SAINT MARON CHURCH

ANNOUNCEMENT TO ZECHARIAH

November 19, 2023

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Dear Parishioners of Saint Maron,

During this season of Thanksgiving, it is with a heart full of gratitude that I reach out to each one of you.

In the midst of life's challenges, let us take a moment to count our blessings and acknowledge the abundance that surrounds us, recognizing that every good gift comes from the hand of our gracious God. In our daily lives, it's easy to overlook the small miracles and joys that grace our paths.

This Thanksgiving, let us come together as a community to appreciate the gift of each other's presence, recognizing that in our shared journey, God's love is manifested. May this season be a reminder to cherish the moments of joy, find solace in times of difficulty, and express gratitude for the love that binds us, a love that reflects the boundless love of our Creator.

As we gather with family and friends, let the spirit of thanksgiving fill our hearts with warmth and appreciation for the divine providence that sustains us.

Wishing you and your loved ones a blessed Thanksgiving filled with the joy that comes from recognizing God's blessings, the love that emanates from His presence, and a profound sense of gratitude for His unending grace.

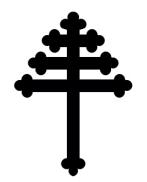
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Liturgy Schedule

Tues & Thurs: Chapel 6:00 p.m.: English/Arabic Saturday: Chapel 5:00 p.m.: English Sunday: Downtown 9:30 a.m.: English 11:00 a.m.: Arabic-English

Church: 1245 Carnegie Ave Cleveland, Ohio 44115

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Church Organizations

Parish Council

President- Jèan Yaacoub

2ndWed. of the month at 7:00 pm

Finance Council

President- Rick Ganim:

3rd Wed of the month at 7:00 pm

Immaculate Conception Sodality (ICS)

President- Karan Farhat-Rohfeld

1st Mon. of every month at 7:00pm

Maronite Christian Formation Program (MCFP)

Director- Elias Kanaan:

Sundays (except Holy Days) 12:00-1:00 pm

MaronKnights Dabke Group Tanya Elasmar:

Maronite Youth Organization (MYO)

Coordinator—Peter Harb:

Maronite Young Adults (MYA)

President- Anessa Kleem

Follow MYA page for updates

Maronite Mothers Club (MMC)

Coordinator- Tina Chamoun

Arabic School: Coordinator: Jihad Kawkabani

Classes Sat. Oct-April (except Holy Days) 10 am -12noon

50+ Social Club Mary Ann Watson

1st Friday of each month. Liturgy: 10:00 am

Book & Cine Club Katia Abboud

Rosary Prayer Group Daad Chamoun

Social Committee

Souheil Farah, Rita Lattouf, Claire Naoum

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Liturgy Intentions

Announcement to Zechariah

Saturday November 18

5:00 pm: Parishioners Intentions

Sunday November 19

9:30 am: Mem Lit for Karam Hasrouni and all the deceased

members of the Hasrouni family

(Salim Hasrouni and family)

11:00 am: One Week Liturgy for Tony Salloum

(His sisters and brother, Jamal Salloum, Huda Salloum, and

Adibah Salloum)

Next Week

Announcement to Mary

Wednesday November 22

7:00 pm CHAPEL: Thanksgiving/St. Sharbel Liturgy

Saturday November 25

5:00 pm: Mem Lit for Kaisser & Bernadette Ina

(Their children and their families)

Sunday November 26

9:30 am: Parishioners Intentions

11:00 am: Mem Lit for Nouf Metri

(Her family)



Our deepest condolences to the family of **Joseph Sassine Jaajaa**, who passed away on November 10th and was buried from St. Maron Church on November 16th. Husband of Becky and father of Miranda, Joshua, Meagan, and Rachel. Grandfather of twelve.

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen



Saint Sharbel Liturgy and Thanksgiving Liturgy CHAPEL

Wednesday, November 22

Rosary 6:30 pm Liturgy 7:00 pm Procession

There will not be a Thanksgiving Day Liturgy



أحد بشارة زكريا

رسالة القدّيس بولس إلى أهل رومة 4:13-25

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") — in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for our salso. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Praise be to God always!

From the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke 1:1-25

قال لوقا البشير، الخذوا يُرتِيونَ رَوَايةً لِلأَحْدَاثِ ٱلَّتِي تَمَّتُ عِنْدَا، كَمَا سَلَمُها الْلِنَا مَن كَانُوا مُنذُ البَذِهِ شَهُو دَ عِيانِ لِلْكُلِمَة، ثُمُّ صَارُوا خُذَامًا لَها، رَأَيْتُ أَنا أَيْضَا، أَيُهَا الشَّرِيفَ يَتَوَفِّ صِحَةَ الْكَامِ الْذِي وَعِظْتَ بِهِ كَانَ فِي أَيَّامٍ هِيْرُولْس، مَلْكِ الْبَهُودِيَّة، كَاهِنَّ النَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ الْكَرْمُ اللَّمَ وَمَا كَانَ لَهُمَا وَلَد، لاَنَ البِيَعْوَ مِبَاكِنَ فِي مَيْعِ وصَايَا الرَّبَ واحْكَلِمِه لِلا لَوْم. ومَا كَانَ لَهما وَلَّهُ اللَّهِ الْمَلِقَةُ وَلَقَوْمُ اللَّمِ اللَّمِ وَمَا كَانَ لَهُمَا وَلَد، لاَنَ البِيصَابَاتَ كَانَتُ عَقِرًا وكَذَا كِلاهُمَا قَدَّ طِعْنَا فِي جَمِيع وصَايَا الرَّبَ واحْكَلِمِه لِلا لَوْم. ومَا كَانَ لَهما وَلَد، لاَنَ البِيصَبَاتِكَ عَقَوْرًا وكَنَا كِلاهُمَا قَدَّ طِعْنَا فِي أَيُّلِهِمْ النَّذِي وَيُورُ وَلَّهُ اللَّهُ مِيلَا لَوْم. ومَا كَانَ لَهُمُولِ اللَّمِورِيقَ الْعَلْونِ اللَّمُور. وَكَانَ كُلُولُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ وَهِنْ أَنْ الْمَعْرَافِلُ اللَّهُ مِيلُولُ اللَّمِ اللَّهُ وَيَعْلَى مِلْ اللَّهُ مِيلُولُ اللَّهُ مِيلُولُ اللَّهُ مَنْكُولُ عَظِيمًا فِي الْمُؤْولِي اللَّمُولِي اللَّهُونِ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ مِيلُولُ عَظِيمًا فِي الْمُعَلِّمُ اللَّهُ وَلَيْقُولُهُ اللَّهُ مِيلُولُ عَظِيمًا فِي أَلْعُلُولُ اللَّهُ وَيَعْلَى مِنْ اللَّهُ عِلَيْمِ الْمُولِي اللَّهُ اللَّهُ مِيلُولُ اللَّهُ وَلَمُ اللَّهُمُ وَلَوْلُهُ اللَّهُ مِيلُولُ اللَّهُ وَلَمُ اللَّهُ الْمُعْلَى اللَّهُ الْمُعْمِلُولُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّهُ الْمُعَلِّمُ اللَّهُ الْمُعَلِّمُ الْمُعَلِّمُ الْمُعْلَى الْمُؤْمِ الْمُؤْلِقُ وَلَوْلُهُ الْمُعْلَى وَاللَّهُ الْمُعَلِّمُ الْمُؤْلِقُ وَلَوْلُهُ الْمُعْلَى الْمُؤْمِ الْمُؤْمِلُ وَاللَّهُ الْمُؤْمِلُ الْمُؤْمِلُ وَاللَّهُ الْمُؤْمِلُ وَاللَّهُ الْمُؤْمِلُ الْمُؤْمِلُ وَاللَّهُ الْمُؤْمِلُ اللَّهُ الْمُعْمُولُ الْمُؤْمِ الْمُؤْمِلُ الْمُؤْمِلُولُ اللَّهُ الْمُؤْمِلُ اللَّهُ الْمُؤْ

Since many have undertaken to set down an orderly account of the events that have been fulfilled among us, just as they were handed on to us by those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and servants of the word, I too decided, after investigating everything carefully from the very first, to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, so that you may know the truth concerning the things about which you have been instructed. In the days of King Herod of Judea, there was a priest named Zechariah, who belonged to the priestly order of Abijah. His wife was a descendant of Aaron, and her name was Elizabeth. Both of them were righteous before God, living blamelessly according to all the commandments and regulations of the Lord. But they had no children, because Elizabeth was barren, and both were getting on in years. Once when he was serving as priest before God and his section was on duty, he was chosen by lot, according to the custom of the priesthood, to enter the sanctuary of the Lord and offer incense. Now at the time of the incense offering, the whole assembly of the people was praying outside. Then there appeared to him an angel of the Lord, standing at the right side of the altar of incense. When Zechariah saw him, he was terrified; and fear overwhelmed him. But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you will name him John. You will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth, for he will be great in the sight of the Lord. He must never drink wine or strong drink; even before his birth he will be filled with the Holy Spirit. He will turn many of the people of Israel to the Lord their God. With the spirit and power of Elijah he will go before him, to turn the hearts of parents to their children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the righteous, to make ready a people prepared for the Lord." Zechariah said to the angel, "How will I know that this is so? For I am an old man, and my wife is getting on in years."The angel replied, "I am Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God, and I have been sent to speak to you and to bring you this good news. But now, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their time, you will become mute, unable to speak, until the day these things occur."

Meanwhile the people were waiting for Zechariah, and wondered at his delay in the sanctuary. When he did come out, he could not speak to them, and they realized that he had seen a vision in the sanctuary. He kept motioning to them and remained unable to speak. When his time of service was ended, he went to his home. After those days his wife Elizabeth conceived, and for five months she remained in seclusion. She said, "This is what the Lord has done for me when he looked favorably on me and took away the disgrace I have endured among my people."

This is the truth. Peace be with you.

Sacrament of Baptism and Confirmation

If you are a new parent and wish to have your child baptized at Saint Maron Church or Chapel you must call the office at least two months in advance. We try very hard to have only one baptism per Saturday and Sunday. Times are after the 5pm Saturday liturgy (Chapel) or following the 11am Sunday liturgy (Church).



Mystery of Crowning (Sacrament of Matrimony)

MANDATORY you contact and meet with Fr. Elias at least 8 months in advance of your

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Confession is available prior to all liturgies. Please let the priest know



God further said to Abraham: As for Sarai your wife, do not call her Sarai; her name will be Sarah. I will bless her, and I will give you a son by her. Her also will I bless; she will give rise to nations, and rulers of peoples will issue from her. Abraham fell face down and laughed as he said to himself, "Can a child be born to a man who is a hundred years old? Can Sarah give birth at ninety?" So Abraham said to God, "If only Ishmael could live in your favor!" God replied: Even so, your wife Sarah is to bear you a son, and you shall call him Isaac. It is with him that I will maintain my covenant as an everlasting covenant and with his descendants after him. Now as for Ishmael, I will heed you: I hereby bless him. I will make him fertile and will multiply him exceedingly. He will become the father of twelve chieftains, and I will make of him a great nation. But my covenant I will maintain with Isaac, whom Sarah shall bear to you by this time next year. When he had finished speaking with Abraham, God departed from him. Praise be to God always.



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RSVP- Mary Ann 216-521-5481 NO LATER than November 24

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Gifts of the Altar: November 2023

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Deceased members of the Richards & Nofel families (Edward P. Richards, Jr.)

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(Their children & their families)

Jacob & Juliette Saad & the deceased members of the Saad and Elzeer families (Thomas Saad & family)

In Thanksgiving

Jennifer Bishilany (William & Denise Bishilany and family)



Memorial Liturgies for 2023

Please remember a 40 day Liturgy will always take precedence.

We DO NOT schedule liturgies on the following dates: St. Maron Feast Day, Palm Sunday, Easter, First Communion, Christmas, and Festival Weekend.

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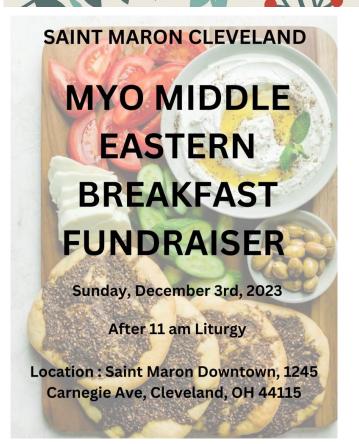
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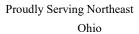
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