

Saint Maron Church

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2011

Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

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THE LIFE OF SAINT MARON

St. Maroun also known as **Saint Maron**, was a 5th century Syriac Monk who founded the Maronite spiritual movement. The Church that grew from this movement is the Maronite Church. St. Maroun was known for his missionary work, healing and miracles, and teachings of a monastic devotion to God.

St. Maroun, born in the middle of the 4th century in Syria, was a priest who later became a hermit, retiring to a mountain of Taurus in the region of Cyrrius, near Antioch. His holiness and miracles attracted many followers, and drew attention throughout the empire. St. John Chrysostom sent him a letter around AD 405 expressing his great love and respect, and asking St. Maron to pray for him.

Maroun is considered the Father of the spiritual and monastic movement now called the Maronite Catholic Church. This movement had a profound influence in Lebanon. St. Maroun spent all of his life on a mountain in Syria. It is believed that the place was called "Kefar-Nabo" on the mountain of Ol-Yambos, making it the cradle of the Maronite movement.

The Maronite movement reached Lebanon when St. Maroun's first disciple Abraham of Cyrrius who was called the Apostle of Lebanon, realised that there were many non-Christians in Lebanon, so he set out to convert them to Christianity by introducing them to the way of St. Maroun. The followers of St. Maroun, both monks and laity, always remained faithful to the teachings of the Catholic Church. St. Maroun's feast day is celebrated on February 9.

Maroun's way was deeply monastic with emphasis on the spiritual and ascetic aspects of living, contrasted by the fact that the 'Khoury,' or, 'priest' of the Maronite rite can marry. For St. Maroun, all was connected to God and God was connected to all. He did not separate the physical and spiritual world and actually used the physical world to deepen his faith and spiritual experience with God.

St. Maroun embraced the quiet solitude of the mountain life. He lived his life in open air exposed to the forces of nature such as sun, rain, hail and snow. His extraordinary desire to come to know God's presence in all things allowed St. Maroun to transcend such forces and discover that intimate union with God. He was able to free himself from the physical world by his passion and fervor for prayer and enter into a mystical relationship of love with God.

St. Maroun was a mystic who started this new ascetic-spiritual method that attracted many people in Syria and Lebanon to become his disciples. Accompanying his deeply spiritual and ascetic life, he was a zealous missionary with a passion to spread the message of Christ by preaching it to all he met. He sought not only to cure the physical ailments that people suffered, but had a great quest for nurturing and healing the "lost souls" of both non-Christians and Christians of his time.

This missionary work came to fruition when in the mountains of Syria, St. Maroun was able to convert a temple into a Christian Church. This was to be the beginning of the conversion to Christianity in Syria which would then influence and spread to Lebanon. After his death in the year 410, his spirit and teachings lived on through his disciples and today he lies in 1 village to the north of does not exist" Aleppo.

PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor	Associate	Deacon	Sub-deacons	
Reverend Peter Karam (216)333-0760	Reverend Tony Massad (810)691-7055	Reverend George Khoury (440)234-4652	Mr. James Peters Mr. Bechara Daher Mr. Lattouf Lattouf	Mr. Georges Faddoul Mr. Ghazi Faddoul

LITURGY SCHEDULE	SUNDAYS	HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION:	7:00 PM
	9:30 AM	<i>ST. MARON'S FEAST DAY</i>	<i>Wednesday, February 9th</i>
	11:00 AM	<i>ASH MONDAY</i>	<i>Monday, March 7th</i>

To schedule any of the below, please call the rectory at 216-781-6161 Monday through Friday between the hours 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Thank You.

BAPTISM	To be arranged with the pastor at least 2 months in advance.
MARRIAGE	To be arranged with the pastor at least 8 months in advance.
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION	Please call the Parish Office for arrangements.
SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING	Please call the Parish Office for arrangements.
HOSPITAL CALL/HOUSE VISITS/SICK CALLS	If someone is hospitalized or is home-bound because of an illness, please notify the Parish Office immediately.

Our Church's Groups

- Church Council** President: Samir Farah
Meets 3rd Wednesday of the month @ 6:30 pm in the administration building.
- Immaculate Conception Sodality ICS** President: Karan Farhat
Meets first Monday of the month @ 7:00 p.m. in the church starting with the Rosary.
- Maronite Christian Formation Program MCFP** D.R.E.: Fr. Tony Massad 810-691-7055 Maroun Kattar 440-884-2845
Classes every Sunday (except Holy Days) from 10:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. in the administration building.
- Maronite Youth Organization MYO** Youth Ministers: Mauni Khoury, Zahi Abi Youness, Tamore Gemayel, and Joe Koury
Liturgy on the 1st & 3rd Saturdays of each month, at 5:00 pm followed by a fun Bible study, activity and meeting.
- Maronite Young Adults MYA** Tina Lattouf 216-538-0338, Elie Naoum 440-554-8993
Liturgy on the 1st & 3rd Saturdays of each month, at 5:00 pm. Meeting and Bible study the first Sunday of each month at 5:00 pm.
- Arabic School** Coordinators: Jihad & Rima Kawkabani
Classes every Saturday (except Holy Days) from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the administration building.

ALTAR

Lucas George, Tony & Peter Shamatta, Ryan & Rachel Nin, Alexandra George, Jack Ina, Chris Abou Metri, George Saker, Stephen Farah, Christopher Nahra

SUNDAY

	English	Arabic
9:30 AM	Jack Watson	
11:00 AM	Ghazi Faddoul	Lattouf Lattouf

NEW

SAINT MARON'S NEW MINISTRY

The Group meets the first Friday of every month beginning with Liturgy @ 9:30 am, which is followed by a presentation, social gathering, and lunch in the Church Hall. The next Group meeting will be held the First Friday in March. March 4th, 2011. It will be exciting!!! Hope to see you all there. Don't forget to bring a friend.

Brothers and Sisters:

Now I want you to know, brothers, that the gospel preached by me is not of human origin. For I did not receive it from a human being, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ. For you heard of my former way of life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God beyond measure and tried to destroy it, and progressed in Judaism beyond many of my contemporaries among my race, since I was even more a zealot for my ancestral traditions. But when (God), who from my mother's womb had set me apart and called me through his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son to me, so that I might proclaim him to the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me; rather, I went into Arabia and then returned to Damascus.

Praise be to God always!

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الرسول الى اهل غلاطية

وبارك يا سيد.

يا اخوتي:

وَأَعْرِفُكُمْ أَيُّهَا الإِخْوَةُ الإِنْجِيلَ الَّذِي بَشَّرْتُ بِهِ، أَنَّهُ لَيْسَ بِحَسَبِ إِنْسَانٍ. لِأَنِّي لَمْ أَقْبَلْهُ مِنْ عِنْدِ إِنْسَانٍ وَلَا عَلَّمْتُهُ. بَلْ بِإِعْلَانِ يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحِ. فَإِنَّكُمْ سَمِعْتُمْ بِسِيرَتِي قَبْلًا فِي الدِّيَانَةِ الْيَهُودِيَّةِ، أَنِّي كُنْتُ أَضْطَهُدُ كَنِيسَةَ اللَّهِ بِإِفْرَاطٍ وَأَتْلَفُهَا. وَكُنْتُ أُنْقَدِمُ فِي الدِّيَانَةِ الْيَهُودِيَّةِ عَلَى كَثِيرِينَ مِنْ أَثْرَابِي فِي جَنْسِي، إِذْ كُنْتُ أَوْفَرَ غَيْرَةً فِي تَقْلِيدَاتِ آبَائِي. وَلَكِنْ لَمَّا سَرَّ اللَّهُ الَّذِي أَفْرَزَنِي مِنْ بَطْنِ أُمِّي، وَدَعَانِي بِنِعْمَتِهِ أَنْ يُعْلِنَ ابْنَهُ فِيَّ لِأَبَشِّرَ بِهِ بَيْنَ الْأُمَمِ، لِلْوَقْتِ لَمْ أَسْتَشِيرْ لَحْمًا وَدَمًا وَلَا صَعِدْتُ إِلَى أُورُشَلِيمَ، إِلَى الرَّسُلِ الَّذِينَ قَبْلِي، بَلْ انْطَلَقْتُ إِلَى الْعَرَبِيَّةِ، ثُمَّ رَجَعْتُ أَيْضًا إِلَى دِمَشْقَ.

والتسبيح لله دائما.

John 4:46-54

The Apostle said:

Then he returned to Cana in Galilee, where he had made the water wine. Now there was a royal official whose son was ill in Capernaum. When he heard that Jesus had arrived in Galilee from Judea, he went to him and asked him to come down and heal his son, who was near death. Jesus said to him, "Unless you people see signs and wonders, you will not believe." The royal official said to him, "Sir, come down before my child dies." Jesus said to him, "You may go; your son will live." The man believed what Jesus said to him and left. While he was on his way back, his slaves met him and told him that his boy would live. He asked them when he began to recover. They told him, "The fever left him yesterday, about one in the afternoon." The father realized that just at that time Jesus had said to him, "Your son will live," and he and his whole household came to believe. (Now) this was the second sign Jesus did when he came to Galilee from Judea.

This is the truth. Peace be with you!

قَالَ يُوْحَنَّا الرَّسُولُ:

فَجَاءَ يَسُوعُ أَيْضًا إِلَى قَانَا الْجَلِيلِ، حَيْثُ صَنَعَ الْمَاءَ خَمْرًا. وَكَانَ خَادِمٌ لِلْمَلِكِ ابْنُهُ مَرِيضٌ فِي كَفَرْنَاحُومَ. هَذَا إِذْ سَمِعَ أَنَّ يَسُوعَ قَدْ جَاءَ مِنَ الْيَهُودِيَّةِ إِلَى الْجَلِيلِ، انْطَلَقَ إِلَيْهِ وَسَأَلَهُ أَنْ يَنْزِلَ وَيَشْفِيَ ابْنَهُ لِأَنَّهُ كَانَ مُشْرِفًا عَلَى الْمَوْتِ. فَقَالَ لَهُ يَسُوعُ: «لَا تُؤْمِنُونَ إِنْ لَمْ تَرَوْا آيَاتٍ وَعَجَائِبَ» قَالَ لَهُ خَادِمُ الْمَلِكِ: «يَا سَيِّدُ، انْزِلْ قَبْلَ أَنْ يَمُوتَ ابْنِي». قَالَ لَهُ يَسُوعُ: «أَذْهَبْ. ابْنُكَ حَيٌّ». فَأَمَّنَ الرَّجُلُ بِالْكَلِمَةِ الَّتِي قَالَهَا لَهُ يَسُوعُ، وَدَهَبَ. وَفِيمَا هُوَ نَازِلٌ اسْتَقْبَلَهُ عِيْدُهُ وَأَخْبَرُوهُ قَائِلِينَ: «إِنَّ ابْنَكَ حَيٌّ». فَاسْتَخْبَرَهُمْ عَنِ السَّاعَةِ الَّتِي فِيهَا أَخَذَ يَتَعَفَى، فَقَالُوا لَهُ: «أَمْسَ فِي السَّاعَةِ السَّابِعَةِ تَرَكَتُهُ الْحُمَّى». فَقَهَمَ الْأَبُ أَنَّهُ فِي تِلْكَ السَّاعَةِ الَّتِي قَالَ لَهُ فِيهَا يَسُوعُ: «إِنَّ ابْنَكَ حَيٌّ». فَأَمَّنَ هُوَ وَبَيْتُهُ كُلُّهُ. هَذِهِ أَيْضًا آيَةٌ ثَانِيَةٌ صَنَعَهَا يَسُوعُ لَمَّا جَاءَ مِنَ الْيَهُودِيَّةِ إِلَى الْجَلِيلِ.

حقا والامان لجميعكم

The Lebanese Syrian American Junior League will again be awarding scholarships to young men and women of Lebanese & Syrian descent residing in the Greater Cleveland area. The application process begins on January 31st. **High school** seniors should request applications from their guidance counselors. **College students** can request applications by contacting Scholarship Chair Antoinette Wendzicki at LSAJLScholarship@gmail.com or 330.225.1575. All applications MUST be received by March 31st.

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

2/77	Katherine Antoon	9/60	Fred Gabriel	20/02	Edward M. Nahra
1/48	Simon Peters	9/72	Sean Michael Ward	20/07	Ann M. Peters
1/49	Sarkis Thomas	9/83	Eias Nahra	20/07	Hiyam S. Ghazoul
1/64	Amelia Deeb	9/90	Josephine Alex	21/68	Elizabeth Haddad
1/69	Lois J. Thomas	9/96	Donald Ferris	22/76	Anne Ganim
2/82	Arthur Ganim	10/68	Abraham Williams	23/76	Charolette Dean
2/85	Hassiba Elias	11/86	Adel Ferris	23/90	Emil Ganim
2/98	Caoline George	12/52	Thomas Thomey Bouhasin	23/99	Antoine Mansour Harouny
3/60	NickHanna	12/96	Anthony Peters	24/44	Jacque George Gabriel
3/63	(infant) Peters	13/59	Tomas J. Salwan	24/65	Rose George
3/76	Negib Nader	14/73	Naomi Hanna	24/02	David M. Mourad, Sr
3/99	Geoge T. Simon, Sr.	14/77	Charles Shaia	24/10	Moussa D. Nader
4/82	Mary Sliman	14/91	Sam Bulos Sr.	25/44	Joseph Mansour
5/75	An Hanna	15/56	Regina Losneck	25/55	Regina Thomey Bouhassin
6/53	Dell Hakal	15/61	Anton Sessin	25/69	Eddie (Akle) Boukair
6/57	(infant) Holobinko	16/52	Lulu Shantery	25/71	Schikery Ferris
6/58	Rse Anthony	16/61	Chick M. Shantery	25/95	Sadie Mandat
7/15	Albert M. Shaheen	16/82	Zime Mackoul	25/03	Helen Thomas
7/90	Thomas Shaia	16/91	Tanous Shamatta	25/08	Victoria M. Peters
7/01	Anthony M. Bartoul	16/02	Dorothy Richards	26/58	Abraham Joseph
7/01	Youssef Dib Chamoun	17/49	GeorgeMoses	26/61	Elizabeth Shaheen
7/03	John Sadd	17/70	David Ferris	26/64	Barbara Abraham
8/19	Elias J. Shantiry	18/71	Samuel S. Joseph	26/67	Joseph Harrish
8/20	Anthony Fahim Mansour	18/73	George Ganim	26/98	Belinda Joseph
8/58	Union Norway Union	18/92	Sophie Nader	26/98	Frances M. Fedor
8/66	Louis F. Peters	18/05	Prospero Romano	27/66	Alex George
8/00	Anna C. Birtle	19/02	Arthr Ferris	27/73	Sadie Simon
8/00	Mary Budoris	20/45	Joseph T. Joseph	27/76	George Ferris
9/23	Veronica Mike Shaheen	20/00	Michael A. Nassif	27/07	John S. Zarife
				28/76	Ronnie Daher

GIFTS OF THE ALTAR FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

ALTAR	In Memory of Najem Daher & Ronny Najem by Milia Daher and family In Memory of Roma Sessin by her husband George, their children and their families
BREAD	In Memory of Mary Shaia by Victor & Cheryl Shaia and family In memory of Michael Sarkis and Hanna Sarkis by Mr. & Mrs. Hamid Sarkis
ALTAR	In Memory of Mary "Roma" Sessin by Mrs. Judith Gordon and Miss Katherine Gordon
WINE	In memory of Michael Sarkis and Hanna Sarkis by Mr. & Mrs. Hamid Sarkis In thanksgiving by Edward P. Richards, Jr. In Memory of John Sadd & Penny Sadd Crimaldi by Rose Sadd & Crimaldi families
SANCTUARY	In Memory of Jacob & Juliette Saad and the deceased members of the Saad and Elzeer families by Mr. Tom Saad and family
CANDLES	In Memory of Joseph & Lulu Shaerban and the deceased members of the family by Joe & Gladys Shaerban and family

THE GIFTS OF THE ALTAR FOR THE YEAR 2011 ARE COMPLETE

WE WILL START ACCEPTING DONATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2012 IN JUNE 2011

We thank you for your donations.

May God shower you and your family with blessings!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2011

9:30 AM Mass for the parishioners' intentions

11:00 AM Mass for the parishioners' intentions

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2011 St. Maron's Feast Day

7:00 PM Mass for the parishioners' intentions

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2011

9:30 AM Memorial mass of Mary "Roma" Sessin by her husband George Sessin, her children and their families

11:00 AM 40-day mass for Marie Wehbe by her daughter Laudy Zakharia and husband Samir and their family

Third anniversary mass for Fawze Saide by his nephew Samir Zakharia and family

Masses during the week Feb. 7th-Feb. 12th	Monday	Mass for the parishioners' intentions
	Tuesday	Mass for the parishioners' intentions
	Wednesday	Mass for the parishioners' intentions
	Thursday	Mass for the parishioners' intentions
	Friday	Mass for the parishioners' intentions
	Saturday	Mass for the parishioners' intentions.

Feb. 6th Income	<u>GENERAL DEPOSIT</u>	\$ 2,070.00
	SUNDAY COLLECTION	\$ 1959.00
	VOTIVE CANDLES	\$ 91.00
	PARKING GARAGE INCOME	\$ 120.00

Capital Campaign Drive As of this date, 27% of registered parishioners have contributed to Phase One of the New Saint Maron Site in Independence. The total amount pledged is \$256,000.00 (Two Hundred Fifty Six Thousand Dollars). The total amount received is \$192,000.00 (One Hundred Ninety Two Thousand Dollars). If you have not committed to this campaign yet, you are kindly asked to make your pledge/contribution today.

The Immaculate Conception Sodality would like to welcome you back to another year of spiritual and social gatherings. Our first meeting of the year is Monday, Feb. 7th, at 7:00 pm in the Church. *Potluck following prayers and meeting!*

MCFP There will be an Easter Choir Concert on Apr. 16 at 7pm. Practices will begin on Feb. 6. There will be practice every Sunday up to the concert from 12 - 12:30 pm in an MCFP classroom. The choir will consist of children 9 years of age and older. Please bring your children to every practice so the concert will be a great success!

قداس اليوم: تابع الصفحة ١٧٧، بعد ال نؤمن بالله واحد، إنتقل الى الصفحة ٧٢٢ ما قبل النافور، وصولاً إلى نافور مار ال رسل الإثني عش الصفحة ٧٢٨

**Come and Join us in Celebrating the
1600th Anniversary of our Patron Saint
St. Maron**

Saturday February 12, 2011

Embassy Suites Independence 5800 Rockside Woods Blvd. Independence, Ohio 44131

Featuring Tony Mikhael and His Band

Doors open at 6:00 P.M.

Adults \$50.00

Dinner served at 7:00 P.M.

Children under 10 \$25.00

Cash Bar

Chinese Auction will be displayed at 6:00 P.M.

For Reservations Please Contact:

Claire Naoum (440) 349-3790

Rita Lattouf (440) 250-0750

Souheil Farah (440) 503-2517

DEAR PARISHIONERS:

If you are new to our parish and would like to be registered in our parish please fill out this form and return it to the church. Those who have moved and have a change of address within the last 6 months please fill out this form so we may update our records. Also, if you're marital status has changed please fill out this form and return it to the church so we can update our records.

You may mail/e-mail/or fax this form to St. Maron, or drop it in the collection basket.

Please circle one

MR. & MRS.

MR.

MISS

MRS.

MS.

Name (First) _____ (Middle) _____ (Last) _____

Name of spouse (First) _____ (Maiden) _____

Name & Age of child(ren) _____

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