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Sunday, September 13, 2020

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25; Gospel: John 12:20-32

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, September 12th

4:00 pm

DONATO A. TALONE
LEE THORNTON CARTER
CATHERINE "KAY" (LOULACHE) SOLOMON
Requested by Georgeann Thomas

Sunday, September 13th

8:30 am

OLGA GARGANI
25th Anniversary
Requested by Her Nephew, Peter Garzilli

ANTONIO "TONY" CENTORE
2nd Anniversary
Requested by His Family

10:30 am

LOUIS M. KHOURY, JR.
40 Day Mass
Requested by His Family

NO DAILY MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED THIS WEEK

Saturday, September 19th

4:00 pm

LOUIS MORIN
Requested by Georgeann Thomas

GEORGE A. AND SAMIRA THOMAS
GEORGE A. THOMAS, JR.
Requested by Grandson and Son,
George A. Thomas, III

Sunday, September 20th

8:30 am

SPECIAL INTENTION

10:30 am

MICHEL AKKAOUI
40 Day Mass
Requested by His Wife, Camille, & Family

JOSEPHINE M. GADIGIAN
5th Anniversary
Requested by Her Husband, Raymond, and
The Rahme and Faria Families

Sunday & Holy Days
Budget: \$ 3,593.00

Votive Candles: \$ 32.00

September 5th & 6th
Total: \$ 3,625.00

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

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.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION will be held on Saturday, October 3, from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM.

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/>

HOLY LAND COLLECTION: There will be a Second Collection this weekend - September 12 and September 13 for the Holy Land. Part of this collection is sent through the United States Council of Catholic Bishops to the Holy Land. Another part is sent directly to the Maronite Eparchy of Haifa.

VIRTUAL BENEFIT DINNER: In light of the COVID-19 Coronavirus pandemic, this year's Annual Manhattan Benefit Dinner for the Eparchy of Saint Maron will be the First-Ever Eparchy-Wide Virtual Benefit Event on Thursday, October 1, 2020 at 7:00 PM EDT. We invite all parishioners, friends, and supporters of the Maronite Church to participate by registering online (<https://www.stmaron.org/virtual-benefit-2020>), obtaining a printed invitation for the event by sending an email to saintmaron@yahoo.com, or by calling 718.237.9913. Father Ed also has response cards. Please consider attending and supporting this important event for the Eparchy.

ORDER OF SAINT SHARBEL SUNDAY: This year, October 11 is designated as "Order of Saint Sharbel Sunday" in our Eparchy. The Order of Saint Sharbel is vitally important in providing financial and spiritual support for our seminarians, who are crucial for the future of our Maronite Church. This year we have four (4) men studying in Washington and two (2) men in Lebanon for our Eparchy. Please prayerfully consider joining the Order. You may enroll online at www.orderstsharbel.org or ask Father Ed for more information.

VIRTUAL REGIONAL MYO RETREAT - SAVE THE DATE: The Office for Maronite Youth and Young Adults (MYYA) plans to offer a virtual retreat for the New England Region on Saturday, October 17. The theme will be "Anchored in Hope." More information will be forthcoming. Should you have any questions, please email the MYYA Office at myyaoffice@gmail.com.

FIRST MARONITE SPIRITUALITY FORMATION PROGRAM OF 2020: The Maronite Servants of Christ the Light are offering online workshops via ZOOM every Thursday in October to assist parishioners in deepening their spiritual life. Please register at <https://forms.gle/yfrs1bEZSoaxAKjt8>. Should you have any questions, please email the Sisters at sister@maroniteservants.org.