



SAINT GEORGE MARONITE CHURCH

UNIONTOWN, PA

HOSANNA SUNDAY | 2 APRIL 2023

A CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE
ANTIOCHENE SYRIAC MARONITE CHURCH
*St. George Church is committed to sharing the fullness
of the Gospel and living the richness of the Syriac
Maronite Tradition through worship, charity, and
striving for personal and communal holiness.*

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Eparchy of St. Maron of Brooklyn

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New to St. George?
Welcome! We are happy to have you worshipping
with us! We hope that you will soon call our parish
your spiritual home! Please contact the parish office
for more information.

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

Dear Friends in Christ,

The rites and liturgies of Passion Week represent some of the most ancient and beautiful prayers and ritual gestures in our Syriac-Maronite patrimony:

Lazarus Saturday precedes Passion Week as a foretaste of the joy of the Resurrection we celebrate on Easter by commemorating Christ's raising of his friend Lazarus from the dead.

Hosanna Sunday, named for the praises sung by the children, commemorates with great joy the exultant praises offered to our Lord upon His entry into Jerusalem. Churches are decorated with, and are carried in festive procession, palms, olive branches, and other greenery. Upon nightfall, traditionally one of the night watches of the Midnight Office is celebrated. This rite, known as the Arrival to the Harbor, commemorates the arrival of the Church to Christ's Passion - the Harbor of Salvation. During this simple, but beautiful rite, candles are held by the clergy and congregation in a darkened church to welcome the Passion of Our Lord.

On Monday and Tuesday, we will celebrate Vespers, or Evening Prayer. The Divine Office is a cycle of daily prayers prayed by the Church as an extension of the perfect prayer of the Eucharistic Sacrifice. The rich texts and hymns of these hours of prayer draw us ever deeper into the mystery of Christ's Passion.

On Wednesday we will celebrate the Rite of the Lamp, the solemn liturgical form of the Anointing of the Sick. Traditionally, this rite was celebrated by seven priests each praying one of the seven watches of the Rite of the Lamp. After a long vigil of prayer, hymns, and scripture oil would be blessed and a person (or persons) would be anointed. This is a beautiful expression of our sacramental life and draws attention to the sickness of soul and of body that we all experience as humans.

Thursday is a commemoration of the Mysteries, the Eucharist in particular. In cathedrals, monasteries, and larger parishes a separate rite would be celebrated at another time of the day where the bishop, abbot, or pastor would wash the feet of his clergy in obedience to Christ's mandate to His apostles.

Friday commemorates the Crucifixion of Our Lord with the Presanctified Liturgy celebrated in the morning using the Eucharist consecrated on Holy Thursday and the Adoration of the Cross in the evening commemorating the Burial of Christ.

Saturday of the Light is a day of reconciliation, between Heaven and Earth and between men. We celebrate the Rite of Forgiveness in the morning where we reconcile with one another so that we might celebrate the Peace that was wrought for us by Christ through his Descent to Sheol and his Resurrection from the Dead.

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PARISH INFORMATION

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Liturgical Schedule

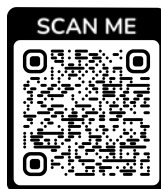
Sat | 4:00 pm

Sun | 8:30 am & 10:30 am

Wed | Vespers | 7:00 pm

Tu - Fri | 8:30 am

Feasts | 7:00 pm



PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Week of 26 March 2023

1 st Collection	\$1,845.00
Electronic Giving	\$171.00
Bishop's Appeal	\$675.00
Candles	\$132.00
Fish Fry	\$2,184.00
Easter Flowers	\$345.00
Miscellaneous	\$205.00

Received	\$5,557.00
Budget	\$3,500.00
Difference	\$2,057.00

Annual Lenten Bishop's Appeal

Received	\$4,861.00
Goal	\$5,500.00
Balance	\$639.00

Stewardship | 2023 YTD

Received	\$52,583.00
Budget	\$42,000.00
Difference	\$10,583.00

Online stewardship is the easiest and most secure way of contributing to the financial stability and health of our parish. Please consider making your weekly or monthly contributions online. Instructions can be found on the parish website.

Thank you for your continued generous support for St. George Church.

PARISH EVENTS AND POINTS OF INTEREST

Welcome! We wish a warm welcome to all our visitors and to those who already call St. George home. We are happy to have you worshipping with us. Please feel free to introduce yourself to the parish clergy. We hope you will soon make St. George your spiritual home!

Hosanna Sunday. Palms and olive branches will be blessed at the weekend liturgies and will be made available for the faithful following the liturgy and throughout the week in the narthex. There will be **one procession** during the 10:30am Liturgy on Sunday.

Sunday Breakfast. Everyone is invited to the parish hall for breakfast following the Sunday Liturgies. Breakfast for the **Children will be served after the 10:30am Liturgy.**

Rite of the Lamp. Containers with **dough** and **oil** blessed during the **Rite of the Lamp** will be available following the liturgy for those who would like to take a portion home for their use.

Adoration of the Cross. Please bring **fresh flowers** to be placed in the **burial shroud on Great Friday** of the Crucifixion. These flowers will be distributed on Easter Sunday during the Rite of Peace.

Blessing of Easter Baskets. **Easter Baskets, Easter Eggs, and other Paschal meal items** will be blessed at the conclusion of the Rite of Forgiveness on **Great Saturday.**

Easter Egg Hunt. All the children of the parish are invited to join in our **Easter Egg Hunt** following the **9:30am Liturgy on Easter Sunday.** Refreshments will follow the Liturgy as well.

Second Collections. The Second Collections are traditionally taken **in appreciation for the Pastor on Easter** and **for the Holy Land on Good Friday.** Thank you for your generosity!

Condolences. We offer our condolences to the family and friends of **Rosemarie "Rodie" Gabriel**, who reposed in the Lord on Saturday, 25 March. May her memory be eternal.

Easter Liturgies. There will be two liturgies for Easter: **4:00pm on Saturday** and **9:30am on Sunday.**

Eparchial Charities Appeal. For 2023 our parish has been assessed a goal of \$5,500. We have a remaining balance of \$639.00. Thank you to all for your continued generosity!

Passion Week. Please note the **times and special liturgies and rites of Passion Week** are included in the bulletin calendar. Please make every effort to attend as many of the liturgies of Passion Week as is possible.

Night at the Races. Join us for our Night at the Races at the Uniontown Polish Club on **Saturday, 15 April.** Doors open at 5:30pm and the **races start at 6:00pm!** Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Liturgy Intentions. If you would like to schedule a liturgy for a loved one or any other intention, please **contact the parish office**, send a note via **mail** or **collection basket**, or **email.** If you have already scheduled a recurring monthly or yearly liturgy, please remember to send in your stipend **before** the liturgy is celebrated.

PARISH LITURGICAL AND EVENTS CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>02 Hosanna Sunday</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am Health and Protection of Major Rachel Chrash <i>by Parents</i></p> <p>Breakfast 9:30am Liturgy 8^o Procession 10:30am + Theresa Yezbak <i>by Corrine 8^o Ernie Monaco</i></p> <p>Breakfast 11:30am Arrival at the Harbor 5:00pm</p> <p>Zech 9:9-17 Phil 1:1-13 John 12:12-22</p>	<p>03 Great Monday Isaiah & Ezekiel the Prophets, C</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>Vespers 7:00pm</p> <p>Fast Heb 6:1-9 Matt 21:17-27</p>	<p>04 Great Tuesday Pope St. Anicetus, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Eli Gabriel <i>by Kathie Pasquarella</i></p> <p>Vespers 7:00pm</p> <p>Fast 1 Thes 2:13-17 Luke 13:22-30</p>	<p>05 Great Wednesday St. Robert, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Dorothy 8^o Dale Sanner <i>by Joe 8^o Ronda Risha 8^o Family</i></p> <p>Rite of the Lamp 7:00pm</p> <p>Fast Heb 2:5-12 John 11:47-54</p>	<p>06 Thursday of the Mysteries St. Marcellinus, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8^o Washing of Feet 7:00pm</p> <p>Fast 1 Cor 11:23-32 Luke 22:1-23</p>	<p>07 Great Friday of the Crucifixion</p> <p>Signing of the Chalice 8:30am</p> <p>Adoration of the Cross 7:00pm</p> <p>Fast Is 53:7-12 Heb 4:14-16 Luke 23:33-4 John 19:17-30</p>	<p>08 Great Saturday of the Light</p> <p>Rite of Forgiveness 10:30am</p> <p>Decorating 11:00am</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm + Elizabeth "Libby" John <i>by Simon John</i></p> <p>Fast Rom 5:11-11 Matt 27:62-66</p>
<p>09 Sunday of the Glorious Resurrection</p> <p>Liturgy 9:30am Intentions of Parishioners</p> <p>Fellowship 10:30am Easter Egg Hunt</p> <p>Jon 2:1-11 1 Cor 15:12-26 Mark 16:1-8</p>	<p>10 White Monday Miracle of the Icon of Christ in Beirut St. Agabus, C</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>1 Cor 15:1-11 Mark 16:9-14</p>	<p>11 White Tuesday St. Antipas, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Eli Gabriel <i>by Bob 8^o Carol Hudock</i></p> <p>Rom 6:3-11 John 21:1-14</p>	<p>12 White Wednesday Sts. Mennas, Hermogenes and Eucraphus, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>Col 3:1-11 John 21:15-25</p>	<p>13 White Thursday St. Zosimas, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Frank Kennedy <i>by Mr. 8^o Mrs. Alex Merkoosy</i></p> <p>Eph 2:1-10 Mark 16:15-18</p>	<p>14 White Friday St. Hermenegild the King, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>Rom 10:4-12 Luke 24:36-45</p>	<p>15 White Saturday Pope St. Soter, M</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm + Subdeacon Thomas "Duke" George <i>Forty Day Memorial</i></p> <p>Night at the Races Doors Open 5pm Races Start 6pm</p> <p>Col 2:8-15 John 20:19-25</p>
<p>16 New Sunday</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Elias George <i>Forty Day Memorial</i></p> <p>Liturgy 10:30am + George Risha <i>by Risha Family</i></p> <p>Isaiah 52:7-12 2 Cor 5:11-21 John 20:26-31</p>	<p>17 Pope. St. Agapitus, C</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>1 Pet 1:1-9 John 20:1-10</p>	<p>18 St. Thais the Penitent, C</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>1 Pet 1:10-16 John 20:11-18</p>	<p>19 St. Timon the Deacon, M</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>1 Pet 1:17-21 Matt 28:11-15</p>	<p>20 St. Nathanael the Hermit, C</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>1 Pet 1:22-25 Matt 28:16-20</p>	<p>21 St. Anselm, C</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>1 Pet 2:1-10 John 2:13-25</p>	<p>22 St. Theodore of Sykeon, C</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm + Sophia Jean John <i>by Family</i></p> <p>1 Pet 2:11-17 Matt 22:41-46</p>
<p>23 St. George <i>3rd Sunday of the Resurrection</i></p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Rose Marie Brower <i>by Richard Brower</i></p> <p>Liturgy 10:30am Intentions of Parishioners</p> <p>Wisdom 4:7-17 2 Tim 2:4-13 John 15:1-8</p>	<p>24 St. Saba the Commander, M</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>1 Pet 2:18-25 Luke 24:44-49</p>	<p>25 St. Mark the Evangelist, Ap</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Subdeacon Thomas "Duke" George <i>by Barbarð 8^o Tom Michael</i></p> <p>Col 4:5-10 Luke 10:1-7</p>	<p>26 Pope St. Anacletus I, M</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>1 Pet 3:13-22 John 6:34-40</p>	<p>27 St. Simon, Brother of the Lord, Ap</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am + Elias Gabriel <i>by Barb 8^o Bob Bakos</i></p> <p>Eph 4:10-16 Luke 6:12-19</p>	<p>28 St. Jason, One of the 72 Disciples, Ap</p> <p>Liturgy 8:30am</p> <p>1 Pet 4:12-19 John 6:48-59</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Liturgy 4:00pm + Elias Gabriel <i>by Cathy Gabriel</i></p> <p>1 Pet 4:1-14 John 6:60-71</p>

SACRAMENTAL & PASTORAL CARE

MYSTERIES OF BAPTISM AND CHRISMATION | Sacramental Preparation is required before a baptism can be scheduled. We encourage this to happen **before the birth of a child.**

MYSTERY OF CROWNING | Arrangements must be made at least **six months in advance.** Marriage Preparation is required as part of the process.

PASTORAL CARE FOR THE SICK | If a loved one is hospitalized, ill, or homebound, please call or email the Parish Office. For **emergencies**, please call Father Aaron directly at 315.790.0059.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION | Faith Formation for both **Children and Adults** will be available during the academic year.

CONFESSIONS | Confessions are held on Saturday from **3:30-3:55pm** or **by appointment.**

APRIL MEMORIALS

Sanctuary Light	James & Ann Mullen	<i>by Family</i>
Vigil Lights	Available	
Altar Bread & Wine	Ellwood, Freda, & Michael Kelly	<i>by Sherry, Ellwood, Mary, & Families</i>

PRAYER LIST FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

Michelle Sante | Lynda Handlin | Teresa Rogers | Aliya Davis | Loretta Joseph | Kimberly Steinmiller | Patty Benson | Shirley Wolbert
 Leonard W. Neill II | Davey Rusko | Catherine Delgreco | Joan Mickey | Josette Shady Abi-Nader | Brooklynn Dennis | Gina Michael
 Cookie Shady Benson | Tammy McKenzie | Kamberly George | Lorraine Guynn | Marion Bryson | Eileen Crutchman | Barb Howard Misiak
 Helen Adams | Joanne John | Tanya Loring Kizner | John Mansberry | Richard George | Melissa Chomiak

"May the souls of the faithful departed rest in the peace of The Lord."

In memory of the deceased members of the **Lebanese Club.**

By Mr. Arthur Gabriel
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pray for peace

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