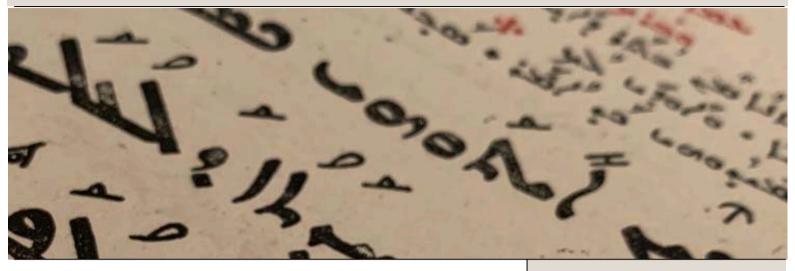
FIFTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST



From the Desk of the Pastor

During the Liturgy we sing a beautiful hymn following the reception of Communion while the priest performs the ablutions. The text of this hymn comes from our funerary tradition and is sung during the *gnizo* celebrated before the burial. The text translates as:

Because I have consumed your Holy Body may the fire not consume me, and because I have touched it to my eyes, may they behold, O Lord, Your grace. Here, O Lord, I have not been a stranger to You, there may I not be an outcast. Do not set me among the goats, but make me worthy to praise You with the lambs at Your right hand.

You have given me, O Son of God, food for the journey, and when I was hungry I partook of Your Gift, O Savior of the World. May the fire shrink back from my members as the perfume of Your Body and Blood drives it from me. May Your Baptism be for me an unfailing ship to transport me from the region of fear to the place of the fullness of life.

While taken from the funeral rites. this hymn has traditionally played a recurring part in our communion rite at the Liturgy in the Maronite tradition. This is a profoundly beautiful reflection on the role the Eucharist has in our path from this World to the Next. This hymn reflects on the human condition the reference to the senses (taste, smell, etc.) and on the spiritual condition (our proximity or estrangement from God). The Eucharist is described as viaticum or "food for the journey" that nourishes us not only in this life on earth but also in the journey from this life to Paradise. This hymn is demonstrative also of Svriac cosmology, where our tradition describes the afterlife as a journey over a lake of fire on the way to paradise. The fragrance of the Eucharist serves as a "shield" that fends off the flames and also prowling demons that seek to take a soul into Gehenna. Baptism serves as our boat across the fire with the Eucharist as our guide and guardian to the place "full of life."



A Catholic Parish of the Antiochene Syriac Maronite Church

St. George Church is committed to sharing the fullness of the Gospel and living the richness of the Syriac Maronite Tradition through worship, charity, and striving for personal and communal holiness.

Most Reverend Gregory John Mansour Eparchy of St. Maron of Brooklyn

Parish Clergy

Rev. Father Aaron J. Sandbothe Pastor

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Rev. Subdeacon Dr. Mallard T. George Rev. Subdeacon Dr. Charles D. Machesky Rev. Subdeacon Charles J.R. Michael

New to St. George?

Welcome! We are happy to have you worshipping with us! We hope that you will soon call our parish your spiritual home! Please contact the parish office for more information.

BEHOLD, ON THIS DAY, HEAVEN AND EARTH REJOICE AND SING PRAISE... ON IT, THE CHURCH, SAVED BY THE CROSS, LIFTS UP PRAISE BECAUSE THROUGH RESURRECTION SHE HAS BEEN RAISED UP OVER HER ENEMIES. ALLELUIA, BLESSED IS THE ONE WHO CHOSE HER.

Parish Information

Parish Office

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Mrs. Paula Toth | Administrative Assistant

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Parish Stewardship

Week of 9 June 2024

1st Collection	\$1,410.00
Electronic Giving	\$637.00
Candles	\$100.00
Hall Rental	\$250.00
Blue Mass	\$100.00
Received	\$2,497.00
Budget	\$3,500.00
Difference	-\$1,003.00

Stewardship | 2024 YTD

Difference	\$25,082.00
Budget	\$80,500.00
Received	\$105,582.00

Online stewardship is the easiest and most secure way of contributing to the financial stability and health of our parish. Please consider making your weekly or monthly contributions online. Instructions can be found on the parish website. Thank you for your continued generous support for St. George Church.

Liturgical Schedule

Sat | 4:00 pm Sun | 8:30 am & 10:30 am Tue | Vespers | 6:00 pm (var) Tu - Fri | 8:30 am Feasts | 7:00 pm

This Week @ St. George

Sat | 15 June | 4:00pm

St. Basil the Great, C + Joyce Irr by Subdeacon Chuck & Mary Machesky

Sun | 16 June | 8:30am

Hosea the Prophet, C + Helen Sloboda by Family

Sun | 16 June | 10:30am

+ Kathryn David Deeds
by Tom & Barbara Michael
+ Departed Fathers of the Parish

Tue | 18 June | 8:30am

St. Leontius of Tripoli, M Intention Available

Wed | 19 June | 8:30am

St. Jude Thaddeus (Laba), Ap + Jerome S. Toth, Jr *by Family*

Thu | 20 June | 8:30am

Pope St. Silverius, C Intention Available

Fri | 21 June | 8:30am

St. Louis Gonzaga, C + Kherestine Risha by Ron & Patty Sheba

Sat | 22 June | 4:00pm

St. Eusebius (Hawshab), M + Suzanne & Joseph Elardo by Daughters Mary & Nancy & Families

PARISH CALENDAR						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
16 Sth Sunday of Pentecost Hosea the Prophet, C	17 Amos the Prophet, C	18 St. Leontius of Tripoli, M	19 St. Jude Thaddeus (Laba), Ap	20 Pope St. Silverius, C	21 St. Louis Gonzaga, C	22 St. Eusebius (Hawshab), M
Liturgy 8:30am + Helen Sloboda Breakfast 9:30am Liturgy 10:30am + Kathryn David Deeds + Departed Fathers of the Parish		Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available Vespers 6:00pm Bible Study 6:30pm	Liturgy 8:30am + Jerome S. Toth, Jr	Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available	Liturgy 8:30am + Kherestine Risha	Liturgy 4:00pm +Suzanne & Joseph Elardo
Exodus 1:1-7 Phil 3:7-14 Matt 10:1-7	Acts 9:19-30 Matt 10:8-15	Acts 9:31-43 Matt 13:9-13	Eph 2:11-21 John 14:15-26	Acts 10:23-43 Matt 10:27-33	Acts 10: 44-48 Matt 10:4-39	Eph 4:25-5:2 Mark 11:24-26
23 6th Sunday of Pentecost St. Agrippina, M Council of Ephesus	24 Birth of St. John the Baptist, M	25 Sts. Zechariah and Elizabeth, C	26 Bl. Yaacub the Capuchin, C	27 St. Samson the Hospitable, C	28 St. Irenaeus, M	29 Sts. Peter and Paul, Ap
Liturgy 8:30am + Z.G. Gabriel Liturgy 10:30am + Ike & Jessie Risha		Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available	Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available	Liturgy 8:30am + Kherestine Risha	Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available	Liturgy 4:00pm + Loretta M. Joseph & Family
Ezek 3:1-12 1 Cor 12:12-30 Matt 10:16-25	Gal 4:21-5:1 Luke 1:57-66	Apostles Fast Acts 12:12-24 Matt 15:10-20	Apostles Fast Acts 12:25-13:12 Matt 15:21-28	Apostles Fast Acts 13:13-25 Matt 16:1-4	Apostles Fast Acts 13:26-39 Matt 16:13-20	2 Cor 11:21-30 Matt 16:13-20
30 Sts. Peter and Paul, Ap (Observed) The Twelve Apostles	OI JULY	O2 Visitation of Our Lady to Her Cousin, Elizabeth	03 St. Jerome, C	04 St. Andrew of Crete, C	05 St. Macarius of the Cross, C	06
Liturgy 8:30am + Kherestine Risha Liturgy 10:30am + Barbara Unice		No Liturgy NAM Convention	No Liturgy NAM Convention	No Liturgy NAM Convention	No Liturgy NAM Convention	Liturgy 4:00pm John Family Reunion
Num 11:16-29 Rom 10:12-21 Matt 9:36-38	Acts 14:1-7 Luke 10:8-12	Acts 14:8-18 Luke 10:13-16	Acts 14:19-28 Luke 10:17-20	Acts 15:1-12 Luke 10:25-28	Acts 15:13-21 Luke 10:29-37	Acts 15:22-30 Luke 10:38-42
07 8th Sunday of Pentecost St. Thomas the Hermit, C	08 St. Procopius, M	09 St. Pancras, M	10 The Massabki Martyrs]] St. Benedict, Abbot, C	12 St. Rufina & Secunda, M St. Susanna of Rome, M]3 Joel the Prophet, C
Liturgy 8:30am + Betty Marie Rafail Liturgy 10:30am + Pete & Elizabeth Molnar		Liturgy 8:30am + Amelia Nader Landini	Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available	Liturgy 8:30am Intention Available	Liturgy 8:30am + Paul Bena	Liturgy 4:00pm + Elsie David
lsaiah 42:1-8 Rom 8:1-11 Matt 12:14-21	Acts 15:36-16:10 Luke 11:1-4	Acts 16:11-21 Luke 11:5-8	Heb 12:1-9 Luke 12:6-10	2 Thes 1:6-12 Matt 24:3-14	Acts 17:16-34 Luke 11:24-26	Acts 18:1-11 Luke 11:27-32

PARISH EVENTS, HAPPENINGS, & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome!

those who already call St. George home. We are happy to have you worshipping with us. Please feel free to introduce yourself to the parish clergy. We hope you will soon make St. George your spiritual home!

Apostles Fast

The Apostles' Fast before the Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul as decreed by the Synod of Mount Lebanon (1736) lasts from 25-28 June. The usual fasting practices are observed.

Father's Dav Breakfast

All are welcome for a Father's Day Breakfast on Sunday, 16 June, chaired by Georgie Mansberry.

Father's Day Memorials

Father's Day Memorials can be returned in the collection and will be remembered at the 10:30am Liturgy on Sunday, 16 June. A blessing for our fathers will be given at the end of the liturgies that weekend.

Spaghetti Dinner

A Spaghetti Dinner will be held at Duck Hollow in benefit of Duke David on Saturday, 3 August from 3-8pm. Tickets are **\$12** and can be picked up in the Parish Office.

Our Bible Study series will continue on Tuesday, 18 June with Evening Prayer at 6:00pm followed by Bible Study at 6:30pm in the Rectory. This series is entitled Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother.



We wish a warm welcome to all our visitors and to Our Annual Lebanese Food Festival will be held on Sunday, 21 July! The Ladies Guild will be accepting orders for certain bulk food items before the Food Festival. These orders must be \$75 or more and must be placed by Saturday, 13 July. Orders can be placed by calling Mary Jo at 724.208.0617. Pickup for all orders will be on Saturday, 20 July between Noon and 3:00pm.

Second Collection

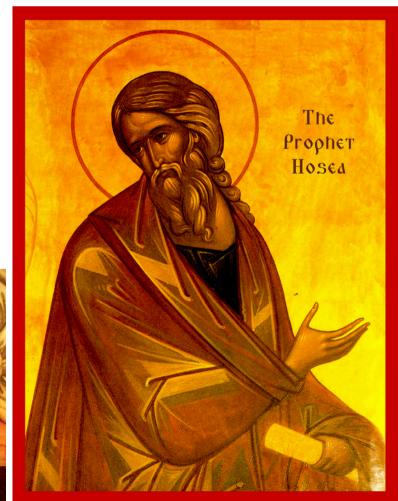
A second collection will be taken on **30 June** for the Holy Father.

Condolences

We offer our condolences to the family and friends of Fred "Hawk" David who reposed in the Lord on Wednesday, 5 June 2024. May his memory be a rampart to us!

Condolences

We offer our condolences to the family and friends of Philip J. Michael who reposed in the Lord on Thursday, 6 June 2024. May his memory be a rampart to us!



PRAYER LIST

Michelle Sante | Lynda Handlin | Teresa Rogers | Aliya Davis | Kimberly Steinmiller | Patty Benson | Leonard W. Neill II | Davey Rusko | Jim Delgreco | for a living or deceased loved one or any other Joan Mickey | Josette Shady Abi-Nader | Brooklynn Dennis | Gina Michael | Cookie Shady Benson | Tammy McKenzie | Kamberly George | Lorraine Guynn | Eileen Crutchman | Barb Howard Misiak | Helen Adams | Tanya Loring Kizner | John Mansberry | Donald George | Larry Hicks | Subdeacon Mallard George | Joe Joseph | Gerry Dawson | Jodi Zelina Paul | Patricia Horvath

MEMORIALS

Sanctuary Light

James & Ann Mullen by Family

Altar Candles

Jerome S. Toth, Sr. & Jerome S. Toth, Jr. by Family

Altar Bread & Wine

Ellwood, Freda, & Michael Kelly by Sherry, Ellwood, Mary, & Families

Liturgy Intentions

Liturgy Intention scheduling can be made by contacting the Parish Office or in the binder in the narthex. If you would like to schedule a liturgy intention, please contact the parish office, send a note via mail or collection basket, or email. If you have already scheduled a specific or recurring monthly or yearly liturgy, please remember to send in your stipend before the liturgy is celebrated.

Stewardship

The Eparchy has raised our monthly parochial assessment and our annual Lenten Bishop's Appeal. Please prayerfully consider how you can help our parish to continue meeting our obligations to the Bishop and the Eparchy. Scripture tells us that ten percent of everything we have should be used for **the glory of God** and the benefit of others, and we suggest that 5% of your tithe be given to the parish in your offertory donations, 1% be given to the Eparchy in the Lenten Appeal, and the remaining 4% be given to charities of your choice including our capital campaigns and building fund.

We are in need of volunteers for collection counters and Old Testament Lectors, and substitutes as well. Willing and interested parties are asked to contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENTAL & PASTORAL CARE

Mysteries of Baptism and Chrismation

Sacramental Preparation is required before a baptism can be scheduled. We encourage this to happen before the birth of a child.

Mystery of Crowning

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. Marriage Preparation is required as part of the process.

Pastoral Care for the Sick

If a loved one is hospitalized, ill, or homebound, please call or email the Parish Office.

For emergencies, please call Father Aaron directly at 315.790.0059.

Religious Education

Faith Formation for both Children and Adults will be available during the academic year.

Confessions

Confessions are held on Saturday from 3:30-3:55pm or by appointment.

AREA EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vacation Bible School

Save the Date | Vacation Bible School | Grades 1-12 Faith & Family | 27-28 June | 1:30-4:30pm

Dear St. George Families,

Your children are the future of our parish family and a beautiful testament to your faith. Please encourage them to attend our brief **VBS summer program** to celebrate the beauty of the family.

In preparation for the **100th Anniversary of our parish, we will begin a special project this year.** Contact Ronda Risha to learn more about the project, to register, or to volunteer, 724,557,0399.



DETROIT, MICHIGAN

MARONITES ON MISSION: CREATED. CALLED. SENT FORTH.

 CONVENTION REGISTRATION Deadline: June 1st www.namnews.org | (914) 964-3070 | info@namnews.or @wationalApostolateofMaronites - NAM HOTEL BOOKINGS (\$189+/Night, Single/Double) https://book.passkey.com/e/50700969 | (313) 568-8000

59th NAM Convention Schedule



St. Sharbel Church - Clinton Township, MI Detroit Marriott Renaissance Center July 4-7, 2024

EXCURSIONS

MARONITE FAMILY REUNION Tour the grounds of St. Sharbel Church and celebrate this unique NAM reunion with great food, dancing, and fun for all! (Thu 6:00 PM)

WYO POOL DAY Lay back and relaxt Splash and cool down with your MYO friends at the Marriott Courtyard rooftop pool! (Sat 2-4 PM)

WORKSHOPS

 NAM: PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE Gather to reflect on 60 years of NAM accomplishments and learn about NAM's upcoming missions for the Maronite Church in the US and abroad. (Thu 4 PM)

MYO RIVERWALK SCAVENGER HUNT Join us for an afternoon of dabke dancing, games, poirtual talks and an exciting scavenger hunt on the Detroit Riverwalkl (Fri 2-4 PM)

ENTERTAINMENT

DJ FRANCO Enjoy a great mix of Arabic and American hit songs the whole weekend as we dance the nights away! (Thu, Fri, Sat 10 PM - 2 AM)



 A special pilgrimage and guided tour of the official home/three of Blessee F. Solanus Casey in Detroitl (Fri 2-4 PM)
 MYA ROLLING PEDAL TOUR Hop aboard and explore the bustling streets and explorer the bustling streets

PETER HERBECK Our distinguished conference speaker and the author of many books and podcast recordings about disciplenilip, life in the Spirit, and evaneptization (Sa 10:30 AM)

VANESSA GARMO An Evangelist, Christian Coach, and host of the "Epiphamy" show on Ave Maria Radio in Ann Arbor Vanessa joins us to share the power of the Gospel in our mission ahead! (Fri 10 AM)

Friday night dinner and hafti featuring Michigan's own premier singer. Emad Batayehi (6 PM Cocktails | 7 PM Dinner & Dance)



Maronites on Mission: Created. Called. Sent Forth.

DIAMOND JACKS BOAT TOUR + LUNCH Dine and cruise with us as we enjoy lunch on the Detroit River with amazing views of the cities of Detroit, Windsor, and Ontarioi (Sat 1-4 PM)



MYA THEOLOGY ON TAP Very Have a drink and dive deep into an exciting discussion about our faith with our incredible Bishop Elias Zaidan and Bishop Gregory Mansourl (Sat 1-3 PM)

GNITE YOUR CAREER Come and build lasting partnerships with professionals from across the country who seek to live their faith and grow spiritually amidst a successful career. (Sat 2-4 PM)

 DANNY ACHKAR
 Saturday night Grand Banquet Dinner and Hafli featuring Lebanese Superstar, Danny Achkarl (6 PM Cocktails | 7 PM Dinner & Dance)

Maronite Youth Organization

All youth in **Grades 6-12** are encouraged to sign up for MYO. Please call or text Subdeacon Chuck Michael at 724.323.4653. Also, please sign up on Remind to keep up to date with any MYO events and announcements by texting @myo202 to 81010. To be eligible for any Parish Scholarships, or to be recommended for any NAM or Eparchial awards, a child must be a regular communicant at Sunday and Festal liturgies and an active participant in the MYO/Faith Formation program.

Rosary Garden Revitalization

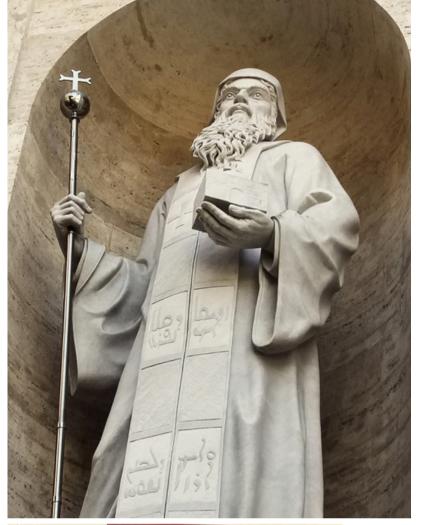
Our **ARS Rosary Garden and Grotto** is nearly 25 years old and in dire need of **revitalization**, **replanting, and a refocusing** to beautify the area and also provide **security to the campus**. If your family has a current memorialization in the garden **please see Fr. Aaron** or if your family would like to contribute to the revitalization project and would like to make a memorial please see Fr. Aaron or Donna George.

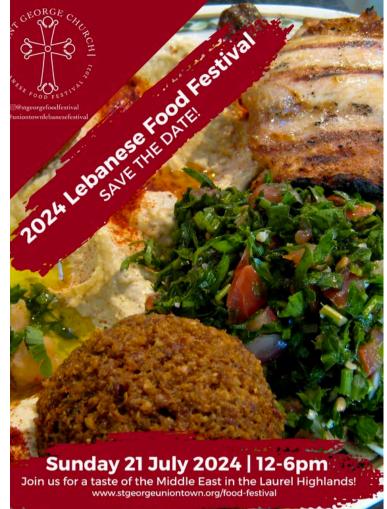
Study Schedule



Date	Session	Main Reading	Additional Readings	
7 May	Introduction			
7 May	1. The Annunciation	Luke 1:26-38	Exodus 5:10-12 Judges 6:14-18 2 Samuel 7:9-16 Zephaniah 3:14-15 Zechariah 9:9 Matthew 6:10 Luke 22:42	
21 May	2. The Visitation	Luke 1:39-56	Judges 5:24-26 2 Samuel 6:2, 9-16, 24:21 1 Kings 2:19-20 2 Kings 24:12 Judith 13:18 Proverbs 31:1-12 Luke 1:1-25	
4 Jun	3. The Nativity	Luke 2:1-20	Genesis 37:5-11 Psalm 119:11 Proverbs 3:1-2 Micah 5:2-4 (NAB 1-3) Luke 23: 53	
18 Jun	4. The Presentation & The Finding of Jesus in the Temple	Luke 2:21-52	Leviticus 12:8; 26:6-7 Deuteronomy 32:25 Isaiah 42:1-6 Luke 9:22, 51; 19:45, 21:1 John 19:31-35	
16 Jul	5. The Wedding at Cana	John 2:1-11	Exodus 3:14-15; 19:8 Joshua 24:24 Nehemiah 5:12 John 1; 20:29	
23 Jul	6. Mary at the Cross	John 19:25-30	Genesis 3:15; 2 Maccabees 7:1-39 Matthew 16:21, 24, 32, 26:56 John 5:25-28, 7:30, 12:23-24, 26, 31-33 13:24, 16:20-22, 20:8, 21:7	
6 Aug	7. Mary Crowned with Glory	Revelation 12:1-17	Genesis 3:15 Psalm 2:9 Luke 1:38-39, 45, 2:19, 51 John 19:25-27 Acts 1:14 2 Timothy 4:7-8	

MARONITE HAPPENINGS AROUND THE STATES







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