

LITURGY INTENTIONS

Date & Time	IN LOVING MEMORY OF	REQUESTED BY
Saturday, February 3, 2024 5:00 PM	Linda & Ghassan Kairouz Emil & Gloria Rizk James Crehan, Sr. James & Rose Abraham Asma & Romanos Georges Deceased of Elias Mansour & Hanna Kfoury Families For the Healing of Rima Dawli, Gregory Joseph & John Joseph, Jr.	The Kairouz Family David & Michael Rizk Philip Haroney Daughters & Families Mr. Michael Georges Amal Mansour Abouna
Sunday, February 4, 2024 11:00 AM	Linda & Ghassan Kairouz Emil & Gloria Rizk Jacque Khang (40 Days) Semaan & Claudette Mahfoud Deceased of Majed Family Souls in Purgatory Wadad Frangie (Anniv) Boulous Chaiban and All Souls Abouna Youssef Khoury & Assaad Aboudib For the Healing of: - Rima Dawli & Therese Tran - Issa Dabbikeh	The Kairouz Family David & Michael Rizk The Family Mr. & Mrs. Joseph AlMekhtifi Mrs. Hanneh Khoury Kattour Rivera Abouna Hind Chaiban Mrs. Sheeman Aboudib Abouna Mrs. Ferouz Dabbikeh
Tuesday, February 6, 2024 8:00 AM	Linda & Ghassan Kairouz Joe Bittar, Bob DiSibio & Dolores Godlewski	Abouna
Thursday, February 8, 2024 7:00 PM	VIGIL MASS OF THE FEAST OF ST. MARON Linda & Ghassan Kairouz	Abouna
Friday, February 8, 2024 8:00 AM	MASS OF THE FEAST OF ST. MARON Linda & Ghassan Kairouz	Abouna
Wednesday February 7 - Thursday, February 8, 2024 ——— NO MASS		
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 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 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!

May all the Faithful Departed meet You with Radiant Faces and give them rest in Your Glorious Dwellings.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

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

YOUR GENEROSITY IS A BLESSING


January 28, 2024

Regular Tithes (All Masses Total): \$4,782.00

ST. JOHN MARON THANKS

WNY IMAGING GROUP

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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 **Albert Mansour** who passed into eternal life on **Thursday, January 25, 2024**. **Albert was the husband of Souad Mansour and the brother of Emil & Sammy Mansour & Madeleine Natanios**. May the Lord grant eternal rest to the soul of His servant, **Albert** and may He grant comfort, consolation and peace to all those who mourn him.

WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy and sincere condolences go to the family, friends, and relatives of **Doumit El Khoury** who passed into eternal life on **Thursday, January 26, 2024**. **Doumit was the uncle of Pierre & Sayed El Khoury and Therese Tran**. May the Lord grant eternal rest to the soul of His servant, **Doumit** and may He grant comfort, consolation and peace to all those who mourn him.



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

melkhoury22@sacredheartacademy.org &

Luke Issa (716)803-3492 issa2018@gmail.com



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Calendar

Religious Education classes start at 9:45 AM

Feb. 4: Regular Class,

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

Feb. 18: No Class, Winter Break

COFFEE HOUR

Feb. 4: Ryan & Sheena Orazi

Feb. 11: Fran Harfouche

Feb. 25: Nada Kandalaft

HOLY ROSARY PRAYER MISSION

Holy Rosary Prayer Mission will take place on Monday, February 5 @ 7PM. Come and pray with us!

NO GUM CHEWING & NO SMOKING!

Our Church BUILDING & CAMPUS at St. John Maron Church is a **Holy Place & a Holy Ground** calling for **Our Best Behaviors**. Our actions should respect the house of God. In that regard, please refrain from chewing gum in Church, and please do not discard the gum in Church, under the pews, or on the Church grounds. As a friendly reminder, please **DO NOT SMOKE ANYWHERE ON THE CHURCH CAMPUS**. This is a New York State Law. We also ask that you **DO NOT PARK in Front of the Main Entrance of the Church**.

FEAST OF SAINT MARON

The Divine Liturgies of the Feast of Saint Maron (*Mar Maroun*), the Patron Saint of the Maronite Church, will be as follows: **Vigil Mass, THURSDAY, February 8, 2024 at 7PM and Feast Day Mass, FRIDAY, February 9, 2024 at 8AM.**

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Today the Maronite Church commemorates all the faithful Christians who have departed this life in the faith. This feast is the Syriac Church's equivalent to the feast of All Souls in the Latin Church. We ask our Lord Jesus Christ to welcome all our deceased brothers and sisters, who have been nourished with His Body and Blood, into His kingdom of light and we commend them to the mercy of God with hope and expectation. It is a Christian obligation for us to help our brothers and sisters through our prayers and the offering of the Divine Mysteries for their salvation. We should pray in a special way for those who have been near us, our relatives, friends, and benefactors who have died. At the same time, we should also pray for the deceased members of our parish and for all the departed who have no one to pray for them.

Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

In Jesus & Mary! Abouna



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

SUNDAY OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED - Page 166
CREED - Page 748
ANAPHORA OF St. Peter, Head of the Apostles- Page 774

**THIS WEEKEND'S SACRED
SCRIPTURES**

**NEXT WEEKEND'S SACRED
SCRIPTURES**

Epistle: 1 Thes 5: 1-11

Epistle: Rom 14: 14-23

Gospel: Lk 16: 19-31

Gospel: Jn 2: 1-11

**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**.

	Saturday 5:00 PM	Sunday 11:00 AM
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DEACONS Donna Amati Joe Boctor

LECTORS Amy Zavitz English: Alex AlMekhtifi
Arabic: Rita Hayek

ALTAR SERVERS Andrew Mansour Alex AlMekhtifi
Christopher Mansour Edmond Boctor

SECOND COLLECTION

**THIS WEEK
IS FOR**

**NEXT WEEK
IS FOR**

**POOR BOX
OFFERING**

FUEL & 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

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

Name:

Address:

City: **Zip:**

Phone: **E-mail:**



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