**Our Clergy**

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We are the Maronite Eastern Catholic Community of Saint Joseph Parish in Sandy Springs GA, part of the Universal Catholic Church. We follow and preserve the rich traditions and heritage of the Monastic Maronite Antiochene Catholic Eastern Syriac rite. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we are empowered by our baptismal promises and the Lord’s disciples as stewards of God’s bountiful gifts. Our purpose is to joyfully proclaim the presence of Christ to the total community by dedicating ourselves to worshiping, teaching, learning and living the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We are a family of God who works together for the spiritual, physical and social growth of the community. We respect every individual regardless of race or ethnic origin and we welcome them as part of our community. We are committed to preserve and pass-on our Eastern Antiochene tradition and spiritual heritage to our children.
October 6, 2019  Fourth Sunday after Holy Cross (Rosary Sunday)

**Mass Intentions**

**Sunday, October 6**  
11:00 AM  
Forty Day Liturgy for Hoda Azzi, requested by Georges Azzi

**Tuesday, October 8**  
10:00 AM  
For Charlie Golson, Requested by Fred and June Isaf

**Thursday, October 10**  
10:00 AM  
For Bill Mariannes, requested by Fred and June Isaf

**Readings of the Week**

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**Visiting the Sick**

If you know a parishioner who is sick or shut-in, and who would like Father to visit, please send that person’s contact information to the parish office: info@sjmcc.org or 404-525-2504.

**Respect Life**

Join in a peaceful, silent and PRAYERFUL presence for those who can’t speak for themselves, pre-natal babies. Take a stand for Life! Respect Life Sunday is October 6th; come pray 2:30-3:30pm - by Perimeter Mall, Hammond Dr. at Ashford Dunwoody Rd (just outside I-285). You can park securely at the South East corner of the Mall, or take Marta to the Dunwoody train station, with a 6 minute walk.

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

To offer a Mass for a loved one, please stop by the parish office or call us to check the schedule and book your Mass.
The Ladies Altar and Rosary Society will meet on Sunday, October 6, 2019 at 10AM in the conference room. All ladies of the parish are invited!

In a united effort to meet the spiritual needs of our growing parish, the ladies of the Altar and Rosary Society will be leading the rosary in both English and Arabic each month. October is the month of the Rosary. We will lead the rosary every Sunday immediately after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. On October 13, the rosary will also be recited in Arabic at 10:20. The rosary is prayed in the chapel, and all parishioners are welcome to join either (or both!) sessions.

If you would like to donate flowers for the altars in memory of a loved one or for a special intention, contact Elizabeth Mahfoud (bettymahfoud@aol.com.) Flowers cost $100 for the month.

If you would like to donate bread, wine, or sanctuary candles for the altars, please contact us at info@sjmcc.org.

Gifts for the Altar

Gifts for the month of October are given by:
Mr. & Mrs. Delgross in memory of their parents, Oliver and Ann Broz,
Mr. and Mrs. Hiffa in memory of their parents,
Mr. & Mrs. Mahfoud in memory of their parents.
Flowers arranged by FlowerCraft, Inc.

Arabic Classes

It is not too late to register for Arabic classes!! For information, please contact:
Nelly Younes Daou at nellydaou@hotmail.com or Perla Osta at perlaosta1@gmail.com.

If you are of Lebanese descent and want to obtain your Lebanese nationality, contact:
Nelly Younes Daou, representative for "Project Roots".
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<td>Baking session with Abouna Tony</td>
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<td>Sunday, October 20</td>
<td>Sixth Sunday after Holy Cross; Second Collection for World Missions; Rosary recited at 10AM in the chapel.</td>
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<td>Sunday of Christ the King; Rosary recited at 10AM in the chapel.</td>
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LOVIN’ LIFE
thanks to the Atlanta 40 Days for Life public prayer vigil!!

40 DAYS FOR LIFE
Atlanta, GA ~ Sept. 25th through Nov. 3rd, 2019
You could help save more lives!
Please join hundreds of thousands of Christians worldwide in 40 Days of seeking God’s heart for an end to abortion through prayer & fasting!

1. Join the peaceful, loving, legal public prayer vigil in the public right of way across from Feminist Women’s Health Center, 1524 Cliff Valley Way, Atlanta, any hour between 6am and 10pm, every day Sept. 25th through Nov. 3rd. We need you to help us fill these hours.

2. Pray from home using brief daily reflections & prayers sent to your email during the 40 days.

3. Fast however you feel led to (It can be as simple as giving up one cup of your daily coffee, a favorite tv show, computer game, etc....)

For more info or to sign up now: www.40daysforlife.com/Atlanta ~ Margarita: 678-200-9713
Pregnancy Aid Clinic - "Baby Bottle Donation" Drive - November 2-3

The Pregnancy Aid Clinic is the only Catholic pregnancy resource center in the Archdiocese of Atlanta that offers women free pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, education, resources, and earn-as-you-learn programs.

The Pregnancy Aid Clinic will be at all Masses the weekend of November 2-3 for a "Baby Bottle Donation Drive." Linda Grace with the Pregnancy Aid Clinic will say a few words after all Masses and be available in the narthex to answer any questions.

Please pick up a "Baby Bottle" or a "Baby Bottle Flat Envelope," and kindly enclose a cash donation or a check to Pregnancy Aid Clinic's mission, "Promoting the sanctity of human life." Please return your baby bottle or envelope the following weekend, November 9-10.

Thank you for supporting this life-saving mission with your prayers and donations.

www.pregnancyaidclinic.com

OUR MISSION

The mission of the Pregnancy Aid Clinic is to promote the sanctity of human life as recognized in the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. We accomplish this by empowering families in the Greater Atlanta area to make healthy life choices related to human sexuality by providing pregnancy confirmation and fertility awareness programs along with pregnancy and parenting educational support.

OUR VISION

A community where reproductive healthcare promotes the dignity of the person, God's plan for human sexuality, and the sanctity of life in accordance with the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church.

KEY FACTS

- Providing services to women in crisis since 1984
- Offering programs for women and families to navigate through pregnancy into parenthood and beyond
- Dedicated to fostering awareness regarding the dignity and value of human life, marriage and human sexuality
Eucharistic Study

Have you ever wondered why the Eucharist is the Center of our faith and how do we live a Eucharistic life?

Come and explore the mysteries of the Eucharist in Scriptures and Tradition. Video by Dr. Pitre and time for discussion.
- The Eucharist as a Sacrifice: Friday October 11 at 7pm
- The Eucharist as a Communion: Friday October 18 at 7pm
- The Eucharist as the Real Presence: Friday October 25 at 7pm

All are welcome.

St. Joseph Maronite Catholic Church

JOIN THE ORDER OF SAINT SHARBEL
TO SUPPORT THE EDUCATION OF MARONITE SEMINARIANS AND HELP BUILD THE FUTURE OF THE MARONITE CHURCH

Meet this year’s Seminarians for the Eperchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn

This year, October 13 is designated as “Order of Saint Sharbel Sunday” in our Eparchy. The Order of Saint Sharbel is vitally important in providing financial and spiritual support for our seminarians, who are crucial for the future of our Maronite Church. Please prayerfully consider joining the Order.

You may enroll online at www.ordertasharbel.org or by downloading and submitting the Enrollment Form below.

If you have any more questions please contact the church office.
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