

# SAINT ANTHONY

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**24 September 2023**  
**2nd Sunday after Holy Cross**  
**St. Thecla, The First Woman Martyr**

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## **SUNDAY READINGS**

### **Epistle - 1 Corinthians 15:19-34**

19 If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are the most pitiable people of all.

20 But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. 21 For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead came also through a human being. 22 For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, 23 but each one in proper order: Christ the firstfruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ; 24 then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to his God and Father, when he has destroyed every sovereignty and every authority and power. 25 For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. 26 The last enemy to be destroyed is death, 27 [f]or "he subjected everything under his feet." But when it says that everything has been subjected, it is clear that it excludes the one who subjected everything to him. 28 When everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will [also] be subjected to the one who subjected everything to him, so that God may be all in all.

29 Otherwise, what will people accomplish by having themselves baptized for the dead?[h] If the dead are not raised at all, then why are they having themselves baptized for them?

30 Moreover, why are we endangering ourselves all the time? 31 Every day I face death; I swear it by the pride in you [brothers] that I have in Christ Jesus our Lord. 32 If at Ephesus I fought with beasts, so to speak, what benefit was it to me? If the dead are not raised:

"Let us eat and drink,  
for tomorrow we die."

33 Do not be led astray:

"Bad company corrupts good morals."

34 Become sober as you ought and stop sinning. For some have no knowledge of God; I say this to your shame.

## **SUNDAY READINGS**

### **Gospel- Matthew 24:1-14**

1 Jesus left the temple area and was going away, when his disciples approached him to point out the temple buildings. 2 [b]He said to them in reply, "You see all these things, do you not? Amen, I say to you, there will not be left here a stone upon another stone that will not be thrown down."

3 As he was sitting on the Mount of Olives,[c] the disciples approached him privately and said, "Tell us, when will this happen, and what sign will there be of your coming, and of the end of the age?" 4 [d]Jesus said to them in reply, "See that no one deceives you. 5 For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am the Messiah,' and they will deceive many. 6 You will hear of wars[e] and reports of wars; see that you are not alarmed, for these things must happen, but it will not yet be the end. 7 Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be famines and earthquakes from place to place. 8 [f]All these are the beginning of the labor pains. 9 [g]Then they will hand you over to persecution, and they will kill you. You will be hated by all nations because of my name. 10 And then many will be led into sin; they will betray and hate one another. 11 Many false prophets will arise and deceive many; 12 and because of the increase of evildoing, the love of many will grow cold. 13 But the one who perseveres to the end will be saved. 14 And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached throughout the world as a witness to all nations,[h] and then the end will come.

## PARISH LIFE

**Safro (Morning Prayer)**  
Monday—Friday - 7:30am

**Reconciliation (Confession)**  
Saturday 9:30am - 10:15am  
and by appointment

**Baptism and Chrismation**  
Make arrangements as soon  
after birth as possible

**Eucharistic Adoration**  
Friday —9:30am - 10:30am

**Mystery of Crowning**  
Contact the pastor 6 months  
in advance

**Parish Calendar.** Please see [stanthonymaronitechurch.org](http://stanthonymaronitechurch.org) for the parish calendar.

**Liturgical Hours.** Monday through Saturday 9:00am daily Divine Liturgy in the chapel  
Sunday 8:30am and 11am Divine Liturgies

**First Saturday of the Month.** Marian devotions at 9:30am.

**St. Sharbel Devotions.** Third Sunday of the month at 11:00am Divine Liturgy

## POINTS OF INTEREST

**Catholic Charities is in need again for food for their pantry.** St. Joseph the Provider Society is collecting non-perishable items on Sundays, 24 September and 1 October in the vestibule. Commonwealth Catholic Charities said, "We are SO thankful for the donations and help that you all have provided and continue to provide for those we serve....we are so grateful for each and every one of you!"

**Becoming a Catholic.** Some of you have expressed interest in becoming a Catholic. In October, we shall have some preliminary discussions about this for anyone who is interested. In the meantime, please see Father John or Cathy George.

**The Comboni Sisters** will be with us on Sunday, 24 September to sell their raffle tickets.

**Sister Raghida, superior of St. Joseph Monastery - Tomb of St. Rafka is visiting our parish on Sunday, 8 October at both liturgies.** St. Joseph Monastery is located in the Batroun district of North Lebanon. They have a convent, a home for the elderly and have programs for those who need food and medication in the area. They are in need of donations. You are invited to attend receptions after each liturgy to hear about their ministries and their needs.

**Maronite Young Adult Convention.** The MYA of Saint Anthony Church is hosting a convention for the MYA of the Eparchy of Saint Maron on the weekend of 13-15 October 2023. We will be blessed to have Bishop Gregory with us. On Sunday, we shall have a brunch for Bishop Gregory, the Convention participants and Saint Anthony Church in the Hall.

## **MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

**Saturday, 23 September at 11 am.** Liturgy Committee meeting

**Sunday, 24 September at 9:30 am.** MCF All Students. (7 - 12 Grades until 11:00)

**Tuesday, 26 September at 7 pm.** Pastoral Council Meeting

**Sunday, 1 October at 9:30 am.** MCF Preschool - Eighth Grades, Parent First Communion Class

## **LITURGY SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS**

**Sunday, 24 September Second Sunday after Holy Cross, St. Thecla, the First Woman Martyr**

**8:30 am (Father Peter)**

In memory of Jackie Shibley, requested by Teresa and John Nadder

In memory of Harry Shaia, Jr., requested by Ann and Anthony Asher

**11:00 am (Father John)**

For the living and deceased members of the Saad Family

In memory of Dianne Adams George and Thomas Adams George (year anniversary), requested by PJ George

**Monday, 25 September St. Paphnutius the Confessor**

In memory of Victoria Beasley Bailey, requested by The Beasley Family

**Tuesday, 26 September St. John the Evangelist**

In memory of Msgr. Beshara Salwan, request by Rebecca Anthony

**Wednesday, 27 September St. Vincent de Paul**

**Thursday, 28 September St. Chariton**

**Friday, 29 September St. Romanos**

In memory of Fred Fodill, requested by Cathy Yago

**Saturday, 30 September St. Gregory the Illuminator**

**Sunday, 1 October Third Sunday after the Holy Cross, Holy Rosary & Respect Life Sunday,  
St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus**

**8:30 am (Father John)**

In memory of Gary Camp, requested by Regina Shaar Loehr

For the living and deceased members of the Saad Family

**11:00 am (Father Peter)**

In memory of Aziz, Cathrine, Shamoon, Francis, Wardia, and Mariam Yaqoo requested by Warina Yaqoo

In memory of Elham ElJor, requested by Maral and Sam Haboush

## USHERS SCHEDULE

Dates	8:30 Divine Liturgy	11:00 Divine Liturgy
24 Sept Team D	Tom Dailey, Ed Yesbeck, John Zeheb, Harry Mclvor	John Nadder, Leo Chaoul, Clarke Sawyer, Anthony Shulleeta
1 Oct Team A	Trey Shibley, Ed Shibley, Joseph Fodill, Dave Howard	Raymond Khoury, Milad Habboush, Fred Fakher, Mary Habboush
8 Oct Team B	Andy Shulleeta, William Shulleeta, Frank Greco, Marshall Stephenson	Bill Maust, John Saad, Alex Fabiato, Diana Yaqoo

## LECTORS SCHEDULE

Dates	8:30 Divine Liturgy	11:00 Divine Liturgy
24 Sept	Cathy George	Mary Shaia
1 Oct	Hannah Roberts	Denise Maurer
8 Oct	Margaret Gray	Claudia Bouhaidar

## ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

Schedules are coming out next week. Please come to the sacristy 10 minutes early.

## COLLECTION COUNTERS SCHEDULE

September: Joe George & Anthony Shibley  
October: George Yesbeck  
November: John Zeheb  
December: David Walton and Paul Shibley

## STEWARDSHIP

### 17 September 2023

Collections: \$3356

Contributions: \$720

Pavilion Rental: \$150

**Thank you for your generosity!**

**Please, when you make a contribution to the parish, indicate your envelope number so that we can accurately give you credit.** You may want to donate through the parish website [stanthonymaronitechurch.org](http://stanthonymaronitechurch.org) which also provides for automatic giving. Make it easy on yourself.

**MARONITE CHRISTIAN FORMATION SCHEDULE**

24 Sept	Pre-S -6th 7th-12th grades–Life Teen	9:30 am 9:30 am–11:30 am
1 Oct	Pre-S -8th Parent First Confession Class	9:30 am
8 Oct	All Students	9:30 am
15 Oct	Pre-S -8th Parent First Confession Class	9:30 am
22 Oct	Pre-S -6th 7th-12th grades–Life Teen	9:30 am 9:30 am–11:30 am
29 Oct	Pre-S -8th	9:30 am
5 Nov	All Students	9:30 am
12 Nov	Pre-S -6th 7th-12th grades–Life Teen	9:30 am 9:30 am–11:30 am
19 Nov	Pre-S -8th	9:30 am
26 Nov	Free (Thanksgiving)	9:30 am
3 Dec	All Students	9:30 am
10 Dec	Pre-S -6th 7th-12th grades–Life Teen	9:30 am 9:30 am–11:30 am
17 Dec	Children’s Liturgy, Nativity, Santa Breakfast	9:30 am



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