

Calendar of Saints—Synaxarion

February 9—Saint Maron

February 11—Our Lady of Lourdes

February 18—Saint Leo the Great

February 20—St. James of Cyrrhus, Hermit

February 27—St. Thalaleus, disciple of St. Maron

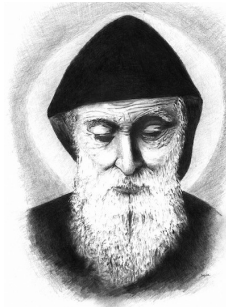
Our Lady of Lebanon
Catholic Church

shall receive the

Relics of Saint Sharbel

On April 11 - 12, 2016

Please mark the date



Saint Maron—Founder of the Maronite Catholic Church



Around 350 AD, Maron “the little lord” was born in Cyrrhus, a small town near Antioch. When he grew up, Maron heard God’s call for holiness and perfection. His heart was burning within him.

Maron left the world and ascended to the top of Mount Nabo, near Antioch. He lived in the open air, converted a pagan temple into a church, and spent his time praying in solitude, fasting, and working. “Maron did greater acts in order to reach perfect wisdom, for the militant soldier weighs between virtue and acts... And since God is very generous with his saints, he bestowed upon him the gifts of healing the sick. His fame spread to all the surrounding districts, so people flocked to him and witnessed the veracity of his virtues and miracles. He could heal the sick and exorcise the devil by mere

prayer.

Physicians prescribe a special medicine for each disease, but the prayer of the righteous is the remedy for all diseases. St. Maron not only healed the ailments of the body but also those of the soul, by curing the avarice of the covetous, the anger of the passionate, teaching some the wisdom of temperance, others the principles of justice, others the happiness of chastity, and others the love of labor.” Maron attracted many disciples: James of Cyrrhus, Limnaeus, Domnina, Cyra, Marana, Abraham the hermit, the apostle of Mount Lebanon, and many others. Maron died around 410.

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Waterbury, Connecticut

Clergy/Parish Staff

- ⊕ **Pastor**
Rev. Joseph I. Khoueiry
- ⊕ **Subdeacons**
Camille Atallah
Dean Tarsi
- **Church Secretary:**
Deanna Testa
- **Cedars Hall:**
Vola Balikian
Marie Noujaim
- **Religious Education
Coordinator:**
Marisa Shaker

⊕ **Note** ⊕

Our Maronite Catholic tradition encourages the offering of liturgy for all our faithful departed. Please schedule or confirm your liturgy intentions for the upcoming year.

When offering liturgy at Our Lady of Lebanon, remember to include a stipend to the celebrant of the liturgy for the departed.

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Season of Lent

Our Lady of Lebanon

Jubilee Year of Mercy

January 2016

From the desk of Abouna...

Dear Parishioners of Our Lady of Lebanon Church,
Effective January 17, 2016, I have appointed parishioners to following council positions:

Board of Consultors :

Richard Shaker, Atty Michael Jarjura, Atty Raymond Sous, Esq., Dr AbdulMasih Zarif, Paul Ayoub, Michael Macary, Dr Taghrid Mikhael, and Beth Majewski

Parish Advisory Council:

Paul Ayoub (President), Maroun Zoghbi (VP), Michael Macary, Labibe Shaker, Eid Atallah, Nana Mouanes, Vola Balikian, Subdeacon Camille Atallah

Stewardship Advisory Council:

Richard Shaker (President), Atty Mike Jarjura, Tammy Zappone, Dr AbdulMasih Zarif, Hicham Bourjaili, Jean-Paul Atallah, Subdeacon Dean Tarsi

Director of Administration: Bebe Shaker

Treasurers of the Church: Tamara Zappone & Labibe Shaker - at all the Functions

Church Building & Grounds Coordinator: Eid Atallah

Ladies Society: Phyllis Tarsi, President (Elections of the Officers is in May 2016)

Men’s Society: Charles Shaker, President (Elections of the Officers is in May 2016)

Custodian for Church & Hall: Ron D’Angelo.

Accountant / Auditor of the Church Finances: Mark Majewski

Councils will follow the Robert’s Rule of Order and meetings should not exceed 1 hour

These appointments remain in effect until revocation by me, or my successor.
God bless you .

Respectfully yours,
Rev. Joseph I. Khoueiry, Pastor

(complete appointments list is available on the church bulletin board)

“The Eastern Rites are the Treasure of the Catholic Church”

- Saint John XXIII, Pope of Rome

“The Catholic Church, East and West, breathes as two lungs in the same body.”

- Saint John Paul II, Pope of Rome

“If you want to know what the Eastern Christians believe, attend the liturgy.”

Meetings

- Monday February 1 at 6pm Ladies Society Meeting
- Monday February 1 at 7pm Parish Advisory Council
- Thursday February 4 at 7pm Knights of Columbus Meeting
- Sunday February 7 after Liturgy— Holy Name Society
- Monday February 15 at 7pm Stewardship Advisory Council

Activities

- Friday February 12—Lenten Supper sponsored by Holy Name Society
- Friday February 19—Lenten Supper sponsored by Knights of Columbus
- Sunday February 21—After Sunday Liturgy—Saint Maron Luncheon—details TBA
- Friday February 26—Lenten Supper sponsored by Ladies Society
- Friday March 4—Lenten Supper sponsored by Holy Name Society

Reminders

- Please note any parish organization or parishioner wishing to make an announcement at the end of liturgy must request permission of the pastor prior to liturgy. Last minute approaches to the sanctuary to make announcement are NOT acceptable practice.
- Please ask permission from the pastor to post anything on the bulletin board in the church foyer
- Please note the deadline for submissions to the monthly bulletin for March is February 21. Only written submissions can be accepted. Thank you



With deepest sympathies...

To the Karam & Balikian families on the passing of their uncle, Jack Arslanian in Lebanon.

To the family of Subdeacon Camille & Marleine Atallah on the passing of her uncle.

Collections

Thank you for your generosity

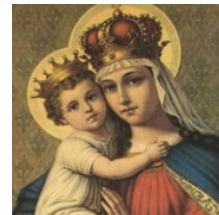
All throughout Lent, we will be collecting for the Annual Bishop's Charities Lenten Appeal. Please be generous in the appeal.

Jan 5 & 6 (Epiphany)	Sat.	Sun.	Total
			\$283
January 9 & 10	664	1113	\$1777
January 16 & 17	472	888	\$1360
January 23 & 24		887	\$887

Pray for the sick of our community

Heal your servants, who are sick, O Lord and send them your help and comfort them from Your holy place.

Sadie Carrah, Joseph & Joan Carrah, Anthony Ciarlo, Sr., Joseph & Delores Gustin, Fred Haddad, Fred Jarjura, Shirley Macary, Jackie Mowad, Tamara Zappone.



February

Church Week	Liturgy Date	Intentions
Entrance into Lent Cana Sunday	Saturday February 6	For Mr & Mrs Matthew Esposito Req. by Subdeacon Dean & Phyllis Tarsi
	Sunday February 7	Six-year memorial for Michel Taweh Requested by the family
Ash Monday	Monday February 8	Distribution of Ashes—Liturgy 7pm
Feast of Saint Maron	Tuesday February 9	Holy Day of Obligation—Liturgy 7pm
Lenten Friday Prayers	Fridays of Lent (starting February 12) Feb 19, Feb 26, March 4	5:30pm Confessions 6:00pm Stations of the Cross 6:30pm Benediction of the Holy Cross
Healing of the Leper	Saturday February 13	In memory of Youssef Macary Requested by the family
	Sunday February 14	For Ronda Morris & Antonio Teixeira Requested by Mr & Mrs Eid Atallah
Healing of the Hemorrhaging Woman	Saturday February 20	In memory of June Counihan Requested by Joseph & Meaghan Macary
	Sunday February 21	
Parable of the Prodigal Son	Saturday February 27	In memory of Ronald Ficeto Requested by Joseph & Meaghan Macary
	Sunday February 28	
Feast of Saint John Maron	Wednesday March 2	Liturgy 7pm
Healing of the Paralytic	Saturday March 5	For the repose of the soul of Mary White Requested by Joseph & Meaghan Macary
	Sunday March 6	One year Memorial for Rose Shaker Requested by the family

**Saint Maron Feast Luncheon
Sunday February 21
following 10am Liturgy**

- A Special Thank you for all the donations for February coffee hours. Groups of parishioners are offering to defray any expense with donations for after liturgy coffee hour.
- Please consider donating the gifts of liturgy (wine, bread, or candles) to help defray church expenses. Your generosity helps in many ways.