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Sunday of the Revelation to Joseph

15 December 2024



SUNDAY READINGS

EPISTLE - GALATIANS 3:1-13

1 Because of this, I, Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus for you Gentiles— 2 if, as I suppose, you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, 3 [namely, that] the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have written briefly earlier. 4 When you read this you can understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, 5 which was not made known to human beings in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit, 6 that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

7 Of this I became a minister by the gift of God's grace that was granted me in accord with the exercise of his power. 8 To me, the very least of all the holy ones, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the inscrutable riches of Christ, 9 and to bring to light for all what is the plan of the mystery hidden from ages past in God who created all things, 10 so that the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known through the church to the principalities and authorities[f] in the heavens. 11 This was according to the eternal purpose that he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord, 12 in whom we have boldness of speech and confidence of access through faith in him. 13 So I ask you not to lose heart over my afflictions for you; this is your glory.

GOSPEL - MT 1:18-25

18 Now this is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about. When his mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found with child through the holy Spirit. 19 Joseph her husband, since he was a righteous man, yet unwilling to expose her to shame, decided to divorce her quietly. 20 Such was his intention when, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. 21 She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." 22 All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet:

23 "Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son,
and they shall name him Emmanuel,"
which means "God is with us." 24 When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home. 25 He had no relations with her until she bore a son, and he named him Jesus.

PARISH LIFE

Safro (Morning Prayer)

Monday–Friday - 7:30am

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday –9:30am - 10:30am

Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 9:30am - 10:15am
and by appointment

Baptism and Chrismation

Make arrangements as soon
after birth as possible

Mystery of Crowning

Contact the pastor 6 months
in advance

Parish Calendar. Please see 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. Summer Hours: Sat 5:30 pm, Sun 10 am

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

Christmas Star Program. Deadline for return is **15 December, tape the start of the front of the gift.**

Christmas Novena. Join us for the Christmas Novena beginning Sunday, 15 December through Tuesday, 23 December. On Sundays it will be at 12 noon, and weekdays at 6:30 pm. Confessions will be available during the Novena.

MYA is sponsoring a talk by Vincent Mowad, "Who are the Maronites?" on Tuesday, 17 December at 6:30 pm in the hall, followed by a bonfire. See flier.

Christmas Flowers. Donate flowers in memory of a loved one, \$25 each, by 17 December:

<https://forms.gle/hPuByj4byQQHG3eg6>

Nativity and Santa Breakfast. The MCF classes are having a Children's Liturgy at 8:30 am on Sunday, December 22. Children should pick up their costumes in the MCF building by 8:15 that day. They will present the Nativity in the church at the end of Liturgy - all the children are included. The MYA is preparing the Santa Breakfast in the hall and the MYO is serving. Breakfast is free, donations are accepted.

2025 Pilgrimage. Please join the pilgrimage to the Marian Shrines in Portugal, Spain, and France from 14-23 September 2025. This promises to be a spiritually enriching journey as we visit some of the most beautiful and sacred sites dedicated to Our Blessed Mother

End-of-Year Appeal. As we approach the holiday season, I wanted to follow up on the update I previously shared about the life of our parish and my earlier request for contributions to help close our budget gap. Your past generosity has enabled us to do so much good for our parish family, and we are deeply grateful. If you haven't yet had the opportunity, please consider making a contribution to support our continued efforts. Thank you for your ongoing commitment to our parish community.

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Sunday, 15 December at 9:30. MCF Preschool - Sixth, Lifeteen Seventh - Twelfth

Tuesday, 17 December at 6:30. MYA Theology on Tap

Sunday, 22 December at 8:30. Children's Liturgy, Nativity, Santa Breakfast

LITURGY SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Liturgical Schedule

Sunday, 15 December Revelation to Joseph, St. Eleutherius and His Mother
8:30 am

In memory of Richelle Faris, requested by Judith Thomas

In memory of George Mansour, requested by Mary and Anthony Shaia

11:00 am

In memory of Don, Melinda and Caroline Cassidy, requested by Stephanie Cassidy

In memory of Peter Mazloom, Sr., requested by Peter and Alison Mazloom

Monday, 16 December Haggai the Prophet

No Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, 17 December The 3 Young Men: Ananias, Azarias, and Misael

In memory of Harry, Margaret, and Christopher Shaia, requested by Harry and Melissa Shaia

Wednesday, 18 December Daniel the Prophet

In memory of George Mansour, requested by Mary and Anthony Shaia

Thursday, 19 December St. Athenodorus

In memory of George Mansour, requested by Mary and Anthony Shaia

Friday, 20 December St. Ignatius of Antioch

For the intention of Madeline Lemelin (birthday), requested by Barbara Belsky

Saturday, 21 December St. Julian

In memory of Harry, Margaret, and Christopher Shaia, requested by Harry and Melissa Shaia

Sunday, 22 December Genealogy Sunday, St. Anastasia of the Balkans

8:30 am

In memory of Vincent Shulleeta and Tom and Sue Shulleeta, requested by Kathy and Andy Shulleeta

In memory of Goldie Faris, requested by Cathy and Joe George

11:00 am

In memory of the deceased members of the Beasley Family, requested by the Beasley Family

In memory of Richelle Faris, requested by Mary and Anthony Shaia

USHERS SCHEDULE

Dates	8:30 Divine Liturgy	11:00 Divine Liturgy
15 Dec	Anthony Shibley, Dennis Shibley, Joseph Shibley, Jr., Stephen Shibley, Jr.	Peter George, Duane Peppel, Daniel Dailey, Sam LaNeave
22 Dec	Tom Dailey, Ed Yesbeck, Jr., John Zeheb, Harry Mclvor	John Nadder, Jr., Justin Shulleeta, Anthony Shulleeta, Clarke Sawyer
Christmas Eve 4:30	Trey Shibley, Mason Shibley, Dave Howard, Joseph Fodill	
Christmas Day 10:00	Raymond Khoury, Milad Habboush, Freddy Fakher, Charbel Chaoul	

ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

Dates	8:30 Divine Liturgy	11:00 Divine Liturgy
15 Dec	Wilby, Henry, Jack and Ross Craig	Matthew Habboush, Ghady Karam, Luke Salloum
22 Dec	Nicholas and Tobias Edwards, Owen Hendrix, Kingston Lewter, Brycen Howard	Patrick Savage, Christian Funk, Grayson Funk
Christmas Eve 4:30	Nolan Roberts, Miko Aboutanos, Matthew Habboush	
Christmas Day 10:00	Ghady Karam, Eli Stephan, Matthew Habboush, Luke Salloum	

TRANSFER OF GIFTS

Dates	8:30 Divine Liturgy	11:00 Divine Liturgy
15 Dec	Stella Mclor, Rosie Boykin, Amina Howard, Lili Boykin, Emily Carr	Jenna Chaoul, Kylie Stephan, Romi Rustom, Ana Haddad
22 Dec	Magdalena Chouefati, Alexa Haddad, Kaylee Ransom, Dylan Carr	Ashley Maust, Alyssa Maust, Romi Rustom, Jenna Chaoul
Christmas Eve 4:30	Rosie, Lili, Ivy Boykin, Amina Howard, Hannah Roberts	
Christmas Day 10:00	Jenna Chaoul, Romi Rustom	

LECTORS SCHEDULE

Dates	8:30 Divine Liturgy	11:00 Divine Liturgy
15 Dec	Hannah Roberts	Chloe Saad
22 Dec	Chip Shaia (Cooper Sheriff - epistle)	Mary Shaia
Christmas Eve 4:30	Kelly Edwards	Christmas Day 10:00 Leo Maynes

STEWARDSHIP

8 December

Collections: \$1967
 Contributions: \$590
 End of Year Contribution: \$6300
 Christmas Flowers: \$250

COLLECTION COUNTERS

December: David Walton & Paul Shibley
 January: Joe George & Anthony Shibley
 February: George Yesbeck



Christmas

2024 SCHEDULE

Christmas Novena

Sunday 15 December 12 Noon
Monday 16 December 6:30 pm
Tuesday 17 December 6:30 pm
Wednesday 18 December 6:30 pm
Thursday 19 December 6:30 pm
Friday 20 December 6:30 pm
Saturday 21 December 6:30 pm
Sunday 22 December 12 Noon
Monday 23 December 6:30 pm

There will be an opportunity for confession during the Novena.

Nativity Play & Santa Breakfast

Sunday 22 December 9:30am

Divine Liturgies

GENEALOGY SUNDAY

Sun 22 December 8:30 am and 11 am

FEAST OF THE NATIVITY

Tue 24 December 4 pm (Christmas Carols) 4:30 pm

Wed 25 December 10 am

FLIGHT INTO EGYPT,

MASSACRE OF THE CHILDREN OF BETHLEHEM

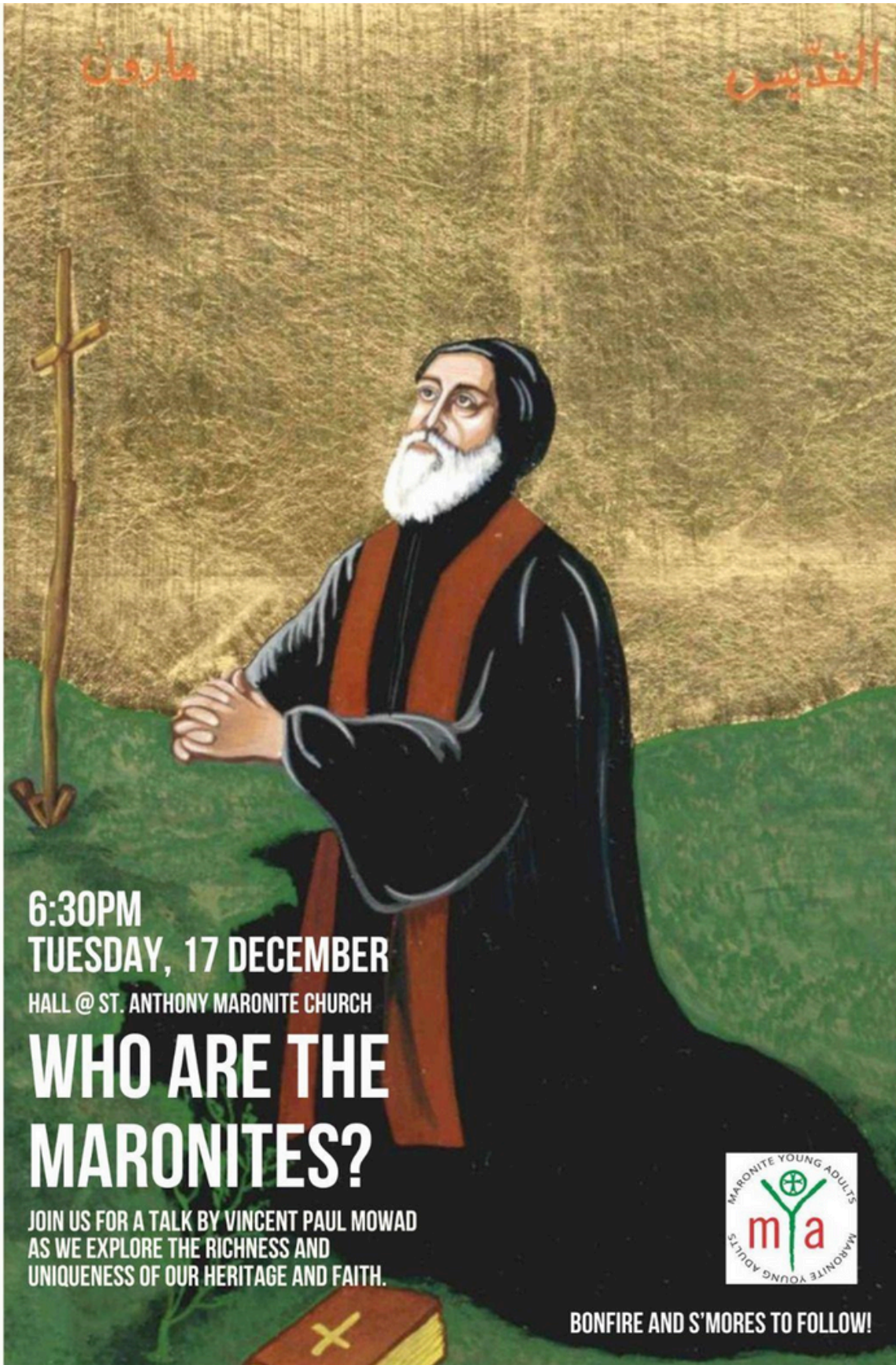
Sun 29 December 8:30 am and 11 am

FEAST OF THE CIRCUMCISION (NEW YEAR) ★

Tue 31 December 6:30 pm

Wed 1 January 10 am





6:30PM
TUESDAY, 17 DECEMBER

HALL @ ST. ANTHONY MARONITE CHURCH

WHO ARE THE MARONITES?

JOIN US FOR A TALK BY VINCENT PAUL MOWAD
AS WE EXPLORE THE RICHNESS AND
UNIQUENESS OF OUR HERITAGE AND FAITH.



BONFIRE AND S'MORES TO FOLLOW!

MARONITE CHRISTIAN FORMATION SCHEDULE 2024-2025

8 Dec	All Students Nativity Practice 7-12	9:30 am
15 Dec	PreS-6 LifeTeen for 7-12 Nativity Practice PreS-6	9:30 am 9:30 am - 11 am
22 Dec	Children's Liturgy, Nativity, Santa Breakfast	8:30 am - 11 am
5 Jan	All Students	9:30 am
12 Jan	PreS-8	9:30 am
19 Jan	PreS-6 LifeTeen for 7-12	9:30 am 9:30 am - 11 am
26 Jan	PreS-8	9:30 am
2 Feb	All Students	9:30am
9 Feb	PreS-8	9:30am
16 Feb	PreS-6 LifeTeen for 7-12	9:30 am 9:30 am - 11 am
23 Feb	PreS-8th Parents First Communion Class	9:30am
2 Mar	All Students	9:30am
9 Mar	PreS-8th Parents First Communion Class	9:30am

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