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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS



**Fourth Sunday after the Holy Cross
October 6th, 2024**

Sun., Oct. 6	Fourth Sunday after the Holy Cross / Holy Rosary Sunday / St. Thomas the Apostle 9 am for George Mansour 11:30 am for Sami Nassour for Peace in Lebanon	by the Struble Family by Mr. & Mrs. Tony Nassour
Mon., Oct. 7	NO DIVINE LITURGY Sts. Sarkis & Bacchus	
Tue., Oct. 8	10 am Divine Liturgy for George Mansour St. Pelagia of Antioch	by Mr. & Mrs. Angelo Saba Jr.
Wed., Oct. 9	10 am Divine Liturgy for Arianna Maria Layng for Jennifer Hernandez St. James, Brother of the Lord	by the Leon Family by Nilda Hernandez
Thu., Oct. 10	10 am Divine Liturgy for George Mansour St. Eulampius & his sister Eulampia & their companions	by Salma Vahdat
Fri., Oct. 11	10 am Divine Liturgy for George Mansour St. Philip the Deacon / Pope St. John XXIII / The First Council of Nicaea	by Salma Vahdat
Sat., Oct. 12	10 am Divine Liturgy for George Mansour St. Edno	by Salma Vahdat
Sun., Oct. 13	Fifth Sunday after the Holy Cross / Sts. Carpus & Papylus & their companions 9 am for the Intentions of the Parishioners 11:30 am 40 Day for General Maron Mouawad	

August 2024 Financial Standing

Ordinary Income

- ◆ Collections on Sundays & Holy Days: **\$12,516.24**
- ◆ Cathedral Stipends from Marriages & Funerals, Hall Rent, Candles, Breakfast, Luncheon, Raffle, Dues, Religious Education, Flowers**\$2,071.00**

Total Ordinary Income: \$14,587.24

Ordinary Expenses

- ◆ Payroll, Gas, Electricity, Building Insurance and Medical Insurance, Leasing Equipment, TV, Phone, Internet, Supplies for Church, Hall & Office, Postage, Regular Maintenance, Charity, Eparchial Appeal, Insurance....**\$24,835.43**

Total Ordinary Expenses: \$24,835.43

Total Ordinary Income vs Expenses: -\$10,248.19

**Do you know? A couple of basic monthly expenses:
The Monthly Eparchial Assessment & Bishop's Appeal has increased from \$2,125 to \$2,670 a month starting January 2024.**

The Cathedral's Building Insurance increased 14.3% in 2023, and we paid \$46,122 for the year. It has gone up another 7% in 2024, so we pay \$49,313.00. The Cathedral monthly building insurance is now \$4,109.41.

**Thank you for your contribution
in helping maintain the Church
and in planning different activities**

HELP LEBANON!

Caritas Lebanon: Founded in 1972, Caritas Lebanon is the official socio-pastoral arm of the Catholic Church and is under the authority of the Assembly of Catholic Patriarchs and Bishops of Lebanon. Caritas Lebanon assists both individuals and communities through direct assistance to the poor, sick, refugees, victims of sex abuse and trafficking, and others in need. Caritas Lebanon is a member of Caritas International, one of the largest humanitarian networks in the world. Donate [here](#).

Tele-Lumiere / Noursat: Tele-Lumiere / Noursat, the "Television of Light," is the first Christian Television network in Lebanon and the Middle East. It was founded in 1991 by a group of committed lay people. Tele-Lumiere/Noursat has become the daily bread and hope for the Christian minorities in the Middle East, as well as a source of peace for many viewers from different denominations. Donate [here](#).

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul: Founded in 1833 by a group of young laymen, the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is a lay Catholic organization of women and men who put their faith into action. The Society is very close to the people. Most parishes and villages have a Society that is active. From the start, the Society has been under the patronage of Saint Vincent de Paul, a great saint, well-known for his works of charity. Donate [here](#).

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Urgent Appeal For Lebanon

To meet the growing demands of the healthcare system in Lebanon, people can kindly help in two ways: Financially, by supporting a fundraising campaign that the Consulate is launching through the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) USA. With your contributions, UNICEF and partners will procure and deliver medications and medical supplies to Lebanon. Your tax-deductible donation can be made on the following link: [UNICEF Support for Lebanon](#).

Donations in kind, by sending [medications](#), and [medical supplies](#) to 3 Empire Blvd., South Hackensack, NJ 07696 in preparation for shipping them to Lebanon. The items can be dropped off at the location on weekdays anytime between 9am and 6pm and can also be shipped to the location at any time. For any needed assistance you can reach out to Mr. Imad Hassan on (917)754-8666.

Thank You SYMA Club

Our Lady of Lebanon Cathedral would like to thank the SYMA Club for donating \$10,000 to help with the Church operation & activities.

MYO Bible Study

The MYO will have a Bible Study on Saturday, October 5th, at 5:30 pm. And on Sunday, October 6th, they are organizing a bake sale after the Divine Liturgy to fundraise for the upcoming retreat. Anyone grades 6 to 12 who is interested in joining the MYO, please see either Lily Elhaje, Tiana Eladem, or Isabel Elhaje.

MYA Bible Study


The MYA will have a Bible Study on Saturday, October 5th, at 7:30 pm.

Maronite Catholic Formation

Children Pre-K to High School are encouraged to participate in the Maronite Catholic Formation (Sunday School). Classes begin on Sunday, September 22nd, at 10 am and all information will be given then.

Promoting Vocations

The Eparchy is trying to bring more awareness to the different vocations in life. For this reason, an icon of the Holy Family along with a prayer will be given to a different family each week for prayer every night so God may guide us to discern and promote the various vocations.

See Fr. Chuck for more information. To register, please click [here](#) or scan here 

Order of Saint Sharbel Sunday

October 13 is designated as "Order of Saint Sharbel Sunday" in our Eparchy. All Maronite parishes that Sunday will be promoting the Order. The Order of Saint Sharbel is vitally important in providing financial and spiritual support for our seminarians, who are crucial for the future of our Maronite Church. This year we have three men preparing for the priesthood for our Eparchy. Please prayerfully consider joining the Order. You may enroll online [here](#).

Discernment Weekend for the Priesthood: *"The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few."*

Hearing God's call in a world where there is so much noise is never easy. The Maronite Seminary in Washington, DC, will be holding a Discernment Weekend Friday, November 1st, 2024, to Sunday, November 3rd, 2024, at the Seminary for men who show signs of a vocation to the priesthood and to promote the beauty of the priesthood. If you know of any man discerning a vocation to the priesthood, or who would like to know more about vocations, please give him Fr. Dominique Hanna's phone number (718-624-7228).

Creating a Culture of Vocations

Since last year, the Vocations Team has been meeting regularly and working diligently to create different resources that we have sent you; [a vocation video](#), a poster for all the parishes promoting vocations; [vocation prayer cards](#), and [an icon of the Holy Family mailed from the Chancery to each parish to encourage individual families to pray for vocations in their own families and parishes](#). The Sundays of Consecration and Dedication of the Church on November 3rd and 10th are designated to focus on the call to serve that all of us share.

Interested in Joining the Choir?

The choir of the Cathedral would like to welcome anyone interested in joining them to see Christiane Merhej after the 11:30 Divine Liturgy. We are also looking for someone who knows the Maronite music to play the organ.

Finance Council Recommendation

The Finance Council has recommended that parishioners set up their Church donation as an automatic payment. You may also make your contribution online by clicking [here](#). It was determined that a minimum of \$150.00 per household a month will help meet the Church's budget.



MARONITE FAITH FORMATION
ONLINE SERIES – FALL 2024



MARONITE HISTORY

3 VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS

SEPTEMBER 26 -- MARONITE PATRIARCHS
(FR. DOMINIQUE HANNA)

OCTOBER 3-- MARONITE HISTORY
(CHORBISHOP SEELY BEGGIANI)

OCTOBER 10 -- MARONITE MARTYRS
(FR. CLAUDE FRANKLIN)

Via Zoom on Thursdays
8:00-9:30PM EST



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NEW MARONITE SAINTS

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saintsharbelcenter.org/zoom-series/massabki-brothers-new-maronite-saints



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Eparchy of St. Maron

🕒 8PM-9PM EST

📅 OCTOBER 8, 2024

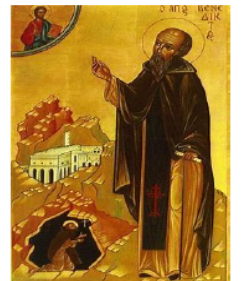
Christmas Day of Reflection
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Saturday, November 16, 2024
9 AM – 3 PM

The Holy Rule of St. Benedict

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- Talks (The virtue of humility)
- Q & A
- Lunch
- Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions



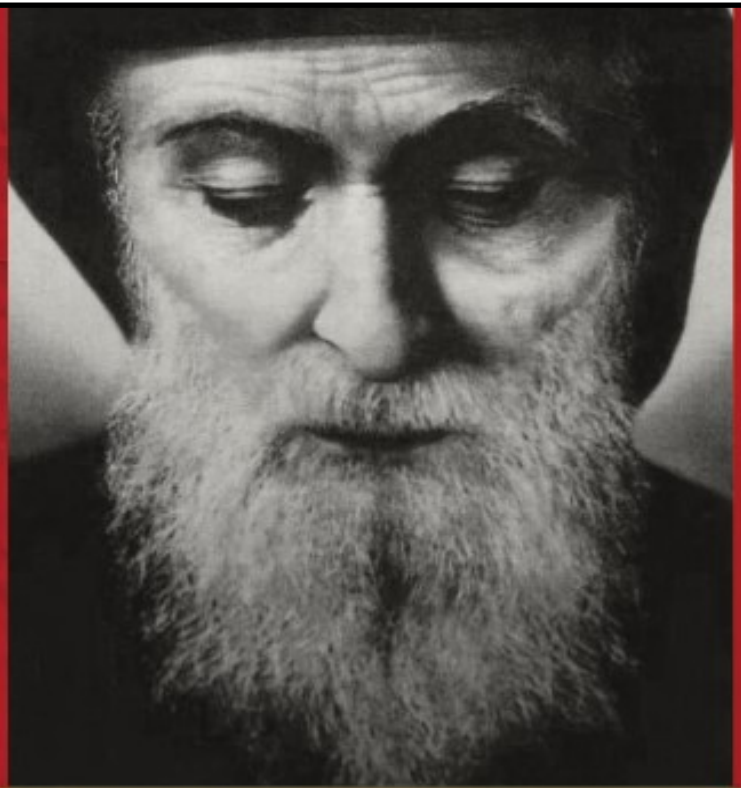
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Parishioners and friends — All are Welcome!

RSVP: No later than Sunday, November 10, 2024

Deacon Adonis El-Asmar
Mobile **text: (917) 855-3075**

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For more information, contact the Order of Saint Sharbel President, Charlene Hiffa
at info@orderstsharbel.org or call 718-237-9913 or consult your Parish Priest.
If you are interested in becoming a Priest or Religious Sister, contact Father Dominique Hanna,
Vocations Director at (718) 624-7228 or cathrectory@verizon.net

Sunday Readings

قراءات الأحد

The Fourth Sunday after The Cross

First Letter to the Thessalonians 5: 1-11

Concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night.

When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape!

But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness.

So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation.

For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore, encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

The Gospel according to Saint Matthew 24: 45-51

Who then is the faithful and wise slave, whom his master has put in charge of his household, to give the other slaves their allowance of food at the proper time?

Blessed is that slave whom his master will find at work when he arrives.

Truly I tell you, he will put that one in charge of all his possessions. But if that wicked slave says to himself, "My master is delayed", and he begins to beat his fellow-slaves, and eats and drinks with drunkards, the master of that slave will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour that he does not know. He will cut him in pieces and put him with the hypocrites, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

الأحد الرابع بعد عيد الصليب

رسالة القديس بولس الأولى إلى أهل تسالونيقي 5: 1-11

يا إخوتي، أمّا الأزمنة والأوقات، أيّها الإخوة، فلا حاجة بكم أن يكتب إليكم في شأنها؛ لأنكم تعلمون جيداً أن يوم الرب يأتي كالسارق ليلاً. فجيب يقولون: سلامٌ وأمنٌ! حينئذ يداهمهم الهلاك وهم المخاض للخبلى، ولا يفنون. أمّا أنتم، أيّها الإخوة، فليستم في ظلمة ليفاجئكم ذلك اليوم كالسارق.

فأنتم كلكم أبناء النور، وأبناء النهار؛ ولستنا أبناء الليل ولا أبناء الظلمة.

إذا فلا نتم كسائر الناس، بل لنسهر ونصح؛ لأن الذين ينامون ففي الليل ينامون، والذين يسكرون ففي الليل يسكرون.

أمّا نحن أبناء النهار، فلنصح لابسين درع الإيمان والمحبة، وواضعين خوذة رجاء الخلاص.

فإن الله لم يجعلنا للغضب، بل لإحراز الخلاص بربنا يسوع المسيح،

الذي مات من أجلنا، لنحيا معه ساهرين كئنا أم نائمين. فليذلك شجعوا بعضكم بعضاً، ولينبئ الواحد الآخر، كما أنتم فاعلون.

إنجيل القديس متى 24: 45-51

قال الرب يسوع: «من هو العبد الأمين الحكيم الذي أقامه سيده على أهل بيته، لينعطيهم الطعام في حينه؟

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ولكن إن قال ذلك العبد الشراير في قلبه: سيتأخر سيدي! وبدأ يضرّب رفاقه، ويأكل ويشرب مع السكارين،

يجيء سيده ذلك العبد في يوم لا ينتظره، وفي ساعة لا يعرفها،

فيفصله، ويجعل نصيبه مع المرأين. هناك يكون البكاء وصريف الأسنان

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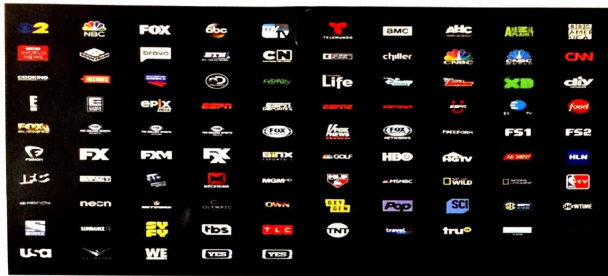
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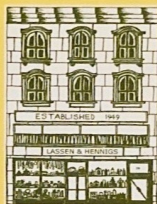
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