

SAINT ANTHONY MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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The Finding of Our Lord in the Temple 5 January 2025



SUNDAY READINGS

EPISTLE - HEBREWS 7:11-19

11 If, then, perfection came through the Levitical priesthood, on the basis of which the people received the law, what need would there still have been for another priest to arise according to the order of Melchizedek, and not reckoned according to the order of Aaron? 12 When there is a change of priesthood, there is necessarily a change of law as well. 13 Now he of whom these things are said belonged to a different tribe, of which no member ever officiated at the altar. 14 It is clear that our Lord arose from Judah, and in regard to that tribe Moses said nothing about priests. 15 It is even more obvious if another priest is raised up after the likeness of Melchizedek, 16 who has become so, not by a law expressed in a commandment concerning physical descent but by the power of a life that cannot be destroyed. 17 For it is testified:

“You are a priest forever
according to the order of Melchizedek.”

18 On the one hand, a former commandment is annulled because of its weakness and uselessness, 19 for the law brought nothing to perfection; on the other hand, a better hope [is introduced, through which we draw near to God.

GOSPEL - LUKE 2:41-52

41 Each year his parents went to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, 42 and when he was twelve years old, they went up according to festival custom. 43 After they had completed its days, as they were returning, the boy Jesus remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. 44 Thinking that he was in the caravan, they journeyed for a day and looked for him among their relatives and acquaintances, 45 but not finding him, they returned to Jerusalem to look for him. 46 After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, 47 and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. 48 When his parents saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, “Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety.” 49 And he said to them, “Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father’s house?” 50 But they did not understand what he said to them. 51 He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. 52 And Jesus advanced [in] wisdom and age and favor before God and man.

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

Maronite Young Adult Retreat. The MYA will have a retreat on Saturday, 4 January at 5 pm, "Who Do You Say I Am?" See the flier to register online by 29 December.

Feast of the Glorious Epiphany (Holy Day of Obligation), 6 January. Liturgies will be on Monday, at 9 am and 6:30 pm.

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.

LITURGY SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Sunday, 5 January The Finding of Our Lord in the Temple, St. Paul, the first hermit, St. John Neumann

8:30 am

In memory of Goldie Faris, requested by Eddie Shibley, Sr.

In memory of Peter George, requested by Joseph and Gloria Nadder

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

Monday, 6 January Feast of the Glorious Epiphany

9 am In memory of Peter George, requested by Terry McGrew

6:30 pm In memory of Norma and John Nadder, Sr., requested by Teresa and John Nadder

Tuesday, 7 January Praises of St. John the Baptist

In memory of Goldie Faris, requested by Rebecca Anthony

Wednesday, 8 January St. Carterius the Priest

In memory of George Mansour, requested by Joe and Cathy George

Thursday, 9 January St. Eustratius the Wonderworker

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

Friday, 10 January St. Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa

In memory of Augie Bain, requested by Carol Bain

Saturday, 11 January St. Theodosius of Antioch

In memory of Goldie Faris, requested by Rebecca Anthony

Sunday, 12 January First Sunday after Epiphany, St. Tatiana of Rome

8:30 am

In memory of Goldie Faris, requested by Nick and Rosemary Pezzulo

In memory of Michael Eunice, requested by Carlisle and Linda Bannister

11:00 am

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

In memory of Evelyn Joyce Mazloom (Day of Passing), requested by Peter and Alison Mazloom

USHERS SCHEDULE

Dates	8:30 Divine Liturgy	11:00 Divine Liturgy
5 Jan	Trey Shibley, Mason Shibley, Dave Howard, Joseph Fodill	Raymond Khoury, Milad Habboush, Freddy Fakher, Charbel Chaoul
12 Jan	Andy Shulleeta, William Shulleeta, Frank Greco, Marshall Stephenson	Bill Maust, John Saad, Alex Fabiato, Diana Yaqoo

ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

Dates	8:30 Divine Liturgy	11:00 Divine Liturgy
5 Jan	Nicholas and Tobias Edwards, Owen Hendrix, Kingston Lewter, Bryson Howard	Vincent Carr, George Choueifati, Matthew Habboush
12 Jan	Asher and Braxton McIvor, Thomas Shaia, George Oley, Arthur Oley	Ghady Karam, Eli Stephan, Luke Salloum, Sami Sakr

TRANSFER OF GIFTS

Dates	8:30 Divine Liturgy	11:00 Divine Liturgy
5 Jan	Stella McIvor, Rosie Boykin, Sadie Gill, Lili Boykin, Amina Howard	Alyssa Maust, Magdalena Choueifati, Alexa Haddad, Ana Haddad
12 Jan	Sadie Gill, Magdalena Choueifati, Emily Carr	Jenna Chaoul, Romi Rustom, Kylie Stephan

LECTORS SCHEDULE

Dates	8:30 Divine Liturgy	11:00 Divine Liturgy
5 Jan	Hannah Roberts	Claudia Bouhaidar
12 Jan	Kelly Edwards	Lara Bouhaidar

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Saturday, 4 January at 11. Liturgy Committee Meeting

Saturday, 4 January at 5 pm. Young Adult Retreat

Sunday, 5 January at 9:30. MCF resumes for all students.

Monday, 6 January at 5 pm. Serving the evening meal at the Salvation Army

STEWARDSHIP

29 December

Collections: \$1623

Christmas Collections: \$4571

Contributions: \$1585

End of Year Contributions: \$12,200

Santa Breakfast; \$1573.36

Candle Donations: \$403

COLLECTION COUNTERS

January: Joe George & Anthony Shibley

February: George Yesbeck

March: John Zeheb

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 which also provides for automatic giving. Make it easy on yourself.

MARONITE CHRISTIAN FORMATION SCHEDULE

MCF Schedule for Winter/Spring 2025			
Sunday	Jan. 5	All Students	9:30 a.m
Sunday	Jan. 12	PreS – 8th	9:30 am
Sunday	Jan. 19	PreS – 6th 7th-12th grades—LifeTeen	9:30 am 9:30 - 11 am
Sunday	Jan. 26	St. Anthony Feast Day Celebration All Students	9:30 am
Sunday	Feb. 2	All Students	9:30 am
Sunday	Feb. 9	PreS – 8th	9:30 am
Sunday	Feb. 16	PreS – 6th 7th-12th grades—LifeTeen	9:30 am 9:30 - 11 am
Sunday	Feb. 23	PreS – 8th Parent First Communion Class	9:30 am
Sunday	Mar. 2	All Students	9:30 am
Sunday	Mar. 9	PreS – 8th Parent First Communion Class	9:30 am
Sunday	Mar. 16	All Students MYO Parish Retreat	9:30 am
Sunday	Mar. 23	PreS – 8th	9:30 am
Sunday	Mar. 30	PreS – 6th 7th-12th grades—LifeTeen	9:30 am 9:30 - 11 am
Sunday	Apr. 6	All Students	9:30 am
Sunday	Apr. 13, Apr. 20	Palm Sunday Easter	No classes
Tuesday	Apr. 22	First Communion Practice	6:30 pm
Sunday	Apr. 27	First Communion Families arrive by 10:20	11:00 am

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YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

“WHO DO YOU SAY
I AM”

JANUARY 4, 2025
SAINT ANTHONY'S MARONITE
CATHOLIC CHURCH

NO COST, DONATIONS APPRECIATED!

Schedule

5pm mass with
confession

6 pm dinner followed

by 2 speakers

Games and Music

featuring The

Variations Band

Register By 12/29/2024

Using the QR Code Below



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