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 worshipping, 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.
### Mass Intentions

**Tuesday, June 9**
10:00 AM  
For Rowanda Isaf,  
Requested by Fred and June Isaf

**Wednesday, June 10**
10:00 AM  
For Ed Nobel,  
Requested by Celina Knoblock

**Thursday, June 11**
10:00 AM  
For Mario Panicucci  
Requested by Stephanie Eid

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### 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.

### Readings of the Week

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### Friday, June 5, at 7PM

**Holy Hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Please be sure to wear a mask and maintain the proper distance from others in the chapel.
Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I hope this letter finds you and your loved ones well. We are still under the impact of the Coronavirus pandemic and this very difficult time, which is affecting our community, our Church, our society, our country and our entire world. However, as Christians, we are called to continue working to build a better society and spreading the good news of Salvation through Our Lord Jesus Christ and planting the seeds of Faith, Hope and Love. This is a difficult and unprecedented time for all of us, but now more than ever, we must hold fast to the great virtue of Hope.

**Therefore, it is with great joy that we will open Saint Joseph Church on a partial basis on Sunday, 07 June. The dispensation of the obligation to attend Divine Liturgy remains in effect if you believe it is too soon for you to return to church.**

For reasons of health safety and to conform to civil law, we shall do so in the following manner:

**There will be two Divine Liturgies, one at 5 PM on Saturday, June 6 and one at 11 AM on Sunday, June 7. In order to ensure that we will have enough room for the required social distancing, please attend the 5PM Liturgy on Saturday if possible, so that the 11 AM Liturgy on Sunday will not be too crowded.**

• The Divine Liturgy will have a 50% seating capacity. We might not having any music or singing. Acolytes will not serve.

• Every second pew will be available for seating. Members of the same household can sit together. Everyone else should maintain social distance of six feet when seated, in the Communion line, and while entering / leaving church.

• No one will be admitted without a mask (bring your own), which must be worn during the entire Divine Liturgy.

• Parishioners over the age of 65, or those with compromised immune systems, or those who are in contact with persons with vulnerable health conditions are encouraged not to attend the Divine Liturgy. Parents are discouraged from bringing children under the age of 5.

• If you wear gloves, remove them before receiving Communion in your hand.

• Parishioners should not congregate in vestibule or parking lot and should proceed directly to their cars. The Sunday Coffee hour remains canceled until further notice.

These norms will remain in effect until circumstances require or permit a change.

May our Blessed Mother protect all of us from all evil.

Devotedly yours in Christ,
Rev Tony Akoury
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