

FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

ST. MARON MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

First Holy Communion

May 7, 2017

Dear First Communicants

You have been looking forward to this day for a long time and now you are so excited. You are very special and important today and that is why we are all here for you. I have never seen you looking as pretty or handsome as you do this morning.

You have put on your new beautiful dress or suit to meet Jesus in Holy Communion. But more important than the clothes you wear – is that you have also prepared your heart to meet Jesus. You have been praying to Jesus for so long because you want to make sure your heart is ready for Jesus.

When Jesus comes to you, tell him you love him, and thank him for coming to you. After Liturgy everyone will greet you. They are going to wish you all the best. Some people will even give you presents. But, you must remember the most important present today is Jesus coming to you in Holy Communion. Jesus coming to you is the best gift you will receive today and forever.

Parents, for you this is a special day, and a happy day as well. Today you see your child taking a new step in faith as you present him/her to share with us all in the fullness of the Lord's Supper for the first time. You were his/her first teachers in the ways of faith. You have to remember that it is through parents more than anyone else children come to know about God.

Even if you are a teacher, an excellent one, priest or parish, unless the children sense their parents' faith they will not absorb faith. Teachers and priests cannot plant faith in the heart of children if parents do not.

Family, friends, people of the parish, this is a time of great rejoice for you too. You all in various ways have helped to lead these first communicants to this special day.

And I am sure you will help with their future growth in this faith. Please do so and please remember them in your prayers.

Rev. Msgr. Peter Karam, Pastor
pastorsaintmaroncleveand@gmail.com
Rev. Fr. Alex Harb
alexharb@gmail.com

BAPTISM -

Call the office at least 2 months in advance.

MARRIAGE -

Call at least 8 months in advance for Pre-Cana Appt.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

By appointment

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING/SICK

Call the Parish Office immediately. 216.520.5081 or 216.333.0760

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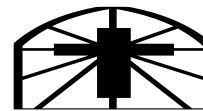
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Rev. Deacon George Khoury
Mr. Lattouf Lattouf, Subdeacon
Mr. Ghazi Faddoul, Subdeacon
Mr. Georges Faddoul, Subdeacon
Mr. Bechara Daher, Subdeacon

Chapel/ Mailing Address
7800 Brookside Road
Independence, Oh 44131
Church: 1245 Carnegie Avenue
Cleveland, Oh 44115

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of Saint Maron Parish, form a community of disciples dedicated to a shared faith and common life which exemplifies the life, works, and teaching of Jesus Christ as reflected in the Sacred Scriptures and the Maronite Catholic Tradition. Our Parish life and mission are to proclaim the Gospel, to foster and strengthen the faith, and to evangelize. Our covenant of discipleship with Jesus Christ is fulfilled through liturgy, education, and service. Amen



Liturgy Schedule

WEEKDAYS: Chapel

10:00 am

SUNDAY: DOWNTOWN

9:30 am - English

11:00am - English & Arabic

SATURDAY: CHAPEL:

**7800 BROOKSIDE RD,
INDEPENDENCE**

5:00 pm

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

7pm

Liturgy Intentions

Sat. May 6: Fourth Sunday of the Resurrection

5:00 pm Chapel: *First Holy Communion*

Sun. May 7: Fourth Sunday of the Resurrection

9:30 am: Mem Lit for Mr & Mrs. Edward (Eddie) & Matilda (Tillie) Shaheen, Ms. Stephanie Shaheen & all the deceased members of the Kaleel, Shaheen & Salloum families. (Mr. & Mrs. George Salloum & family)

11:00 am: *First Holy Communion*

Next Week

Mon. May 8: Chapel

10:00 am: Mem Lit for Jennifer Breckner (The Asher family)

Sat. May 13: Fifth Sunday of the Resurrection

5:00 pm Chapel: Parishioners Intentions

Sun. May 14: Fifth Sunday of the Resurrection

9:30 am: Parishioners Intention

11:00 am: Forty Day Liturgy for Mary George

(Her children, Tony, Layla, Genevieve, Deebey, Maryann, Josephine & grandchildren)

Our First Communicants

Olivia Kasper

Elias Daher

Alex Farhat

Sebastian Haikal

Elias Kanaan

Sara Metri

Jack Nasr

Anthony Sessin III

Camilla Marzich

Jad Eid

Naya Fayad

Rita Harb

Theresa Lahood

Johnny Nader

Jad Rizk



A special thank you to Jeandark Kattar, Milia Saadeh, Mays Nader and all the volunteers who decorated the church and chapel so beautifully.

May Crowning: May 21st
11:00 am Liturgy

All children who have received First Holy Communion this year at St. Maron or another church or school are invited to participate.

(Mandatory practice date to be determined)



**Second Collection Today
Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon.**

Mystery of Crowning (Sacrament of Matrimony)

MANDATORY you contact and meet with Msgr. Peter **at least 8 months** in advance of your desired date. Couples are required to participate in our Pre-Cana classes .

Until a couple has met with Msgr. Peter their date will not be secured.

**Call the office to schedule an appointment.
216.520.5081**



Are you a recent High School or College graduate?

St. Maron Church would like to recognize your accomplishment with a Liturgy on Saturday, June 10th at 5:00 pm at the Chapel in Independence.

We will be printing all the names of our graduates in a future bulletin, so email us your information to saintmaroncleland@gmail.com or call the office at 216-520-5081.

Include your name, high school or college (undergrad or advanced degree) from which you are graduating. For college graduates, please include your degree.

From the letter to the Hebrews

13:18-25

الرسالة إلى العبرانيين

يا إِخْوَتِي،

صَلُّوا مِن أَجْلِنَا، فَإِنَّا وَاثِقُونَ أَنَّ ضَمِيرَنَا صَالِحٌ، وَنَحْنُ نُرِيدُ أَنْ نَسْأَلَكَ مَسْئَلًا حَسَنًا فِي كُلِّ شَيْءٍ. وَأَطْلُبُ إِلَيْكُمْ بِالْحَاحِ أَنْ تَفْعَلُوا ذَلِكَ، حَتَّى يَرُدَّنِي اللَّهُ إِلَيْكُمْ سَرِيعًا! وَإِلَهُ السَّلَامِ، الَّذِي أَصْعَدَ مِنْ بَيْنِ الْأَمْوَاتِ رَبَّنَا يَسُوعَ، رَاعِي الْخِرَافِ الْعَظِيمِ بِدَمِ عَهْدِ أَيْدِي، هُوَ يَجْعَلُكُمْ كَامِلِينَ فِي كُلِّ صِلَاحٍ، لِتَعْمَلُوا بِمَشِيئَتِهِ، وَهُوَ يَعْمَلُ فِيْنَا مَا هُوَ مَرْضِيٌّ فِي عَيْنَيْهِ. بِيَسُوعِ الْمَسِيحِ، لَهُ الْمَجْدُ إِلَى أَبَدِ الْأَبَدِينَ. آمِينَ.

وَأَناشِدُكُمْ، أَيُّهَا الْإِخْوَةُ، أَنْ تَحْتَمِلُوا كَلَامَ التَّشْجِيعِ، فَإِنِّي كَتَبْتُ إِلَيْكُمْ بِإِيجَازٍ! إِعْلَمُوا أَنَّ أَخَانَا طِيموثَاوَسَ قَدْ أَخْلَى سَبِيلَهُ. فَإِنْ أَسْرَعُ فِي مَجِيئِهِ، سَأَذْهَبُ مَعَهُ وَأَرَاكُمْ. سَلِّمُوا عَلَى جَمِيعِ مُدَبِّرَيْكُمْ وَجَمِيعِ الْقَدِيسِينَ. يُسَلِّمُ عَلَيْكُمْ الْإِخْوَةُ الَّذِينَ فِي إِيطَالِيَا. الْبَرَكَاتُ مَعَكُمْ أَجْمَعِينَ!

والتسبيح لله دائماً.

Brothers and sisters,

Pray for us; we are sure that we have a clear conscience, desiring to act honorably in all things. I urge you all the more to do this, so that I may be restored to you very soon. Now may the God of peace, who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make you complete in everything good so that you may do his will, working among us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen. I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, bear with my word of exhortation, for I have written to you briefly. I want you to know that our brother Timothy has been set free; and if he comes in time, he will be with me when I see you. Greet all your leaders and all the saints. Those from Italy send you greetings. Grace be with all of you.

Praise be to God always!

From the Holy Gospel according to Saint John

21:1-14

إنجيل القديس يوحنا

قال يوحنا الرسول:

بَعْدَ ذَلِكَ، ظَهَرَ يَسُوعُ لِتَلَامِيذِهِ مَرَّةً أُخْرَى عَلَى بُحَيْرَةِ طَبْرِيَّةَ، وَهَكَذَا ظَهَرَ: كَانَ سَمْعَانُ بُطْرُسُ، وَتُومَا الْمَلْقُبُ بِالْتَّوَامِ، وَتِنْتَايِيلُ الَّذِي مِنْ قَانَا الْجَلِيلِ، وَأَبْنَا زَبَدَى، وَتَلْمِيذَانِ آخَرَانِ مِنَ تَلَامِيذِ يَسُوعَ، مُجْتَمِعِينَ مَعًا. قَالَ لَهُمْ سَمْعَانُ بُطْرُسُ: «أَنَا ذَاهِبٌ أَصْطَادُ سَمَكًا». قَالُوا لَهُ: «وَنَحْنُ أَيْضًا نَأْتِي مَعَكَ». فَخَرَجُوا وَرَكِبُوا السَّفِينَةَ، فَمَا أَصَابُوا فِي تِلْكَ الْيَوْمِ شَيْئًا. وَلَمَّا طَلَعَ الْفَجْرُ، وَقَفَّ يَسُوعُ عَلَى الشَّاطِئِ، وَلَكِنَّ التَّلَامِيذَ لَمْ يَعْلَمُوا أَنَّهُ يَسُوعُ. فَقَالَ لَهُمْ يَسُوعُ: «يَا فِتْيَانِ، أَمَا عِنْدَكُمْ قَلِيلٌ مِنَ السَّمَكِ؟». أَجَابُوهُ: «لَا». فَقَالَ لَهُمْ: «الْقُوا الشَّبَكَةَ إِلَى يَمِينِ السَّفِينَةِ تَجِدُوا». وَأَلْقَوْهَا، فَمَا قَدِرُوا عَلَى أَجْتِدَائِهَا مِنْ كَثْرَةِ السَّمَكِ. فَقَالَ ذَلِكَ التَّلْمِيذُ الَّذِي كَانَ يَسُوعُ يُحِبُّهُ لِبُطْرُسَ: «إِنَّهُ الرَّبُّ». فَلَمَّا سَمِعَ سَمْعَانُ بُطْرُسُ أَنَّهُ الرَّبُّ، انْتَرَزَ بِقُوْبِهِ، لِأَنَّهُ كَانَ غُرْبَانًا، وَأَلْقَى بِنَفْسِهِ فِي الْبُحَيْرَةِ. أَمَّا التَّلَامِيذُ الْآخَرُونَ فَجَاؤُوا بِالسَّفِينَةِ، وَهُمْ يَسْحَبُونَ الشَّبَكَةَ الْمَمْلُوءَةَ سَمَكًا، وَمَا كَانُوا يَعْبِدِينَ عَنِ الْبَرِّ إِلَّا نَحْوَ مِئَتِي ذِرَاعٍ. وَلَمَّا نَزَلُوا إِلَى الْبَرِّ، رَأَوْا جُجْرًا، وَسَمَكًا عَلَى الْجَمْرِ، وَخُبْزًا. قَالَ لَهُمْ يَسُوعُ: «هَاتُوا مِنَ السَّمَكِ الَّذِي أَصْنَعْتُمُوهُ الْآنَ». فَصَعِدَ سَمْعَانُ بُطْرُسُ إِلَى السَّفِينَةِ، وَجَذَبَ الشَّبَكَةَ إِلَى الْبَرِّ، وَهِيَ مَمْلُوءَةٌ سَمَكًا كَبِيرًا، مِئَةً وَثَلَاثًا وَخَمْسِينَ. وَمَعَ هَذِهِ الْكَثْرَةِ لَمْ تَنَمَرَّقِ الشَّبَكَةُ. قَالَ لَهُمْ يَسُوعُ: «هَلُمُّوا تَعَدُّوا». وَلَمْ يَجْرُوا أَحَدٌ مِنَ التَّلَامِيذِ أَنْ يَسْأَلَ: «مَنْ أَنْتَ؟»، لِأَنَّهُمْ عَلِمُوا أَنَّهُ الرَّبُّ. وَتَقَدَّمَ يَسُوعُ وَأَخَذَ الْخُبْزَ وَنَاوَلَهُمْ. ثُمَّ فَعَلَ كَذَلِكَ بِالسَّمَكِ. هَذِهِ مَرَّةٌ ثَالِثَةٌ ظَهَرَ فِيهَا يَسُوعُ لِلتَّلَامِيذِ بَعْدَ أَنْ قَامَ مِنَ الْأَمْوَاتِ.

The evangelist Luke writes,

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea.

But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

This is the truth! Peace be with you.

St. Maron's Church Organizations

Parish Council

President: Najib Rached: rolanano@hotmail.com
3rd Wed. of the month at 7:00 pm

Finance Council

President: Roger Abood: rrabood@sbcglobal.net

Immaculate Conception Sodality (ICS)

President: Bernadette Faddoul: gbjmlf@aol.com
1st Mon. of every month at 7:00pm

Sons of Mary (Men's Club)

President: Joey Faddoul: joeyfaddoul@gmail.com
1st Mon. of every month at 7:00 pm

Maronite Christian Formation Program (MCFP)

Director Maroun Kattar: marounkattar@yahoo.com
Sundays (except Holy Days) 10:45 am to 12:15 pm

Maronite Young Children (MYC)

President: Rita Kanaan: Ritamurr@hotmail.com

Maronite Youth Organization (MYO)

Coordinator: George Shamatta: gshamatta@gmail.com
1st and 3rd Saturday : 5pm with Liturgy/Meeting

Maronite Young Adults (MYA)

President: Sami Shaia: sshai13@gmail.com
Meeting & Bible Study 1st Thurs. of each month at 7:30 pm

Arabic School

Coordinator: Jihad Kawkabani: jihad.kawkabani@gmail.com
Classes Sat. Oct-April (except Holy Days) 10 am to 12 noon

50+ Social Club

Mary Ann Watson: mapw47@yahoo.com
1st Friday of each month. Liturgy: 10:00 am

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An Invitation from St. Elias Church

OPEN INVITATION TO ENTIRE PARISH AND FRIENDS

PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE

YOUNGSTOWN - NEW YORK

DATE: WEDNESDAY, MAY 10th, 2017

DEPARTURE TIME: 8:30 A.M. from St. Elias Parking Lot.

LOCATION: Our Lady of Fatima Shrine in Youngstown- N.Y. about 3 1/2 Hours drive. (Possibility Stopping at Niagara Falls).

LUNCH: Upon arrival in Shrine cafeteria on your own.

DIVINE LITURGY: 4:00 P.M. On the Occasion of the Centennial Apparition of Our Blessed Mother. On May 13, 1917. In Fatima, Portugal.

ARRIVAL TO CLEVELAND: About 9:30 or 10:00 p.m.

COST: \$40.00 per person / Adult.

FOR RESERVATION: Please Call: Thérèse Selim at 440-888-7696 Or
Rose Quinn at 440-888-1499 Or
the Church Office at 216-661-1155.

MYA Presents

THEOLOGY ON FIRE

Thursday May 25, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.

Guest Speaker Deacon William George

Chapel in Independence

Snacks/Smores Provided
B.Y.O. Hookah!



Proudly announces
Scholarship Program for 2017-2018

<p>USA SCHOLARSHIPS</p> <p><i>MYO - John A. Solomon</i> Two for High School Seniors \$2000</p> <p><i>Massabki Brothers</i> One for High School Seniors \$2000</p> <p><i>Naomi & Paul Kassouf</i> Two for High School Seniors \$2000</p> <p><i>Paul Wakim</i> One for High School Seniors \$1000</p> <p><i>St. John Maron, Orange, CA</i> One for High School Seniors \$2000</p> <p><i>Gilbert Chagoury Undergraduate</i> One for College Student \$2000</p> <p><i>Robert Atallah</i> One for College Student \$2000</p> <p><i>Thomas & Jennie Ayoub</i> One for College Students \$2000</p> <p><i>Gilbert Chagoury Graduate</i> One for Graduate Student \$2000</p> <p><i>Joseph and Alice Resha Memorial</i> One for Students in Healthcare \$2000</p>	<p>LEBANON SCHOLARSHIPS</p> <p>SEMESTER ABROAD</p> <p><i>NDU</i> <i>Notre Dame University</i> <i>- Louaize - Lebanon</i> 10 for 2018 Spring/Fall semester awards</p> <p><i>USEK</i> <i>University of the Holy Spirit</i> <i>Kaslik - Lebanon</i> 12 for 2018 Summer Semester awards</p> <p>Scholarships Includes: Full Tuition, All Registration Fees, Dormitory, and \$500 once completed</p>
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For more information and applications visit www.namnews.org,
email nam@namnews.org, or call NAM at 914-964-3070

Application Deadline: May 15, 2017



GIFTS OF THE ALTAR FOR THE YEAR 2017

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) MAY-JUNE-JULY-AUGUST-SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER-NOVEMBER-DECEMBER **Please Circle Month (s)**

ALTAR WINE (\$25.00) -MAY-JUNE-JULY-AUGUST-SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER-NOVEMBER-DECEMBER **Please Circle Month (s)**

CANDLES (\$20.00) -MAY-JUNE-JULY-AUGUST-SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER-NOVEMBER-DECEMBER **Please Circle Month (s)**

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Gift of the Altar: May 2017

BREAD

In Memory of:

Arlene Sekerak (nee Richards)

Edward & Ella Richards & families

**Mr & Mrs. Edward (Eddie) & Matilda (Tillie) Shaheen,
Ms. Stephanie Shaheen & all the deceased members of the Kaleel,
Shaheen & Salloum families.**

Mr. & Mrs. George Salloum & family

Deceased members of the Metlesitz & Nin families

John & Nancy Nin & family

Charlotte Ganim

Douglas Ganim & family

WINE

In Memory Of:

Arlene Sekerak (nee Richards)

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**Mr & Mrs. Edward (Eddie) & Matilda (Tillie) Shaheen,
Ms. Stephanie Shaheen & all the deceased members of the Kaleel,
Shaheen & Salloum families.**

Mr. & Mrs. George Salloum & family

George & Shafia Shaia & daughter Sister Stella Marie, S.ND.

Joe & Gladys Shaerban & family

CANDLES

In Memory Of:

Arlene Sekerak (nee Richards)

Edward & Ella Richards & families

George & Mary "Roma" Sessin

Their children & their families

**Jacob & Juliette Saad & the deceased members
of the Saad & Elzeer families:**

Thomas Saad & family

**Mr & Mrs. Edward (Eddie) & Matilda (Tillie) Shaheen,
Ms. Stephanie Shaheen & all the deceased members of the Kaleel,
Shaheen & Salloum families.**

Mr. & Mrs. George Salloum & family

Edward & Nina Monsour

Bill & Denise Bishilany & family

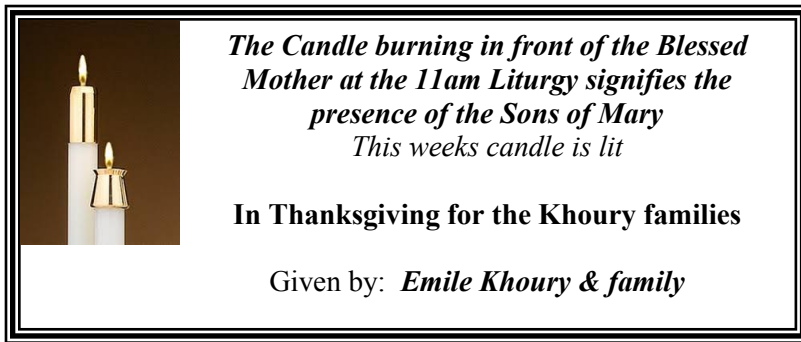
POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS

MAY 2017: Christians in Africa

That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice, and peace.

Collection: April 29-30, 2017

GENERAL DEPOSIT	\$	10,544.00
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Date: Monday June 5th

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Place: Parish Center
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MAY 2017: Christians in Africa

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WEDNESDAY, May 17, 2017

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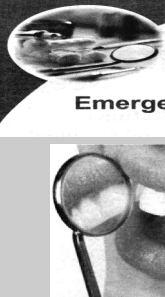
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