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*Sunday, October 15, 2023, Fifth Sunday after Holy Cross*

Sunday, October 15, 2023 at 11:00 o'clock  
Younes Younes

Sunday, October 22, 2023 at 11:00 o'clock

Sunday, October 29, 2023 at 11:00 o'clock  
Ghassan Imad (40 Day Anniversary)

Sunday, November 5, 2023 at 11:00 o'clock  
Marie AbiSaleh (widow of the late Wadih Massoud Maalouf)  
Charlotte Robinson (widow of the late Rev. Eugene Franklin Helms)

Sunday, November 12, 2023 at 11:00 o'clock

Sunday, November 19, 2023 at 11:00 o'clock

Wednesday, November 22, 2023 at 8:30 p.m.  
Divine Liturgy in Honor of Saint Sharbel

Sunday, November 26, 2023 at 11:00 o'clock  
George and Theresa AbouChabke and Moussa and Elham ElJor

**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 15, 2023*

Roger Abou Jaoude, Elie Malkoun, Kevin Pitzer and George Choueiry

### *Ushers for Sunday, October 22, 2023*

Halim Younes, Gebran Fattouche, Antoine Issa and Joseph Nasr

### *Ushers for Sunday, October 29, 2023*

Fawzi Abouchabke, Maroun Mezher, Tony ElKhoury and Mark Malkoun

### *Altar Servers for Sunday, October 22, 2023*

George Beasley and Marek Oszwaldowski

### *Thank you for your generosity*

### **Summary of the Collection for Sunday, October 8, 2023**

Regular collection	\$1307
Contribution by mail	\$ 520
Pledge	\$ 500

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

### *Second Collections*

**Sunday, October 22, 2023**, 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.

**On Sunday, November 5, 2023**, a second collection will be taken for **Maronite Patriarchal Charities**. This collection, taken at the request of Bishop Gregory Mansour, allows us, as an Eparchy, to strengthen our Patriarch's charitable giving. It is like the "*Peter's Pence*" collection for our Patriarch. All funds collected will be sent to our Chancery office for proper transfer. Thank you for your generosity and cooperation.

### *Attention All MYO*

This Sunday, **October 15, 2023**, there will be a meeting for all MYO in the social hall following the Divine Liturgy. Also, the MYO (Maronite Youth Organization), lead by Dalal Moura and Zoe Zahrah, will be hosting a pumpkin carving and painting event on **Sunday October 22**, following the Divine Liturgy. The children of the church are encouraged to join in the arts and crafts. Pumpkins and equipment will be provided, but personal pumpkins can be brought. Any questions, comments, or concerns can be addressed either to Dalal Moura @ (571) 388-9870 or Zoe Zahrah @ (703) 826-3762.

### **Scripture Readings**

**Sunday, October 15, 2023 (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Holy Cross)**

Phil 2:12-18; Mt 25:1-13

**Sunday, October 22, 2023 (6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Holy Cross)**

Gal 6:1-10; Mt 25: 14-30

**Sunday, October 29, 2023 (Christ the King)**

Rom 12:9-21; MT 25:31-46

### *Liturgical Schedule*

**On Sunday, October 22**, His Excellency Bishop Gregory Mansour will visit our parish with the deacons and subdeacons of the Eparchy and he will be the main celebrant of the Divine Liturgy.

### *FYI*

#### *What place does the family occupy in society?*

The family is the original cell of human society and is, therefore, prior to any recognition by public authority. Family values and principles constitute the foundation of social life. Family life is an initiation into the life of society. (For further reading: Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) paragraphs 2207-2208.

#### *What are the duties that society has toward the family?*

Society, while respecting the principle of subsidiarity, has the duty to support and strengthen marriage and the family. Public authority must respect, protect and foster the true nature of marriage and the family, public morality, the rights of parents, and domestic prosperity. (For further reading: CCC 2209-2213, 2250).





*Maronite Bishops of the United States of America*



October 10, 2023

Dear Friends,

We hope this letter finds you enjoying the best of health, happiness, and success.

Over the last several years, Lebanon has been suffering through economic hardships, government instability, and social unrest which has left many people having a hard time obtaining the most basic needs. Throughout these hard times, Caritas Lebanon has been at the forefront and worked diligently to provide those in need with critical assistance and support. Despite their best efforts, the demand for assistance continues to rise and Caritas Lebanon is struggling.

In order to raise awareness and continue their much-needed work, Caritas Lebanon has made the decision to hold a fundraising **Telethon Event on Sunday, October 22, 2023 from 10 AM to 11 PM Lebanese Time** on MTV Lebanon. While we understand that times are difficult for many, we would like to ask for your assistance in helping our brothers and sisters in desperate need. Every little bit counts and goes a long way.

You can participate in the Telethon event or you can also donate to Caritas Lebanon USA which will ensure the funds reach the needy and less fortunate through the following ways:

1. You can go to [www.CaritasLebanon.org](http://www.CaritasLebanon.org) and donate
2. Make a check to the order of "Caritas Lebanon- USA" and mail to: St Raymond Cathedral, 931 Lebanon Dr, St Louis, MO 63104
3. You can wire transfer to Bank of America (For acc. number call 314 621 0056)
4. For Stock donations, contact your financial advisor to donate stock to "St. Raymond's Church" account number 5887-3955 DTC# 0141 @ Wells Fargo. The stocks will be cashed out and the money forwarded to Caritas Lebanon.

All your donations are tax-deductible. Caritas Lebanon USA is a non-profit entity 501(c)(3), EIN# 84-1616659.

Your names will be published or remain anonymous depending on your wishes.

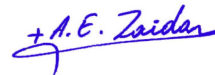
Thank you for considering this request and please keep our people of Lebanon in your prayers that our beloved homeland may return to prosperity and stability.

With sincere best wishes and prayers, we remain

Yours in Christ,

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of Brooklyn

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