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Sunday, August 23, 2020

13th Sunday of Pentecost

Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:1-11; Gospel: Luke 8:1-15

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My Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. George,

John Steinbeck wrote, "If you're in trouble, or hurt or need - go to the poor people. They're the only ones that'll help - the only ones."

I know how many of you are struggling in so many ways. But I must come to you.

You have seen the disaster that struck Lebanon on August 4. This is a country already struggling with pandemic and crushed by economic collapse. As Christians, as Maronites with Lebanese blood in our veins, we cannot ignore the situation.

Please send your donation to:

Eparchy of St. Maron of Brooklyn  
Office of the Bishop  
109 Remsen Street  
Brooklyn, NY 11201-4212

Clearly indicate that the contribution is intended for Lebanon. Please be ensured that the money is distributed to the people who will use it most effectively to ease the suffering.

May God always reward you for your compassion.

In Christ,  
Father Ed

*Masses & Special Intentions*

Saturday, August 22nd

4:00 pm

RIZK AND AURORA RIZK

AND SON VICTOR

Requested by Georgeann Thomas

ALL THOSE WHO DIED IN BEIRUT,

LEBANON

Requested by Therese Hachem & Family

Sunday, August 23rd

8:30 am

SPECIAL INTENTION

10:30 am

TONY MALKOUN

Requested by Aoutel Malkoun & Family

ANTONIOS (TONY) CONSTANTINE

OF AUSTRALIA

Requested by The Simon Family

NO DAILY MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED THIS WEEK

Saturday, August 29th

4:00 pm

CHARLES, ANTOINETTE, JOSEPHINE,

MARGARITE, AND MIRHAB KARAM

Requested by Georgeann Thomas

Sunday, August 30th

8:30 am

EDMUND J. SMITH

50th Anniversary

Requested by his wife, Irene, and

son, Matthew

10:30 am

PIERRE BOUTROS OSKO

1st Anniversary

Requested by the Family

Sunday & Holy Days  
Budget: \$ 2,207.00  
National Shrine: \$300.00

August 15th & 16th  
Votive Candles: \$ 33.00  
Total: \$ 2,540.00

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**SAFETY GUIDELINES FOR ATTENDING MASS:**

FACE MASKS MUST BE WORN  
THE CHURCH IS MARKED OFF FOR SAFE DISTANCING  
PLEASE SIT IN DESIGNATED AREAS  
FAMILIES MAY SIT TOGETHER  
SEATING IS LIMITED  
PLEASE USE HAND SANITIZER BEFORE ENTERING CHURCH

OUR BELOVED FATHER ED has been notified by Bishop Gregory that he has accepted Father Ed's retirement effective Thursday, October 1, 2020.

We thank Father Ed for his many years of love, support, guidance, and friendship. May Father Ed enjoy health, happiness, and relaxation during his well-deserved retirement. He will always be in our hearts.

God bless Father Ed and keep him in His loving care.

CONFESSIONS: Offered 30 minutes before each Mass.

HOME VISITS: Father Ed is willing to go to homes to distribute Communion. Please call the Rectory at 401.723.8444 for information.

Our condolences to the family of Nazih Boukarim, who passed away on August 12, 2020 at the age of 81. Nazih was the loving husband of Odette Farah Boukarim. He was the loving father of Pierre Boukarim, Diana Boukarim Naddaf, and Gaby Boukarim. He was the loving grandfather of six. Our prayers are with the Boukarim family. May Nazih rest in peace.

Our condolences to the family of George M. George, who passed away on July 8, 2020 at the age of 91. George was the beloved husband of Helen George. He was the loving father of Donna George Fiori and her husband, Jim, and Linda George Faber, and her husband Billy. He was the step-father of Richard Pacheco (Rose Lambert) and Anthony Pacheco (Marie Whitty). He was the proud grandfather of 3, step-grandfather of 2, great-grandfather of 2, and step-great-grandfather of 5. Our prayers are with the George family. May George rest in peace.

**SUPPORT FOR LEBANON** - Ghada Bourjeily, MD, has contacted trusted friends in Lebanon who noted the following reliable charities:

OFFRE JOIE - <https://www.givingloop.org/offrejoie>

LEBANESE RED CROSS - <https://supportlrc.app/donate/>

**STGMCC - Computer Software Project Team** - If you are a high school student and would like to be part of a computer programming team developing websites and apps and are willing to learn about: MS SQL Database, Javascript, HTML, Visual Studio, Azure Cloud, VB.NET, C#, User Interface, Graphic Design, Project Management, please send an email with your information to [fzaarour@yahoo.com](mailto:fzaarour@yahoo.com) (Sub-Deacon Farid Zaarour). It is a screen sharing class meeting on Mondays and Thursdays at 11:00 AM.

**BISHOP HENDRICKEN 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR REOPENING PLANS:** The goal, hope, and intention is to utilize the Full Model of reopening for the beginning of 2020-2021 Academic Year set to begin at the end of August. For detailed information, please visit the website ([www.hendricken.com/reopening](http://www.hendricken.com/reopening)).