August 7, 2022  10th Sunday of Pentecost

Our Clergy

Rev. Tony K. Akoury  
Pastor

Rev. Mr. Robert Calabrese  
Deacon

Rev. Mr. David Nasser  
Sub deacon

Rev. Mr. Michel Bassil  
Sub deacon

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday 5:00 PM  
English & Aramaic

Sunday 9:00 AM  
English and Aramaic

11:00 AM  
English & Aramaic  
and Arabic

Tuesday-Friday 10:00 AM  
(in the Chapel)

Confessions  
30 minutes before every  
Divine Liturgy

Eucharistic Adoration  
every Thursday at 9:30 AM  
(before Mass)

The Transfiguration of Our Lord  
August 6

During August  
there will be only one Mass on  
Sundays, at 11 AM.  
No 9 AM Mass.
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

Sunday, 8/7
1 Cor 12:1-11
Mt 12:22-32

Monday, 8/8
Acts 21:1-14
Mt 23:13-15

Tuesday, 8/9
Acts 21:15-26
Mt 23:16-22

Wednesday, 8/10
Acts 21:27-28; 30b-40a
Mt 23:23-26

Thursday, 8/11
Acts 21:40-22:10
Lk 12:1-5

Friday, 8/12
Acts 22:17-29
Lk 12:6-9

Saturday, 8/13
Acts 22:30-23:11
Lk 12:10-12

Call for Altar Servers!!
Boys who have received First Holy Communion are eligible to serve. Please see Deacon Bob before or after the 11AM Divine Liturgy on Sunday or contact the parish office. Info@sjmcc.org

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 6
5:00 PM
For Leo Shababy
Requested by the Shamatta Family

Sunday, August 7
11:00 AM
Forty Day Liturgy for Georges Azar
Requested by Johnny Azar and Family

Tuesday, August 9
10:00 AM
For Jaime Walker
Requested by Fred and June Isaf

Wednesday, August 10
10:00 AM
For Rose and Louis Stevens
Requested by the Shamatta Family

Thursday, August 11
10:00 AM
For Julie Walker
Requested by Fred and June Isaf

Friday, August 12
10:00 AM
For Denis Durance
Requested by the Shamatta Family

Saturday, August 13
5:00 PM
For Mary Ann Vetrano
Requested by Fred and June Isaf

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The flowers on the altar for the month of August are given by George and Eli Azzi in memory of Sobhi and Hoda Azzi.

The candles, bread, and wine for the month of August are given by the Shamatta Family in memory of Michael Stevens.

If you would like to donate flowers or candles, bread, and wine for the altar in memory or honor of a loved one, please contact the parish office at info@sjmcc.org. Names will be published in the bulletin.
Maronite Catholic Formation is starting a preschool class!

Requirements:
- Children ages 3 – 4 years old
- Must be able to sit without parents
- Must be potty trained

Classes will be held during the 11 am liturgy.

Classes will begin Sunday, October 16th.

Register by contacting Rebecca Lutrell at 651-278-5626 and reach out if you have any questions.

Teachers are Rebecca Lutrell and Pamela Malouf.
Atlanta Community Food Bank Can Drive

Collecting non-perishables through the end of August

Please help by donating nutritious, non-perishable items, with expiration dates at least 8 months away.

PLEASE NOTE: NO BABY MILK/ FORMULA

Collection box in the vestibule
July

School Supplies Drive

Back-packs, paper, pens, pencils, crayons, rulers, etc.

For Children in Shelters

Children’s Restoration Network
Maronite Bishops of the United States of America

July 29, 2022

His Eminence Cardinal Bechara Peter Rai
Maronite Patriarch of Antioch and All the East
Bkerke, Lebanon

Your Eminence and Beatitude,

Last week, we were deeply saddened to hear about the arrest and detention by the Lebanese General Security authorities of His Excellency Moussa El-Hajj, Archbishop of Haifa and the Holy Land along with the confiscation of his personal belongings, medical aid, and financial assistance for the needy in Lebanon. This act comes at a time when Lebanon’s sovereignty is in jeopardy and the Lebanese suffer economic hardship and despair.

On behalf of our Eparchies (Clergy, Religious, and Lay Faithful), we reiterate our full and total support for you, our Patriarch, as head and father of our Maronite Church. We stand in solidarity with you, with the Synod of Bishops, and with all our brothers and sisters suffering in Lebanon. Lebanon is a beautiful country, where religious beliefs are a bridge, not a hinderance to conviviality and cooperation. We are proud of our Lebanese roots, and we feel your pain and suffering.

We also applaud your courage and your vision and agree with you on the importance of “Active Neutrality” of Lebanon. We call on all the Lebanese officials, especially Christian Representatives, to embrace this direction, and for the U.N. to formally recognize the neutral status of Lebanon. Thus, Lebanon will remain as St. John Paul II said, “more than a country; it is a message” of conviviality between Christians and Muslims where every citizen has a role in the development of Lebanon. If we do not stand united as one people working together for the future of our country, we are liable to fall victim to outside influence. Lebanon must continue to stand strong to retain its identity if we are to succeed and surpass to a better future.

We stand with you, Your Eminence. We place ourselves under your disposition, and we continue to place our resources giving a helping hand to our brothers and sisters. Lastly, we also accompany you with our prayers for your well-being and for peace, sovereignty, and prosperity in Lebanon. May the prayers of Our Lady of Lebanon, St. Sharbel, and all the Saints be with us.

Totally yours in Christ,

+Gregory Mansour
Bishop of the Eparchy of St. Maron of Brooklyn

+A.E. Zaidan
Bishop of the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles

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