

**FEBRUARY 11, 2024**

**SUNDAY OF THE MIRACLE AT CANA IN GALILEE**

**أحد آية عرس قانا الجليل**

LITURGY INTENTIONS

Date & Time	IN LOVING MEMORY OF	REQUESTED BY
Saturday, February 10, 2024 5:00 PM	Linda & Ghassan Kairouz Emil & Gloria Rizk For the Healing of Rima Dawli, Gregory Joseph & John Joseph, Jr.	The Kairouz Family David & Michael Rizk Abouna
Sunday, February 11, 2024 11:00 AM	Linda & Ghassan Kairouz Emil & Gloria Rizk Kitty Champagne (1 Yr. Anniv) Semaan & Claudette Mahfoud Deceased Priests of St. John Maron Church Saiid, Hanneh, Peter & Souhad Hayek Souls in Purgatory Wakim & Katia El Hawa For the Healing of: - Rima Dawli & Therese Tran - Issa Dabbikeh	The Kairouz Family David & Michael Rizk Sam & Debbie Tartick Mr. & Mrs. Joseph AlMekhtifi Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Shelby Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Shelby Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Shelby M/M Boutros El Hawa & Family Abouna Mrs. Ferouz Dabbikeh
Monday, February 12, 2024 7:00 PM	<b>ASH MONDAY</b> Linda & Ghassan Kairouz	Abouna
Tuesday, February 13, 2024 8:00 AM	Linda & Ghassan Kairouz Joe Bittar, Bob DiSibio & Dolores Godlewski	Abouna

**Wednesday February 14 - Friday, February 16, 2024 ----- NO MASS**

Saturday, February 17, 2024 5:00 PM	Linda & Ghassan Kairouz Emil & Gloria Rizk For the Healing of Rima Dawli, Gregory Joseph & John Joseph, Jr.	The Kairouz Family David & Michael Rizk Abouna
Sunday, February 18, 2024 11:00 AM	Linda & Ghassan Kairouz Emil & Gloria Rizk Semaan & Claudette Mahfoud Living & Deceased Priests of St. John Maron Church Gloria Rizk For the Healing of: - Rima Dawli & Therese Tran - Issa Dabbikeh	The Kairouz Family David & Michael Rizk Mr. & Mrs. Joseph AlMekhtifi Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Shelby Thomas Tobias Abouna Mrs. Ferouz Dabbikeh

**WELCOME!**

*Guests & Visitors of Saint John Maron Church! We are happy to have you. Please, make yourself at home. You Are Among Family!*

*Throughout this blessed Lent, fill our hearts with joy, Lord, and make us worthy to reflect upon your miracles and your teachings.*

**PARISH STEWARDSHIP**

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

**YOUR GENEROSITY IS A BLESSING**

February 4, 2024

**Regular Tithes (All Masses Total): \$2,910.00**

**ST. JOHN MARON THANKS**

**BURNS BARBER SHOP~HAIRCUTTING & SHAVES**

**SOUTHGATE PLAZA ~ 1030 UNION ROAD**

 **WEST SENECA~ 716-674-1651**

*Please support and acknowledge them when needed, as a "thank you" for advertising at St. John Maron.*



## Pastoral Staff

**PASTOR:** Rev. Father Elie G. Kairouz

**PAROCHIAL VICAR:** Rev. Father Elias Adwan

**TRUSTEES:**

- Thomas Haykel (716-634-6464)

- Richard Attea (716-870-4944)

**PARISH COUNCIL:**

Regina Joseph, President (716-472-8420)

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR:**

Deborah Tartick (716-472-6149)



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Mark Your Calendar

### 2023 RECORD OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Your 2023 tax statement can be available *upon your request*. If you need a statement, please contact our parish office.

### 2024 MASS BOOK IS OPEN

The Mass Book for 2024 is now available to reserve your Masses in advance.

### WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy and sincere condolences go to the family, friends, and relatives of **Joan Noah** who passed into eternal life on **February 5, 2024**. Joan was the aunt-in-law of **Amy Zavitz, Donna Amati, Jamie Abraham, Mary Joseph, Rosemarie Helda, and Paul Hage**. May the Lord grant eternal rest to the soul of His maid, **Joan** and may He grant comfort, consolation and peace to all those who mourn her.

### BISON CHILDREN'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND

This is a tuition assistance program to help economically eligible children to attend private grammar schools of their choice. To get more information, please see the form online at <http://bisonfund.com/our-scholarships> or email [emcdonald@bisonfund.com](mailto:emcdonald@bisonfund.com). The deadline is March 15, 2024.

### CONFESSION DURING LENT

You are encouraged to approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation during this season of Lent. Catholics must go to confession at least once a year and as often as they need to, in order to cleanse themselves of sins and be in a state of grace.



## PARISH NEWS

### MYO IS BACK

MYO is starting up in 2024! This is a great opportunity for our teens in grades 8-12 to take ownership over their faith and become the next leaders in our parish community. This year we plan on building a foundation of church knowledge, practicing our faith through volunteer opportunities and serving Mass, and having fun along the way. For Registration, please see:

Mary El Khoury (716) 533-7862

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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Calendar

### Religious Education classes start at 9:45 AM

Feb. 11: Regular Class, Children's Mass Gr. 4/5

Feb. 18: No Class, Winter Break

Feb. 25: Regular Class

### COFFEE HOUR

Feb. 11: Fran Harfouche

Feb. 25: Nada Kandalaft

Mar 3: Joey & Toty Mahfouz

### HOLY ROSARY PRAYER MISSION

Holy Rosary Prayer Mission will take place on Monday, March 4 @ 7PM. Come and pray with us!

### MAKING UP MASS ENVELOPES

A friendly reminder...please help our Parish to help you, by utilizing your envelopes each week. If for some reason you miss a week, please remedy this by making up that envelope for the missed week at the following weekend Mass.

### LENTEN GUIDANCE

Ash Monday (February 12), Good Friday (March 29), and ALL Fridays of Lent are days of Fast & Abstinence. Abstinence from meat, and fasting binds all physically capable Catholics, Eastern and Western, who are 14 years old and older. Fasting in the Catholic Church involves no eating or drinking (except water and medicine) from midnight until noon, and doing works of charity. The rest of the day's normal meals can be taken but without meat.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent, starting on February 16 at 7:00 p.m.

## PASTOR'S MESSAGE

*Dear Parishioners and Friends,*

We enter into Lent on **Cana Sunday** and we begin our Fast and Abstinence on **Ash Monday** with the Divine Liturgy & Service on **February 12, 2024 @ 7:00 pm**.

His Excellency, Most Reverend Gregory J. Mansour instructs:

1- A priest or deacon is to sprinkle ashes on the crown of the head.

2- Ashes are not to be self imposed.

3- Ashes are not to be distributed in take home kits for individual use.

Kindly, **ASK YOUR PASTOR TO ADMINISTER ASHES** to your loved ones who are homebound and cannot physically attend **ASH MONDAY SERVICE** and wish to receive ashes.

Thank you for adhering to our bishop's instructions and for your cooperation.

*In Jesus & Mary! Abouna*



FOR THE DIVINE LITURGY,  
PLEASE FOLLOW THE BOOK OF OFFERING  
ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES:

*SUNDAY OF THE MIRACLE AT CANA IN GALILEE - Page 176*  
*CREED - Page 748*  
*ANAPHORA OF St. Peter, Head of the Apostles- Page 774*

**THIS WEEKEND'S SACRED  
SCRIPTURES**

**Epistle:** Rom 14: 14-23

**Gospel:** Jn 2: 1-11

**NEXT WEEKEND'S SACRED  
SCRIPTURES**

**Epistle:** Rom 6: 12-23

**Gospel:** Mk 1: 35-45

**THE ALTAR BREAD, WINE AND  
SANCTUARY LAMP FOR FEBRUARY**

In Loving Memory of Hayek & Khoury Families  
By The Family

**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 2024 can call or email the rectory to request a specific month.

**CARING & SHARING**

During the Month of FEBRUARY we ask you to donate **Canned Soup and Canned Chicken** for the caring and sharing project. The containers are at the entrances of the Church. If you know of any family or person who is in need, please contact **Abouna**. This Information will be kept confidential. As always, thank you for your kindness!

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS, ETC...!**

Please remember to notify the Rectory Office if you have a **Change of Address or Phone Number**.

	<b>Saturday</b> 5:00 PM	<b>Sunday</b> 11:00 AM
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<b>DEACONS</b>	Donna Amati	Nila Khoury
<b>LECTORS</b>	Christie Jaoude	English: William Setlik Arabic: Nada Kandalaft
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	Andrew Mansour Emilio Mansour	Damien Boctor Leo Khoury

**SECOND COLLECTION**

**THIS WEEK  
IS FOR**

**NEXT WEEK  
IS FOR**

**FUEL & UPKEEP**

**BUILDING FUND**

**PLEASE DRESS MODESTLY & REVERENTLY**

The Church is God's Sacred House. He is there ever present in the Eucharist. Thank you for your cooperation and adherence to the appropriate dress code.

**ABSOLUTELY NO EATING IN CHURCH**

That includes the "KURBAN BREAD" that is passed out at the end of EVERY 40 Days Mass. Please keep the "KURBAN BREAD" wrapped until you exit the church. Thank you for your cooperation!

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH**

Laila Hazzan, Rita MacDiarmid, Ferouz Dabbikeh, Mary Jospeh, Antoinette A. Kairouz, John Melhem Kairouz, John Joseph, Jr., Therese Tran, Issa Dabbikeh, Elizabeth, John Wolfe, Rima Dawli, Douglas Franke, Chris Curry, Joseph Martino, Nathan Khoury, Eric G., Gregory Joseph, Nicole C.

*We are always updating the list. If you have anyone you would like to add or remove, please contact the Parish Office.*



**ST. JOHN MARON CHURCH MEMBERSHIP FORM**

Full Census form available at: [www.stjmaron.org](http://www.stjmaron.org)

**Name:** .....

**Address:** .....

**City:** ..... **Zip:** .....

**Phone:** ..... **E-mail:** .....

- New Registration
- Change of Address
- Moving Out of Parish
- Request Envelopes

