

Saint Ann Maronite Catholic Church



Season of the Glorious Epiphany of the Lord

First Sunday after Epiphany

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*Understanding Counsel Fortitude
Knowledge Piety Fear of God*

MARONITE LITURGY

Service of the Word

Just as in the Lord's first Mass, the Service of the Word in the Maronite Divine Liturgy, begins with a longing of the heart for an encounter with Christ, our Teacher and the Savior. We desire to be enlightened by His words, that shed their light on our daily life, to strengthen our faith, provide hope and enflame in our hearts with love. The symbols for this enlightenment are manifested by the presence of one candle adjacent to the lectern during the reading of the Epistle and two for the Gospel. This symbolism can be traced back to the a line by the author of the Book of Psalms:

"Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light for my path"

(Psalm 119:105).

With the preparation of the offerings on the side altar, we offer up our very selves, our love for God and for each other, our good works, pains and worries, and the intentions of our prayers. With the priest, we enter the house of the Lord and bow our heads before the holy Throne, supporting each other in prayer. With Him, we begin the Service of the Word by making the Sign of the Cross for the glory of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, reciting the opening prayer of the day.

... to be continued

BULLETIN Jan 7 – 8 /2017

Liturgical Schedule & Intentions				Readers & Greeter	Readings	Feast day
Sat	07 Jan	4:30 PM	For the donors of Catholic Extension society		G: Lk 7:18-30 E: Col 1:24-29	Praises to John the Baptist, M
Sun	08 Jan	10:00 AM	For Foutine Frangieh (40 Days Mass) by the family	Greeter: Karen Rezey En: Beverly Traa Ar: Rita Frangieh	G: Jn 1:29-34 E: 2 Cor 10:1-11	
Thu	12 Jan	12:00 PM	No Divine Liturgy		G: Jn 3:31-36 E: 2 Cor 11:18, -22-30	
Fri	13 Jan	6:30 PM	No Divine Liturgy		G: Mt 14:1-12 E: 2 Cor 12:1-10	St. Jacob of Nisibis, C

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

FINACIAL CORNER	
Dec 31 & Jan 1 / 2017	
First Collection	457.00
Snow Removal	90.00
Bishop's Appeal	30.00
USCCB Charities	10.00
TOTAL	\$587.00

Thank you! شكر
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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

Hospitality		
Sun	08 Jan	Frangieh Family
Sun	15 Jan	Available
Sun	22 Jan	Religious Education
Sun	29 Jan	Available

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

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS	
08 Jan	Support for Assessment
15 Jan	Fuel & Heat
22 Jan	USCCB Charities
29 Jan	Bishop's Appeal

"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

For the good health of the Karrat and Hakim Families
by Betty and Fred Karrat



Incense, Charcoal, & Candles

For the good health of Wadih Frangieh and family
by Wadih and Rita Frangieh

Customary offering is \$60 per month.

" The Eucharist is that love which surpasses all loves in Heaven and on earth. "

St. Bernard

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.

Note: Father Alaa will be away from Jan 9 through Jan 13. In his absence, there will be no liturgy and the office will be closed. In the event of an emergency please call his cell phone and leave a message. He will return your call as soon as possible.

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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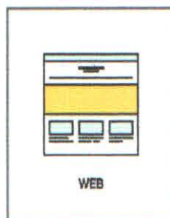
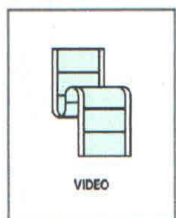
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