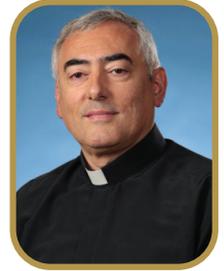


St. Jude Maronite Catholic Church



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MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil - 5:30 pm
Sunday: 9:15 am & 11:15 am
Daily Mass
Tuesday - 6 pm
Friday - 12:15 pm

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

as noted

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & VENERATION OF

ST. CHARBEL'S RELIC

Every 22nd of the month
11:00 am - 3:00 pm



PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday & Friday
9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Tuesdays 9:00 am - noon
Thursdays & Weekends - Closed



BAPTISM

Call the Parish Office for information.

MATRIMONY

Arrangements with the Pastor must be made at least six months in advance. One of the parties must be registered in the Parish & attending mass for at least 3 months.

MARONITE CHRISTIAN FORMATION

(Religious Education)

Begins in September

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays before the 5:30 pm mass

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office at 407-363-7405.

CLEANSING OF THE LEPER



February 20-21, 2021

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from the DEACON'S DESK



Mass Intentions

Q. Do I HAVE to (obligated) to attend Mass (Divine Liturgy) on Sunday?

A. The obligation of attending Divine Liturgy on Sunday (or Saturday evening vigil) is something that many Catholics seem to ignore or choose not to believe in. We would not attempt to answer such a serious question without frequent references to the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC).

Am I obligated to go to Divine Liturgy on Sunday? – YES. According to the Church precepts, you are obligated to attend Mass (Divine Liturgy) on Sunday (or Saturday evening vigil). The first precept requires the faithful to participate in the Eucharistic celebration when the Christian community gathers together on the day commemorating the Resurrection of the Lord.(CCC #2042, 2180).

Is it a sin not to go to Divine Liturgy on Sunday? - YES. The Catholic Church teaches that the faithful are obligated to attend Holy Mass on days of obligation. Those who deliberately fail in the obligation of attending Sunday Mass commit a grave sin. (CCC#2181)

Our Sunday obligation can be traced back to the Ten Commandments –“Observe the Sabbath, to keep it holy” (Deut 5:12). “The seventh day is a Sabbath of solemn rest, holy to the Lord” (Ex 31:15). The Sabbath, which represented the completion of the first creation, has been replaced by Sunday which recalls the new creation inaugurated by the Resurrection of Christ. (CCC #2190).

But our Sunday obligation goes beyond just attending Divine Liturgy. “On Sunday and other holy days of obligation the faithful are bound. . . to abstain from those labors and business concerns which impede the worship to be rendered to God, the joy which is proper to the Lord’s Day, or the proper relaxation of mind and body” (CCC #2193).

The institution of Sunday helps all “to be allowed sufficient rest and leisure to cultivate their familial, cultural, social, and religious lives” (CCC#2194).

Some other related question:

Why can I just stay home and pray. Is that not keeping holy the Lord’s day? – No. The Sunday Eucharist is the foundation and confirmation of all Christian practice. Participation in the communal celebration of the Sunday Eucharist is a testimony of belonging and of being faithful to Christ and his Church (CCC#2182).

If I watch Mass on TV, is that not the same – No.

If I attend a funeral Mass on Saturday morning, does that count as meeting my Sunday obligation? – No.

If I attend a wedding on Saturday afternoon, does that count? – No (unless the wedding occurred as part of the Sunday vigil Divine Liturgy.)

Sat 2/20 5:30 p.m.	+ Honesto Caes RIP by wife Louise Caes
Sun 2/21 9:15 a.m.	+ Seth Beyrooti RIP by Ted & Henriette Khoury & Family +
Sun 2/21 11:15 a.m.	+ John Nehmatallah RIP by Ed Boozer & his Friday Morning Bible Study
Mon 2/22 12:15 p.m.	+ SI Fr. Ramon Blatete Good Health & Fidelity & Carmelita Flores, Good Health & Guidance for all families by Yolanda Inumerable
Tues 2/23 6:00 p.m.	+ SI Loreto Barrios Health recovery by Yolanda Inumerable
Fri 2/26 6 p.m.	+ SI Nona Pilariza Good Health by Yolanda Inumerable
Sat 2/27 5:30 p.m.	+ John Nehmatallah 40 day Mass RIP by wife Paula & daughter, Camila +
Sun 2/28 9:15 a.m.	+ Fr. Elie's Special Intentions
Sun 2/28 11:15 a.m.	+ John Nehmatallah 40 day Mass RIP by his family +

WEEKLY COLLECTION

for the weekend of February 13-14, 2021

Sunday Collection	\$1,826.
Candles/Gifts	73.
Donations	907.
Total Collection	\$2,806.00

30 envelopes used, 173 attendees

To Make Your Church Donation Online:

Go to the Church's website. saintjudechurch.org. You will see the Donate button, click on it, choose your amount, then choose PayPal or Debit/Credit Card. There is also a box to check recurring monthly donation. Fill out the form and press "Donate Now".

Does the Church exempt people from this obligation because of age or other reasons? No. (there are exemptions from fasting because of age not for our Sunday obligation.)

Parents should remember that they have the obligation to make sure their children also fulfill Sunday obligation.

The Church recognizes that in today's society there will be work schedule conflicts, sick children, etc. This is one of the reasons that Vatican II approved the Saturday evening vigil. If you have a long term conflict, talk to your pastor about your situation.

God Bless You, Deacon Jack
DeaconJack@SaintJudeChurch.org

MEMORIALS

To sponsor a religious gift in memory/honor of your loved one for a special intention, please call the parish office Memorials & Special Intentions - \$50 each/month)

CURRENT SPONSORS 2021

Altar Candle Sponsors

- † February - Kelly Landis recovery from surgery by John & Gloria Smith
- † March through April - Available
- † May & June - Joseph G. Hanna RIP by son Joseph M. Hanna

Sanctuary Lamp Sponsors

- † February through April - Joseph G. Hanna RIP by son Joseph M. Hanna
- † May & June - Available
- † July through October - Joseph G. Hanna RIP by son Joseph M. Hanna

Altar Bread & Wine Sponsors

- † February - Sandie Landis recovery from surgery by John & Gloria Smith

Charcoal & Incense Sponsors

- † February - Special Intentions for the Awad Family by Tony Awad and Family

Special Intentions

- † February through June
Special Intentions by Dr. Fouad & Rosalind Hajjar

PRAYER BEFORE MASS

Almighty and ever-living God, I approach the sacrament of Your only-begotten Son Our Lord Jesus Christ, I come sick to the doctor of life, unclean to the fountain of mercy, blind to the radiance of eternal light, and poor and needy to the Lord of heaven and earth.

Lord, in your great generosity, heal my sickness, wash away my defilement, enlighten my blindness, enrich my poverty, and clothe my nakedness. May I receive the break of angels, the King of kings and Lord of lords, with humble reverence, with the purity and faith, the repentance and love, and the determined purpose that will help to bring me to salvation. May I receive the sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood, and its reality and power.

Kind God, may I receive the Body of Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Born from the womb of the Virgin Mary, and so be received into His mystical body and numbered among His members.

Loving Father, as on my earthly pilgrimage I now receive Your beloved Son under the veil of a sacrament, may I one day see him face to face in glory, who lives and reigns with You for ever. Amen. - *Saint Thomas Aquinas*

THANKSGIVING AFTER MASS

Lord, Father all-powerful and ever-living God, I thank You, for even though I am a sinner, your unprofitable servant, not because of my worth but in the kindness of your mercy.

You have fed me with the Precious Body & Blood of Your Son, your Lord Jesus Christ.

I pray that this Holy Communion may not bring me condemnation and punishment but forgiveness and salvation. May it be a helmet of faith and a shield of good will. May it purify me from evil ways and put an end to my evil passions.

May it bring me charity and patience, humility and obedience, and growth in the power to do good. May it be my strong defense against all my enemies, visible and invisible, and the perfect calming of all my evil impulses, bodily and spiritual. May it unite me more closely to you, the One true God, and lead me safely through death to everlasting happiness with You. And I pray that You will lead me, a sinner, to the banquet where you, with Your Son and Holy Spirit, are true and perfect light, total fulfillment, everlasting joy, gladness without end, and perfect happiness to your saints. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen - *Saint Thomas Aquinas*

PRAYER TO ENTRUST THE UNITED STATES TO GOD'S PROTECTION



God, our Father, giver of life, we entrust the United States of America to your loving care. You are the rock on which this nation was founded. You alone are the true source of our cherished right

to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Reclaim this land for your glory and dwell among your people. Send your Spirit to touch the hearts of our nation's leaders. Open their minds to the great worth of human life and the responsibilities that accompany human freedom. Remind your people that true happiness is rooted in seeking and doing your will. Through the intercession of Mary, the Mother of God and patroness of our land, grant us the courage to reject the "culture of death". Lead us into a new millennium of life. We ask this through Christ Our Lord, and we will praise you Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

SERVICE OF THE CROSS AND STATIONS

Service of the Cross and Stations will be held every Friday of Lent beginning at 5:30 p.m.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to Ted and Henriette Khoury for their very generous donation of hand sanitizing supplies for our parish.

Also a special thank you to Stanley Chlastawa for his very generous donation of sanitizing sprays and wipes for our parish. Your continued support is appreciated.



PARISHIONERS ... If possible, out of respect for our Lord and our parishioners, please arrive on time for Mass and leave after the final blessing.

Thank you.



CLEANSING OF THE LEPER



Romans 6:12-23 Freedom from Sin; Life in God

Brothers and Sisters: Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Praise be to God always!



Mark 1:35-43 Jesus Leaves Capernaum/The Cleansing of a Leper

The Evangelist writes: In the morning, while it was still very dark, Jesus got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons. A leper came to him begging him, and kneeling he said to him, "If you choose, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him, and said to him, "I do choose. Be made clean!" Immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean. After sternly warning him, he sent him away at once. This is the truth. Peace be with you.

Next Week - Healing of the Hemorrhaging Woman 2Cor 7:4-11 & Lk 8:40-56



DAILY READINGS

Monday - 1Thes 3:6-13 & Mt 6:22-24
Tuesday - Gal 2:11-17 & Mt 7:1-12
Wednesday - Rom 3:19-27 & Mt 12:38-45
Thursday - Phil 4:4-10 & Lk 8:4-15
Friday - Rom 1:18-25 & Mt 18:23-35
Saturday - Heb 12:28-13:9 & Mk 11:19-25

POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS

FEBRUARY 2021

Violence against women

We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

PLEASE PRAY

... for all those affected by Covid 19, either physically or financially. May they be blessed with healing.



... for all those who are looking for work, that they find gainful employment.

... for our troops in the Middle East and peace throughout the world.



WELCOME!

We're so glad you're here. We hope you find the love of Christ in our worship and fellowship. To register at St. Jude Parish, please complete the information on the form found at the entrance to the church and put it in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office.



PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

Loving God,
 During this time of uncertainty, we ask for your blessing on all families.
 Let Mary's openness to your wondrous ways be an inspiration to place all trust in you.
 Let Joseph's courage provide hope during times of anxiety and uncertainty.
 Let Jesus' life ignite all families with a spirit of light and love.
 May the grace that encircled the Holy Family widen to embrace all families.
 For this we pray.

FROM THE OFFICE OF SANCTITY OF LIFE

Eparchy of St. Maron

"The Glory of God is Man fully Alive" Series

The Office of Family and Sanctity of Life for the Eparchy of Saint Maron and the Office of Family Life Ministries for the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon invite you to join us for a monthly series of online talks based on Saint Irenaeus' quote "The Glory of God is man fully alive." Join us for the entire series of talks or as many as you can attend online. The talks will be recorded and shared with all people registered for the series.

<https://tinyurl.com/manfullyalive>

meeting ID: 829 6137 3446 passcode: fullyalive

Removing the Obstacles to True Happiness (Lk 13: 6-9)

Tuesday March 16, 2021 at 7 pm

Intimacy with Christ (Jn 15: 7 - 17)

Thursday April 8, 2021 at 7 pm

The Love of Christ Impels Us (Jn 4: 4-54)

Tuesday May 18, 2021 at 7 pm

God, The Son became man to elevate our humanity and to give us the dignity to be sons and daughters of God, The Father. This series of talks will help us appropriate what is already ours and show us how to be alive in Christ. Once we embrace our vocation as God's adopted children fully alive in Christ, we can work faithfully to uphold the dignity and sanctity of every human life from conception to natural death.

Bishop Elias Zaidan will offer an opening prayer on March 16th,
 Bishop Gregory will rejoin us for opening prayer on April 8th.
 Q & A to follow Father Hopkins' talk.



Sunday, March 14, 2021
Spring Forward
Set your clocks ahead 1 hour.

St. Jude Prayer Chain

GOD ANSWERS PRAYERS!

Many of us have prayer requests.

Your request should be sent to the bulletin editor at songbird728@gmail.com.

Please let us know your prayer intention and we will send it to the prayer chain.

Also if you would like to be added to the prayer chain to pray

for all the intentions, please let us know. We have seen many miracles as a result of our constant prayers.

*Whenever two or three of you
 come together in My name, I
 am there with you. Matt 18:20*

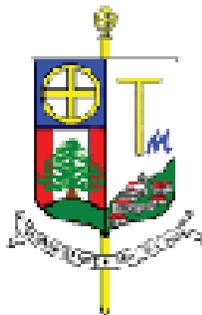


EPARCHY LENTEN REGULATIONS

The Most Reverend Bishop Gregory Mansour have issued the following **Lenten guidelines for the Maronites of the United States:**

- + All Maronites who are physically capable are to abstain from meat on all Fridays of Lent.
- + The Great Friday of the Crucifixion is also days of fasting. Fasting in the Maronite Church involves eating and drinking nothing at all (except water and medicine) from midnight until noon. The rest of the day, normal meals can be taken but without meat.
- + All Maronites who are physically capable are to fast this day.





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Lent 2021

Prot No. 013 S / 21

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Each year during Lent, I ask you to reflect on God's blessings and to support the Eparchy of Saint Maron with a donation to our Annual Lenten Appeal. Much has happened in the past year – the pandemic and lockdowns, civil unrest, economic and political instability, and unprecedented troubles here and around the world. And yet, God always watches over his children throughout the most challenging times, and our Eparchy is here to serve you. We rely upon your help to give us the resources to serve you and the faithful throughout the Eparchy.

Please consider making a sacrificial gift to this year's Annual Lenten Appeal. Your gift will support:

- **Seminarians:** We currently have five men preparing for the priesthood. Our seminarians are our future priests, and we need to educate and form them well so that they can minister effectively to our faithful in the future. The costs of Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Seminary are about \$400,000 per year. 40% of your contribution to this year's Annual Appeal will go for Seminarians.
- **Ministries:** Our outreach and services to young people, the elderly, families, and in defense of life from conception to natural death, can help people at the most crucial times in their lives. You can help ensure that the Eparchy can continue this important work. 20% of your contribution will go to support Ministries.
- **Retired Priests:** The Eparchy's 15 retired priests served the faithful for over 500 years in total. We help them with a modest pension of \$2,000 per month. 20% of your contribution will support Retired Priests.
- **Helping in Lebanon and the Middle East:** The Eparchy provided an unprecedented amount of support to help in Lebanon and the Middle East last year. Our primary focus is on the needs of our own Eparchy, but we can never forget the homeland of our Maronite Church. 10% of your contribution will support Christians in Lebanon and the Middle East.
- **Endowments:** The Eparchy's Endowment Fund supports needs today and ensures the Eparchy will have resources in the future. 10% of your contribution will be deposited into the Eparchy's Endowment.

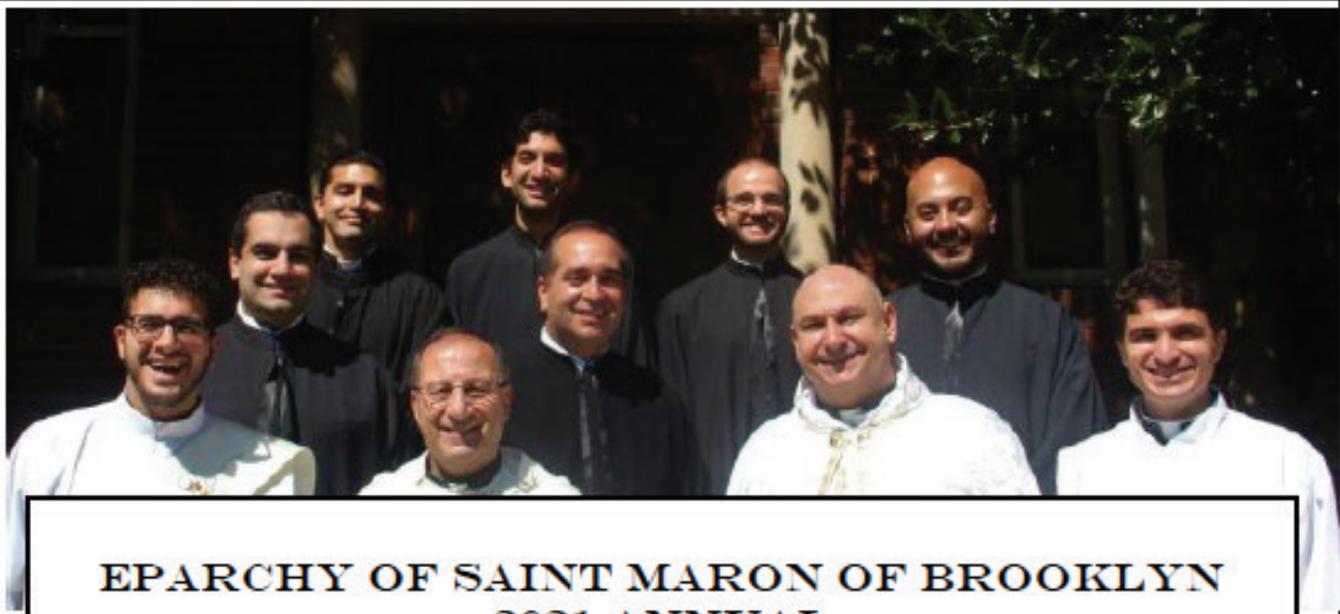
Please open your heart once again and make a gift. Your participation in this Appeal can impact the lives of many people, both inside the Eparchy, and outside of it in the Middle East. Any gift will help.

Thank you, and may God bless you for your generosity! I wish you a blessed Lent and Easter.

Gratefully yours in Christ,

+ Gregory J. Mansour

PS: Please also consider remembering the Eparchy and your parish in your estate plan, or as the beneficiary of an insurance policy, retirement plan, or charitable gift annuity. Thank you.



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