



Saint Ann Maronite Catholic Church



*Season of the Glorious Epiphany
2nd Sunday after Epiphany*

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MARONITE HISTORY

The Synod of 1598

He also dropped the penitential week of Niniveh and shortened the fast before the feasts of Sts. Peter and Paul and the Dormition from thirty days to fifteen days, and before Christmas from forty days to twenty days.

Patriarch el-Ruzzi also promulgated the Gregorian calendar in 1606. It seems that the Roman students had something to do with its introduction into Lebanon. With its inception, the Western feasts of Corpus Christi and St. Joseph were formally accepted. However, the calendar was accepted only in Syria at first. In Cyprus and elsewhere the difficulties were such that the Julian calendar continued to be used. It was also at the beginning of the 17th century that the Maronites abandoned counting the years from the era of Alexander the Great and began dating from the Christian era.

The reaction among the Maronites against these innovations was so great that Pope Paul V in a letter in 1610 to Patriarch John Makhlouf, successor of Patriarch Joseph, declared that the Holy See permits the return of the former customs in order to pacify the spirit of the people. However, as time went on, the innovations became accepted practice. ... *continued*

PARISH OFFICE HOURS & CONTACT INFORMATION

Thu - Fri : 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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"What have I done with my baptism and confirmation?

Is Christ really at the center of my life?

Do I have time for prayer in my life?

Do I live my life as a vocation and mission?"

Pope John Paul II



Liturgical Schedule & Intentions				Readers & Greeter	Readings	Feast day
Sat	13 Jan	4:30 PM	For the donors of Catholic Extension		E: 2 Cor 12:11-16 G: Jn 10:40-42	
Sun	14 Jan	10:00 AM	For the good health of St. Ann parishioners	Greeter: B. Stolar En: Karen Rezey Ar: Diana Hannoush	E: 2 Cor 4:5-15 G: Jn 1:35-42	
Thu	18 Jan	12:00 PM	No Liturgy		E: 2 Cor 2:12-17 G: Mt 9:9-13	
Fri	19 Jan	12:00 PM	No Liturgy		E: 2 Cor 12:17-13:4 G: Mt 9:35-38	

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

FINANCIAL CORNER	
Dec 30 & 31 / 2017	859.00
Jan 06 & 07 / 2018	818.00
Bishop's Appeal	48.00
Snow Removal	73.00
Donations	50.00
Bread & Wine	100.00
TOTAL	\$1,948.00

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS/ Save the Date			
Sun	21 Jan	11:00 am	Religious Education
Sun	04 Feb	11:00 am	St. Maron Breakfast
Wed	07 Feb	6:30 pm	Parish Council
Mon	12 Feb	4:30 pm	Ash Monday

Envelopes for 2018 will be distributed shortly. Until then, please use the blank ones available in the upstairs vestibule

Hospitality		
Sun	14 Jan	Rindala Rahal
Sun	21 Jan	Available
Sun	28 Jan	Available
Sun	04 Feb	Available

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

Thank you!



MEMORIALS for the month of January

Altar Bread, Wine & Sanctuary Lamp

In loving memory of

Elias & Marwan Rahal

By Elias & Georgette Hannoush & Famil



Incense, Charcoal, & Candles

For the good health of Raymond Guerin and Peter Pastore

By John & Joan Guerin

Customary offering is \$60 per month.



UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS	
14 Jan	Snow Removal
21 Jan	Support for Assessment
28 Jan	USCCB Worldwide Charities
04 Feb	Building & Ground Maintenance



"As the soul is the life of the body, so the Holy Spirit is the life of our souls."

St. Peter Damian

Points of Interest

Religious Education: First Communion classes continue on Sunday, Jan 21, immediately following Divine Liturgy. Please ensure children are present at Mass and Religious Education. Our topic will be, the Jesus Opens Heaven for Us. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

Hafli Utica: The Annual Saint Maron Hafli, sponsored by the Young Adults of Saint Louis Gonzaga Maronite Church in Utica, NY, will be held on Saturday, 10 February beginning at 6pm at the Yahnundasis Club, 8639 Seneca Turnpike, New Hartford 13413. There will be a full Lebanese meal and appetizers served family style. Live Arabic entertainment provided by Ayad John Atallah from West Haven, Connecticut. Tickets are \$55 per person. Please contact the Parish House of Saint Louis Gonzaga Church for tickets at 315-732-6019.

Memorials 2018: MEMORIALS for 2018 are available should anyone like to offer Altar Bread, Wine & Sanctuary Lamp Incense, Charcoal, & Candles for the coming year. Please see Father Alaa.

Prayer for Christian Unity: An evening of prayer for Christian unity will be held at Immaculate Heart of Mary, 2416 7th Ave, on Wed. January 17 at 7:00 pm (snow date is Jan. 24). All are invited to attend.

March for Life: The 45th Annual March for Life will be held on Friday, Jan 19 in Washington DC. Our parish will be represented by Beverly Traa. Anyone interested in joining her on the march should contact Beverly at: 518-727-3164.

Envelopes 2018: Dear parishioners *thank you for your support of St. Ann Church during the 2017. Your envelopes for 2018 are in the church hall, please check your name and number. Your commitment and support enables the parish family of Saint Ann to carry out its mission and provides for a secure future.*

I deeply thank you and may God, who is never outdone in generosity, reward you for your loving concern and generosity.

+ **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.

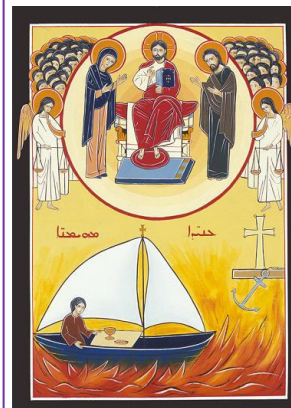
+ **HOSPITAL VISITS, SICK CALLS & SHUT-INS:** If someone is hospitalized, sick, in rest homes or unable to leave home, please let us know by calling Father Alaa Issa at (561) 273-5867.

+ **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 & Edith FARINA requested by their Family	
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



O God, May the dead who rest in your hope enter into the happiness of your saints. With them may we rejoice eternally in your sight and give you glory and honor, now and forever.

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