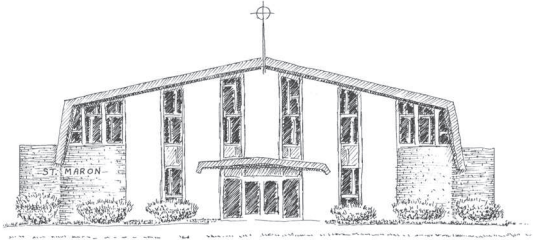


LISTENING TO THE WORD

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What Is The Catholic Church ?

by Bishop Fulton Sheen

"There are not over a hundred people in the United States who hate the Catholic Church. There are millions, however, who hate what they wrongly believe to be the Catholic Church—which is, of course, quite a different thing. These millions can hardly be blamed for hating Catholics because Catholics "adore statues;" because they "put the Blessed Mother on the same level with God;" because they "say indulgence is a permission to commit sin;" because the Pope "is a Fascist;" because the Church "is the defender of Capitalism." If the Church taught or believed any one of these things, it should be hated, but the fact is that the Church does not believe nor teach any one of them. It follows then that the hatred of the millions is directed against error and not against truth. As a matter of fact, if we Catholics believed all of the untruths and lies which were said against the Church, we probably would hate the Church a thousand times more than they do.

If I were not a Catholic, and were looking for the true Church in the world today, I would look for the one Church which did not get along well with the world; in other words, I would look for the Church which the world hates. My reason for doing this would be, that if Christ is in any one of the churches of the world today,

He must still be hated as He was when He was on earth in the flesh. If you would find Christ today, then find the Church that does not get along with the world. Look for the Church that is hated by the world, as Christ was hated by the world. Look for the Church which is accused of being behind the times, as Our Lord was accused of being ignorant and never having learned. Look for the Church which men sneer at as socially inferior, as they sneered at Our Lord because He came from Nazareth. Look for the Church which is accused of having a devil, as Our Lord was accused of being possessed by Beelzebub, the Prince of Devils. Look for the Church which the world rejects because it claims it is infallible, as Pilate rejected Christ because he called Himself the Truth. Look for the Church which amid the confusion of conflicting opinions, its members love as they love Christ, and respect its voice as the very voice of its Founder, and the suspicion will grow, that if the Church is unpopular with the spirit of the world, then it is unworldly, and if it is unworldly, it is other-worldly. Since it is other-worldly, it is infinitely loved and infinitely hated as was Christ Himself. ... the Catholic Church is the only Church existing today which goes back to the time of Christ. History is so very clear on this point, it is curious how many miss its obviousness..."

Sunday, August 22, 2010

9:30a.m. [Lector: Robert Safadi]

- **Dr. Sheffick & Adele Moroun**, by Michael Gabriel
- **Matry George Thomas**, by Diane George
- **Ron Kovach**, by his wife, (out of town)

11:30 a.m. [Lector: Don Howard]

- **Maroun Khalil**, by Mike Michael
- **Agnes Mazraani**, by the Harrouk Family
- **For all the sick parishioners**, by Msgr. Baz
- **Special intention**, by anonymous

Monday, August 23, 2010

- **9:00 a.m. Rana Siam**, by Rania and Reem Kattura
- **Tuesday, August 24, 2010**
- **9:00 a.m. Warner Schmidt**, by Bernice & Ike Ermis

Wednesday, August 25, 2010

- **9:00 a.m. Tony Labarbera**, by Lena Labarbera

Thursday, August 26, 2010

- **9:00 a.m. Esther Zamora**, by Yolanda Robinson

Friday, August 27, 2010

- **9:00 a.m. Hanne Cudcder**, by Rahme family

Sunday, August 29, 2010

9:30 a.m. [Lector: Robert Safadi]

- **Ferris And Zehia Thomas and their deceased children**, by Sam Thomas
- **Ron Kovach**, by his wife, (out of town)
- **Special Intention**, by anonymous

11:30 a.m. [Lector: Don Howard]

- **Abdo Mabarak 60 years remembrance**, by son Ray Mabarak
- **Tony Haddad**, by Mike Michael

Parish Staff

Parish Council President.....Dr. George B. Ghanem
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 Ushers Coordinator.....Mr. Raymond Mabarak
 Language Classes Director.....Mrs. Theresa Ghafari
 Arabic Choir Director
 English Soloist.....Ms. Mary Anderson
 History & Archive Coordinator. Ms. Veronica Asmar

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sundays at 9:30 a.m. & 11:30a.m.

OFFICE HOURS

Weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
The Office is closed on Weekends.

MYSTERY OF BAPTISM & CHRISMATION

You must be a **registered** and **active** member of the parish. Please inform the church office when your child is born. Arrangements should be made **between the parents and the church three weeks in advance of the date** you desire to have your child Baptized and Chrismated. Godparents must be baptized, at least age 14 and must provide a letter of "Good Standing" from their lawful pastor.

MYSTERY OF CROWNING

Allow a MINIMUM of SIX months for all necessary preparations including pre-marriage sessions. The new Code of Canons for the Oriental Churches (CCEO) makes this time frame an absolute necessity. No exceptions will be made unless for extreme reasons.

MYSTERY OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Notify the parish offices or the priest as soon as possible if a family member is in the hospital, nursing home, or is a shut-in, so that the priest can minister to them.

PRAY FOR VOCATION

Our Offerings to God

Our offerings for Sunday, Aug. 15, 2010 for Collection is \$1,815.00 Candles is \$

WISH LIST FOR THE CHURCH

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

- **Joelle & James Alibri** are offering the Host and Wine for the month of **August**.
- **Joelle & James Alibri** are offering the Host and Wine for the month of **September**.
- **In memory of Samuel and Elizabeth Raies** are offering Host and Wine by the Family for the month of **October**
- **In memory of Tabet & Fleifel families** are offering the Host and Wine by Nuha Tabet for the month of November

Please Dress Modestly

Please remember to dress modestly and with respect for God's home.

Please No shorts, sleeveless dresses, miniskirts, or T-shirts. Thank you.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION
2010-2011

PLEASE FILL UP THE FORM AND GIVE IT TO Msgr. Baz for this coming year. Thank you.

ARABIC CLASSES REGISTRATIONS

Please, if you are interested in signing for the Arabic classes.

We urge you to register as soon as possible.

Registration forms are available at the Hall.

LET US KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

St. Maron's parishioners and friends who are **shut-ins:** Harriet Armaly, Josephine Johns, Victoria Peters

sick: Assad Amine, Victoria Peters, Julie Hakim, Ronald Hakim, Joyce Mabararak, and Archbishop Francis Zayek.

Dates to Remember

- Aug 29, 2010** St. Maron's Yearly Picnic
Sept 15, 2010 Clergy appreciation Banquet

St. Maron's Church Hundred year Celebration

We are having our 100 year Anniversary Celebration on the weekend of October 1 and October 2, 2011.

We are looking forward to have a historical celebration.

More details to follow.

MARONITE SYNAXARION

- Aug. 22, Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Aug. 28, St. Augustine
Aug. 29, Beheading of John the Baptist
Aug. 31, St. Abda

WE NEED PEOPLE TO OFFER BREAD AND WINE FOR THE ALTAR STARTING JANUARY 2011.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP.

CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations to M/M Tedy Geagea on the baptism of their son Joey Tedy Geagea, last Sunday at St. Maron Church.

We would like to welcome the New baptized baby into our Maronite community.

St. Maron's Picnic August, 29, 2010
There will be only one Mass at 10:30AM

Please plan to attend and enjoy this day with your family and fellow parishioners. Everyone is welcome. There will be games for all age groups or you can bring your own.

The Church is providing Hotdogs, Hamburgers, Chicken, and drinks.

Please bring with you a desert or fruits to pass. A sign up sheet is available by the Church entrance and at the Hall for your convenience.

If you like to contribute towards the cost of the picnic; or if you like to volunteer; please see Msgr Baz or Rudy or call the church office 313-824-0196