



Saint Ann Maronite Catholic Church

Season of Glorious Pentecost

15th Sunday of Pentecost

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MARONITE LITURGY

The Incense

Incense symbolizes Christ who “loved us and handed himself over for us as a sacrificial offering to God as a fragrant aroma” (*Ephesians 5:2*). Likewise, it became an expression of the prayer we raise up to God: “Let my prayer rise like incense before you” (*Psalms 141:2*), and the prayers of the holy ones, as recounted in John’s Book of Revelation: “the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each of the elders held a harp and gold bowls filled with incense, which are the prayers of the holy ones” (*Revelation 5:8*).

Incense is offered to God in honor as well as for prayer. That is why the priest says, “For the glory and honor of the Most Holy Trinity,” when placing the incense in the thurible and blessing it. When he incenses the faithful, they should bow their heads and raise in their hearts a prayer of glory and thanksgiving, because, through the prayer of forgiveness, He purified them from their sins and sanctified them for Himself. Therefore, it is not permissible, in any case, not to use incense as required by the liturgical celebration, and we must avoid whatever contravenes that.

The thurible signifies the Blessed Virgin Mary, who accepted Him into her innocent womb, free from defilement, yet she was not consumed by the fire of His Divinity. The chains of the thurible signify the three Divine Persons, equal in substance, power and perfection. The ring that holds the chains signify the One Divine nature in three persons. As to how to incense during liturgical celebrations, and in unifying the liturgical endeavor in all our Maronite churches, the directives of the liturgical books must be adhered to, in preserving symbolism and active participation....

to be continued

Liturgical Schedule & Intention				Readers & Greeter	Readings	Feast day
Sat	20 Aug	4:30 PM	For the donors of Catholic Extension		G: Lk 17:1-4 E: 3 Jn 1-15	St. Bernard, Doctor of the Church, C
Sun	21 Aug	10:00 AM	For Michael David Hannoush, Joseph Rezey and Lena Joseph, requested by Mr & Mrs Elias Hannoush and family	Greeter: Karen Rezey En: Betty Karrat Ar: G. Hannoush	G: Lk 7:36-50 E: 1 Thes 1:1-10	
Thu	25 Aug	12:00 PM	For the donors of Catholic Extension		G: Lk 17:26-30 E: Jas 2:1-13	St. Titus, One of the 72 Disciples, Ap
Fri	26 Aug	12:00 PM	For the donors of Catholic Extension		G: Lk 17:31-37 E: Jas 3:1-12	

Please remember to submit your intentions for Divine Liturgies as early as possible.

FINACIAL CORNER	
Aug 06 & 07 / 2016	
First Collection	633.00
Aug 13 & 14 / 2016	
First Collection	694.00
Assessment	45.00
Hannoush Scholarship	100.00
Air Conditioning	181.00
Coffee hour / sale	55.00
Daughter's Membership	65.00
TOTAL	\$1,773.00

Thank You! شكرًا

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UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS			
Sat	27 Aug	8:00 AM	Trip to Yankee Stadium
Wed	07 Sep	6:30 PM	Parish Council
Sun	11 Sep	11 AM - 5 PM	Parish Picnic
Fri	23 Sep		Entertainment & Festival of Baskets
Sat	10 Oct	3 PM	Raffle drawing

Hospitality		
Sun	21 Aug	Available
Sun	28 Aug	Available
Sun	04 Sep	Available
Sun	11 Sep	Parish Picnic

If unable to show up on the day assigned, it is your responsibility to switch with someone else.

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS	
21 Aug	Bishop's Appeal
28 Aug	Parish Programs
04 Sep	Air Conditioning
11 Sep	Catholic University of America

"Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap." (Luke 6: 38)

"I give thanks to my God always on your account for the grace of God bestowed on you in Christ Jesus, that in him you were enriched in every way, with all discourse and all knowledge." (1 Corinthians 1:4- 5).

If you are traveling or unable to come to church, **please consider sending a check or donating online.** Your support helps us to continue our mission.

MEMORIALS for the month of August
+ Altar Bread, Wine & Sanctuary Lamp
In gratitude for the blessings of faith, family and parish community by Carolyn Lalli and Family
+ Incense, Charcoal, & Candles
Customary offering is \$60 per month.

The devil is afraid of us when we pray and make sacrifices. He is also afraid when we are humble and good. He is especially afraid when we love Jesus very much. He runs away when we make the Sign of the Cross.

St. Anthony of the Desert, Abbot

Points of Interest

REMINDER. Altar Bread, Wine & Sanctuary Lamp + Incense, Charcoal & Candles are available for your donation, Please call or speak with Father Alaa.

Bus Trip to Yankee Stadium: August 27th to attend the New York Yankees v/s Baltimore Orioles game. Bring your glove! Seats are in rows 8 to 12, field level – the home run section. The bus leaves St. Ann at 8:00 am. The cost is \$150 per person. For more info, contact Mike Rezey at 339-9468.

Congratulations to Carolyn Lalli and family on the birth of her first grandchild. Adrianna Rita entered this world at 7:14 am on Saturday, August 13. May God's blessing fill their lives with joy and happiness.

Evening of Entertainment Mark your calendars. Sep. 23. Join us for a night of entertainment with celebrity impersonators. Italian Community Center, 1450 5th Ave., Troy. Doors Open 6:00 p.m. - Show starts at 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$35.00 in advance / \$40.00 at the door Italian Buffet Included.

4th Annual Festival of Baskets \$20.00 for 20 Tickets. Tickets can be purchased at the ICC event OR by contacting Betty Karrat - 518.225.6277 or Albert Nahal - 518.894.6011.

Parish Raffle Saturday Oct. 8, 3pm at the Polish American Club in Troy. All proceeds benefit St. Ann Maronite Church. See Al Patnode, Mike Rezey, or Fr. Alaa for tickets.

HAFLI Our 16th Annual Hafli will be held on Saturday Nov 5 at the Italian American Community Center in Albany. Tickets are \$60.00 [per adult/ prepaid] \$ 65.00 [at the door] \$ 35.00 [children under 12] For reservations & information please call Michel Boutros at (518) 961- 6338 *for* a reservation form.

School Supplies We are collecting basic school supplies for children in need. These include notebooks, binders, folders, pencils, pens, crayons, glue, tape, rulers, etc. They should be placed in the box in the Church Hall.

+ **BAPTISM & CHRISMATION:** Preparation is required. We encourage this to begin at least one month before the Baptism.

+ **MARRIAGES:** Arrangements six (6) months in advance.

+ **NEW PARISHIONERS:** Welcome to our parish family. May you find spiritual nourishment among our community. Please be sure to register with our parish by calling the Parish House.

+ **HOSPITAL VISITS, SICK CALLS & SHUT-INS:** If someone is hospitalized, sick, in rest homes or unable to leave home, please let us know by calling Father Alaa Issa at (561) 273-5867.

+ **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** First & third Sunday of the month from 9:00 AM – 9:45 AM in the church hall.

+ **CONFESSIONS:** By appointment.

+ **DEVOTIONS:** Rosary on every Sunday at 9:00 AM before the Divine Liturgy.

In Loving Memory of Abraham & Mary (Joseph) NACKLEY & daughters Mary, Catherine, Rose, Lena & Edith

In Memory of the deceased members of The RICE & HEALY Families	In Memory of Michael-David HANNOUSH by his grandparents, Elias & Georgette
In Memory of the deceased members of the REZEY & NACKLEY, SEE & CLOUGH Families	In Loving Memory of Our parents Claramae & Joseph KARAM requested by the KARAM Family
In Loving Memory of Rose, Fr. Paul, Mike, Joe & Peter KORKEMAZ	In Memory of the deceased members of The TALARICO & DEEP Families
In Loving Memory of Dominic FARINA, Sr. requested by Edith FARINA & Family	In Loving Memory of Dot RILEY & the deceased members of the RILEY, MANLEY & PETERSON Families requested by Tom RILEY, Sr.
In Loving Memory of Joseph & Helen YAMIN JABOUR requested by Joe & Kathy JABOUR	In Memory of the deceased members of the TAMER & THORNTON Families
In Loving Memory of Walter & Mary GOLDEN & the deceased members of the VOLKOMER & GOLDEN Families	In Loving Memory of James TRAA Requested by his wife Beverly Traa and the Family



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