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### *DIVINE LITURGY*

*Weekdays - Chapel*

Tues, Wed, and Thurs

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

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### *CLERGY*

Fr. Patrick Kassab, Pastor

Fr. Alejandro Landin, Assistant

### *SUBDEACONS*

Lattouf Lattouf

Ghazi Faddoul

Yemen Saada

Mario Ghosn

### *READINGS*

Gen 29:1-14

Rom 9:30-10:4

Lk 2:22-35

Qorbono book 138

Anaphora of Saint Peter 774

### *CALENDAR*

Monday, Feb 3

Wednesday, Feb 5

Saint Simeon the Elder

and Saint Anna the Prophetess

Saint Agatha

## ORGANIZATIONS

### Parish Council

*Jèan Yaacoub, President*  
2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

### Finance Council

*Rick Ganim, President*  
3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

### Immaculate Conception Sodality

*Claire Naoum, President*  
1<sup>st</sup> Monday, 7:00 p.m.

### Maronite Christian Formation Program

*Elias Kanaan, Director*  
Sundays, 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

### MaronKnights Dabke Group

*Tanya Elasmr*

### Maronite Youth Organization

*Peter Harb, Coordinator*

### Maronite Young Adults

*Joseph Biri, President*

### Maronite Mothers Club

*Tina Chamoun, Coordinator*

### Arabic School

*Jihad Kawkabani, Coordinator*  
Saturdays, October - April,  
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

### 50+ Social Club

*Mary Ann Watson*  
1<sup>st</sup> Friday at 10:00 a.m. (Liturgy)

### Book & Cine Club

*Katia Abboud*

### Rosary Prayer Group

*Daad Chamoun*

### Social Committee

*Souheil Farah, Rita Lattouf,*  
*Claire Naoum*

### Saint Maron Health Committee

*Dr. Paul Farah*

### Social Media Coordinator

*Jessica Khoury*

### Order of Saint Charbel

*Samir Farah and Daad Chamoun*

## LITURGY INTENTIONS

### Saturday, February 1st

5:00 p.m.      **+ Rite of the Blessing of the Candles**  
**Parishioners Intentions**

### Sunday, February 2nd

9:30 a.m.      **Parishioners Intentions**

11:00 a.m.      **+ Rite of the Blessing of the Candles**  
**Forty Day Liturgy for Jamileh Nasr Yazbeck**  
**(mother of Fr. Elias Yazbeck)**  
By the parishioners of St. Maron Church

**Mem Lit for Zeina Tannous**  
By her children

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## NEXT WEEK

### Saturday, February 8th

5:00 p.m.      **Parishioners Intentions**

### Sunday, February 9th

9:30 a.m.      **Mem Lit for Anton & Anna Sessin**  
By their grandchildren and their families

11:00 a.m.      **Forty Day Liturgy for Anis Badr**  
By his wife Marie Badr & their children & grandchildren

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The 9:30 a.m. Liturgy on Sunday, February 16th is cancelled.  
We will celebrate the Feast of St. Maron at the 11:00 a.m. liturgy  
celebrated by His Excellency Bishop Elias Zaidan.

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Temple this Sunday. Traditionally, candles are blessed during the  
Liturgy. Please bring your candles for the 5:00 p.m. and 11:00  
a.m. Liturgy.

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## Second Reading

*Rom 9:30-10:4*

Brothers and sisters,

What then are we to say? Gentiles, who did not strive for righteousness, have attained it, that is, righteousness through faith; but Israel, who did strive for the righteousness that is based on the law, did not succeed in fulfilling that law.

Why not? Because they did not strive for it on the basis of faith, but as if it were based on works.

They have stumbled over the stumbling-stone, as it is written, 'See, I am laying in Zion a stone that will make people stumble, a rock that will make them fall, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.'

Brothers and sisters, my heart's desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved. I can testify that they have a zeal for God, but it is not enlightened.

For, being ignorant of the righteousness that comes from God, and seeking to establish their own, they have not submitted to God's righteousness.

For Christ is the end of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes.

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## Gospel

*Lk 2:22-35*

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him.

It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah.

Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, 'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.'

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

## GIFTS OF THE ALTAR

February 2025



BREAD in Memory of:

- ◆ Deceased members of the Richards & Nofel families  
*by Edward P. Richards, Jr.*
- ◆ Elias & Martha Sarrouh & Rachid E. Sarrouh  
*by The Sarrouh family*

WINE in Memory of:

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*by Edward P. Richards, Jr.*
- ◆ Joseph & LuLu Shaerban & all deceased members of the Shaerban family  
*by Joe & Gladys Shaerban*
- ◆ Elias & Martha Sarrouh & Rachid E. Sarrouh  
*by The Sarrouh family*



CANDLES in Memory of:

- ◆ Deceased members of the Richards & Nofel families  
*by Edward P. Richards, Jr.*
- ◆ George & Roma Sessin  
*by their children & families*
- ◆ Jacob & Juliette Saad & the deceased members of the Saad & Elzeer families  
*by Thomas Saad & family*
- ◆ Pete & Lydia Chalhoub  
*by William & Denise Bishilany & family*
- ◆ Elias & Martha Sarrouh & Rachid E. Sarrouh  
*by The Sarrouh family*

## INCOME

January 26, 2025

General Deposit	\$ 3,099.00
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	\$ 1,158.00
Sunday 9:30 a.m.	\$ 559.00
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	\$ 1,332.00
Online	\$ 50.00

## NEW MEMBERS

If you are living in Cleveland or Just moved here, our Church would like to welcome you. Please introduce yourself to the Priest or contact the office.



## JOIN THE ORDER OF SAINT SHARBEL

The Order is a critical part of our Eparchy as it helps support Seminarian education and Priest retirement. The Eparchy depends on our laity to help cover some of the costs of our future priests.

For more information you are welcome to visit:

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## REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL

Remembering your parish in your will can be a way to express gratitude for your faith & support the future of your parish, Eparchy, or the Maronite Church. Contact Church office for more information.

## PRESENTATION OF THE LORD IN THE TEMPLE

The Maronite Church celebrates the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple this Sunday. Traditionally, candles are blessed during the Liturgy. Please bring your candles for the 5:00 p.m. and 11:00 a.m. Liturgy.

## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SODALITY

Our next meeting will be on Monday, February 3rd at 7:00 pm at the Parish Center in Independence. Theme for February is St. Valentine.

## CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Please call or email the office if you are in need of an end of the year contribution statement.

216-520-5081 or [saintmaroncleveand@gmail.com](mailto:saintmaroncleveand@gmail.com)

## PAVILION CAMPAIGN

Our Pavilion Campaign is off to a fabulous start. Brochures are in the vestibules of both churches. Thank you to all our wonderful parishioners who have donated.

## St. Maron Feast Day Liturgy

We invite all members of the Order of St. Gregory and the Order of St. Sharbel to attend liturgy on Sunday, February 16th at 11:00.

Please wear your medals and pins. We ask that you arrive 15minutes early and meet in the back of the church.

ST. MARON CLEVELAND MYO

**GUYS**  
*night out*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8  
5 PM - 9 PM

MANDATORY PARENT MEETING AT  
3:30

MORE INFO IN WHATSAPP CHAT!

**GIRLS**  
*night in*

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Support the Cleveland Maronite Youth Organization this Valentine's Day by purchasing a Valentine's Gram at the St. Maron Feast Day Hafli (February 15th). Show your loved ones how much you care with a heartfelt gift!



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*Saint Maron  
Feast Celebration*

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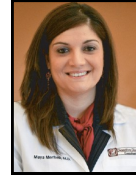
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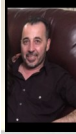
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**Crowning (Matrimony)**

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**Freedom to Marry Letter**

All necessary forms for couples living in the United States or abroad need to be done, and this may take weeks or months. Please call to schedule an appointment with Fr. Patrick.



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