

LITURGY INTENTIONS

Date & Time	IN LOVING MEMORY OF	REQUESTED BY
Saturday, January 6, 2024 5:00 PM	<b>FEAST DAY OF THE GLORIOUS EPIPHANY</b> Linda & Ghassan Kairouz Emil & Gloria Rizk Dolores Godlewski Abdo Haroney <b>For the Healing of Rima Dawli, Gregory Joseph &amp; John Joseph, Jr.</b>	<b>HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION</b> The Kairouz Family David & Michael Rizk John & Amy Zavitz Philip Haroney <b>Abouna</b>
Sunday, January 7, 2024 11:00 AM	Linda & Ghassan Kairouz Emil & Gloria Rizk Louise & Tom Joseph Nawal El Mekhtafi (Anniv) <b>For the Healing of: - Rima Dawli &amp; Therese Tran - Issa Dabbikeh</b>	The Kairouz Family David & Michael Rizk The Moses Family Sammy & Katia Mansour <b>Abouna</b> <b>Mrs. Ferouz Dabbikeh</b>
Tuesday, January 9, 2024 8:00 AM	Linda & Ghassan Kairouz Joe Bittar, Bob DiSibio & Dolores Godlewski	Abouna
<b>Wednesday January 10 thru Friday, January 12, 2024 ——— NO MASS</b>		
Saturday, January 13, 2024 5:00 PM	Linda & Ghassan Kairouz Emil & Gloria Rizk Henry Godlewski <b>For the Healing of Rima Dawli, Gregory Joseph &amp; John Joseph, Jr.</b>	The Kairouz Family David & Michael Rizk The Family <b>Abouna</b>
Sunday, January 14, 2024 11:00 AM	Linda & Ghassan Kairouz Emil & Gloria Rizk <b>For the Healing of: - Rima Dawli &amp; Therese Tran - Issa Dabbikeh</b>	The Kairouz Family David & Michael Rizk <b>Abouna</b> <b>Mrs. Ferouz Dabbikeh</b>

**WELCOME!**

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

*"No one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and spirit."*

**PARISH STEWARDSHIP**

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

**YOUR GENEROSITY IS A BLESSING**

December 31, 2023

**Regular Tithes (All Masses Total): \$1,456.00**

**ST. JOHN MARON THANKS**

**NORTHEASTERN FINANCIAL PARTNERS, LLC**

5780 MAIN ST., WILLIAMSVILLE, NY

716-635-6800

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

**OFFERING ENVELOPES 2024**

Your envelopes for 2024 are located at the Front Entrance of the Church. Please take your envelopes so that we can post your weekly offering accurately. As always, we are grateful for your generosity as it helps to KEEP THE DOORS OPEN.

**2024 ST. JOHN MARON CALENDAR**

The 2024 St. John Maron Church Calendar is available at all the **ENTRANCES OF THE CHURCH**. It contains all the Spiritual, social, fundraising events of the parish. Please, take as many calendars as you like!

**MASS BOOKS & INCENSE PAMPHLET**

Kindly handle Mass Books and Incense Pamphlet with care and respect. They are NOT to be given to children to play with them. Place them in their location on the pew after use. Thank you for Caring.

**MYO IS BACK !**

MYO will be 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. Further dates and information will be forthcoming.



**PARISH NEWS**

**ST. JOHN MARON'S NEW GARAGE!**

The construction of our new storage garage (2,304 SF) and the construction of the new dumpster enclosure have been completed as of December 11, 2023. Please go over and take a look. Congratulations!

**BANQUET FACILITY METAL ROOFS!**

The metal roofs of the Cedars Banquet Facility have been properly repaired and completed with the proper gutter and snow guard railing systems. Congratulations!



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Calendar

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

- Jan. 7: Regular Class
- Jan. 14: Regular Class, Grade 2 Mass
- Jan. 21: Regular Class

**COFFEE HOUR**

- Jan. 7: Claudia Behlok
- Jan. 14: Nisrine Harfouche
- Jan. 21:

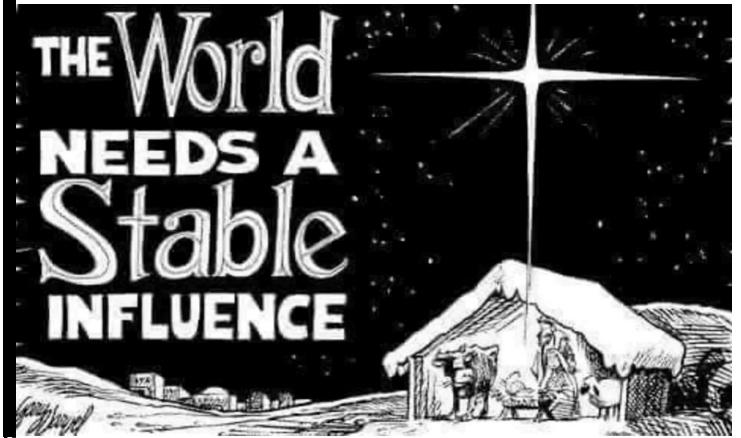
**Wishing all our Religious Education families a safe, spiritual and joyous Christmas and New Year! Looking forward to a wonderful start to 2024!**

**2024 MASS BOOK IS OPEN**

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

**HOLY ROSARY PRAYER MISSION**

Holy Rosary Prayer Mission will take place on Monday, January 8 @ 7PM. Come and pray with us!



**PASTOR'S MESSAGE**

*Dear Parishioners and Friends,*  
Grace and love to you. I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Blessed New Year full of love, health, peace and happiness. May Christ's love and affection fill your hearts, and may we always count our blessings and be thankful. Let us not forget the miracle of Christmas, which is how God chose to be with us through His son Jesus Christ. I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all parish families of St. John Maron for their commitment & generosity this past year. Thanks to all those who are involved in educating our children, caring for our youth, lectors, deacons, altar servers & all fundraising volunteers, generous benefactors, and all those who work behind the scenes. I assure you of my constant prayers and ask you to remember me in your prayers.

*A Merry & Blessed Christmas! Abouna*



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

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY - Page 107
CREED - Page 748
ANAPHORA OF St. Peter, Head of the Apostles- Page 774

THIS WEEKEND'S SACRED SCRIPTURES

Epistle: 2 Cor 10: 1-11
Gospel: Jn 1: 29-34

NEXT WEEKEND'S SACRED SCRIPTURES

Epistle: 2 Cor 4: 5-15
Gospel: Jn 1: 35-42

THE ALTAR BREAD, WINE AND SANCTUARY LAMP FOR JANUARY

In Loving Memory of Beulah Schuster
By Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Shelby

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 JANUARY we ask you to donate Rice, Lentils and Canned Beans 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.

Table with 2 columns: Saturday 5:00 PM, Sunday 11:00 AM

Table with 2 columns: DEACONS, LECTORS, ALTAR SERVERS and their names.

SECOND COLLECTION

THIS WEEK IS FOR

NEXT WEEK IS FOR

ASSESSMENT/BISHOP'S APPEAL

FUEL AND UPKEEP

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

Rita MacDiarmid, Ferouz Dabbikeh, Mary Jospheh, 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

Name: .....

Address: .....

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

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

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

BECOME A MEMBER

