



# Saint Ann Maronite Catholic Church

*Season of the Holy Cross*  
*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Holy Cross*

## MARONITE HISTORY

### *The Persecutions*

The peace that Maronites enjoyed during this period was relative and intermittent. The mouqaddimin were not always able to protect their compatriots from the tyrannical measures that were decreed. In a report sent from Qannoubin to the Holy Father in 1475 by the Papal legate, Brother Alexander of Arioste states:

“In the midst of this [Maronite] nation live the Saracens [Muslims] . . . Their tyranny knows no rest. Also in parts of Lebanon, there is only desolation, provoking tears. Under the pretext of raising a certain tribute that they call *jizya*, they [the agents of the authority] despoil the poor mountain people of all that they have; afterwards, they beat them with rods, inflicting all sorts of torments to extort from them what they do not have. Against these vexations, there is only one recourse possible, apostasy. Many might have fallen if it had not been for the charity of their pious Patriarch [Peter ibn Hassan] who came to their aid. Dismayed at the peril to the souls of his sheep, he gave over all the revenues of his churches to satisfy the greed of the tyrants. The door of the patriarchal monastery was walled up; sometimes he was obliged to hide in caves hollowed out of the earth.

Oftentimes it was the patriarchs who were the focus of persecution. Patriarch David of Hadsheet was put to death by Sultan Qalaoun in 1282, and Patriarch Gabriel of Hajoula was burned at the stake near Tripoli in 1367. In a letter to Pope Leo X on March 8, 1514, Patriarch Simon declares: “We pray to God that during your days, we are liberated from the jurisdiction of the infidels who devour us, crush us and inflict on us taxes, very heavy tributes, affronts, persecutions and blows.”

... To be continued....

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**St. Charbel  
pray for us**

*St. Charbel- Lebanon  
By Nicole Shekrallah Akiki*

Liturgical Schedule & Intentions				Readers & Greeter	Readings	Feast day
<b>Sat</b>	30 Sep	4:30 PM	<i>Joseph Mardigian by John &amp; Victoria Healy</i>		E: Rev 6:9 -17 G: Mt 12:43-45	St. Gregory the Illuminator, M
<b>Sun</b>	01 Oct	10:00 AM	<i>In loving memory of Edith Joseph Patnode by Patnode Family. For the Children of St. Ann</i>	Greeter: Patricia Thornton En: Joelle Hannoush Ar: Rita Frangieh	E: Phil 3:17-4:1 G: Mt 24:23-31	St. Therese, Doctor of the Church, C
<b>Thu</b>	05 Oct	12:00 PM	<i>For the donors of Catholic Extension</i>		E: Rev 12:1-12 G: Lk 21:34-38	
<b>Fri</b>	06 Oct	12:00 PM	<i>For the donors of Catholic Extension</i>		E: Rev 13:1- 15-18 G: Jn 5:17-23	St. Thomas, Ap

### FINACIAL CORNER

<b>Sep 23 &amp; 24 / 2017</b>	1,007.00
<b>Buildings &amp; Grounds</b>	113.00
<b>Air Conditioning</b>	15.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,135.00</b>

*Thank you!* شکران  
shukran

### UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

<b>01 Oct</b>	Fuel & Heat
<b>08 Oct</b>	Parish Programs
<b>15 Oct</b>	Assessment
<b>22 Oct</b>	World Mission Sunday

"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.

### UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS/ Save the Date

<b>Sun</b>	01 Oct	11:00 am	Children's Liturgy / Religious Education
<b>Wed</b>	04 Oct	6:30 pm	Parish Council
<b>Sun</b>	15 Oct	11:00 am	Religious Education
<b>Sat</b>	21 Oct	5:30 pm	Halloween Party
<b>Sat</b>	04 Nov	7:00 pm	Haffli
<b>Sun</b>	05 Nov	11:00 am	Religious Education
<b>Sun</b>	19 Nov	11:00 am	Religious Education
<b>Sun</b>	03 Dec	11:00 am	Religious Education
<b>Wed</b>	06 Dec	6:30 pm	Parish Council

### Hospitality

<b>Sun</b>	01 Oct	Patnode Family
<b>Sun</b>	08 Oct	Boutros Family
<b>Sun</b>	15 Oct	Daughters of St. Ann
<b>Sun</b>	22 Oct	Rolla Mooney

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

### MEMORIALS for the month of October

#### Altar Bread, Wine & Sanctuary Lamp

In loving memory of Edith, Donald Patnode, Sr

& Son Vincent Paul

by Patnode Family



#### Incense, Charcoal, & Candles

In loving memory of

Abraham, Mary Joseph, Daughters Mary, Kathrine, Rose

Lena & Edith

By Patnode Family

Customary offering is \$60 per month.



*"With faith all things are possible. Mark 9:23"*

*Nicole Shekrallah Akiki*

## 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](http://www.stmaron.org)), or you may obtain a printed invitation for the Dinner from me or by sending an email to [saintmaron@yahoo.com](mailto: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](mailto: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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