

## Saint Ann Maronite Catholic Church

### Sunday of the Priests

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"The priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus"

St. John Vianney
Patron Saint of all the priests



### MARONITE HISTORY

### **Maronite Practice in the 17th Century**

The Maronite life-style of this time is reported by two Western voyagers, John Cotovicus and Francois de Breves. Cotovicus, who traveled to Jerusalem and the Middle East in 1598 and 1599, reports that the Patriarch of the Maronites has the title Patriarch of Antioch and has ten suffragan bishops, who have no dioceses of their own. He mentions that the Maronites use western practices such as bells, miter, ring and unleavened bread. But they also retain eastern customs such as married clergy, communion to infants, the faithful receive the Eucharist under the forms of bread and wine, and Easter is kept according to the ancient manner.

Francois de Breves gives us a description of a patriarchal Divine Liturgy at Qannoubin in 1605. He notes that the Maronite Liturgy is similar to that of the Roman, with the exception that neither the priests nor the people ever kneel during the divine service. We are told that the Patriarch lived in simple poverty, and was loved and revered as a "demi-god", because of the candor and sanctity of his life. The monks in Lebanon never ate meat and lived on roots, beans and fruits. Also, at that time, there were 600 villages in Lebanon under the rule of the Patriarch.

In 1609, the Bishops unanimously elected John Makhlouf Patriarch. He was noted for his deep piety and heroic virtue and supposedly had a vision when he was in the province of Kesrawan. In a letter dated October 7, 1610, Pope Paul V stated that since he has heard that the Druze Emir Of Lebanon, Fakhred-din II, was an enemy of the Turks and was favorable toward the Christians, the Maronites should cultivate his friendship to gain his protection.

|     |           | Liturgic | al Schedule & Intentions             | Readers & Greeter   | Readings                          | Feast day                     |
|-----|-----------|----------|--------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Sat | 20<br>Jan | 4:30 PM  | For the donors of Catholic Extension |   | E: 2 Cor 13:5-13<br>G: Mt 10:1-6  | St. Euthymius the<br>Great, C |
| Sun | 21<br>Jan | 10:00 AM | In loving memory of Wadad Frangie    | Greeter: Rosemary<br>Patnode<br>En: Patricia Thornton<br>Ar: Michel Boutros | E: 1 Tim 4:6-16<br>G: Lk 12:42-48 |                               |
| Thu | 25<br>Jan | 12:00 PM | No Liturgy                           |   | E: 2 Tim 3:10-17<br>G: Lk 17:7-10 | Conversion of St.<br>Paul, Ap |
| Fri | 26<br>Jan | 12:00 PM | No Liturgy                           |   | E: 2 Tim 4:1-8<br>G: Lk 22:24-30  |                               |

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

| FINANCIAL CORNER   |            |  |
|--------------------|------------|--|
| Jan 13 & 14 / 2018 | 624.00     |  |
| Snow Removal       | 111.00     |  |
| Bulletin Income    | 250.00     |  |
| Donations          | 60.00      |  |
|                    |            |  |
| TOTAL              | \$1,045.00 |  |

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







| Hospitality |        |           |
|-------------|--------|-----------|
| Sun         | 21 Jan | Available |
| Sun         | 28 Jan | Available |
| Sun         | 04 Feb | St. Maron |
| Sun         | 11 Feb | Available |

# UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS 21 Jan Support for Assessment 28 Jan USCCB Worldwide Charities 04 Feb Building & Ground Maintenance 11 Feb Support for Bishop's Appeal



### 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.

"I have separated you from other people, that you should be Mine."

Leviticus 20:26

### **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.

**Bulletin Ads:** Thank you for supporting our bulletin ads and spreading the word of God. Annual renewal of these ads is from now until the end of February. For those who already have an ad / memorial, it's time to renew. And for those who are interested in placing a memorial, please contact Fr. Alaa.

**Envelopes 2018:** Dear parishioners thank you for your support of St. Ann Church during the 2017. Your envelops for 2018 are ready, please take your envelops, you will find them 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.

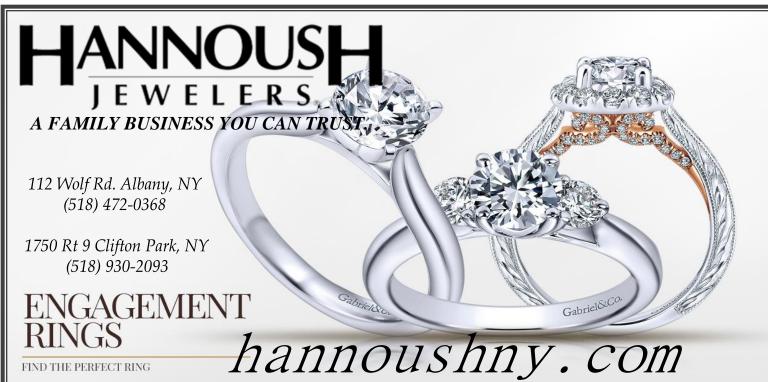
- + BAPTISM & CHRISMATION: Preparation is required. We encourage this to begin at least one month before the Baptism.
- + MARRIAGES: Arrangements six (6) months in advance.
- + NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome to our parish family. May you find spiritual nourishment among our community. Please be sure to register 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.

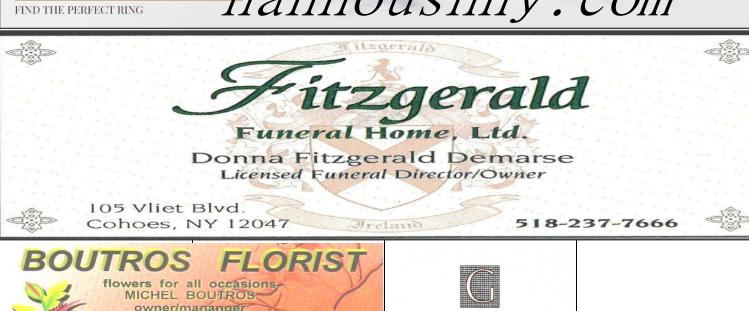
## In Loving Memory of Abraham & Mary (Joseph) NACKLEY & daughters Mary, Catherine, Rose, Lena & Edith

| In Memory of the<br>deceased members of<br>The RICE & HEALY<br>Families                           | In Memory of<br>Michael-David<br>HANNOUSH<br>by his grandparents,<br>Elias & Georgette            |
|---|---|
| In Memory of<br>the deceased members of<br>the REZEY & NACKLEY,<br>SEE & CLOUGH Families          | In Loving Memory of<br>Our parents Claramae &<br>Joseph KARAM<br>requested by the<br>KARAM Family |
| In Loving Memory of<br>Rose, Fr. Paul, Mike, Joe &<br>Peter<br>KORKEMAZ                           | In Memory of the<br>deceased members of<br>The TALARICO & DEEP<br>Families                        |
| In Loving Memory of<br>Dominic & Edith FARINA<br>requested by their Family                        |   |
| In Loving Memory of<br>Joseph & Helen YAMIN<br>JABOUR<br>requested by Joe & Kathy<br>JABOUR       | In Memory of<br>the deceased members<br>of the TAMER &<br>THORNTON Families                       |
| In Loving Memory of Walter & Mary GOLDEN & the deceased members of the VOLKOMER & GOLDEN Families | In Loving Memory of<br>James TRAA<br>Requested by his wife<br>Beverly Traa and the<br>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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