



Saint Ann Maronite Catholic Church

Season of the Glorious Birth of Our Lord Announcement to Zechariah

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Christmas Novena

Tuesday, December 20th 6:30 PM

With Bishop Gregory Mansour



MARONITE LITURGY

Liturgical Master of Ceremonies

The liturgical celebration should be ordered in such a way as so to elicit spiritual fruition. Improvisation is to be avoided in our celebrations as it can result in the loss of spirituality and reverence. For this reason, a Master of Ceremonies is needed to organize, direct and coordinate the liturgy and ensure it remains harmonious and reverent. Following the directives of the parish priest, the Master of Ceremonies is to be concerned with organizing celebrations for groups in the parish such as children, youth, families, the sick and others. This maintains the continuity of the Sunday Mass in the heart of the community. Sunday Mass is the visible expression of the unity of the Mystical Body of Christ, which is the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church, and its nucleus is the parish. "For the Liturgy builds up the Church and the Church builds it up", as the Fathers, teach.

Chanting

Chanting and the liturgical tone constitute an integrated unit with the text, movements and the symbols expressing unity between the earthly and heavenly Church in the chanting of the hymns of thanksgiving and praise to the Father for His love, as manifested in the salvation realized by the Son and consummated through the Holy Spirit in the world. **Ecclesial melodies** are a reflection of the angels' praise in the Liturgy of the Lamb. Thus, the Liturgy is distinguished by mastering the hymns. As such, it is imperative to have **trained choirs** to help lead this. The Maronite Rite, which is distinguished by beautiful melodies does not restrict the melodic service to the choir; rather, it anticipates that the choir will assist the congregants to chant. This is the most distinctive characteristic of our Rite

... to be continued

Liturgical Schedule & Intentions				Readers & Greeter	Readings	Feast day
Sat	12 Nov	4:30 PM	For the good health of St. Ann parishioners		G: Jn 15:15-21 E: Rom 5:17-21	
Sun	13 Nov	10:00 AM	Baptism of Gisella Nicholas	Greeter: Rosemary Patnode En: Gerard Golden Ar: Rita Frangieh	G: Lk 1:1-25 E: Rom 4:13-25	St. John Chrysostom, Doctor of the Church
Thu	17 Nov	12:00 PM	For the donors of Catholic Extension Society		G: Jn 8:46-50 E: Rom 2:17-29	St. Gregory the Wonderworker, C
Fri	18 Nov	12:00 PM	For the donors of Catholic Extension Society		G: Jn 8:51-55 E: Rom 3:1-12	St. Romanus, M

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

FINACIAL CORNER	
Nov 5 & 6 / 2016	
First Collection	457.00
Fuel and Heat	137.00
Bishop Appeal	30.00
Patriarchal Charities	10.00
Hafli - Net Income	13,150.00
TOTAL	\$13,784.00

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS			
Sun	13 Nov	11 AM	Parish Council Election
Sun	20 Nov	11 AM	Religious Education
Sun	11 Dec	11 AM	Christmas Party
Tue	20 Dec	6:30 PM	Visit of Bishop Gregory Mansour



Hospitality		
Sun	13 Nov	Available
Sun	20 Nov	Religious Education
Sun	27 Nov	Available
Sun	04 Dec	



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

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS	
13 Nov	Maronite Patriarchal Charities
20 Nov	Building & Ground Maintenance
27 Nov	Snow Removal

"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 November	
Altar Bread, Wine & Sanctuary Lamp In loving memory of Peter, Rose, Ann Rose, Joe Rezey and Robert See	
 Incense, Charcoal, & Candles In loving memory of Michael David Hannoush by the Hannoush Family	
Customary offering is \$60 per month.	

" If there were no tribulation, there would be no rest; if there were no winter, there would be no summer."
St. John Chrysostom

Points of Interest

Parish Council Elections Nov. 13 at Divine Liturgy. Nominees will give a brief presentation on their abilities. Parishioners will cast their vote and elect 4 new Council members. We thank outgoing members for their time and service.

HAFLI Our 16th Annual Hafli, held on Saturday Nov 5 at the Italian American Community Center in Albany, was a tremendous success. Our thanks go out to Chair person Michel Boutros, those who prepared the food, the sponsors, donors and contributors. Special thanks to George and Catalina Boutros who helped during the Hafli.

This was Bishop Scharfenberger's first time at a Lebanese Hafli. He enjoyed the food, music and generosity of St. Ann's parishioners.

Bishop Visit: We are honored to have Bishop Gregory Mansour join us on Tuesday, Dec. 20 for the Christmas Novena and Adoration, beginning at 6:30 pm. This will be followed by a coffee hour. We hope you will join us for this special occasion.

Christmas Party: Mark your calendars and join us on December 11 for Divine Liturgy, followed by our family Christmas Party.

Festival of baskets: Many thanks to the Daughters of St. Ann who held a bake sale and basket raffle on Election Day. It was a huge success. Our gratitude to all the donors and volunteers who helped to make the day a success.

+ 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.

+ 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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*Be merciful, just
as your Father is
merciful. (Luke 6: 36)*

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