

# Saint Ann Maronite Catholic Church

# Third Sunday of Great Lent Healing of the Hemorrhaging Woman

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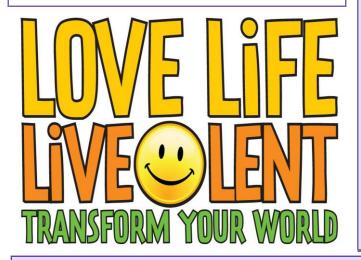
Thu - Fri: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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#### **MARONITE HISTORY**

#### Patriarch Joseph Agouri (1644- 1648) and the Synod of 1644

In sharp contrast to Patriarch Joseph el-Ruzzi, Patriarch Aqouri had a strong desire to return to and preserve the ancient customs. Therefore, he convoked a synod of the clergy and people at the Monastery of St. John the Baptist in Harash in Lebanon. The Synod opened on December 5, 1644 and was attended by seven bishops and some priests. The Synod re-instituted the practice forbidding bishops to eat meat. It also forbade the activity of Western Missionaries and Religious Orders in Maronite parishes without the permission of the Patriarch.

The Synod of 1644 seems to have restored some of the ancient practices more by what it did not legislate than by explicit decree. For example, there is no mention made of the obligation to use the Missal of 1592 with its borrowing from the Roman Missal, nor is there any reference to fasting on the vigils of feasts. However, the Synod also repeated many of the Latinizations of the previous synods. While there was an attempt to return to ancient customs, there resulted a confirmation of many western practices. The two currents of Latinization and reaction to it were to continue to oppose each other, both in spirit and in practice until the definitive synod of 1736.

As we have seen in other periods, one way to study Maronite History is by describing and interpreting events as they occurred during the reign of each patriarch. We will use this approach in discussing the last half of the 17th century.

#### Patriarch John Safrawi (1648-56)

Patriarch Safrawi lived a life of abnegation, penance and extreme asceticism, and was noted for his practice of prayer and austerity. He supervised the publication of two volumes of the Divine Office. He also prepared an edition of the Fengeeto or the Book of Fixed Feasts.

Through diplomatic missions Patriarch Safrawi was able to obtain a commitment of "protection and special safeguard" for the Maronites from the king of France. In answer to the Patriarch's request for help, King Louis XIV, while still a minor, wrote a letter to the Maronite Patriarch in 1649. He stated that he had advised his ambassador to the Levant and his successors to give the Maronites every assistance and protection, "so that they suffer no ill treatment and are free to exercise their spiritual function."

Liturgical Schedule & Intentions				Readers & Greeter	Readings	Feast day
Sat	24 Feb	4:30 PM	For the donors of Catholic Extension		E: Heb 12:28-13:9 G: Mk 11:19-25	
Sun	25 Feb	10:00 AM	In loving memory of Elias Rahal & Joseph Hanna Semaan by Elias & Georgette Hannoush & family	Greeter: P. Thornton En: Bob Stolar Ar: Diana Hannoush	E: 2 Cor 7:4-11 G: Lk 8:40-56	
Thu	01 Mar	12:00 PM	No Liturgy		E: Gal 1:1-10 G: Lk 17:20-37	St. Domnina, C St. Aidokia, C
Fri	02 Mar	6:30 PM	Veneration & Stations of the Cross		E: Phil 1:21-30 G: Mt 5:13-17	St. John Maron, C

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

FINANCIAL CORNER	
Feb 10 & 11 / 2018	581.00
Feb 17 & 18 / 2018	940.00
Ash Monday	40.00
St. Maron	15.00
Bishop's Appeal	183.00
Snow Removal	145.00
USCCB	10.00
Bulletin Income	575.00
Memorials	175.00
Donations from individuals	120.00
TOTAL	\$2,784.00

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS/ Save the Date			
Sun	04 Mar	11:00 am	Religious Education
Sat	10 Mar	9:30 am – 12:00 Pm	
Sat	10 Mar	9:30 am – 3:00 pm	Children retreat with the Sisters of the Maronite Servants of Christ the Light
Sun	11 Mar	10:00 am	Liturgy followed by breakfast with the Maronite Sisters
Sun	18 Mar	11:00 am	Craft & Candles Sale
Sun	25 Mar	11:00 am	Sweet Sale

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS		
25 Feb	Fuel & heat	
04 Mar	4 Mar Support for Assessment	
11 Mar Easter Flowers		
18 Mar Fuel and Heat		

Hospitality			
Sun	25 Feb	Available	
Sun	04 Mar	Available	
Sun	<b>Sun</b> 11 Mar Breakfast with the Maronite Sisters		
Sun	18 Mar	Available	

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

It is your responsibility to clean up and put the garbage out

Where there is charity and wisdom, there is neither fear nor ignorance.

Francis of Assisi

## MEMORIALS for the month of February

Altar Bread, Wine & Sanctuary Lamp

In loving memory of

Eugenie Zahra, Souad tannous, Michel Boutros,

Mounir & Novalinen & Baby Rita Rizek

By Michel & Kathy Boutros



**Incense, Charcoal, & Candles** 

For the good health of Raymond Guerin and Peter Pastore

By John & Joan Guerin

Customary offering is \$60 per month.







"Prayer is powerful beyond limits when we turn to the Immaculata who is queen even of God's heart."

St. Maximilian Kolbe

## **Points of Interest**

Religious Education: As our children prepare for their First Communion, they are learning about the Sacraments. Reflecting on their Baptism & Chrismation, they realized that without a priest, there would be no Church. No priest, no Penance; no priest, no Eucharist and no First Communion. Throughout Lent, they will be praying for our 4 seminarians and raising awareness of their needs through small monetary sacrifices. At Easter they will send a check to Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Seminary, along with personal, hand written notes. Please see Carolyn Lalli if you would like to join the children in this effort of support. "No man is born a priest" - Pope Benedict XVI. Any gift you make will have a positive effect.

**Discernment Weekend:** Hearing God's call in a world where there is so much noise is never easy. Nonetheless, we know there are men in our parishes called to the priesthood. The Office of Vocations of the Eparchies of Our Lady of Lebanon and Saint Maron, will be holding a discernment weekend from **Friday April 13 to Sunday April 15 at the Maronite Seminary, in Washington DC.** If you know of someone who is interested, please contact Fr. 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 Betty Karrat.

#### Veneration & Station of the Cross:

Please Join us every Friday at 6:30 pm, throughout Lent as we prayerfully reflect on the passion of Christ.

# Please clean the Hall before leaving:

If you would like to offer coffee hour on a Sunday please keep in your mind that It is your responsibility to clean up and put the garbage out. We deeply thank you for your generosity and cooperation.

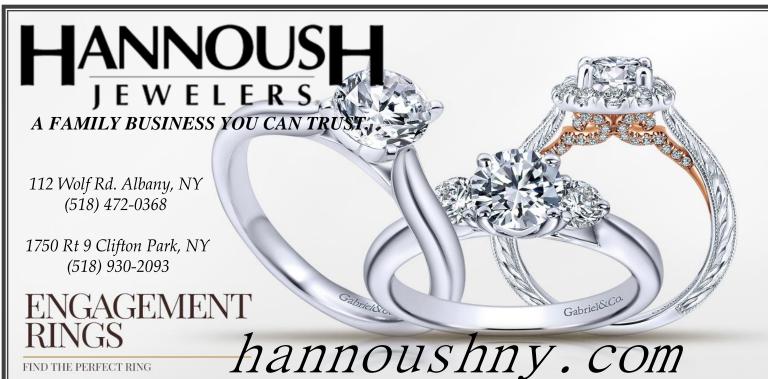
- + BAPTISM & CHRISMATION: Preparation is required. We encourage this to begin at least one month before the Baptism.
- + MARRIAGES: Arrangements six (6) months in advance.
- + NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome to our parish family. May you find spiritual nourishment among our community. Please be sure to register 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 <i>Beverly Traa</i> and the Family
In Loving Memory of Walter & Mary GOLDEN & the deceased members of the VOLKOMER &	Pray for an End to ABORTION



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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