

Sunday, August 16, 2026 at 11 o'clock

Sunday, August 23, 2026 at 11:00 o'clock

Sunday, August 30, 2026 at 11:00 o'clock

Sunday, September 6, 2026 at 11:00 o'clock

Sunday, September 13, 2026 (**Celebration of the Holy Cross**)

Sunday, September 20, 2026 at 11:00 o'clock

Tuesday, September 22, 2026 at 7:30 p.m.

Divine Liturgy in honor of Saint Sharbel

Liturgy and Scripture Readings

Liturgy of the Word: Page 425; Anaphora: Page 774

Scripture Readings

Sunday, August 16, 2026 (13th Sunday of Pentecost)

1 Cor 3:1-11; Lk 8:1-15

Sunday, August 23, 2026 (14th Sunday of Pentecost)

1The 2:1-13; Lk 10:38-42

Sunday, August 30, 2026 (15th Sunday of Pentecost)

1The 1:1-10; Lk 7:36-50

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

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August 16, 2026; 13th Sunday of Pentecost

Ushers for Sunday, August 16, 2026

Fawzi Abouchabke, Maroun Mezher, Tony El-Khoury and Mark Malkoun

Ushers for Sunday, August 23, 2026

Halim Younes, Victor Beasley and Antoine Issa

Ushers for Sunday, August 30, 2026

Halim Younes, Roger AbouJaoude, Kevin Pitzer, and George Choueiry

Thank you for your generosity

Summary of the Collection for Sunday, August 9, 2026

Regular Collection \$994

Donation by mail \$605

Pledge \$900

Thank you for your generosity and may God bless you all

Religious Education (2026-2027) Registration

Following the Divine Liturgy, 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 on **September 13, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.**

Marriage Banns

The Marriage Banns are announced for the Third time between **Ali Fares** and **Alia Pierre Ghanem**. Anyone knowing why they should not be joined in the Sacrament of Crowning is bound in conscience to make it known to the priest.

Second Collection

On **Sunday, September 6, 2026**, a second collection will be taken for the Catholic University and the Maronite Seminary (25% of this collection is for funding for academic scholarships at CUA, and 75% is for Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Seminary in Washington, D.C.)



Calling All Volunteers

We need your help to make **Our Lady of Lebanon 2026 Food Festival** a success! The festival will take place on **Saturday September 19, 2026, starting at 12 noon**. Volunteers are needed for the following areas: Set up before the festival on Thursday and Friday (September 17 - 18); Food and drinks stations on September 19 as well as general assistance before and during the festival. **Maroun Mezher** will recruit volunteers for the event. Please reach out to him (**703 501 5452**) with the time you can help. Everyone's help is needed in order to have a successful festival. This is a great chance to support our community and enjoy the festival. The annual festival is a major source of income for the parish. Thank you for your cooperation and assistance.

Attention All Young Women

The Maronite Servants of Christ the Light will hold an upcoming Vocation Event via Zoom open to single women (ages 18-39) on **Sunday August 23 at 7pm**. This will be an information session about the Sisters and their prayer life and mission in our Church.

Here is the registration link for women planning to join this Vocation event: <https://forms.gle/YXiyqRMfErBURH82A>.

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



Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Mother

Ancient tradition tells us and our own faith assures us of what the Church has solemnly proclaimed: the Virgin Mary has entered, body and soul, into heaven. After her death the Virgin Mother of God, without undergoing corruption, has entered heaven, by a special privilege of God, with her body glorified as was her Son's. As God had preserved her from the stain of original sin, made her a mother and yet preserved her as a virgin, so also has He brought her to Himself in her integral human nature of body and soul.

The origins of this feast are very ancient and date to a period some time before the sixth century. Although it has been an ancient tradition to venerate the bodies of the saints, there never has been any mention of there being any veneration to the body of the Virgin. This is an added witness to the truth of the bodily assumption of the Virgin Mary. This feast is celebrated in the Churches of

both East and the West under a variety of titles.

On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII defined the Assumption of Mary to be a dogma of faith: "We pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma that the immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul to heavenly glory." The pope proclaimed this dogma only after a broad consultation of bishops, theologians and laity. There were few dissenting voices. What the pope solemnly declared was already a common belief in the Catholic Church.

Since Mary is closely associated with all the mysteries of Jesus' life, it is not surprising that the Holy Spirit has led the Church to believe in Mary's share in his glorification. So close was she to Jesus on earth, she must be with him body and soul in heaven. May our Virgin Mother intercede for us and may her prayers protect us. Amen.

OUR LADY OF LEBANON MARONITE CHURCH



SAVE THE DATE!

2026 LEBANESE FESTIVAL

SEPTEMBER 19, 2026, NOON - 10 PM

Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Church is thrilled to announce our annual Lebanese festival, returning on Saturday, September 19, 2026!

Join us for a day filled with:

- Delicious Lebanese cuisine, wine, beer, and arak
- Lebanese sweet shop
- Live music by D.J. Gilbert of Gaia Productions
- Traditional dance performances
- And more!

Mark your calendars and get ready to experience the best of Lebanese hospitality and culture. We can't wait to see you there!

Who's invited? Everyone!

What? Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Church Annual Lebanese Festival

Where? 7142 Alaska Avenue NW, Washington, D.C

When? Saturday, September 19, 2026, Noon - 10 pm

For more information, please contact:

- ✉ ourladyoflebanonchurchdc@gmail.com
☎ 202-291-5153

📍 7142 Alaska Avenue NW, Washington, D.C



Is God Calling You to Religious Life?

Do you desire to learn about the life and mission of the
Maronite Servants of Christ the Light?

Summer Online Vocation Event

Sunday, August 23rd, 2026

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET

Open to single women ages 18 to 39

Email vocations@maroniteservants.org to register

Maroniteservants.org



Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Church

Faith. Community. Tradition.

SAVE *the* DATE

JOIN US FOR A DAY OF GOLF,
FELLOWSHIP, AND GIVING BACK!



9TH

ANNUAL

NINTH GOLF INVITATIONAL

TOURNAMENT, DINNER, AND DANCE



SATURDAY

OCTOBER 17, 2026



LAUREL HILL COUNTRY CLUB

DETAILS TO FOLLOW



GREAT GOLF

Enjoy a premier course
and exciting play.



DINNER & DANCE

Celebrate with dinner,
dancing, and community.



BUILD COMMUNITY

Connect with friends and
support our parish.



MAKE AN IMPACT

Proceeds benefit Our Lady
of Lebanon Maronite Church.



PLEASE SHARE WITH FRIENDS!

More details and registration information coming soon.



Thank you for your continued support of
our church and community.



Questions?
Contact the Church Office