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FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS

First Sunday after the Holy Cross September 21st, 2025		
Sun., Sept. 21	1st Sunday after the Holy Cross 9 am for the Intentions of the Parishioners 11:30 am for Peace in Lebanon and the Middle East	
Mon., Sept. 22	NO LITURGY St. Phocas and his companions	
Tues., Sept. 23	10 am Divine Liturgy Jonah the Prophet	
Wed., Sept. 24	10 am Divine Liturgy for Tony Saab St. Thecla, the First Woman Martyr	by Paul & Abbey Chicorello
Thu., Sept. 25	10 am Divine Liturgy St. Paphnutius the Confessor	
Fri., Sept. 26	10 am Divine Liturgy for Albert Simon for Eva Azizi St. John the Evangelist	by Phyllis Simon by Salma Vahdat
Sat., Sept. 27	10 am Divine Liturgy for Hasna Azizi Besheer St. Vincent de Paul	by Salma Vahdat
Sun., Sept. 28	2nd Sunday after the Holy Cross 9 am for the Intentions of the Parishioners 11:30 am 40 Day for Michel Salem	by the Salem Family
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Financial Standing August 2025

Ordinary Income

- Collections on Sundays & Holy Days: \$10,138.15
- ◆ Cathedral Stipends from Marriages & Funerals, Hall Rent, Candles, Breakfast, Luncheon, Raffle, Dues, Religious Education, Flowers\$11,433.00 Total Ordinary Income: \$21,571.15

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 \$36,797.69

Total Ordinary Expenses: \$36,797.69

Total Ordinary Income vs Expenses: -\$15,226.54

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, 7% in 2024 and 9% in 2025. We are now paying \$53,716 which will amount to \$4,476.33 a month.

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 <a href="https://example.com/here/beauto-pastoral-refuges-humanitarian-networks-here/beauto-pastoral-refuges-humanitarian-networks-humanitarian-networks-here/beauto-pastoral-refuges-humanitarian-networks-humanitarian-net

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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

MYA Welcome Barbecue

The MYA will have a welcome barbecue on Friday, September 19th, at 7:30 pm.

Maronite Catholic Formation

Maronite Catholic Formation (Sunday School) classes will begin on Sunday, September 21st, at 10 am. Please register your child here.

Confraternity Meeting

The Confraternity will meet on Sunday, September 21st, after the 11:30 am Divine Liturgy in the Chapel.

Arabic Class Registration

Adult Arabic Class registration has begun. Please see Leila Vogl if you are interested.

Order of St. Sharbel Sunday

This year, October 12 is designated as "Order of Saint Sharbel Sunday" in our Eparchy. On October 12, all Maronite parishes 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.

Save the Date

The Knights will have a Sajj breakfast on Sunday, October 26th, after the Divine Liturgy.

Pilgrimage in the Footsteps of St. John Paul II

Join us on an 11-day/9-night pilgrimage to Eastern Europe *In The Footsteps of St. John Paul II* from October 06–16, 2025, including Prague, Wroclaw, Krakow, Wieliczka Salt Mines, Auschwitz, Wadowice, Brno & Vienna. \$4,298 per person/double occupancy, including airfare from New York. Please call Marleine 1-917-608-2996 or Tony 1-917-206-3995.

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.

The 2025 Père Paul Symposium

Please join in-person or online on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Zoom</u> the <u>2025 Père Paul Symposium</u> which began as the Père Paul Lecture and was inaugurated by Fr. Joseph Amar. The symposium will take place at The Catholic University of America on Friday, September 19, 2025. Jack Tannous will deliver the Père Paul Lecture. There will also be a lineup of distinguished speakers: Elizabeth Anderson, Alex Lopez, Andrew Litke, and Leb Weitz.

Vocation Team Initiatives

The Vocation Team is starting a new initiative to foster and promote a culture of vocations in our parishes with a vocation form that Bishop Gregory would like everyone to consider completing. Please click on the <u>link</u> and consider submitting a name of one or two young people, whom the Vocation Team can pray for, and possibly accompany on their vocation journey. The Vocation Team and Bishop Gregory will intentionally pray for those whose names are submitted, and, if given permission, we will follow up with them to see how we can support them in their ongoing discernment. Please click <u>here</u> for our vocation prayer card and icon to aid our young people, families, and parishes to come together as the Body of Christ to pray for vocations.

Maronite Servants of Christ the Light Monthly Discernment

The Maronite Servants of Christ the Light are now hosting monthly discernment calls via Zoom for single young adult women (ages 18-39) discerning their vocation and open to learning more about the call to religious life. If any young adult women are interested or have questions, they are welcome to reach out to Sr. Therese Maria, Vocation Director, by email or by calling 508-996-1753. More information can also be found on the website here.

Sixth Pastoral Letter of Bishop Gregory Mansour

<u>The Man of God Is a Man for Others</u> is the most recent pastoral letter of Bishop Gregory. The Bishop said, "The words were born in my heart out of love from one man to another. But I hope my words will also be helpful to women as well." Please click here to read the letter.

Bulletin Advertisements

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Cedar Remembrance Tree

Parishioners and friends can now remember their deceased and honor their living with their names on the commemorative tree located in our Cathedral Chapel vestibule. Please click here for more details.



Our Lady of Lebanon Cathedral has been designated as a holy site for the 2025 Jubilee Year. Catholics who visit the Cathedral with a sincere heart free from attachment to sin, and who fulfill the following conditions, can obtain a plenary indulgence:

- 1. Receive Holy Communion.
- 2. Participate in the Sacrament of Penance (Confession).
- 3. Pray for the intentions of the Holy Father.

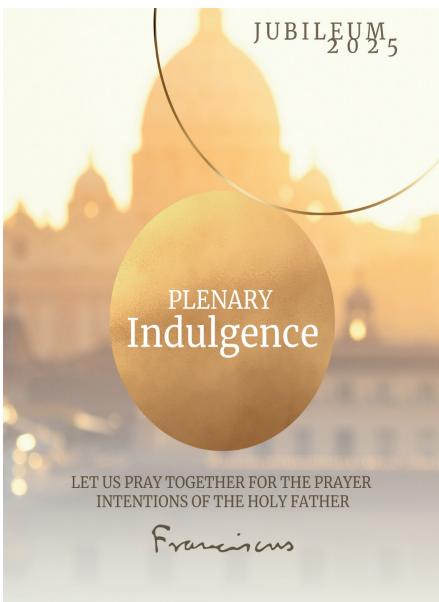
A plenary indulgence grants the complete remission of all temporal punishment due to sin, restoring the soul to the purity it had at baptism.

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.









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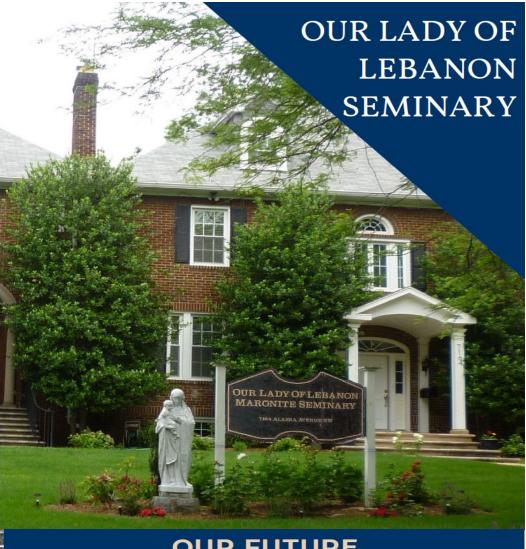
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OUR FUTURE

Our seminarians are answering a sacred call — dedicating their lives to faith, formation, and service. As they prepare for the priesthood, they rely on prayer and grace as well as your support to thrive in their spiritual journey.

RESTORE

Much of the building's infrastructure dates back to before the seminary's founding in 1961. Planned renovations include replacing the aging roof, remediating basement mold, and upgrading the electrical, plumbing, and HVAC systems to meet current building codes.



OUR HISTORY



Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Seminary, located in Washington, D.C. opened in 1961.

Today it continues to train and ordain seminarians to serve the Maronite faithful throughout the United States.





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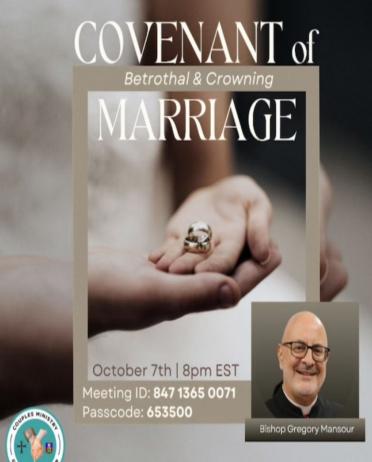
The heart of the seminarians spiritual life is Christ ever present in the Eucharist, in the chapel. Help them to strengthen their prayer life with updated spiritual reading material and chapel enhancements to improve their sacred space while supporting worship and reflection.

REFRESH

The kitchen and bathrooms will be refreshed and modernized with new cabinetry, contemporary lighting and new appliances. The exterior will be revitalized with redesigned landscaping and the installation of a new sprinkler system.







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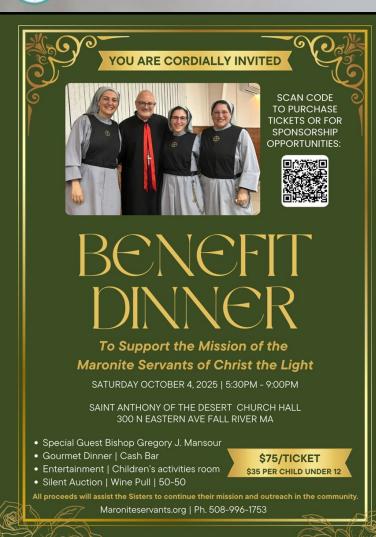
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Sunday Readings قر اءات الأحد

First Sunday after Holy Cross The Second Letter to 2 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 Holy 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 الأوّل بعد عبد الصلبب

رُسالة القديس بولس الثانية إلى طيموتاوس 1:2-10 يا إخوتِي، وأنْتَ، يا آبْنِي، تَشَدَّدْ بِالنِّعْمَةِ الَّتِي في المَسِيح

يسوع. ومَا سَمِعْتَهُ مِنِّي بِحُضُورِ شُهُودٍ كَثِيرِين، إسْتَودِعْهُ أَنَاسًا أَمَنَاء، جَديرينَ هُم أَيْضًا بِأَنْ يُعَلِّمُوا غَيْرَهُم. شَارِكْنِي في آحْتِمَالِ المَشْقَاتِ كَجُنْدِيٍّ صَالِح لِلمَسِيح يَسُوع. ومَا مِنْ جُنْدِيٍّ يَنْهَمِكُ في الأُمُورِ المَعِيشِيَّة، إذا أَرادَ أَنْ

يربي من جده. ومَنْ يُصار غ لا يَنَالُ إِكْلِيلاً إِلاَّ إِذا صارَعَ بِحَسَبِ الأُصُول. وإلحَارِثُ الَّذِي يَتَعَبُ لَهُ الحَقُّ بِالنَّصِيبِ الأَوَّلِ مِنَ الثَّمَر. والحارب الذي ينعب له الحق بالتعبيب الرب من مصر. تأمَّلُ في مَلِ شَيْء! تأمَّلُ في مَلِ شَيْء! تَذَكَّرُ يَسُوعَ المَسِيحَ الَّذي قَامَ مِنْ بَينِ الأَمْوَات، وهُوَ مِنْ نَسْلِ دَاوُد، بِحَسَب إِنْجِيلِي، القَيُودَ كَمُجْرِم، لكِنَّ كَلِمَةَ اللهِ لا الَّذِي فِيهِ أَحْتَمِلُ الْمَسْقَاتِ حَتَّى القُيُودَ كَمُجْرِم، لكِنَّ كَلِمَةَ اللهِ لا الذِي فِيهِ أَحْتَمِلُ الْمَسْقَاتِ حَتَّى القُيُودَ كَمُجْرِم، لكِنَّ كَلِمَةَ اللهِ لا

رِيْنَ أَصْبِرُ على كُلِّ شَيْءٍ مِنْ أَجْلِ المُخْتَارِين، لِيَحْصَلُوا هُم أَيْضًا على الخَلاصِ في المُسِيح يَسُوعَ مَعَ المَجْدِ الأَبَدِيّ.

إنجيل القديس مرقس 35:10. دَنَا مِنْ يَسُوعَ يَعْقُوبُ وَيُوحَنَّا، ٱبْنَا زَبَدَى ، وقَالا لَهُ: »يَا مُعَلِّم، نُريدُ أَنْ تَصْنَعَ لَنَا كُلَّ ما نَسْأَلُكَ. « فقَالَ لَهُمَا: »مَاذَا تُريدَانِ أَنْ أَصْنَعَ لَكُمَا؟. « قالا لَهُ: »أَعْطِنَا أِنْ نَجْلِسَ في مَجْدِكَ، واحِدٌ عَن يَمِينِكَ، قالا لَهُ: »أَعْطِنَا أِنْ نَجْلِسَ في مَجْدِكَ، واحِدٌ عَن يَمِينِكَ،

د مد المحبوب المحبوب على محبوب واجد على يمييك، ووقد عن يمييك، ووقد عن يسارك « وقال له هما يسوع: »إنَّكُما لا تَعْلَمانِ مَا تَطْلُبَانِ: هَلْ تَسْتَطِيعَانِ أَنْ تَشْرَبَا الكَأْسِ الَّتِي أَشْرَبُها أَنَا؟ أَو أَنْ تَتَعَمَّدَا بِٱلمَعْمُودِيَّةِ التي أَتَعَمَّدُ بِهَا أَنَا؟ «

سي العمد بِها النا: « قالا لَهُ: »نَسْتَطِيع . «فَقَالَ لَهُمَا يَسُوع: »أَلْكَأْسُ الَّتِي أَنَا أَشْرَبُها سَتَشْرَبَانِها، والمَعْمُودِيَّةُ الَّتِي أَنَا أَتَعَمَّدُ بِهَا ستَتَعَمَّدَانِ بِها. أَمَّا الْجُلُوسُ عَنْ يَمِينِي أَوْ عَنْ يَسَارِي، فلْيْسَ لِي أَنْ أَمْنَحَهُ إِلاَّ لِلَّذِينَ أَعِدَّ لَهُم. « ولَمَّا سَمِعَ الْعَشْرَةُ الأَخَرُون، بَدَأُوا يَغْتَاظُونَ مِنْ يَعْقُوبَ

رير... فدَعَاهُم يَسُوعُ إِلَيْهِ وقَالَ لَهُم: »تَعْلَمُونَ أَنَّ الَّذِينَ يُعْتَبَرُونَ رُؤَسَاءَ الأَّمْمِ يَسُودُونَهُم، وَعُظَمَاءَهُم يَتَسَلَّطُونَ عَلَيْهِم. أُمَّا أَنْتُم فَلَيْسَ الأَمْرُ بَيْنَكُم هكذا، بَلْ مَنْ أَرَادَ أَنْ يَكُونَ فِيكُم عَظِيمًا، فَلْيَكُنْ لَكُم خَادِمًا.

صييد. سيدن محمد حديد. ومَنْ أَرَادَ أَنْ يَكُونَ الأَوَّلَ بِيْنَكُم، فَلْيَكُنْ عَبْدًا لِلْجَمِيع؛ لأَنَّ ٱبْنَ الإِنْسَانِ أَيْضًا لَمْ يَأْتِ لِيُخْدَم، بَلْ لِيَخْدُم، ويَبْذُلَ نَفْسَهُ فداءً عَنْ كَثِيرِ بِنَ. ﴿

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