

Saint Ann Maronite Catholic Church

Feast of the Epiphany

Season of the Glorious Epiphany



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Thank you for worshipping with us today. We are blessed by your presence. The Maronite Church is one of 21 Eastern Catholic Churches in full communion with Rome. The Maronite Church dates back to the early Christians of Antioch where "they were called Christians for the first time" (Acts 11:26)

Some differences you may notice

- + The Entrance dialog and Consecration are in Syriac Aramaic, the language of Jesus, Mary and the Apostles.
 - + The Sign of Peace begins at the altar and is carried to the congregants by peace bearers.
 - + Communion is by intinction and on the tongue. There is no communion in the hand.
- We hope and pray your experience is spiritually enriching.

QURBONO The Book of Offering

THE STRUCTURE OF THE NEW MARONITE QURBONO

The Service of the Eucharist/Qurbono

This service consists in the consecration of the *Qurbono*, that is, in its offering at the altar; in the remembrance of the Last Supper, death, and resurrection of Christ; in the invocation of the Holy Spirit; and, lastly, in communion shared by celebrant and congregation.

The proper place to celebrate the *Qurbono* in the church is the altar, for the *Qurbono* is a sacrifice. Thus, the celebrant proceeds from the place where the Service of the Word is celebrated to that of the Service of the *Qurbono*.

The Preparation

The Services of the Word and of the *Qurbono* are preceded by lesser rites of preparation. The Service of the Word is preceded by the vesting of the ministers, the lighting of the candles, and the entrance of the ministers. The Service of the *Qurbono* is preceded by the access to the altar, the transfer of the offerings, their actual offering, and the placing of them on the altar.

The transfer of the offerings is preceded by their physical preparation on a small altar, or on the side of the main altar during weekdays, before the beginning of any other rite and without the participation of the people.

.. ... to be continued



Liturgical Schedule & Intentions				Readers & Greeter	Readings	Feast Day
Sat	05 Jan	4:30 PM	For the Donors of Catholic Extension Society		E: Rom 5:11-11 G: Lk 3:1-6	St. Paul, the First Hermit, C St. John Neumann, C
Sun	06 Jan	10:00 AM	For the Donors of Catholic Extension Society	Greeter: Patti Thornton En: Bob Stolar Ar: Michel Boutros	E: Tit 2:11-3:7 G: Lk3:15-22	Epiphany
Thu	10 Jan	12:00 PM	No Liturgy		E: Gal 5:16-26 G: Jn 5:39-47	
Fri	11 Jan	12:00 PM	No Liturgy		E: Gal 6:1-10 G: Mt 3:7-12	

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

FINANCIAL CORNER	
Dec 29 -30 / 2018	580.00
Snow Removal	70.00
Fuel	18.00
Donations	90.00
Memorial	100.00
TOTAL	\$858.00

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS/ Save the Date			
Sun	Jan 6	10 am	Epiphany/ blessing the water
		11 am	Religious Education
Wed	Feb 6	6:30 pm	Parish Council Meeting
Sun	Feb 10	After Liturgy	St. Maron Luncheon

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS	
06 Jan	Fuel & Heat
13 Jan	Bishop's Appeal
20 Jan	Snow Removal
27 Dec	USCCB Charities

Hospitality		
Sun	06 Jan	Available
Sun	13 Jan	Available
Sun	20 Jan	40 Day Mass – Thomas Riley & Baby Connor Strain
Sun	27 Jan	Available

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

It is your responsibility to provide all supplies, clean up afterwards and remove the garbage



Thank you for your Donation!

“Remember the past with gratitude. Live the present with enthusiasm. Look forward to the future with confidence.”

Saint John Paul II

MEMORIALS for the month of January 2019

Altar Bread, Wine & Sanctuary Lamp

In thanksgiving, for health,
prosperity and protection
by John & Joann Guerin

Incense, Charcoal, & Candles

For the many people less fortunate than us
By John & Joann Guerin

We pray to you O Lord for the intentions of the above donors



Points of Interest

Memorials 2019:

MEMORIALS for 2019 are available should anyone like to offer Altar Bread, Wine & Sanctuary Lamp Incense, Charcoal, & Candles for the coming year. Please see Father Alaa.

Envelopes 2019:

Thank you for your support of St. Ann Church throughout 2018. Your 2019 envelopes, with gift pen, are ready in the parish hall. Please remember to take your envelopes, and verify your name and number are correct. If you don't see your envelopes, check with Fr. Alaa. Your commitment and support enables the parish family of St Ann to carry out its mission and provides for a secure future. I deeply thank you. May God, reward your loving concern and generosity.



Blessing of the water

The Blessing of the Water rite will take place on Sunday, Jan. 6 during the 10 am Divine Liturgy. Since this is not a transferable feast, there is no blessing at the Saturday evening vigil.

Epiphany (Denho)

Earthly things take on a spiritual significance during special feasts and rituals throughout the liturgical year. Water, for instance, is blessed in various ways to give it a spiritual dimension. At Epiphany water is blessed with a lighted coal to signify the fire of the Spirit who entered the Jordan River at Christ's baptism.

Office Closed

The parish business office will be closed from Thursday Dec 27 through Friday January 11. In the event of an emergency, please call Deacon Rick's cell phone.



Pastoral Instruction

- + **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.
- + **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	Prayer for Life Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn child that I have spiritually adopted, who is in danger of abortion. Bishop Fulton J. Sheen
In Loving Memory of Walter & Mary GOLDEN & the deceased members of the VOLKOMER & GOLDEN Families	
	In loving memory of James Traa Requested by Beverly Traa

May the souls of the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God,
rest in peace.
Amen



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