

# Saint Ann Maronite Catholic Church

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost



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## MARONITE HISTORY

### Civil History

The adherence of the emirs to the Christian religion and the entry of the local feudal leaders into the government of the country contributed notably to the prosperity of the Maronite Church. The civil chiefs of the people made a large number of donations to the church and established pious foundations. However, there were times when the secular rulers tried to interfere in the affairs of the Church. The generosity of the Christian Chiefs was a great help to the various Religious Orders in Lebanon. Under the patronage of the Khazen family, the work of the Capuchins and the Jesuits spread rapidly. In 1655, Abu-Nowfel el-khazen had given land to the Jesuits in Aintura, where there they built a college and a seminary. Franciscans became established in Tripoli and Carmelites in Bsharri.

According to the Maronite historian, Bishop Pierre Dib, the Shihabi emirs, thanks to their political intelligence, acquired a strong influence with neighboring Turkish authorities. They used their prestige for the service of Lebanon which they maintained as a land of refuge. During this time, Mount Lebanon, compared with the other territories of the region, could be considered as a land of refuge. But, in reality, the peace that they enjoyed was precarious and intermittent, and at the mercy of the neighboring pashas.

The pashas always watched for an opportunity to mix in the affairs of Mount Lebanon, and their interference caused trouble and disorder. Politics, rival factions and divisions among the emirs aroused a spirit of anarchy. This situation gave rise to the extortions, affronts, turmoil of all sorts and battles among different groups. The Maronites were hardly spared; they were at times left at the mercy of their enemies.

### Hindiye

In the latter part of the 18th century, a large controversy occurred involving the Patriarch, the Jesuits and Rome regarding the mystic nun known as Hindiye [Indian]. Her real name was Ann Ajami and she was born in Aleppo in 1720. Piously raised by her mother, she tended towards mysticism from her youth. At the age of twelve, she was admitted into the Confraternity of the Sacred Heart, founded in Aleppo by the Jesuits, and then directed by the Lazarist Fathers. Besides her penchant for mysticism, she acquired early on a great reputation for sanctity. Her religious practices included fasting and physical discipline. From an early age, Hindiye claimed to have visions of Christ, and also of the Blessed Mother and the saints.

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS & CONTACT INFORMATION

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

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Welcome

Thank you for joining us today. We are blessed by your presence. The Maronite Church is one of 21 Eastern Catholic Churches in full communion with Rome.

#### *Some differences you may notice:*

- + The Entrance dialog and Consecration are in Syriac Aramaic, the language of Jesus, Mary and the Apostles.
- + The Sign of Peace begins at the altar and is carried to the congregants by peace bearers.
- + Communion is by intinction and on the tongue. There is no communion in the hand.

We hope and pray your experience is spiritually enriching.



BULLETIN June 09 – 10 /2018

Liturgical Schedule & Intentions				Readers & Greeter	Readings	Feast Day
Sat	09 Jun	4:30 PM	For the homebound parishioners		E: Acts 7:30-38 G: Jn 16:29-33	
Sun	10 Jun	10:00 AM	In loving memory of Linda Fredericks, by Rosemary Patnode	Greeter: Rosemary Patnode En: Karen Rezey Ar: Michel Boutros	E: 1 Cor 2:11-16 G: Lk 10:21-24	St. Barnabas, One of the 72 Disciples, Ap
Thu	14 Jun	12:00 PM			E: Acts 8:9, 13b-25 G: Mt 18:15-20	Elisha the Prophet, C
Fri	15 Jun	12:00 PM			E: Acts 8:26-40 G: Mt 18:21-35	

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

FINANCIAL CORNER	
June 02 - 03 / 2018	827.00
Tather's Day	247.00
Bishop's Appeal	40.00
Catholic Communications	20.00
Peter's Pence	10.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,144.00</b>

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS	
10 Jun	Air Conditioning
17 Jun	Bishop's Appeal
24 Jun	Peter's Pence
01 Jul	Building & Ground Maintenance

### The Widow's Gift

The temple was big and beautiful. Many people came there to worship God. Inside the temple were some big money boxes. People put money in them. The money was for the temple and all that was used in worship to God.

One day Jesus sat across from the money boxes. He saw many rich people put in lots of money. Then one poor woman, a widow, walked up to the boxes. She put in two small copper coins worth less than a penny.

Jesus looked at his friends. "This poor woman put in more than the rich people did," he said. "Here's why: the rich people still have much money left. But this woman only had two coins. She did not have any more money. The rich people only gave part of what they had. She gave *all* of what she had." [Mark 12:41-43](#)

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS/ Save the Date			
Mon	17 Sept		Golf Tournament at Western Turnpike Golf Course
Mon	17 Sept		Raffle Drawing

Hospitality		
Sun	10 Jun	Rosemary Patnode
Sun	17 Jun	Deeb Family
Sun	24 Jun	Available
Sun	01 Jul	Available

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

***It is your responsibility to provide all supplies, clean up afterwards and remove the garbage***

### MEMORIALS for the month of May

#### Altar Bread, Wine & Sanctuary Lamp

In memory of,  
The Daniel-Lucas/Bushell/Handy  
&  
Metz - Volkomer Families  
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In Memory of,  
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"It is better to be the child of God than king of the whole world."

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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## Points of Interest

### Annual Maronite Convention:

11-15 July: 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Maronite Convention in Houston TX. Call (914) 964-3070 for more information or register online at [www.namnews.org](http://www.namnews.org)

### St. Charbel Shrine:

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> Miracle:** In 1937, Eskandar Obeid, an ironmonger from Baabdat, lost the sight in one of his eyes. A team of doctors, recommended the eye be remove. He was referred him to the best specialists in Beirut who also recommended the removal of the eye. The condition persisted. Eskandar prayed and waited for a sign to visit St Charbel's tomb. One night, the saint appeared in a dream and signaled to Eskandar to go to the monastery.

He spent the day in prayer at St Maron's monastery and fell asleep near the tomb. He began to feel pain in his eye, which he took as an answer to his prayer. He returned to Baabdat. The pain persisted until it became unbearable. Finally, he fell asleep. In a dream, he found himself near St Mousa's church door unloading a truck. Suddenly, the truck driver poked him in the affected eye with an iron rod. He woke up terrified. In another dream, he found himself next to a monk who was applying some detergent to his eye saying, "You'll feel agonizing pain, but you'll be cured." Then the monk disappeared. Eskandar looked and saw written on the floor, "Charbel, the Slave of God." He gasped and woke up. He covered his good eye with a handkerchief and, with his bad eye, could clearly see a photo St Charbel on display. He and his wife shouted with immense joy. Neighbors joined them, chanting and singing hymns.

### Please clean the Hall before leaving:

If you would like to offer coffee hour on a Sunday please keep in mind that It is your responsibility to provide all the supplies, clean up afterwards and remove the garbage. We sincerely appreciate your generosity and cooperation.

### Pastoral Instruction

- + **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 Memory of the deceased members of the TAMER & THORNTON Families
In Loving Memory of Joseph & Helen YAMIN JABOUR requested by Joe & Kathy JABOUR	In Loving Memory of James TRAA Requested by his wife Beverly Traa and the Family
In Loving Memory of Walter & Mary GOLDEN & the deceased members of the VOLKOMER & GOLDEN Families	Pray for an End to ABORTION

May the souls of the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God,  
rest in peace.  
Amen



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