



# SAINT GEORGE MARONITE CHURCH

UNIONTOWN, PA

1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF HOLY CROSS | 18 SEPTEMBER 2022

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.*

**Most Reverend Gregory John Mansour**  
Eparchy of St. Maron of Brooklyn

### PARISH CLERGY

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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 last verse of the *mazmooro* sung during the Season of the Holy Cross is a beautiful meditation on the meaning of the Cross of Christ. The musical adaptation in our current missal says, “Lord, your cross is a ladder leading us to heaven’s heights. May your Church and her children join the angel hosts on high.” This, sadly, is not an accurate rendering of the Syriac original. The Syriac text of this verse says, “Blessed is Your Cross, O Our Savior, which became the ladder of Your Church, and by It [the Cross] mortals ascend and have part with the spiritual beings.” This is a stunningly beautiful image, and we should use it as our pattern of prayer during this holy season.

“Blessed is Your Cross, O Our Savior...” We praise the instrument of our salvation because without it our sins would not be forgiven. “Which became the ladder of Your Church....” The Cross is Jacob’s Ladder by which the graces and mercy of God flow down upon us from Heaven through the ministry of the angelic hosts and the sacramental rites and also the means by which we ascend to heaven through the salvation wrought by Christ for us upon the Cross. “And by It, mortals ascend and have part with the spiritual beings.” This tells us that the chasm that existed between the mortal realm of men and the celestial realm of God and His Angels has been *crossed* – by the Cross – pun intended. Mortal man now has access to the celestial realm of God and the angelic hosts through the merciful dispensation of God offered to us through the Cross. We are now able to ascend and transcend this mortal realm and take part in the heavenly worship of the angels. This is a beautiful and powerful message to all of us, we now have hope through the Cross!

Abouna Aaron

# PARISH INFORMATION

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## Liturgical Schedule

Sat | 4:00 pm

Sun | 9:30 am

Tue & Thu | 6:00 pm

Wed & Fri | 8:30 am

Feasts | 6:00 pm



# PARISH STEWARDSHIP

## Week of 11 September 2022

1 <sup>st</sup> Collection	\$3,013.00
Electronic Giving	\$702.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection	\$295.00

Feasts	\$180.00
Candles	\$45.00
SVDP	\$300.00
Hall Rental	\$150.00

Received	\$4,685.00
Budget	\$3,300.00
Difference	\$1,385.00

## Stewardship | 2022 YTD

Received	\$133,099.00
Budget	\$121,100.00
Difference	\$11,999.00

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!

**Rosary Walk.** The 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Rosary Walk will be held on **Sunday, 18 September at 2:00pm.**

**Ladies Guild.** There will be a **Ladies Guild Breakfast** on **18 September** following Sunday Liturgy and will **meet on Saturday, 24 September at 1:00pm.**

**Faith Formation.** Our **Youth** Faith Formation and Adult Bible Study program for 2022-2023 will be held on the **2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays** of the month (with a few adjustments for holidays). The next session is 27 September.

**MYO.** The MYO will meet on **Saturday, 24 September for Liturgy at 4:00pm** followed by a parent meeting and cooking lesson!

**St. John the Baptist Car Show.** St. John the Baptist Church next door will be hosting its annual **Car Show** on **Sunday, 25 September from Noon to 4:00pm.**

**Maronite Youth Organization.** All youth in **Grades 6-12** are encouraged to sign up for MYO. Please call or text **Subdeacon Chuck Michael** at 724.323.4653. Also, please sign up on **Remind** to keep up to date with any MYO events and announcements by texting @myo202 to 81010. To be **eligible for any Parish Scholarships**, or to be recommended for any **NAM or Eparchial awards**, a child must be a **regular communicant** at Sunday and Festal liturgies and an **active participant** in the **MYO/Faith Formation** program.

**ARS.** The **Altar & Rosary Society** will meet on **Sunday, 2 October**, praying the Rosary and Litany at 9:00am and meeting following the Liturgy with light refreshments in the Parish Hall.

**Eparchial Benefit.** Save the date! The **13<sup>th</sup> Annual Benefit Dinner** for the Eparchy of Saint Maron will be held on **Thursday, 6 October 2021.**

**Night at the Races.** **Save the Date!** We will host our annual **Night at the Races** on **Saturday, 8 October.** Doors open at 5:30pm and **races start at 6:00pm.** More information to come!

**Trunk or Treat.** **Save the Date!** Our annual **Trunk or Treat** for our children will be held on **Friday, 28 October at 5:00pm.** More information to come!

**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><b>18</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Holy Cross</b></p> <p><b>Liturgy   9:30am</b> +Richard (Rick) Davidson &amp; Agnes (Aggie) Almes <i>by Larry &amp; Judy Unice</i> Breakfast   10:30am MCF Meeting   10:50am Rosary Walk   2pm</p> <p>Deut 17:14-20 2 Tim 2:1-10 Mark 10:35-45</p>	<p><b>19</b> St. Januarius, M</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>Rev 1:1-8 Mark 8:3-34-9:1</p>	<p><b>20</b> St. Eustatius and His Wife &amp; Children, M</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>Rev 1:9-20 Mark 9:33-37</p>	<p><b>21</b> St. Quadratus, Bishop of Athens, M</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>Rev 2:1-7 Mark 9:38-50</p>	<p><b>22</b> St. Phocas &amp; His Companions, M</p> <p>Liturgy   6:00pm + Robert Wilson <i>by Ann &amp; Joe Marshall</i></p> <p>2 Cor 13:5-13 Luke 21:10-19</p>	<p><b>23</b> Jonah the Prophet</p> <p>Liturgy   8:30am</p> <p>Rev 2:12-17 Mark 10:28-31</p>	<p><b>24</b> St. Thecla, Woman Protomartyr</p> <p><b>Ladies Guild Meeting   1:00pm</b> <b>Liturgy   4:00pm</b> +Harry &amp; Rita Salim Sisson &amp; Dtrs. Terry &amp; Rita Jo <i>by Joe, Ronda Risha, &amp; Family</i> <b>MYO   5:00pm</b></p> <p>2 Cor 10:1-7 Matt 25:1-13</p>
<p><b>25</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Holy Cross</b> St. Paphnutius the Confessor, C</p> <p><b>Liturgy   9:30am</b> +Elias G. &amp; Harriet Rafail <i>by Family</i></p> <p>Joel 2:1-16 1 Cor 15:19-34 Matt 24:1-14</p>	<p><b>26</b> St. John the Evangelist, Ap</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>Rev 3:1-6 Matt 10:16-22</p>	<p><b>27</b> St. Vincent de Paul, C</p> <p>Liturgy   6:00pm <b>Faith Formation Program   6:30pm</b></p> <p>Rev 3:7-13 Matt 11:20-24</p>	<p><b>28</b> St. Chariton, C</p> <p>Liturgy   8:30am</p> <p>Rev 3:14-22 Matt 12:29-32</p>	<p><b>29</b> St. Romanos (Cyriacus), or Rouhanna the Cantor, C</p> <p>Liturgy   6:00pm</p> <p>Rev 4:1-11 Matt 12:33-37</p>	<p><b>30</b> St. Gregory the Illuminator, M</p> <p>Liturgy   8:30am</p> <p>Rev 5:1-10 Matt 12:38-42</p>	<p><b>01 Oct</b></p> <p><b>Liturgy   4:00pm</b> +Robert Wilson <i>by Dr. Pete &amp; Mary Gabriel</i></p> <p>+Joe Richey <i>40 Day Memorial</i></p> <p>Rev 6:9-17 Matt 12:43-45</p>
<p><b>02</b> <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Holy Cross</b> Sts. Cyprian and Justina, M</p> <p><b>Rosary   9:00am</b> <b>Liturgy   9:30am</b> In Honor of the Living ARS Members</p> <p><b>ARS Meeting   10:30am</b></p> <p>Dan 7:9-14 Phil 3:17-4:1 Matt 24:23-31</p>	<p><b>03</b> St. Dionysius the Areopagite, C</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>Rev 7:9-17 Matt 24:32-44</p>	<p><b>04</b> St. Francis of Assisi, C</p> <p>Liturgy   6:00pm +Joe Richey <i>by Barb &amp; Joe George</i> <b>Blessing of Animals   6:30pm</b></p> <p>Rev 10:1-11 Luke 6:20-26</p>	<p><b>05</b> St. Paul the Simple, C</p> <p>Liturgy   8:30am</p> <p>Rev 11:1-12 Luke 5:33-39</p>	<p><b>06</b> St. Thomas the Apostle, Ap</p> <p>Liturgy   6:00pm +Robert Wilson <i>by Subdeacon &amp; Mrs. Mallard George</i></p> <p>Rev 12:1-12 Luke 21:34-38</p>	<p><b>07</b> Sts. Sarkis and Bacchus, M</p> <p>Liturgy   8:30am</p> <p>2 Cor 4:7-15 Mark 13:9-13</p>	<p><b>08</b> St. Pelagia of Antioch, C</p> <p><b>Liturgy   4:00pm</b> +Esther Bena <i>by Paula George</i></p> <p><b>Night at the Races 6:00pm</b></p> <p>Rev 14:1-13 John 5:24-30</p>
<p><b>09</b> <b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Holy Cross</b> St. James, Brother of the Lord, Ap</p> <p><b>Liturgy   9:30am</b> +Helen Sloboda <i>by Her Children</i></p> <p>Gen 41:38-44 1 Thes 5:1-11 Matt 24:45-51</p>	<p><b>10</b> St. Eulampius &amp; His Sister Eulampia, &amp; Their Companions, M</p> <p>No Liturgy</p> <p>Rev 15:1-8 John 12:20-28</p>	<p><b>11</b> St. Philip the Deacon, C Niacea I</p> <p>Liturgy   6:00pm +Palmer Sabatine <i>by Mom, Dad, &amp; Aunt Jeanie Sabatine</i> <b>Faith Formation Program   6:30pm</b></p> <p>Rev 18:1-8 John 16:2-24</p>	<p><b>12</b> St. Edno, M</p> <p>Liturgy   8:30am</p> <p>Rev 19:1-16 Luke 12:16-21</p>	<p><b>13</b> Sts. Carpus and Papyrus, &amp; Their Companions, M</p> <p>Liturgy   6:00pm</p> <p>Rev 21:1-14 Luke 13:6-9</p>	<p><b>14</b> St. Isaiah the Monk, C</p> <p>Liturgy   8:30am</p> <p>Rom 6:18-23 Matt 10:28-33</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p><b>Liturgy   4:00pm</b> +Connie Ferris <i>by Altar Rosary Society</i></p> <p><b>Night at the Races 6:00pm</b></p> <p>Rev 22:16-21 Luke 15:8-10</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.**

## SEPTEMBER MEMORIALS

<b>Sanctuary Light</b>	James & Ann Mullen	<i>by Family</i>
<b>Vigil Lights</b>	Rose Michael Swartz	<i>by Doug &amp; Paula Sanner &amp; Family</i>
<b>Altar Bread &amp; Wine</b>	Ellwood, Freda, & Michael Kelly	<i>by Sherry, Ellwood, Mary, &amp; Families</i>

## PRAYER LIST FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

Michelle Sante | Lynda Handlin | Teresa Rogers | David Gallo | Aliya Davis | Loretta Joseph | Kimberly Steinmiller | Patty Benson  
 Leonard W. Neill II | Davey Rusko | Catherine Delgreco | Joan Mickey | Josette Shady Abi-Nader | Brooklynn Dennis | Rodie Gabriel  
 Cookie Shady Benson | Tammy McKenzie | Kamberly George | Lorraine Guynn | Marion Bryson | Eileen Crutchman | Barb Howard Misiak  
 Mary C. Barasso | Amanda Gamble | Teresa Rogers | Helen Adams | Marie Ferris | Joanne John | Vince Komacko | Tanya Loring Kizner

**"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  
 من السيد أسعد زغيب

**pray for peace IN LEBANON**

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