# DECEMBER 22ND, 2024

# SAINT MARON CHURCH MARONITE EPARCHY OF LOS ANGELES



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# READINGS

Is 11:1-19 Rom 1:1-12 Mt 1:1-17 Qorbono book 66 Anaphora Saint Sixtus 856

# CALENDAR

Wednesday, December 25 Thursday, December 26 Friday, December 27

GLORIOUS BIRTH OF OUR LORD Praises to the Mother of God Saint Stephen the First Martyr

# DIVINE LITURGY

Weekdays - Chapel Tues, Wed, and Thurs 6:00 p.m. English/Arabic

Saturday - Chapel 5:00 p.m. English

Sunday - *Downtown* 9:30 a.m. English 11:00 a.m. Arabic/English

# CLERGY

Fr. Patrick Kassab, Pastor Fr. Alejandro Landin, Assistant

# SUBDEACONS

Lattouf Lattouf Ghazi Faddoul Yemen Saada Mario Ghosn

# **ORGANIZATIONS**

Parish Council Jèan Yaacoub, President 2<sup>nd</sup>Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Finance Council Rick Ganim, President 3<sup>rd</sup>Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Immaculate Conception Sodality Claire Naoum, President 1<sup>st</sup> Monday, 7:00 p.m.

Maronite Christian Formation Program Elias Kanaan, Director Sundays, 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

MaronKnights Dabke Group Tanya Elasmar

**Maronite Youth Organization** *Peter Harb, Coordinator* 

Maronite Young Adults Joseph Biri, President

Maronite Mothers Club Tina Chamoun, Coordinator

Arabic School Jihad Kawkabani, Coordinator Saturdays, October - April, 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

50+ Social Club Mary Ann Watson 1<sup>st</sup> Friday at 10:00 a.m. (Liturgy)

**Book & Cine Club** *Katia Abboud* 

**Rosary Prayer Group** Daad Chamoun

Social Committee Souheil Farah, Rita Lattouf, Claire Naoum

Saint Maron Health Committee Dr. Paul Farah

**Social Media Coordinator** *Jessica Khoury* 

**Order of Saint Charbel** Samir Farah and Daad Chamoun

# LITURGY INTENTIONS

#### Saturday, December 21

5:00 p.m. Mem Lit for Florence Chbeir (1 year) By her family

> Mem Lit for Emile Jeha By His wife Henriette, his children Lara, Sana, & Fadi

Mem Lit for Abdo Daher By His wife Jeanette Daher and his children

#### Sunday, December 22

9:30 a.m.	Forty Day Liturgy for Nasr Karam
	By His wife Selvi Karam and his children George ,
	John, Jack, Marina and their families.
11:00 a.m.	Forty Day Liturgy for Therese Zablit Abi Saleh
	By her son Wajdy Abi Saleh

**Mem Lit for Nabil Haikal** By his wife Lydvine Haikal

#### **Tuesday, December 24**

5:00 p.m.	Nativity Vigil Liturgy: Chapel
Wednesday,	December 25
Midnight	Nativity Midnight Liturgy - Downtown
9:30 a.m.	Nativity Feast Day Liturgy - Downtown
11:00 a.m.	Nativity Feast Day Liturgy - Downtown

#### **Thursday December 26**

10:00 a.m. Praises to the Mother of God Liturgy - Independence

#### NEXT WEEK

Saturday, December 28

5:00 p.m. Parishioners Intentions

#### Sunday, December 29

9:30 a.m. **Parishioners Intentions** 

# 11:00 a.m. Forty Day Liturgy for Cheryl Ina By her husband Anthony Ina, her daughter Lauren Ina Salonski and her son Anthony Jr., and sister in law Laura Ina

# PARISHIONERS NEWS

Wedding

Congratulations to Nabih Metri and Zena Yakoub who received the sacrament of Holy Matrimony on Saturday December 14, 2024

# READINGS

# **First Reading**

Is 11:1-19

A shoot shall come out from the stock of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;

The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

#### Second Reading

Rom 1:1-12

#### Brothers and sisters,

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, to all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed throughout the world. For God, whom I serve with my spirit by announcing the gospel of his Son, is my witness that without ceasing I remember you always in my prayers, asking that by God's will, I may somehow at last succeed in coming to you. For I am longing to see you so that I may share with you some spiritual gift to strengthen you — or rather so that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine.

#### Gospel

Mt 1:1-17

An account of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham.

Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Aram, and Aram the father of 'Aminadab,

# GIFTS OF THE ALTAR December 2024



**BREAD** in Memory of:

- ♦ Deceased members of the Richards & Nofel families by Edward P. Richards, Jr.
- Nawf Metri by her daughter Hayat Tannous
- Thomas Thomas
  by The Richards family
- Elias Sarrouh & Rachid E. Sarrouh by Martha Sarrouh & family
- Nabil Daher by Lina Daher & family



#### WINE in Memory of:

- ♦ Deceased members of the Richards & Nofel families by Edward P. Richards, Jr.
- Thomas Thomas
  by The Richards family
- Elias Sarrouh & Rachid E. Sarrouh by Martha Sarrouh & family
- Nabil Daher by Lina Daher & family
- Deceased member of the Louis & Emiline Nagy family by William & Denise Bishilany



#### **CANDLES in Memory of:**

- Deceased members of the Richards & Nofel families by Edward P. Richards, Jr.
- George & Roma Sessin by their children & families
- Jacob & Juliette Saad
  & the deceased members
  of the Saad & Elzeer families
  by Thomas Saad & family
- Thomas Thomas by The Richards family
- Elias Sarrouh & Rachid E. Sarrouh by Martha Sarrouh & family
- Nabil Daher by Lina Daher & family

# INCOME

December 15, 2024

General Deposit	\$ 2,746.00
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	\$ 1,014.00
Sunday 9:30 a.m.	\$ 492.00
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	\$ 1,090.00
Online	\$ 150.00

# NEW MEMBERS

If you are living in Cleveland or Just moved here, our Church would like to welcome you. Please introduce yourself to the Priest or contact the office.



# JOIN THE ORDER OF SAINT SHARBEL

The Order is a critical part of our Eparchy as it helps support Seminarian education and Priest retirement. The Eparchy depends on our laity to help cover some of the costs of our future priests.

For more information you are welcome to visit: https://www.orderstsharbel.org/



# REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL

Remembering your parish in your will can be a way to express gratitude for your faith & support the future of your parish, Eparchy, or the Maronite Church . Contact Church office for more information. and 'Aminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon, and Salmon the father of Bo'az by Rahab, and Bo'az the father of 'Obed by Ruth, and 'Obed the father of Jesse, and Jesse the father of King David.

And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah, and Solomon the father of Rehobo'am, and Rehobo'am the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father of Asaph, and Asaph the father of Jehoshaphat, and Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of 'Uzziah, and 'Uzziah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah, and Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, and Manasseh the father of Amos, and Amos the father of Josiah, and Josiah the father of Jechoniah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon.

And after the deportation to Babylon. Jechoniah was the father of Salathiel, and Salathiel the father of Zerubbabel, and Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, and Abiud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of 'Azor, and 'Azor the father of Zadok, and Zadok the father of Akhim, and Akhim the father of Eliud, and Eliud the father of Ele'azar, and Ele'azar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called the Messiah.

So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; and from David to the deportation to Babylon, fourteen generations; and from the deportation to Babylon to the Messiah, fourteen generations.

# PROVIDENCE HOUSE HOLIDAY GIVING TREE

Thank you to everyone who donated items for the Providence House Holiday Giving Tree. We were able to send a large amount of needed items. Our parishioners are always so generous.

# ST. MARON CHRISTMAS PARTY

We would like to thank everyone who attended last weeks parish Christmas Party. A very special thank you to Santa and his elves for bringing such joy and gifts to the children. The Mother's Club worked hard on the games & activities for the children—Thank you!

# 50+ SOCIAL CLUB

Join us on Friday, January 3rd for 10:00 Liturgy (Chapel). We will then plan the events for 2025, so bring your ideas and information. The POTLUCK lunch will follow, so bring your signature dish to share. Games to play if time permits.

# SAVE THE DATE

Saint Maron Feast Day Hafli—Saturday February 15th.

# CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

#### December 20 & 23

**6:00 p.m.** Christmas Novena—Independence

### Saturday December 21

7:00 p.m. Saint Maron Christmas Concert—Independence

### **Tuesday December 24**

5:00 p.m. Nativity Vigil Liturgy—Independence

# Wednesday December 25

12:00 a.m.	Nativity Midnight Liturgy—Downtown
9:30 a.m.	Nativity Feast Day Liturgy—Downtown
11:00 a.m.	Nativity Feast Day Liturgy — Downtown

# **Thursday December 26**

10:00 a.m. Praises to the Mother of God Liturgy—Independence

Memorial Liturgies for 2025 Please remember a 40 day Liturgy will always take precedence.					
We DO NOT schedule liturgies on the following dates: St. Maron Feast Day, Palm Sunday, Easter, First Communion, Christmas, and Festival Weekend.					
Please email requests to : saintmaroncleveland@gmail.com or drop in collection basket. <b>PRINT CLEARLY</b>					
Mem. Lit for					
Given by:					
Phone:					
Date:					
Time:      Saturday      5:00 pm Chapel      Sunday      9:30 am      or      11:00 am					
GIFTS OF THE ALTAR FOR THE YEAR 2025 PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY					
The gifts of the Altar in HONOR or in MEMORY of a loved one or in THANKSGIVING and may be for more than one person.					
ALTAR BREAD (\$45.00) JANUARY-FEBRUARY-MARCH-APRIL-MAY-JUNE-JULY-AUGUST-SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER-NOVEMBER- DECEMBER					
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ALTAR WINE (\$25.00) JANUARY-FEBRUARY-MARCH-APRIL-MAY-JUNE-JULY-AUGUST-SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER-NOVEMBER- DECEMBER					
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CANDLES (\$20.00) JANUARY-FEBRUARY-MARCH-APRIL-MAY-JUNE-JULY-AUGUST-SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER-NOVEMBER- DECEMBER					
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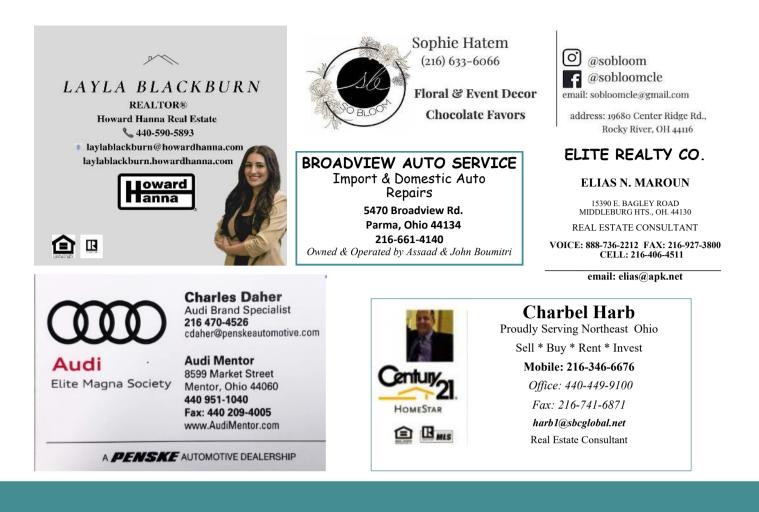
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### **Baptism and Confirmation**

If you are a new parent and wish to have your child baptized at Saint Maron Church or Chapel you must call the office at least two months in advance. We try very hard to have only one baptism per Saturday and Sunday. Times are around the 5 p.m. Saturday liturgy (Chapel) or following the 11 a.m. Sunday liturgy (Downtown church). Call the office to schedule a baptism: (216) 520 5081



### **Crowning (Matrimony)**

Couples must contact and meet Fr. Patrick at least 8 months before the desired wedding date. Pre-Cana classes are required. Call the office to schedule an appointment: (216) 520 5081



# **Freedom to Marry Letter**

All necessary forms for couples living in the United States or abroad need to be done, and this may take weeks or months. Please call to schedule an appointment with Fr. Patrick.

# **Reconciliation**

Confession is available prior to all liturgies. Please ask the priest to hear your confession.

### **Communion and Anointing of the Sick**

Clergy is available to administer Communion or for anointing of the sick to those homebound or hospitalized. Call the office if you or a family member is in need. Only in case of emergency, call: (314) 437 2882



### House Blessing

If you would like your home to be blessed, please call the office: (216) 520 5081