Road from 6 – 8 PM. Appetizers and dessert will be served. It is a fun event! Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased at the entrance to the church. Hope you can join us for fun & friendship! Bring your friends and family.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education is now 10:30AM.

- Dec. 1: No Class-Thanksgiving Break
- Dec. 8: Regular Class, Grade 6/7 Liturgy
- Dec. 14: Children's Christmas Party
- Dec. 15: Children's Christmas Play after 11:30 Mass

COFFEE HOUR

- Dec. 8: James & Denise Issa
- Dec. 15: Nisrine Harfouche

Please join us Saturday, December 14th at 6PM for our children's Christmas party! Food, fun, family and a special visitor from the North Pole will all take place. Please contact Monique Merhej at 716-909-6093 if you and your family will be attending.

Our beautiful Christmas Pageant with our young children will take place in the church immediately following the 11:30 AM mass on December 15. All are welcome to watch our Nativity play and sing some Christmas songs!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights are hosting the Keeping Christ in Christmas Religious Education competition. The children were given forms with instructions to complete Christmas posters for **CASH PRIZES!**

PARISH CONTACT

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CEDARS HALL RENTAL

Our Cedars Hall is the perfect location for your personal and business events. It has state-of-the-art audio-visual capability, ample free parking, full commercial kitchen, bar, and large bathrooms.

We are working on some restoration, and we will keep you posted when the Hall will be ready. For information, please contact Michael Khoury at 716-510-7465 or Joseph Mahfouz at 716-725-3185.



MASS AND ADORATION



Join us every First Thursday of the Month for 7 PM Mass, followed by Adoration and Procession of the Blessed Sacraments and anointing with oil. Mass will be celebrated on candle lights.



2024-2025 CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY/HIGH SCHOOL TUITION ASSISTANCE TO ST JOHN MARON CHURCH FAMILIES

A parishioner of St. John Maron is pleased to provide Catholic Elementary or High School tuition assistance to St. John Maron families.

**Please see Abouna for an Application.
Qualifications:**

- Families must be registered, participating & contributing members of St. John Maron.
- Families must have one or more students registered at and attending a Catholic elementary school in WNY for the 2024-25 school year.
- Families must demonstrate financial need.
- The applications are still being accepted.



JOIN THE CHOIR MINISTRY

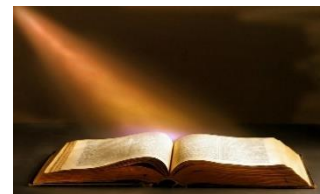
“The church choir is the heart of the church, singing praises to the Lord.” Love to Sing? Join our Choir Ministry! We would love to have you join our music ministry if you enjoy singing or praising the Lord. Please contact our Choir director Bou Jaoude.



BIBLE STUDIES

“We will be hosting weekly Bible Study at the church education center, where we will be exploring the word of God together.

More information will follow.



2025 WEEKLY ENVELOPES

If you would like to receive weekly envelopes, please call or email the office. The envelope list will be updated soon. Your weekly donation helps defray the costs associated with keeping our beautiful church open.