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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

SUNDAY AFTER THE GLORIOUS BIRTH OF OUR LORD

The Adoration of the Magi

December 28, 2025

Mass Time & Intentions

Epistle: Rev 21: 9-10, 21-27 Gospel: Mt 2: 1-12

Anaphora: Saint Mark, page 835

Sat. Dec. 27 5:00 PM	(+) Emil & Gloria Rizk By David & Michael Rizk (+) Romanos & Asma Georges By Michael Georges
Sun. Dec. 28 9:30 AM	(-) For the Increase of Priestly Vocations
Sun. Dec. 28 11:30 AM	(+) George Mansour By The Family (+) Jacques Khangi By Renee Khangi & Family (+) Essa Dabbiekh (+) Ferouz Dabbiekh By Fouad & Mariette Mansour (+) Rodrick Khoury By The Family
Wed. Dec. 31 5:00 PM	(-) Parishioners of St. John Maron Church
Thurs. Jan. 1 11:00 AM	Holy Day of Obligation (+) Semaan & Claudette Mahfoud By Hind Chaiban
Fri. Jan. 2	6:30 PM – Rosary 7:00 PM - Mass

(+) = 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.



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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.



2025-26 NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

NYE Vigil Mass - Wednesday, December 31 - 5PM

New Year's Day Mass - Thursday, January 1

(Holy Day of Obligation) – 11AM



FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

The Feast of the Glorious Epiphany Vigil Mass and blessing of the water will take place on **Monday, January 5 at 7PM. HOLY DAY Mass at 10AM on Tuesday.** Come and let us ask for the Lord's blessings as we begin this New Year of 2026.



CONFESSION

Father is always available to hear confessions. Please call the office to schedule an appointment. Thank you.

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PARISH CONTACTS

Pastor	Fr Dany Abi-Akar	716-634-0669 EXT 1
Parochial Vicar	Fr Tony Kairouz	724-732-4064
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Parish Council	Joseph Mahfouz	716-725-3185
Finance Committee	Anthony Habib	716-913-4174
Altar & Rosary Society	Reggie Joseph	716-472-8420
Knights of Columbus	Chuck Mosey	716-228-8313
Religious Education	Christina ElChibani	716-713-4454
Building Committee	Henri Khoury	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, John Joseph, Jr.,
Gregory Joseph, Sanaa Abou-Jaoude



TOTAL BASKET COLLECTION

December 25, 2025

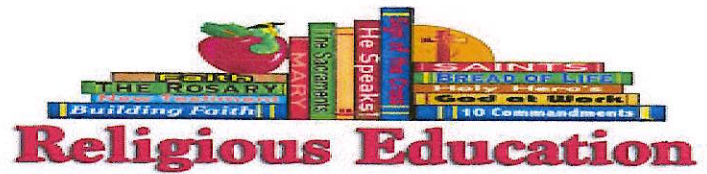
Christmas Eve Mass: \$5,386.00

Midnight Mass: \$503.00

Christmas Day Mass: \$1,118.00

Online Collection: \$20.00

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



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

Dec. 28: No Class; Christmas Vacation
Jan. 4: Regular Class; 9:30 MYO Mass
Jan. 11: Regular Class

COFFEE HOUR:

Jan. 4: Abir & Charbel Ntanios
Jan. 11: Maggie & Fadi Issa
Jan. 18: Ellen El Hawa & Laura Mansour

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



ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

Please join us for our next Rosary Prayer Mission on
Monday, January 12 at 7 PM in the church. What a
better way to begin the New Year than by praying to
our Blessed Mother as a community.

Invitations have been sent to all members of the
A & R Society for our holiday luncheon. Please send
in your reservation by Jan. 5 with your meal choice,
name and check/cash. If you have any questions,
please contact Reggie Joseph at 716-472-8420.
Hope to see all members there!



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.

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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. **June, July & September are still available.** Please call the office 716-634-0669 or email stjmaron@gmail.com at your earliest convenience.

2026 WEEKLY ENVELOPES

The Contribution boxes are in the back of the church. Please make sure you pick up your box as soon as possible so you can start using them in the new year. Please look at the address on the sticker to make sure it is correct. If there are any errors, please report them to the church office. **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. As always, thank you for continuing to contribute to St. John Maron Church. Your



donations have funded many projects and needed updates to our church.

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.**

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716-602-3742	SUSAN RAINA	716-418-0993	ANTHONY ATALLAH
716-432-3849	RIMA ZINATY	716-510-7465	MICHAEL KHOURY

ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT ST JOHN MARON FOR TICKETS



The Adoration of the Magi



Based on [Matthew 2:11](#), the Magi followed a star to find the newborn Christ, kneeling to worship him and offer gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, marking the first revelation of Jesus' divinity to the Gentiles. "On

entering the house, they saw the child

with Mary, his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another path".

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*

*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*

*Rafca Abdallah Boujaoude
By Kamal and Colette Jowdy*

*Rima Sayegh Dawli
By the Family*

*Mary & Gebron Milan
By David & Michael Rizk*

*Emil & Gloria Rizk
By David & Michael Rizk*

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

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)
Reverend Paul Hage (1954-1968)
Bishop Fouad T. El-Hage (1972-1982)*

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