

# Saint Maron Catholic Church

## The Glorious Epiphany

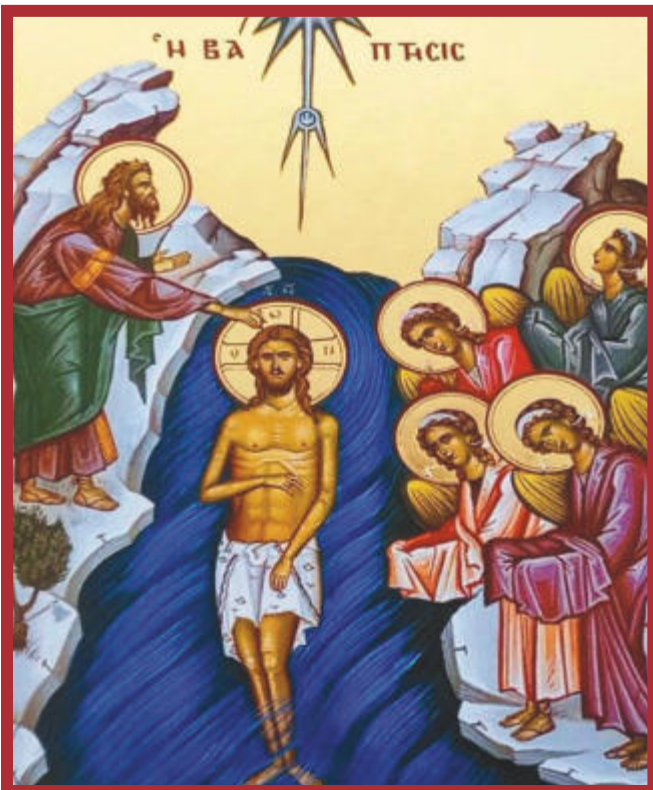
JANUARY 6, 2019

On the Feast of the Epiphany we remember when Jesus came to John the Baptist, and was baptized as all the people. Jesus, the son of God, who is without sin, was baptized as all human sinners. Saint Augustin said: *“God became man to make man God. Because the servant was changed into master God took the condition of servant. The inhabitant of the heavens lived on the earth so that the inhabitant of the earth might find dwelling in the heavens”*. Jesus took our humanity to exchange with us his divinity as we sing in our mass. The purpose of Jesus is to restore our image as sons and daughters of God, image that the sin has distorted. He went to John and was baptized to open for us the doors of Heaven, teaching us that with our baptism we are not only Christians but we are also citizens of Heaven.



When we were baptized we became a member of the church, member of the mystical body of Jesus Christ, the Church. We became sons and daughters of God and at the same time brothers and sisters in the community of Church. With our birth we had a family, with our baptism we received a bigger family. The baptism is the door of the sacraments, the door to be in communion with God through the church. Through the sacrament of baptism we became part of the Church; we are ambassadors of Jesus Christ in this World. This is our identity: To bring Jesus for everyone, man and woman in this world. Let us think today a little about our baptism, when we were baptized. Who were our godfather and godmother? Did they guide us to Jesus? When we were baptized our parents didn't ask us our opinion; they decided that for us.

Today we are called to renew our baptism, to say again yes for God, to accept our communion with our brothers and sisters in the church. To be an effective member in my Church, to give testimony to others of the love of God for us. Today we are called to renew our faith in God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. People can not separate physically baptized from non-baptized, but they can see the effects of our baptism, the way we engage in our faith and in our Church. Today God says to each one of us *“You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased”*. What will be our answer for him?



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## LITURGY INTENTIONS

### Sun. Jan. 6: The Epiphany

- 9:30 am [Lector: Robert Safadi]

Liturgy for all the intentions of our parishioners

Liturgy for all the kids in the world baptized on this day to grow in love and knowledge of Jesus Christ

- 11:30 am [Lector: Alex Agbay]

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## NEXT WEEK

### Sun. Jan. 13: First Sunday of Epiphany

- 9:30 am [Lector: Robert Safadi]

Liturgy for all the Children living in poverty and suffering

Liturgy for all the youth in the world who are struggling with their faith

- 11:30 am [Lector: Alex Agbay]

Liturgy for Lucine Kassis, 40 day mass, by her son George and his family

Liturgy for all for all the youth in the world who are struggling with their faith

## JANUARY CALENDAR FEASTS

01 - 15 Our Lady of the Seeds

01 - 17 St. Anthony the Great of the desert

01 - 24 St. Francis De Sale

01 - 25 The Conversion of St. Paul

## CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

### I BELIEVE IN GOD THE FATHER

Our profession of faith begins with God, for God is the First and the Last, The beginning and the end of everything. **The Creed begins with God the Father, for the Father is the first divine person of the Most Holy Trinity;** our Creed begins with the creation of heaven and earth, for creation is the beginning and the foundation of all God's works.

### *I BELIEVE IN GOD*

"I believe in God": this first affirmation of the Apostles' Creed is also the most fundamental. The whole Creed speaks of God, and when it also speaks of man and of the world it does so in relation to God. The other articles of the Creed all depend on the first, just as the remaining Commandments make the first explicit. The other articles help us to know God better as he revealed himself progressively to men. "The faithful first profess their belief in God."

### *"I BELIEVE IN ONE GOD"*

These are the words with which the Niceno-Constantinopolitan Creed begins. the confession of God's oneness, which has its roots in the divine revelation of the Old Covenant, is inseparable from the profession of God's existence and is equally fundamental. **God is unique; there is only one God:** "The Christian faith confesses that God is one in nature, substance and essence."

To Israel, his chosen, God revealed himself as the only One: "Hear, O Israel: the LORD our God is one LORD; and you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might." Through the prophets, God calls Israel and all nations to turn to him, the one and only God: "Turn to me and be saved, from all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other.. . To me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear. 'Only in the LORD, it shall be said of me, are righteousness and strength.'"

**Collections: December 2018**

Collection Dec. 23	\$ 1,035
Donuts and Coffee of 23	\$ 40
Collection Dec. 25	\$ 2,928
Coffee Dec. 25	\$ 72

**A Big Thank You for all the ladies who worked hard making for us the Ame7 and the Meghleh. God bless you and your families!**

**BREAD AND WINE**

**Please contact the Rectory to donate the Host and Wine for \$50.00/month, we will be accepting donations from three different families each month.**

- **Bread and Wine** for the month of January 2019, in loving memory of **Nader and Fayez Shaer, by Amal Shaer**
- **Bread and Wine** for the month of January 2019, in loving memory of **Tabet and Fleifel families, by Nouha tabet**
- **Bread and Wine** for the month of January 2019, for a **Special Intention, by Aziz Bou Chaaya.**

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Saturday, January 5, 2019**

MYO Meeting / Movie Night and Pizza Party  
6:00 - 8:30 PM

MYO Retreat Registration Forms Due Sunday, January 6, 2019; \$100 per person; hosted by St. Sharbel in Clinton Township.

**Friday January 11, 2019**

Ladies Night

7.30 pm at St Maron Hall

**Friday January 25, 2019**

Families Night

7 pm at St Maron Hall

( Potluck dinner )

**Saturday February 09, 2019**

St Maron Feast Day

6.30 Holy Mass presided by

His Excellency Bishop Elias A. Zaidan

7.30 pm Dinner at St Maron Hall

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**Banquet tickets.**

**N.B: I will be out of town attending the Annual Clergy Retreat in Phoenix AZ, From Monday January 7 till Friday 11, 2019. For any emergency you can call or send message to me on my Cell.**

**Fr. Roby!**



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