

# SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

## ST. MARON MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

May 21, 2017



May Crowning

During the Month of May – a month both named for and dedicated to Mary – Catholics have long honored her by placing a crown on her image. The tradition in the United States and many other countries has been for school children to have a “May Crowning” ceremony, with a procession, pretty dresses and a wreath of fresh flowers that one child gets to place on the statue. A song for these festivals, “Bring Flowers of the Fairest”, with its refrain “O Mary, we crown thee with blossoms today, Queen of the Angles, Queen of the May...” has been a familiar favorite for generations.

The offering of crowns to adorn images became common practice in the Eastern Churches. In itself it would mean no more than adding such additional splendor to the icon as might also be given by a handsome gold frame. The affixing of the crown naturally attracted to itself, like all things dedicated to the use of the Church, was blessed before it was affixed.

At Rome, too, a ceremony evolved out of this pious practice. A famous case is the coronation of the picture of our Lady in Saint Mary Major. Clement VIII (1592-1605) presented crowns (one for our Lord and one for His Mother, both of whom are represented in the picture) to adorn it; so also did succeeding popes. These crowns were lost and Gregory XVI (1831-46) determined to replace them.

On August 15, 1837, surrounded by cardinals and prelates, he brought crowns, blessed them with a prayer composed for the occasion, sprinkled them with holy water, and incensed them. The *Regina Caeli* having been sung, he affixed the crowns to the picture, saying the form – “*Sicuti per manus nostras coronaries in terries, ita a te Gloria et honore coronary mereamur in caelis*” – for our Lord, and a similar form (*per te a Jesu Christo Filio tuo...*) for our Lady. There was another collect, the *Te Deum*, a last collect, and then High Mass *coram Pontifice*. The same day the pope issued a Brief about the rite. The crowns are to be kept by the canons of Saint Mary Major. The ceremonial used on that occasion became a standard for similar functions.

The queen symbol was attributed to Mary because she was a perfect follower of Christ, who is the absolute “crown” of creation. She is the Mother of the Son of God, who is the messianic King. Mary is the Mother of Christ, the Word incarnate... “He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High; the Lord will give Him the throne of His father David; and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever; and of His kingdom there will be no end” (Lk 1:32-33). Elizabeth greeted the Blessed Virgin, pregnant with Jesus, as “the mother of my Lord” (Lk 1:41-43). Mary is the perfect follower of Christ. The maid of Nazareth consented to God’s plan; she journeyed on the pilgrimage of faith; she listened to God’s Word and kept it in her heart/ she remained steadfastly in close union with her Son, all the way to the foot of the Cross; she persevered in prayer with the Church. Thus, in an eminent way she won the “crown of righteousness” (II Tim 4:8), the “crown of life” (Jas 1:12; Rev 1:10), the “crown of glory” (I Pet 5:4) that is promised to those who follow Christ.-

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Call the office at least 2 months in advance.

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By appointment

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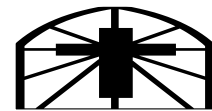
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### MISSION STATEMENT

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 20: Sixth Sunday of the Resurrection**

**5:00 pm Chapel: Parishioner Intention**

**Sun. May 21: Sixth Sunday of the Resurrection**

**9:30 am: One Year Memorial Liturgy for Charlotte Ganim**  
(her husband Douglas Ganim and family)

**11:00 am: May Crowning**

## Next Week

**Mon. May 22: Feast Day of St. Rita of Cascia**

**6:30 pm Chapel: Rosary**

**7:00 pm Chapel: Liturgy**

**Thurs. May 25: The Ascension of Our Lord**

**10:00 am Chapel**

**7:00 pm Chapel**

**Sat. May 27: Seventh Sunday of the Resurrection**

**5:00 pm Chapel: Parishioner Intentions**

**Sun. May 28: Seventh Sunday of the Resurrection**

**9:30 am: Parishioner Intentions**

**11:00 am: Memorial Liturgy for Adnan Youssef**

(Given by his wife and children)



### 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, 5:00 pm, Chapel Independence.**

We will be printing all the names of our graduates in a future bulletin, so email us your information to [saintmaroncleveland@gmail.com](mailto:saintmaroncleveland@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. For high school graduates, what college degree will you be pursuing? We are so proud of our young people.

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O Mary,  
we crown thee with flowers today,  
Queen of the Angels and  
Queen of the May!

Celebrating the Feast of St Rita of Cascia, we will be having a Liturgy on Monday, May 22nd at 7:00 pm at the CHAPEL, INDEPENDENCE.

Prior to Liturgy will be the praying of the Rosary at 6:30 pm.



From the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians,

2:1-10

رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل أفسس

يا إخواني،  
وأنتم، فقد كنتم أمواتاً بزلاتكم وخطاياكم، التي سلكنم فيها من قبل بحسبِ إلهِ هذا العالم، بحسبِ رئيسِ سلطانِ الجوّ، أي الروح الذي يعمل الآن في أبناء العصيان؛ ومنهم نحن أيضاً جميعاً قد سلكننا من قبل في شهواتِ إنساننا الجسديّ، عاملين برغباته وأفكاره، وكنا بالطبيعة أولاد الغضب كالباقين؛ لكن الله، وهو الغني برحمته، فلكرمة محبته التي أحبنا بها، وقد كنا نحن أيضاً أمواتاً بزلاتنا، أحياناً مع المسيح، وبالنعمة أنتم مخلصون؛ ومعه أقامنا وأجلسنا في السموات في المسيح يسوع، ليظهر في الأجيال الآتية عنى نعمته الفائقة، بلطفه لنا في المسيح يسوع. فبالنعمة أنتم مخلصون بواسطة الإيمان: وهذا ليس منكم، إنّه عطية الله. ولا هو من الأعمال، لئلا يفخر أحد؛ لأننا نحن صنعه، قد خلقنا في المسيح يسوع للأعمال الصالحة، التي سبق الله فأعدّها لكي نسلك فيها.

والتسبيح لله دائماً.

**Brothers and sisters,**

You were dead through the trespasses and sin in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ— by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way.

**Praise be to God always!**

From the Holy Gospel according to Saint John

21:15-19

إنجيل القديس يوحنا

قال يوحنا الرسول:

بعد الغداء، قال يسوع لسمعان بطرس: «يا سمعان بن يونا، أتحبني أكثر مما يحبني هؤلاء؟». قال له: «نعم، يا رب، أنت تعلم أنني أحبك». قال له يسوع: «إزع حملاني»  
قال له مرة ثانية: «يا سمعان بن يونا، أتحبني؟». قال له: «نعم يا رب، أنت تعلم أنني أحبك». قال له يسوع: «إزع نعالتي»  
قال له مرة ثالثة: «يا سمعان بن يونا، أتحبني؟». فحزن بطرس، لأن يسوع قال له ثلاث مرات: أتحبني؟ فقال له: «يا رب، أنت تعلم كل شيء، وأنت تعرف أنني أحبك». قال له يسوع: «إزع جرافي»  
الحق الحق أقول لك: حين كنت شاباً، كنت تشد جزامك بيديك وتسير إلى حيث تريد. ولكن حين تشيخ، ستبسط يديك وأخر تشد لك جزامك، ويذهب بك إلى حيث لا تريد»  
قال يسوع ذلك مشيراً إلى الميتة التي سيمجد بها بطرس الله. ثم قال له: «إتبغني!».

حقاً والأمان لجميعكم

**The evangelist John writes,**

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my lambs.” A second time he said to him, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Tend my sheep.” He said to him the third time, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, “Do you love me?” And he said to him, “Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.” (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, “Follow me.”

**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

### **Book & Cine Club**

Katia Abboud: katiabboud315@gmail.com



## **Book & Cinema Club End of the Year Picnic**

Once again, it is time to celebrate another great season for the Book and Cinema Club! We would like to invite you to our end-of-the-year picnic, which will take place on **Wednesday, May 31st at 7pm Independence**. Each family's participation - by way of a pot-luck dish to serve 5 to 7 - will be greatly appreciated. No RSVP needed. Hope to see all of you there!



**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

**AUGUST 8, 9 & 10 (Tuesday thru Thursday)**

**5:30-7:30 pm Parish Center, Independence**

*Crafts, food, spiritual talk, games  
lots of outdoor activities*



For more information about registration, purchasing an ad & raffle tickets, visit [www.namnews.org](http://www.namnews.org), or email [nam@namnews.org](mailto:nam@namnews.org) or call 914-964-3070. **Pre-registration deadline: Friday, June 5, 2017**

**50+ Social Club**

**Friday June 2, 2017**

**Liturgy at 10am Chapel**

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**Music & Dancing**



**Middle Eastern wine/beer/arak**

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We want your feedback about what you like and dislike about our weekly bulletin.

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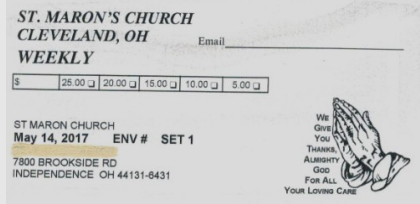
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For several years we have been requesting email addresses for parish members/households. The purpose is to send you information about parish programs and events.

If you have not already provided us with your email address, please do so now.

**There is a line at the top of your offering envelope just for this purpose. Thank you!**



## ICS & Sons of Mary Annual Picnic

Date: Monday June 5th

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Parish Center  
INDEPENDENCE



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### WINE

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### CANDLES

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Their children & their families

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**Ms. Stephanie Shaheen & all the deceased members of the Kaleel,  
Shaheen & Salloum families.**

Mr. & Mrs. George Salloum & family

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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: May 6-7, 2017

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Capital Campaign	\$	12,000.00
Second Collection	\$	951.00

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

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

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As a church community, we welcome hearing all that is happening within the Middle East organizations both here in Cleveland and abroad. We understand there are many wonderful functions at several of the schools your children may attend.

**However, no articles, flyers, newspapers, posters or any other means of advertisement are to be put anywhere in or around our church WITHOUT the approval of Monsignor Peter.**

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Information may be sent to:

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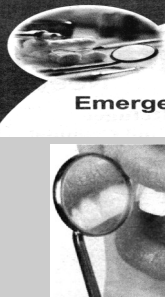
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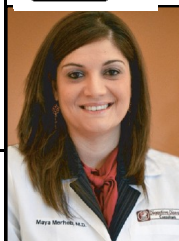
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