



Saint Maron Church
 Philadelphia, PA كنيسة مار مارون




**2025 ANNUAL
LEBANESE FESTIVAL**

Friday, May 30
 5pm - 11pm

Saturday, May 31
 3pm - 11pm

Sunday, June 1
 1pm - 9pm

1013 Ellsworth Street, Philadelphia, PA 19147
 215-389-2000 | www.saintmaron.org




COMMUNION HOST & WINE
 The Communion Host and Wine offering for June is donated in loving memory of
Victor & Adeline Karam
 by Frank, Naomi and Jake Koerwitz

SANCTUARY CANDLE
 The Sanctuary candle for June is donated for a special intention
 by Lila Melan

PASTOR CONTACT
 In case of any needed pastoral assistance, we ask that only the family contact Fr. Kamil on his cell phone at **610-739-8586**.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Saturday, May 24 -	\$479.00
Sunday, May 25 -	\$382.00
Mail-In -	\$570.00
Total -	\$1,431.00

@OLOLEastonChurch




**OUR LADY OF LEBANON
MARONITE CATHOLIC
CHURCH**
 55 South 4th Street
 Easton, PA 18042
 610-252-5275



Week 22 - Week 24 Email: ololchurch@yahoo.com Website: ololeaston.org May 31 - June 15, 2025

7th Sunday of The Resurrection

The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Saint John 13:31-35

When he had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once.

Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come."

I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

Letter to the Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers.

I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power.

God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

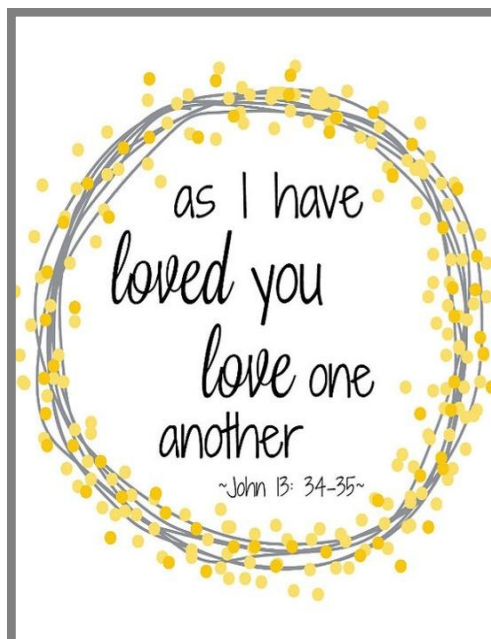
Book of Leviticus 19:1-2, 1-18

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy. You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; and you shall not lie to one another. And you shall not swear falsely by my name, profaning the name of your God: I am the LORD.

You shall not defraud your neighbor; you shall not steal; and you shall not keep for yourself the wages of a laborer until morning. You shall not revile the deaf or put a stumbling-block before the blind; you shall fear your God: I am the LORD.

You shall not render an unjust judgement; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the LORD.

You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.



CLERGY:

Fr. Kamil Al-Chouefati, Pastor

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday through Thursday 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Closed on Fridays.

RECTORY & MAILING ADDRESS:

54 South 4th Street
Easton, PA 18042

Phone: 610-252-5275

Email: ololchurch@yahoo.com

Website: ololeaston.org

LITURGIES:

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 10:00 AM

Weekdays: 9:00 AM, Tuesday - Friday

Weekday Holy Days of Obligation: 7:00 PM

Confession will be available 30 minutes before each Mass or by appointment.



SAINT SHARBEL CHURCH
LEBANESE FESTIVAL 2025
 JUNE 6 | 7 | 8 FRIDAY-SUNDAY





SHADY YOUNES **ANDRE IBRAHIM** **RAMI BADR**
FRI 5-10PM **SAT 12-11PM** **SUN 12-10PM**




LEBANESE FOOD & PASTRIES **LIVE MUSIC & DANCERS**






Plus HOOKAH & BAR • GAMES & CRAFTS • RAFFLES & PRIZES
 FREE ADMISSION & PARKING ★ VISIT US @ SAINTSHARBELNJ.ORG


 526 EASTON AVE SOMERSET NJ


 732 828 2055



Class of **2025**
Graduate
Diego Khoury
 Let's Celebrate Sunday, June 8th @ 12:00pm
 Our Lady of Lebanon
 55 South 4th Street Easton PA 18042

7th Sunday of the Resurrection

Saturday, May 31 - 5:00 PM - JOSEPH & ELIZABETH ZINE by Sheb & Leila Shumar

Sunday, Jun 1- 10:00 AM - YOUWAKIM YOUSSEF FARHAT & HIS WIFE, FILOMINA FAYEZ ELIAS (40 DAY MASS) by son, Mansour & wife, Maggie & their sons, Adam & Noah

2nd Collection - Catholic Communications Campaign - May 31st & Jun 1, 2025

Following the norms established by the USCCB, 50% of this collection is sent to them for national Catholic television, radio and other media, and 50% is retained by our Eparchy for the Maronite Voice and any other communication needs we may have.

Tuesday	Jun 3	9:00 AM	RIMAH MELHEM by Mr. & Mrs. Badwi Jacob
Wednesday	Jun 4	9:00 AM	MILO ELIAS by Rosemary Canone
Thursday	Jun 5	9:00 AM	GEORGE BAURKOT by Donald Solomon Jr.& Cheryl Solomon
		7:00 PM	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Friday	Jun 6	9:00 AM	DR. ELIAS ISAAC by Charlotte Hanni

Pentecost Sunday

Saturday, Jun 7 - 5:00 PM - YVONNE CANONE NOONAN by James Canone & Family

Sunday, Jun 8 - 10:00 AM - TONY RIZK (1st Anniversary) by the Family

Tuesday	Jun 10	9:00 AM	BERLIN KASSIS by Mr. & Mrs. George Moussa & Family
Wednesday	Jun 11	9:00 AM	ANTHONY HANNI by Mr. & Mrs. Peter Murgia
Thursday	Jun 12	9:00 AM	LILA HAYEK by Michael & Marcine Solliday
		7:00 PM	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Friday	Jun 13	9:00 AM	FOR ALL THE SICK AND DECEASED OF THE PARISH by Nick & Susan Giacomopoulos

Sunday of The Most Holy Trinity

Saturday, Jun 14 - 5:00 PM - ANTHONY SYMIA (Birthday Remembrance) by Children & Grandchildren

Sunday, Jun 15- 10:00 AM - FOR ALL LIVING AND DECEASED FATHERS OF THE PARISH by Fr. Kamil

SCRIPTURE READINGS

7th Sunday of the Resurrection
Lev 19:1-2, 11-18/Eph 1:15-23/Jn 13:31-35

Pentecost Sunday
Gen 11:1-9 / Acts 2:1-21/Jn 14:15-20

Sunday of The Most Holy Trinity
Gen 18:1-8/Rom 11:25-36/Mt 28:16-20

Weekend Mass Epistle Readings

We kindly request that families of those for whom the Mass is being offered inform the Altar Servers of the designated reader for the Epistle. Additionally, please confirm that you have selected at least two individuals to present the gifts at the altar. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

The Ascension and Its Relationship to Christ Himself

The ascension of Jesus Christ marks His glorification and exaltation after completing His work of redemption (Philippians 2:9). Scripture teaches that Christ possesses a threefold glory: 1) His eternal glory as the Son of God before the incarnation (John 17:5); 2) His glory as God manifested in the flesh (John 1:14; 1 Timothy 3:16); and 3) His glory as the risen and exalted Son of God after the resurrection and ascension (Luke 24:26; 1 Peter 1:21).

The ascension holds profound significance for the Lord Jesus, and the New Testament highlights its importance. In His ascension and exaltation to the right hand of God, we see: 1) His victory (Ephesians 4:8); 2) His place of honor (Psalm 110:1; Hebrews 2:9); and 3) His power and dominion (Acts 2:33–36). Indeed, Christ is exalted forever, as it is written: “Therefore God has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name” (Philippians 2:9).

The Importance of the Ascension for Believers:

For believers, the importance of the ascension lies not in Christ’s physical departure but in the spiritual reality of His nearness. Christ is no longer bound by earthly limitations, and His life in heaven guarantees the believer’s own future life in glory: “Because I live, you will live also” (John 14:19).

The ascension demonstrates:

- 1) The completion of redemption: Christ’s ascension and enthronement at God’s right hand testify that His work of redemption is finished (Hebrews 1:3). It also confirms the sufficiency of His righteousness on behalf of humanity; and
- 2) The twofold requirement for sinners to enter heaven: The removal of sin (the negative aspect), and the presence of righteousness (the positive aspect).

Christ’s resurrection demonstrates the sufficiency of His atonement for sin, while His ascension shows the sufficiency of His righteousness. As Paul writes: “Christ Jesus became for us wisdom from God—and righteousness, sanctification, and redemption” (1 Corinthians 1:30). The Spirit of God testifies to the world concerning righteousness “because I go to the Father” (John 16:10). This aligns with the teaching of the Epistle to the Hebrews, where every reference to Christ’s atoning work is in the past tense—emphasizing that it was accomplished “once for all” and is forever sufficient.



60th Annual NAM Convention
July 3-6, 2025



Registration is OPEN!

60th Annual NAM Convention
July 3-6, 2025
Raleigh, NC

Visit namconvention.org
for more information and to register

Congratulation!
2025

Our warmest congratulations on a job well done to Dr. Maria Macaluso, daughter of Sally & Robert Macaluso, who recently graduated from medical school and to

Victor Karam, son of Tony & Mireille Karam, who received his BA in Architecture from Lehigh University.

We wish all 2025 graduates God’s blessings for a bright and successful future.