

# Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Cathedral

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Most Reverend Gregory J. Mansour — Eparchial Bishop

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## Divine Liturgy Schedule

Tuesday through Saturday at 10:00 AM  
Sunday at 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM  
Holy Day To Be Announced  
St. Sharbel the 22nd of the each month  
at 7:30 PM except on Saturday or Sunday

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the month at 10:40 until noon

## Reconciliation

10:15 AM to 10:45 AM Sunday  
11:00 AM to 11:45 AM First Friday  
and upon request.

## Initiation Rites (Baptism—Chrismation)

Parents and Godparents must meet  
with the Rector for instruction and  
then a time will be set for the Baptism  
and Chrismation of the child.

## Mystery of Crowning (Marriage)

Rector must be notified at least six  
months in advance to set up instruction.

## Hospital and Sick Calls

Notify the Rector as soon as possible.

## New Parishioners

All are welcome at Our Lady of  
Lebanon Cathedral. Please notify the Office  
of the Rector to become a member.



# Frist Sunday after the Holy Cross

## September 16th, 2018

Sunday September 16	1st Sunday after Holy Cross St. Cyprian, Bishop Carthage 9:00 am Carol Shaheen 11:30 am President Bachir Gemayel	Req. by Carol Hamid
Monday September 17	NO LITURGY St. Sophia and Her Three Daughters	
Tuesday September 18	NO LITURGY	
Wednesday September 19	10 am Divine Liturgy for Norma Halpin	Req. by William Halpin
Thursday September 20	10 am Divine Liturgy for Angele Raphael	Req. by Phyllis Simon
Friday September 21	10 am Divine Liturgy for Carol Shaheen	Req. by Mr. & Mrs. John Shaia
Saturday September 22	10 am Divine Liturgy Saint Phocas	
Sunday September 23	2nd Sunday after Holy Cross 9:00 am Gladys & Vincent Ahearn 11:30 am 40 Days for Assad Frangie	Req. by Daisy & Elena Diamontopulos Req. by Deacon and Mrs. Peter Frangie

**SATURDAY**  
**NOV 3**  
10:00AM - 6:00PM  
Our Lady of Lebanon Cathedral,  
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Workshops  
presented by  
Fr. Roger Landry



## Human Love in the Divine Plan:

**Understanding, Living, and Proclaiming  
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We invite young adult men and women (ages 18-35) to join us for a day of enrichment, prayer and fellowship

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Contact Melissa Safi,  
Maronite Young Adult  
in Brooklyn, NY on  
347-337-9170  
by **November 1** to RSVP  
or if you have any questions.

### *Readings*

***Lectors and Ushers (age 16 and up) are needed.***  
***Please [email](#) the church to become one.***

- September 16, 2018 First Sunday after Holy Cross  
Reading: 2 Timothy 2:1-10  
Gospel: Mark 10: 35-45  
Lectors: 9:00 am Raymond Gill  
11:30 am Denise Abou Chrouch - English  
11:30 am Leila Vogl - Arabic
- September 23, 2018 Second Sunday after Holy Cross  
Reading: 1 Corinthians 15: 19-34  
Gospel: Matthew 24: 1-14  
Lectors: 9:00 am Raymond Gill  
11:30 am Isabelle Hazar - English  
11:30 am Lina Fakhoury - Arabic
- September 30, 2018 Third Sunday after Holy Cross  
Reading: Philippians 3: 17-4:1  
Gospel: Matthew 24: 23-31  
Lectors: 9:00 am Raymond Gill  
11:30 am John Eladem - English  
11:30 am Marise Frangie - Arabic
- October 7, 2018 Fourth Sunday after Holy Cross  
Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11  
Gospel: Matthew 24: 45-51  
Lectors: 9:00 am Raymond Gill  
11:30 am Lydia Gordon - English  
11:30 am Mary Eladem - Arabic

### Dear Beloved Parishioners

9/11 is the date when the world stood in awe watching for hours, then days and months the developing of this horrific event in New York at the World Trade Center, but not wanting to believe what they were seeing. It was when the clock stopped, activities ceased, and people were waiting and thinking there is no tomorrow: we are all perishing.

As we are starting the Season of the Glorious, Victorious and Holy Cross where the Gospel readings focus on the end of the world and the Second Coming of Our Lord, we will listen to passages that talk about destruction and abomination. For instance, Matthew 24: 6 – 13 reads, “You will hear of wars and reports of wars; see that you are not alarmed, for these things must happen, but it will not yet be the end. Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be famines and earthquakes from place to place. All these are the beginning of the labor pains.... and because of the increase of evil-doing, the love of many will grow cold. But the one who perseveres to the end will be saved.”

Those who experienced and lived the September 11 attacks up close must have felt the immediacy of the fulfillment of these verses and been terrified. But the then-Pope, John Paul II, in the aftermath of these events during his Wednesday General Audience the next day said, “How is it possible to commit acts of such savage cruelty? The human heart has depths from which scenes of unheard ferocity sometimes emerge, capable of destroying in a moment the normal daily life of a people. But faith comes to our aid at these times when words seem to fail. Christ’s word is the only one that can give a response to the questions which trouble our spirit. Even if the forces of darkness appear to prevail, those who believe in God know that evil and death do not have the final say. Christian hope is based on this truth; at this time our prayerful trust draws strength from it.”

I walked the Promenade looking at Manhattan this week, on Tuesday afternoon, seventeen years after the two planes crashed into the Twin Towers. I said a prayer for those who passed during these attacks. I observed firsthand that the power of the evil spirit will never overcome the power of goodness and love and New York is a witness to this reality. There will be wars, famines, earthquakes, hurricanes, but God will conquer at the end through his cross.

*Abouna Dominique*

### Maronite Catholic Formation (Sunday School)

Registration for Sunday School is on its way. It is of an extreme importance to hand down the faith to our children (1st to 12th Grade). Sunday Formation is one small way of doing it, so everyone is encouraged to register their children and not wait to the last minute. Classes began on Sunday, September 9th at 10 am. Adult Formation is also available at 10 am on Sunday. Registration continues until October 14, so please [print the form online](http://www.ololc.org/media.html) (<http://www.ololc.org/media.html>) and email it to [Lily Elhaje](mailto:Lily.Elhaje)

### MYO Meeting

An MYO General Meeting will be held on Sunday September 23 after the 11:30 Divine Liturgy in the Library. All 13 to 18 years old are encouraged to attend to plan the events of the year.

### MYA Workshop in Washington DC

Registration is now open for our 2018 MYA National Workshop which will be held from October 5-7, 2018 in Washington DC. [Please use the online form on our website to register for this year's Workshop.](#) We hope that a group will go from the Cathedral to join other MYA.

### Celebrating the Induction of Claire Habib into the Order of St. Gregory the Great

Please join Bishop Gregory and Our Lady of Lebanon Cathedral as we celebrate the induction of Dame Claire Habib into the Order of St. Gregory the Great on Sunday October 28th between 2 to 6pm at Sirico's (8023 13th Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11228). \$40 per person includes 4 course meal with Entertainment by Nadim and Valet Parking available. Please mail in your check to OLOL Cathedral 113 Remsen St. Brooklyn NY 11201 or give it to: Marian Ciaccia, Edgard Abi Daher, William Abou-Chrouh, Tony Aflak, or Adonis El-Asmar, .

### Housekeeping

The Brooklyn Public Library Lease was renewed on June 1st extending their stay until December 2019.

The Just Wee Two Daycare that were renting our hall downstairs decided not to renew their contract with us because of a decrease in their enrollment. They left by the end of August. If you know any daycare interested in the same space, please call the Church at 718-624-7228

### Eparchy of Saint Maron Benefit Dinner

Maronite Catholics and friends from the greater New York area and beyond will gather on Thursday, October 4, 2018 at the New York Athletic Club for the Ninth Annual Benefit Dinner for the Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn. Among the honorees at this year's Benefit will be Lydia Gordon. Congratulation to Lydia on her personal commitments over the years to serve well her community. [Please get your tickets and place an ad in the Benefit Dinner Ad Book](#)

### Recommendation of the Finance Council

The Finance Council met last week and recommended that parishioners set the Church up for automatic bill pay. This is the best way to keep supporting your spiritual home while on vacation or out-of-town.

### Bulletin Advertisement

Business owners who would like to advertise their businesses in the Church bulletin that reaches over 200 households via email, please call the Cathedral at 718-624-7228 for more information.

### In Defense of Christians Community Organizing Fellowship

IDC's Organizing Fellowship will offer emerging young professionals the opportunity to work with IDC's Washington, D.C.-based staff, elected officials, faith leaders and more. Organizing fellows will serve as a liaison between local IDC supporters in their communities and the National Office. Young leaders interested in advocacy, political campaigns, nonprofit organizations and faith-based initiatives are encouraged to apply. This is an unpaid fellowship and fellows will work remotely by community organizing in their own cities.



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## Sunday Readings

### قراءات الأحد

#### First Sunday after the Feast of Cross

##### The Second Letter to Timothy 2: 1-10

Be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus; and what you have heard from me through many witnesses entrust to faithful people who will be able to teach others as well. Share in suffering like a good soldier of Christ Jesus.

No one serving in the army gets entangled in everyday affairs; the soldier's aim is to please the enlisting officer. And in the case of an athlete, no one is crowned without competing according to the rules.

It is the farmer who does the work who ought to have the first share of the crops.

Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in all things. Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained.

Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

##### The Gospel according to Saint Mark 10: 35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?'

And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.'

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

#### الأحد الأول بعد عيد الصليب

رسالة القديس بولس الثانية إلى تيموثاوس 2: 1-10  
يا إخواني، وأنت، يا أبنائي، تشدد بالتعمة التي في المسيح يسوع.

وما سمعته مني بحضور شهود كثيرين، استودعه أناساً أمناء، جديرين هم أيضاً بأن يعلموا غيرهم.

شاركني في احتمال المشقات كجندٍ صالح للمسيح يسوع.

وما من جندٍ ينهمك في الأمور المعيشية، إذا أراد أن يرضي من جنده.

ومن يصارع لا ينال إكليل إلا إذا صارع بحسب الأصول.

والحارث الذي يتعب له الحق بالنصيب الأول من الثمر.

تأمل في ما أقول: والرب سيعطيك فهماً في كل شيء! تذكر يسوع المسيح الذي قام من بين الأموات، وهو من نسل داود، بحسب إنجيلي،

الذي فيه احتمل المشقات حتى القيود كمجرم، لكن كلمة الله لا تقيد.

لذلك أصبر على كل شيء من أجل المختارين، ليخلصوا هم أيضاً على الخلاص في المسيح يسوع مع المجد الأبدي.

##### إنجيل القديس مرقس 10: 35-45

دنا من يسوع يعقوب ويوحنا، أبنائنا زبدي، وقالوا له: «يا معلم، نريد أن تصنع لنا كل ما نسألك.»

فقال لهم: «ماذا تريدان أن أصنع لكما؟»

قالا له: «أعطنا أن نجلس في مجدك، واحد عن يمينك، وواحد عن يسارك.»

فقال لهم يسوع: «إنكما لا تعلمان ما تطلبان: هل

تستطيعان أن تشربا الكأس التي أشربها أنا؟ أو أن تتعمدا بالمعمودية التي أتعمد بها أنا؟»

قالا له: «نستطيع.» فقال لهم يسوع: «الكأس التي أنا أشربها ستشربانها، والمعمودية التي أنا أتعمد بها

ستتعمدان بها.

أما الجلوس عن يميني أو عن يساري، فليس لي أن أمنحه إلا للذين أعد لهم.»

ولما سمع العشرة الآخرون، بدأوا يغتاطون من يعقوب ويوحنا. فدعاهم يسوع إليه وقال لهم: «تعلمون أن الذين

يعتبرون رؤساء الأمم يسودونهم، وعظماءهم يتسلطون عليهم. أما أنتم فليس الأمر بينكم هكذا، بل من أراد أن

يكون فيكم عظيماً، فلينكس لكم خادماً.

ومن أراد أن يكون الأول بينكم، فليكن عبداً للجميع؛

لأن ابن الإنسان أيضاً لم يات ليخدم، بل ليخدم، ويبدل نفسه فداءً عن كثيرين.»