Tuesday, January 30, 2024 8:00 AM

Linda & Ghassan Kairouz

Joe Bittar, Bob DiSibio & Dolores Godlewski

Abouna

Wednesday January 31 thru Friday, February 2, 2024 ———— NO MASS

Saturday, February 3, 2024Linda & Ghassan KairouzThe Kairouz Family5:00 PMEmil & Gloria RizkDavid & Michael RizkJames Crehan, Sr.Philip HaroneyJames & Rose AbrahamDaughters & Families

For the Healing of Rima Dawli, Gregory Joseph & John Joseph, Jr. Abouna

Sunday, February 4, 2024

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11:00 AM

Linda & Ghassan Kairouz Emil & Gloria Rizk

Jacque Khangi (40 Days)

For the Healing of: - Rima Dawli & Therese Tran

- Issa Dabbikeh

The Kairouz Family David & Michael Rizk

The Family

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!

Wise Men Still Seek Him!

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

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

YOUR GENEROSITY IS A BLESSING

January 21, 2024

Regular Tithes (All Masses Total): \$3,218.00

ST. JOHN MARON THANKS

TILE PHARMACY

1031 CLEVELAND DRIVE, CHEEKTOWAGA, NY

716-632-4888

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

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.

2023 RECORD OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Your 2022 tax statement can be available *upon your request*. If you need a statement, please contact our parish office.

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

2024 MASS BOOK IS OPEN

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

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. 28: Regular Class Feb. 4: Regular Class,

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

COFFEE HOUR

Jan. 28: Andrea Setlik

Feb. 4: Elie & Fran Harfouche

Feb. 11: 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 take be as follows: Vigil Mass, THURSDAY, February 08, 2024 at 7 p.m. and Feast Day Mass, FRIDAY, February 09, 2024 at 8 a.m.

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

This past Thursday, the Holy Catholic Church celebrated the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul, the Apostle. It is an occasion for us to reflect on the great step taken by Saint Paul, the Apostle who, after he encountered the Lord on the Road to Damascus, was transformed from an adversary and persecutor of the Lord Jesus Christ to a disciple of Him who proclaimed the Gospel to all the Gentiles. Saint Paul realized that the path he was leading along with the anger, the extreme religious zeal, and the acts of violence offended God; hence, he converted and changed the direction of his life and the way of his thinking and working. A role model for all of us to follow and to heed! How much we are in need to convert; change the direction of our lives and the way we think and work; how much we need to stop pursuing our selfish interest and work to promote the interest of the community only; how much we need to stop exploiting the others and abandon the mentality of lording it over each other and to humbly submit to those who are shepherding and guiding us.

Allow Jesus in your lives; let Him Encounter you and make you anew as He did to Saint Paul!

In Jesus & Mary! Abouna

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

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ANAPHORA OF St. Peter, Head of the Apostles- Page 774

	Saturday 5:00 PM	Sunday 11:00 AM	
DEACONS	Regina Joseph	Nila Khoury	
LECTORS	Christie Jaoude	English: Damien Boctor Arabic: Nada Kandalaft	
ALTAR SERVERS	Andrew Mansour Emilio Mansour	Joseph El Khoury Peter Boulos	

SECOND COLLECTION

THIS WEEK
IS FOR

NEXT WEEK IS FOR

US CATHOLIC BISHOPS' WORLDWIDE CHARITIES

POOR BOX OFFERING

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!

THIS WEEKEND'S SACRED SCRIPTURES NEXT WEEKEND'S SACRED SCRIPTURES

Epistle: Heb 12: 18-24 **Epistle:** 1 Thes 5: 1-11

Gospel: Mt 25: 31-46 **Gospel:** Lk 16: 19-31

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**.

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.stimaron.org

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Address:			OMEA
	Zip:		RECOME A MEMBER
_	Phone: E-mail:		
☐ New Registration	☐ Change of Address	☐ Moving Out of Parish	☐ Request Envelopes