



Saint Ann Maronite Catholic Church

Season of the Holy Cross
2nd Sunday after Holy Cross

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MARONITE HISTORY

The Franciscans in Lebanon

After a lapse of several decades, the popes of the fifteenth century took a renewed interest in the East, and especially in reuniting those who had separated from Rome. Missionaries from various religious orders were sent to the Middle East. The Franciscans especially became active in Lebanon at this time.

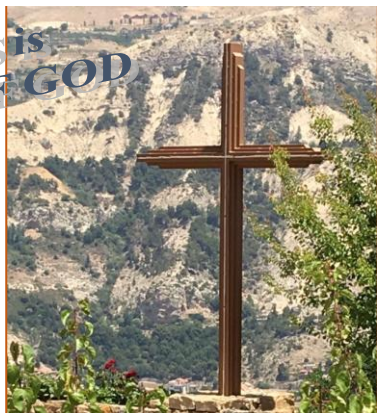
In response to an invitation from Pope Eugene IV to attend the Council of Ferrar-Florence, Patriarch John al-Jajji commissioned the Superior of the Franciscans in Beyrouth to represent the Maronite Church and to assure the Holy Father that the Maronite Patriarch accepted in advance all the decisions of the Council. Suspicious and angered by the developing ties between the Maronite Patriarch and the West, the governor of Tripoli sent soldiers to destroy the monastery of Maiphouq in 1439. As a result, Patriarch John al-Jajji moved his residence to the monastery of Qannoubin in the "holy valley" [wadi qadisha] in 1440. At this residence, dedicated to Our Lady, the Patriarchs were to remain for the next three centuries, living an austere and simple existence.

In 1444 the Holy See created an Apostolic Commissioner for the Maronites, Druze and Melkites. The most active among the missionaries in Lebanon was the Franciscan friar Gryphon who had studied Arabic and Syriac in Jerusalem and who chose to live and work among the Maronites. He constantly traveled through the mountain villages from 1455 to 1469 building new churches there. He enjoyed the complete confidence of Patriarch Peter al-Hadathi who encouraged him to preach in all the Maronite parishes and monasteries.

On the other hand, Friar Gryphon also sought to Latinize some Maronite liturgical practices, but this was met with resistance from the Maronite clergy. However, on a mission to Rome, Friar Gryphon wrote a letter to the Maronites affirming their faith and their perpetual union with the Holy See. He also noted that the Maronites frequented the churches of the Franks, celebrating at their altars with the same articles and making the sign of the cross the way the Franks did.

The Maronite areas enjoyed some tranquility in the second half of the fifteenth century. Christians gathered together in large numbers. The village of Hadsheet alone had twenty priests. In the churches of Besharri, there were as many altars as days in the year. Over one hundred monasteries were scattered over the mountain. Peace, although relative, led to prosperity. As a consequence there was a development of intellectual and spiritual life. Schools multiplied and churches were augmented. *To be continued....*

*The CROSS is
the POWER OF GOD*



*From Bekaa Kafra- Lebanon
By Sarkis Wadih Frangieh*

Liturgical Schedule & Intentions				Readers & Greeter	Readings	Feast day
Sat	23 Sep	4:30 PM	For the donors of Catholic Extension		E: Rev 2:18 -29 G: Mt 20:1-16	
Sun	24 Sep	10:00 AM	In loving memory of Edith Farina by Elias & Georgette Hannoush & Family	Greeter: Rick Thornton En: Gabriella Hannoush Ar: Michel Botrous	E: 1 Cor 15:19-34 G: Mt 24:1-14	St. Thecla, First Woman Martyr
Thu	28 Sep	12:00 PM	For the donors of Catholic Extension		E: Rev 4:1-11 G: Mt 12:33-37	
Fri	29 Sep	12:00 PM	For the donors of Catholic Extension		E: Rev 5 1-10 G: Mt 12:38-42	Sts. Romanos, C

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

FINACIAL CORNER

Sep 16 & 17 / 2017	1,414.00
Hurricane Irma	228.00
Donations	360.00
TOTAL	\$2,002.00

Thank You! شكرًا
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UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS/ Save the Date

Thu	21 Sep	6:30 pm	Daughters of St. Ann
Sun	24 Sep	10:00 am	Children Liturgy
Sun	01 Oct	11:00 am	Religious Education
Wed	04 Oct	6:30 pm	Parish Council
Sun	15 Oct	11:00 am	Religious Education
Sat	21 Oct	5:30 pm	Halloween Party
Sat	04 Nov	7:00 pm	Haffli
Sun	05 Nov	11:00 am	Religious Education
Wed	06 Dec	6:30 pm	Parish Council

Hospitality

Sun	24 Sep	Available
Sun	01 Oct	Patnode Family
Sun	08 Oct	Boutros Family
Sun	15 Oct	Daughters of St. Ann

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

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

24 Sep	Building & Grounds Maintenance
01 Oct	Fuel & Heat
08 Oct	Parish Programs
15 Oct	Assessment

"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 attend mass, **please consider sending a check or donating online**. Your support helps us to continue our mission.

MEMORIALS for the month of September

Altar Bread, Wine & Sanctuary Lamp

In loving memory of Jim Traa
by Beverly Traa

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Customary offering is \$60 per month.



"Life is not fair but you've got to deal with it."

Sarkis Wadiah Frangieh

Points of Interest

Children's Mass: The Divine Liturgy will be offered this Sunday for the children of the parish. Please have your children bring their school bags to church for a special blessing.

Eparchial Event: The Eighth Annual Benefit Dinner for the Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn will take place on Thursday, October 5, 2017, in New York City. This will be a very special Dinner, as we will honor Dr. Josyann Abisaab and Habib Kairouz! All friends and supporters of the Maronite Church are invited. You may register for the dinner online via the Eparchy's website (www.stmaron.org), or you may obtain a printed invitation for the Dinner from me or by sending an email to saintmaron@yahoo.com. Please consider attending this important event to support the Eparchy.

Holy Land Tour: All inclusive pilgrimage including meals, comfortable accommodations, modern bus transfers, professional tour guides and round trip airfare. This is an exclusive, small group that will be heading to the Holy Land from April 27 – May 7, 2018. This inaugural tour is limited to only 50 people. The all inclusive price is \$3900 pp. A deposit of \$1000 will secure your spot. Deposit must be made by Dec. 10, 2017 (made to Heart of Jesus Church). Contact Ferial Youakim (954) 328-2732 or ferial@byferial.com for more information. Sponsored by Heart of Jesus Catholic Church, Maronite Rite, in Fort Lauderdale, FL.

Religious Education: First Communion classes begin on Sunday, Oct. 1, immediately following Divine Liturgy. Please ensure children are present at Mass and Religious Education. Our topic will be God Made Us. We will also be learning to make the Sign of the Cross.

Halloween Party: Bring the kids in dignified costumes and enjoy our annual Halloween Party on Saturday, October 21 at 5:30 PM (Please – no ghoulish costumes!). A fun event for all the family.

+ **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



*Hail, our life and
sweetness, Hail, our hope,
Hail Queen of the Rosary
of Fatima pray for us*

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