

**Sunday, June 28, 2026 at 11 o'clock**  
Charles Thomas (requested by his family)

**Sunday, July 5, 2026 at 11:00 o'clock**  
Special Intention

**Thursday, July 9, 2026 at 7:30 p.m.** (Divine Liturgy on the Eve of the feast of the Massabki Brothers)

**Sunday, July 12, 2026 at 11:00 o'clock**  
Vincent Spallino (40 Day anniversary, requested by Crawford Bennett)

**Sunday, July 19, 2026 at 11:00 o'clock**  
Lukha (Lucy) Diab (40 Day anniversary requested by her family)

**Wednesday, July 22, 2026 at 7:30 p.m.**  
Divine Liturgy in honor of Saint Sharbel

**Sunday, July 26, 2026 at 11:00 o'clock**

**Sunday, August 2, 2026 at 11:00 o'clock**

**Wednesday, August 5, 2026 (Eve of the Transfiguration)**  
Divine Liturgy at 7:30 p.m.

**Sunday, August 9, 2026 at 11:00 o'clock**

**Friday, August 14, 2026 at 7:30 (Eve of the Assumption)**  
Divine Liturgy at 7:30

**Sunday, August 16, 2026 at 11:00 o'clock**

**Reconciliation** is available every Sunday between 10:15 and 10:45 a.m. before the Liturgy or by appointment.

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**June 28, 2026; Feast of Saints Peter and Paul**

**Ushers for Sunday, June 28, 2026**

Halim Younes, John Nadder and JoAnne Nasr

**Ushers for Sunday, July 5, 2026**

Gebran Fattouche, Antoine Issa and Joseph Nasr

**Ushers for Sunday, July 12, 2026**

Halim Younes, Gebran Fattouche, Antoine Issa and Joseph Nasr

**Altar Servers for June 28, 2026**

Marek Oszwaldowski, Michael and Raphael Fawaz and Jason Nasr

**Thank you for your generosity**

**Summary of the Collection for June 21, 2026**

Regular Collection	\$ 814
Donation by mail	\$ 500
Pledge	\$ 100
Contribution	\$1000 (memorial contribution)

Thank you for your generosity and may God bless you all

**Second Collection**

**On Sunday, June 28, 2026**, Feast of Sts. Peter & Paul, a second collection will be taken for the Holy Father (Peter's Pence). The entire collection is sent to the Holy Father to assist him with emergency financial assistance to aid the neediest throughout the world. Thank you for your generosity

**Mailing Address**

Please use the following mailing address for all correspondence:  
**7237 15<sup>th</sup> Place NW, Washington DC 20012.**

**Liturgy and Scripture Readings**

**Liturgy of the Word:** Page 562; **Anaphora:** Page 774

**Sunday, June 28, 2026 (Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul)**

2 Cor 11:21-30; Mt 16:13-20

**Sunday, July 5, 2026 (7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost)**

2 Cor 3:1-6; Lk 10:1-7

**Sunday, July 12, 2026 (8<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost)**

Rom 8:1-11; Mt 12: 14-21

**Religious Education (2026-2027) Registration**

Starting on **Sunday, June 28, 2026**, Janine Helou will be taken registration for Religious Education (Sunday School) program for 2026-2027 school year. The Religious Education Program, open to all children from Pre/K to 12th grade, will start middle of September, 2026.

**First Communion guidelines**

First Communion is given at the end of the second grade. However, before a child may receive his/her First Communion, they must have completed first grade in the religious education program. If a child completed first grade religious education in a different church or school, a letter from the church or school testifying to this effect is required.

**Save the Dates**

Our Lady of Lebanon Annual Food Festival, **Saturday, September 19, 2026** from 12noon-10 pm. For more information, please contact Gebran Fattouch.

Our Lady of Lebanon Annual Golf Tournament, **Saturday October 17, 2026** at Laurel Hill Golf Club. This year we're combining the Golf Tournament and Gala into one fun-filled day and evening. More details will follow in future bulletins. For further information, please contact Fadi Zakaria or Pierre Khattar

**Thursday, October 15, 2026;** 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Benefit Dinner for the Eparchy of Saint Maron at the Metropolitan Club in New York.

## *Saints Peter and Paul*

On June 29, the Church celebrates the feast day of Saints Peter and Paul. According to some tradition, the celebration of this feast day goes back to the year 258.

Peter, who was named Simon, was a fisherman of Galilee and was introduced to the Lord Jesus by his brother Andrew, also a fisherman. Jesus gave him the name Cephas (Petrus in Latin), which means 'Rock.' Peter was the first to recognize that Jesus was "the Messiah, the Son of the living God." But he also made many mistakes, such as losing faith when walking on water with Christ and betraying the Lord on the night of His passion. Yet despite his human weaknesses, Peter was chosen to shepherd the Church. According to The Acts of the Apostles he became the head of the Church after the Resurrection and Ascension of Christ. Peter became the first Pope.

Peter is mentioned 191 times in the Gospels (162 times as Peter or Simon Peter, 23 times as Simon and 6 times as Cephas.) John is mentioned 4 times. In the Acts of the Apostles Peter's name appears 54 times while James' name appears 4 times.)

St. Peter spent his last years in Rome, leading the Church through persecution and then being martyred in the year 64. He was crucified upside-down at his own request, because he claimed he was not worthy to die as his Lord. He was buried on Vatican hill, and St. Peter's Basilica is built over his tomb.

St. Paul was the Apostle of the Gentiles. His letters to different communities form a major part of the New Testament, and through them we learn much about his life and the faith of the early Church.

Before receiving the name Paul, his name was Saul, a Jewish pharisee who persecuted Christians in Jerusalem. Scripture records that Saul was present at the martyrdom of St. Stephen.

Saul's conversion took place as he was on his way to Damascus to persecute the Christian community there. As he was traveling along the road, he was surrounded by a great light from heaven. He was blinded and fell off his horse. He then heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He answered: "Who are you, Lord?" Christ said: "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting." Saul continued to Damascus, where he was baptized and his sight was restored. He took the name Paul and spent the rest of his life preaching the Gospel to the Gentiles.

Paul was imprisoned and taken to Rome, where he was beheaded in the year 67. He is buried in Rome in the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls. (*From Maronite Prayer of the Faithful*)

