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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday at 5:00 pm (English)

Sunday at 9:30 am (English)

Sunday at 11:30 am (Arabic)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Closed on: Fridays, Holy Days of Obligation and Federal Holidays

Mass Time & Intentions

Epistle: Rom 1: 1-12 Gospel: Mt 1: 1-17

Anaphora: St. Peter

Sat. Dec. 20 5:00 PM	(+) Emil & Gloria Rizk By David & Michael Rizk (+) Christine Tartick By Sam & Debbie Tartick (-) Rose & James Abraham By Daughters & Families
Sun. Dec. 21 9:30 AM	(+) Souls in Purgatory (+) Asad & Souad Abi Akar
Sun. Dec. 21 11:30 AM	(+) George Mansour By The Family (+) Ghassan Dergham By Sayed & Rita El Khoury (+) Joseph Hanna, Sr. By Mona Hanna & Family (+) Essa Dabbikeh (+) Elias & Hassibeh Mansour By Mr. & Mrs. Emil Mansour (+) Ferouz Dabbikeh By Souad Hayek (+) Rodrick Khoury By The Family (+) Mary, Bachir, Salma & Samira Moussa By The Moussa Family (+) Wedad Ibrahim By Tony Ibrahim & Family

(+) =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 burn this month for the soul of **Souhad Hayek** requested by The Family. May she rest in Peace.



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.



TOTAL BASKET COLLECTION

December 14, 2025

Regular Collection: \$3,802.00

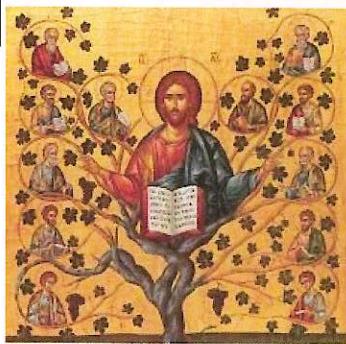
Second Collection: \$325.00

Online Collection: \$25.00

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



GENEALOGY SUNDAY



Genealogy Sunday refers to the Sunday of the Holy Forefathers in Eastern Orthodox and Eastern Catholic Churches, celebrated the Sunday before Christmas, to commemorate Jesus' human ancestors from

Adam to Joseph, emphasizing His full humanity, God's redemptive plan through flawed people (like David, Ruth), and the universality of salvation, connecting personal family history with divine history. It's a time for reflecting on one's own roots and faith journey within God's grand story.

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	Joseph Mahfouz	716-725-3185
Finance Committee	Anthony Habib	716-913-4174
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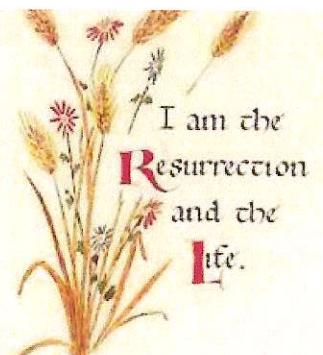


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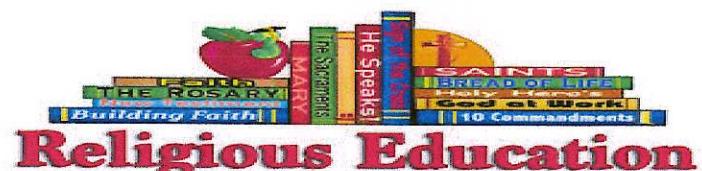
If you or someone you know is sick or in need of a visit from clergy, please call the office. 716-634-0669.

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

Theresa Utz, Paula Chameli, John Joseph, Jr.,
Gregory Joseph, Therese Hayek, Sanaa Abou-Jaoude



Corky, and may He grant comfort and consolation to all those who mourn her.



Religious Education

Wishing all our Religious Education families a safe, spiritual and joyous Christmas and New Year! Looking ahead to a wonderful start to 2026!

Dec. 21 & 28: No Class; Christmas Vacation

COFFEE HOUR:

Jan. 4: Abir & Charbel Ntanios

All parishioners are welcome to coffee hour between masses at 10:30.



2025 CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S SERVICE & MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, Dec. 15 – Tuesday, Dec. 23

Christmas Novena - 7PM

Wednesday, December 24

Christmas Eve Vigil Mass - 5PM

Thursday, December 25

Christmas Midnight Mass - 12MID

Christmas Day Mass - 11AM

Wednesday, December 31

New Year's Eve Vigil Mass

(Holy Day of Obligation) - 5PM

Thursday, January 1

New Year's Day Mass

(Holy Day of Obligation) - 11AM



Please contact our Parish Council members with any suggestions or issues you might have.

Parish Council

Mr. Joseph Mahfouz 716-725-3185

Dr. Gabriel Chouchani 716-812-0881

Dr. Naim Dawli 716-982-9411

Mr. James Issa 716-536-2370

Mr. Charles Mosey 716-228-8313

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 2026 can call or email the rectory to request a specific month. **The months are already filling up so please call the office 716-634-0669 or email stjmaron@gmail.com at your earliest convenience.**

MASS INTENTIONS

For your mass intentions, please complete the intention form located near the bulletin in the church. Insert it with the stipend into the blue envelopes available near the bulletin. You can also download the form from our stjmaron.org website located on the main page. Intention forms can be mailed in or put in the collection basket. Thank you for your cooperation. **The 2026 Mass Book is now available to schedule your masses.**

2026 WEEKLY ENVELOPES

If you are new to the church or have never contributed using envelopes and 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.

PEW RESTORATION !!

Thank you to all those parishioners who purchased pews for our beautiful restoration project. **If you have not already done so, please send an email to the church, stjmaron@gmail.com, or call the office, 716-634-0669, to request the proper wording on your plaque.** May God continue to bless our parish family for their contributions of time, talent and treasure.

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.

CHRISTMAS

Is not just a story of a birth,
it's the story of a love so great,
He stepped into our darkness
to bring light.
A gift not wrapped in paper,
but in grace, mercy, and
everlasting hope.



IN LOVING MEMORY of...

*Nabih Tablie
Albert Hanna
By Kamal and Colette Jowdy*

*Rose & Jim Abraham
Mildred & John Zavitz
Beloved sisters Karema Abraham & Carol Abraham Krestos
By John & Amy (Abraham) Zavitz*

*The deceased members of the Nemtala and Jeanette Moses Family
By the Moses Family*

*Toufic & Najeeba Karam
By Michael Karam*

*Sam & Christine Tartick
Kitty Champagne
Adeline Rein & Eugene Musial
By Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Tartick*

*Isabelle Abraham
By Mrs. Therese Abraham*

*Rose & James Abraham, Karema Abraham, Carol Abraham Krestos
Miriam & Anthony Amati
By Mr. & Mrs. Roger Amati*

*Charlie & Rose Sparcino
Theresa & Tom Mosey*

*Badih B. Boujaoude
Farid and Angele Aboujaoude
By Kamal and Colette Jowdy*

*Mary & Gebron Milan
By David & Michael Rizk*

*Emil & Gloria Rizk
By David & Michael Rizk*

*John M. Joseph
By Wife Mary K. Joseph*

*Katherine Hage
Antoine & Teresa Hage
Peter Hage
By the Family*

*Rita and Patrick MacDiarmid, Sr.
Deceased family members of Elias and Rose Attea
Deceased family members of Andrew & Lena MacDiarmid
By the Family*

*Joseph (Gush) Mosey Sr & Helen Mosey
By Thomas J. & Theresa Mosey*

*Elias & Sadie Joseph
Joseph E. Joseph
By the Family*

*The deceased of the Saffire & Attea families
By Rosemary Saffire*

*Charles & Mabel Haykel
Frank & Josephine Baron
Jabour Anthony Family
By Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Haykel*

*Felix & Yvonne Labaki
Paul Labaki
By Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Haykel*

*Sarkis Abraham & Family
Sarkis Zaiter & Family
By Mrs. Therese Abraham*

*Rasca Abdallah Boujaoude
By Kamal and Colette Jowdy*

*Rima Sayegh Dawli
By the Family*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR DECEASED PASTORS AND ASSISTANT PASTORS WHO SERVED ST. JOHN MARON PARISH WITH LEADERSHIP, DEDICATION, SERVICE AND LOVE...

PASTORS:

*Reverend Antoun A. Zoghby (1903-1904)
Reverend Georges Aziz (1904-1908)
Reverend Monsignor Francis Shemalie (1908-1959)*

*Reverend Peter F. Sfeir (1960-1968)
Reverend Maron Abi-Nader (1968-1969)
Reverend Monsignor Joseph D. Joseph (1969-1996)*

ASSISTANT PASTORS:

*Reverend Monsignor Nemat-Allah Chemaly (1912-1919)
Reverend Silwanus Jowdy, Reverend Philip Nagem and Reverend Simon Acle (alternately 1915-1919)
Reverend Peter F. Sfeir (1924-1930; 1947-1954)
Reverend Norman S. Peter (1946-1948)
Reverend Monsignor Joseph D. Joseph (1954-1956)
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Mt. 20:26

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