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Sunday, October 2, 2022, Third Sunday after the Holy Cross

Sunday, October 2, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock

Theresa Nammour, Georgette Khayat, Nicholas George and Albert Carali

Sunday, October 9, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock Barbara Richey (40 Day Anniversary)

Sunday, October 16, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock Younes Younes

Sunday, October 23, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock Antoine Toufic Touma

Sunday, October 30, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock Christopher and Trina Beasley and Bettie Yazbeck

Sunday, November 6, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock General Louis Kassis (40 Day Anniversary)

Sunday, November 13, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock Antoine Rahme

Sunday, November 20, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock George and Teresia Abou Chabke and Moussa El Jor

Reconciliation (Confession) is available every Sunday between 10:15 and 10:45 a.m. before the Divine Liturgy.

Let us Pray the Rosary

Please join fellow parishioners as we pray the Holy Rosary every **Sunday at 10:15 a.m.** in preparation for the Divine Liturgy and in honor of our Blessed Mother, Mary.

Ushers for Sunday, October 9, 2022

Halim Younes, Gebran Fatouche, Antoine Issa and Joseph Nasr Ushers for Sunday, October 16, 2022

Fawzi Abouchabke, Maroun Mezher, Tony ElKhouri and Mark Malkoun

Altar Servers for Sunday, October 9, 2022

Jason Pitzer and Peter ElKhoueiry

Thank you for your generosity

Summary of the Collection for Sunday, September 25, 2022

Regular Collection \$1099 Thursday, September 22 \$ 78

Thank you for your generosity and may God bless you all.

Attention All Young Adults

Are you a young adult looking to go deeper in living your faith and seeking to connect with other like-minded young adults? Join our MYA family on **October 28-30, 2022** at the Tampa Marriott, Water Street in Tampa, Florida, for an unforgettable experience filled with faith, fellowship, and fun. We will discuss simple ways to incorporate faith in our everyday life. To learn more or to register for the Conference visit https://www.myaeparchystmaron.org/. If you have any questions reach out to MYA President Maya Khoury at mya.eparchystmaron@gmail.com.

Order of Saint Sharbel

This year, October 9 is designated as "Order of Saint Sharbel Sunday" in our Eparchy. On October 9, all Maronite parishes will be promoting the Order. 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 five men preparing for the priesthood for our Eparchy. Please prayerfully consider joining the Order. You may enroll online at www.orderstsharbel.org or ask the priest for more information.

Scripture Readings

Sunday, October 9, 2022 (4th Sunday after Holy Cross)
1 Thes 5:1-11; Mt 24:45-51
Sunday, October 16, 2022, Fifth Sunday after Holy Cross
Phil 2:12-18; Mt 25:1-13

Second Collection

Sunday, October 23, 2022, a second collection will be taken to benefit **World Mission Sunday**. As established by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), 91% of this collection goes to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, and 9% to the Catholic Near East Welfare Association [CNEWA]). All funds collected will be sent to our Chancery office for proper transfer. Thank you for your generosity and cooperation.

Meeting

In an effort to revive the Altar Servers minister, while the parents are socializing in the social hall, there will be a training meeting on **Sunday, October 9, 2022**, following the Divine Liturgy for all young men (age 9 years old and up) who want to become Altar Servers. A schedule will be prepared and included in the weekly bulletin.

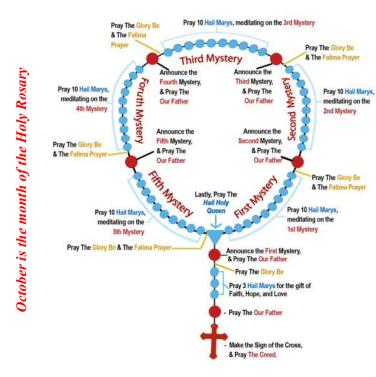
Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, October 13, 2022, there will be a meeting for the Parish Council in the Church's office at 7:30 p.m.

FYI

How can a Catholic best safeguard his faith?

A Catholic can best safeguard his faith by making frequent acts of faith, by praying for a strong faith, by studying his religion very earnestly, by living a good life, by good reading, by refusing to associate with the enemies of the Church, and by not reading books and papers opposed to the Church and her teaching. (*I know that after my departure fierce wolves will get in among you, and will not spare the flock. And from among your own selves men will rise speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them*) (Acts 20:29-30).



History

he month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. According to an account by fifteenth-century Dominican, Alan de la Roch, Mary appeared to St. Dominic in 1206 after he had been praying and doing severe penances because of his lack of success in combating the Albigensian heresy. Mary praised him for his valiant fight against the heretics and then gave him the Rosary as a mighty weapon, explained its uses and efficacy, and told him to preach it to others.

The Rosary is a Scripture-based prayer. It begins with the Apostles' Creed, which summarizes the great mysteries of the Catholic faith. The Our Father, which introduces each mystery, is from the Gospels. The first part of the Hail Mary is the angel's words announcing Christ's birth

and Elizabeth's greeting to Mary. St. Pius V officially added the second part of the Hail Mary. The Mysteries of the Rosary center on the events of Christ's life. There are four sets of Mysteries: Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and—added by Saint John Paul II in 2002—the Luminous.

The repetition in the Rosary is meant to lead one into restful and contemplative prayer related to each Mystery. The gentle repetition of the words helps us to enter into the silence of our hearts, where Christ's spirit dwells. The Rosary can be said privately or with a group.

The Mysteries

The Rosary draws its mysteries from the New Testament and is centered on the great events of the Incarnation and Redemption with each decade referring to an event in the life of Jesus and Mary. The Mysteries of the Rosary give us "thumbnails" of the life of Christ and his Mother.

- ★ The **Joyful Mysteries** are taken mostly from Saint Luke's Gospel in the New Testament. They involve the joyful events of Jesus' childhood.
- ★ The Luminous Mysteries bring a deeper understanding to the public life of Jesus. They fill in the blanks between the childhood of Jesus and His suffering and death on the cross.
- ★ The **Sorrowful Mysteries** remind us of how much Jesus loves us. They recall how He suffered and died just for us.
- ★ The Glorious Mysteries tell us what happened after Jesus died-His Resurrection, the descent of the Holy Spirit and the love Jesus had for his Mother. (From https://sacredheartroyersford.org/).



