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Father Dany Abi-Akar

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

Mass Time & Intentions

Epistle: 1 Cor 12: 1-11 Gospel: Mt 12: 22-32
Anaphora Twelve Apostles, page 754

Sat. July 25 5:00 PM	(+) Emil & Gloria Rizk By David & Michael Rizk (+) Romanos & Asma Georges By Michael Georges (+) Patrick MacDiarmid (Anniv) By Liz Schaefer & Family (+) Gregory Joseph By Donna & Roger Amati (+) Nawal Cherfane By Dr. & Mrs. Philippe Jaoude (+) Hanna Elias Mansour By Theresa Mansour
Sun. July 26 10:30 AM	(+) David Khoury By Mr. & Mrs. Bou Jaoude (+) Wayne Backus By The Pacillo Family

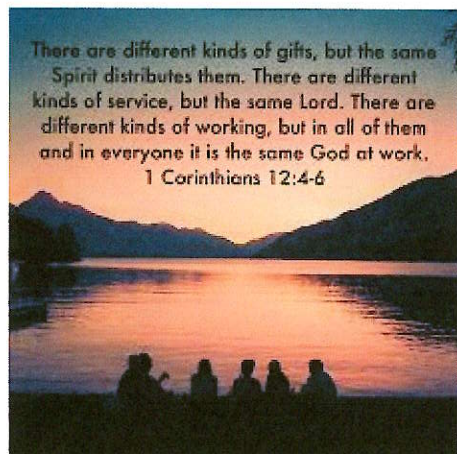
(+) = Deceased; (-) = Intention not deceased

**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 blessings of our country and protection of our citizens requested by Amy Hayek.



There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work.
1 Corinthians 12:4-6

Mass Time & Intentions

Epistle: Eph 2: 17-22 Gospel: Lk 19: 1-10
Anaphora St. Peter, page 774

Sat. Aug 1 5:00 PM	(+) Emil & Gloria Rizk By David & Michael Rizk (+) Pat & Rita MacDiarmid By Liz Schaefer & Family (+) Gregory Joseph By Jamie Abraham
Sun. Aug 2 10:30 AM	(+) Rima Sayegh Dawli By The Family (+) David Khoury By Kamal & Colette Jowdy (+) Badih Boujaoude, Farid & Angele Aboujaoude By Kamal & Colette Jowdy (+) Ferouz Dabbikeh By Diane & Patty Velocci

**DONATE USING YOUR MOBILE DEVICE**

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. **You can also sign up for autopay using the QR Code.** It is a secure, quick and easy way to donate on a recurring basis.

**TOTAL BASKET COLLECTION**

July 19, 2026

Regular Collection: \$3,141.00

Second Collection: \$688.00

Online Collection: \$75.00

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

Today's second collection is for Fuel and Upkeep

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.,
and Peter Eid

THE 350 MARTYRS

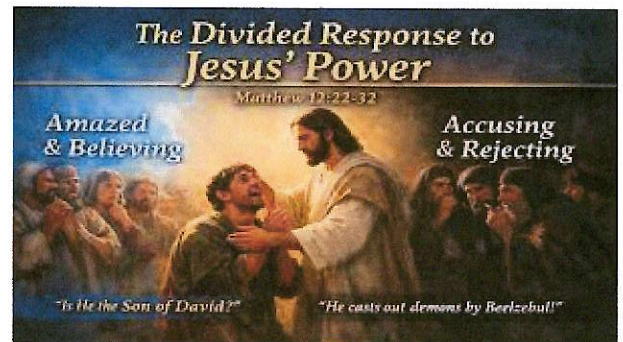


The 350 Maronite Martyrs were a group of early monks killed in 517 A.D. by Monophysite Christians. They were slain for their unwavering defense of the Council of Chalcedon, which affirmed that Jesus Christ is both fully divine and fully human. The Maronite Church commemorates their feast day on July 31.

SJM SPORTS AND REC TEAM



Please join us this Sunday, July 26 after 10:30 mass to watch our flag football teams play their final game. The Knights of Columbus will be grilling burgers and hot dogs for everyone. All are welcome. Let's gather together and enjoy this day as we support the children of St. John Maron.



Honor a Loved One with an Engraved Memorial Brick

Create a Lasting Tribute

Creating an engraved memorial brick is a beautiful, lasting tribute to your loved ones. Your personalized brick will become a permanent part of our Memorial Garden, preserving their memory for generations while helping support our parish and its future.

Your gift is a meaningful way to:

- Honor the memory of a loved one
- Celebrate family members or parishioners
- Leave a lasting legacy at St. John Maron Church
- Support the continued growth and beautification of our garden and parish

Donation: \$150 per engraved brick Special: 4 Bricks for \$500

Please visit the Memorial Garden where four bricks have already been installed. See the table at the Festival with a sample brick and order forms. Order yours today to secure your spot in our Memorial Garden.

Thank you for helping create a place of remembrance, prayer, and reflection for our parish family. Your generosity ensures that the memories of those who came before us will remain a lasting part of St. John Maron Church for years to come.

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 716-982-9419

Mr. James Issa 716-536-2370

Mr. Charles Mosey 716-228-8313



**LEBANESE FESTIVAL
2026**

**Friday, Saturday, & Sunday
July 31, August 1 and 2.**

VOLUNTEER FOR THE FESTIVAL

Festival week is here! All hands on deck for set-up, last minute prep in the kitchen and anything else that needs attention. Please let's all be there for the sake of St. John Maron and make this festival ever better than last year!

SET-UP HELP

**Tent delivery Tuesday-finish Wednesday.
Booth set-up Wednesday. Thursday – tables, chairs, etc. We ask all men and young men of the parish to help with the set-up of tables, chairs, booths, etc. once tent is set up. We will send a parish email as a reminder.**

KITCHEN HELP

Please contact Shirley Kaban 716-907-9908 or Joe Mahfouz 716-725-3185 to help out one or all of these shifts. Thank You!

**Tabouleh prep and chopping team
July 27th and July 28th morning**

**Shish Tawook and Beef Kebob
July 27th and 28th evening**

Bread Prep team- July 29th

**Packaging and cupping team
July 29th and July 30th**

JULY 31	4pm – 11pm	FESTIVAL HRS
AUGUST 1	12pm-11pm	FESTIVAL HRS
AUGUST 2	12n-6pm	FESTIVAL HRS

TUITION ASSISTANCE

A generous parishioner of St. John Maron is pleased to provide scholarship opportunities (tuition assistance) to our St. John Maron families.

The requirements are:

† Family must be registered and participating members of St. John Maron Church.

† Family must have one or more students registered and attending a Catholic Elementary or High School in WNY for the 2026-2027 school year.

† Families must demonstrate financial need.

† **Application deadline is August 1, 2026.**

Completed applications must be turned in to St. John Maron Office by August 1, 2026. See the application and instructions in the back of the church.

ST. JOHN MARON EMAILS

Please email the office at stjmaron@gmail.com if you are not on our mailing list and would like to receive emails about upcoming events.

CONFESSION

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

SUMMER MONTHS

Sundays during the summer, the collection goes down. I urge you to make up your contributions when you return or sign up for online donations by using the QR Code. As always, we look forward to seeing you this summer!

***PLEASE DRESS MODESTLY &
REVERENTLY***

We kindly REMIND YOU to dress modestly & reverently when you come to Church on all occasions. Thank you for your understanding, cooperation and adherence to this friendly reminder.

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.

IN LOVING MEMORY of...

*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*

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

*Badih B. Boujaoude
Farid and Angele Aboujaoude
By Kamal and Colette Jowdy*

*Nabih Tablie
Albert Hanna
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*

*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*

*Emil & Gloria Rizk
By David & Michael Rizk*

*Mary & Gebron Milan
By David & Michael Rizk*

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)
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