

Saint Ann Maronite Catholic Church



Season of the Glorious Birth of Our Lord
The Circumcision of the Lord Jesus
New Year's Day

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Happy New Year
2017

MARONITE LITURGY

The Mass of the Lord Jesus is our Mass

In the Service of the Eucharist, Jesus sent His peace into their hearts by accepting their invitation and entering their house after having entered the very core of their hearts. He broke the bread, transubstantiating it into His Body, and gave it to them, confirming His perpetual presence. It was then that they recognized Him, but, He immediately disappeared from their sight, leaving the flame of witnessing to Him in their hearts. They immediately stood up as if He had sent them, and went back to Jerusalem with a missionary spirit telling all of His resurrection.

The gift of peace; the Breaking of the Bread; His concealment in the Host; the flame in the hearts of those witnessing to His resurrection, these are all the actions of the Service of the Eucharist in every Mass.

Our Mass today is an integrated, indivisible unity from beginning to end, comprised of two complimentary services just as it was in the Mass of the Lord. As such fragmented participation is not acceptable, such as a believer or priest arriving after the Service of the Word, and expecting to partake of communion, considering that his Mass is complete. This is not acceptable, because the one who does not have the Word, does not have the Eucharist. The Word of the Lord is the "narrow door" (Matthew 7:13) that guides us to the entrance to the Eucharistic banquet.

... to be continued

BULLETIN Dec 31 – Jan 01 /2017

Liturgical Schedule & Intentions				Readers & Greeter	Readings	Feast day
Sat	31 Dec	4:30 PM	In loving memory of Barbara McLoughlin by Richard and Sherri Peters		G: Jn 1:1-18 E: Col 1:9b-20	
Sun	01 Jan	10:00 AM	For the good health of our parishioners and a prosperous New Year.	Greeter: Marion Fotache En: Rosemary Patnode Ar: Mirvatte Hannoush	G: Lk 2:21 E: Eph 2:11-22	<i>The Circumcision of the Lord Jesus</i> <i>New Year's Day</i> Sts. Basil & Gregory
Thu	05 Jan	12:00 PM	No Divine Liturgy		G: Lk 3:1-6 E: Rom 5:1-11	St. Paul, First Hermit, C
Fri	06 Jan	6:30 PM	For the Donors of Catholic Extension Society		G: Lk 3:15-22 E: Tit 2:11-3:7	Epiphany

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

FINACIAL CORNER	
Dec 24 & 25 / 2016	
First Collection	2,044.00
Snow Removal	30.00
TOTAL	\$2,074.00

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS			
Fri	6 Jan	6:30 PM	Epiphany
Sun	08 Jan	11:00	Religious Education
Sun	22 Jan	11:00	Religious Education
Wed	8 Feb	6:30 PM	Parish Council

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Hospitality		
Sun	01 Jan	Available
Sun	08 Jan	Frangie Family
Sun	15 Jan	Available
Sun	22 Jan	Religious Education

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

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS	
06 Jan	Epiphany
08 Jan	Support for Assessment
15 Jan	Fuel & Heat
22 Jan	USCCB Charities

"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 January

Altar Bread, Wine & Sanctuary Lamp

Available



Incense, Charcoal, & Candles

Available

Customary offering is \$60 per month.

" Faith is to believe what you do not see; the reward of this faith is to see what you believe. "

St. Augustine

Points of Interest

REMINDER + Altar Bread, Wine & Sanctuary Lamp/ + Incense, Charcoal & Candles are now being reserved for Calendar Year 2017. These are available on a first come, first served basis. The customary offering is \$60 per month. Please see Father Alaa for availability and to ensure reserving these memorials for specific dates or occasions.

REMINDER: If you have recently moved, changed your phone number or email address, please pass this information along to Fr. Alaa so that he may update the parish records.

Thank you: My dear parishioners, I deeply thank you for your love and generosity. I am extremely grateful to you for the Christmas gifts that you have given me. I wish you all good things on this New Year! joy, peace, love, good health, and success ahead.

Prayer for the New Year

Lord, at the beginning of this New Year, I offer you my life. Come take my voice, may the words I speak be filled with encouragement and goodness. Come take my hands, may the work they create be generous and giving. Come take my feet, may the journeys I walk be led by your Spirit within. Come take my life Lord, for I love your goodness, your kindness and your leading. Amen.

+ **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



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

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