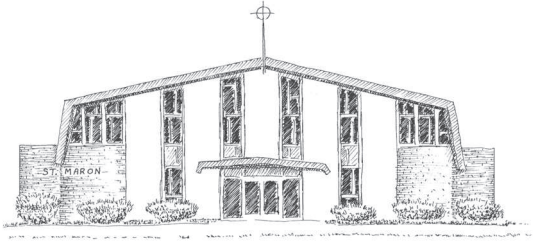


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**FEBRUARY 5, 2012**

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The spiritual founder of our Maronite Church was a monk and priest who lived in the late fourth and early fifth centuries. This monk or hermit, Father Maron, spent years living in solitude at the top of a mountain near Apamea in Syria. There, he transformed a former non-Christian temple into a Church for the one true God.

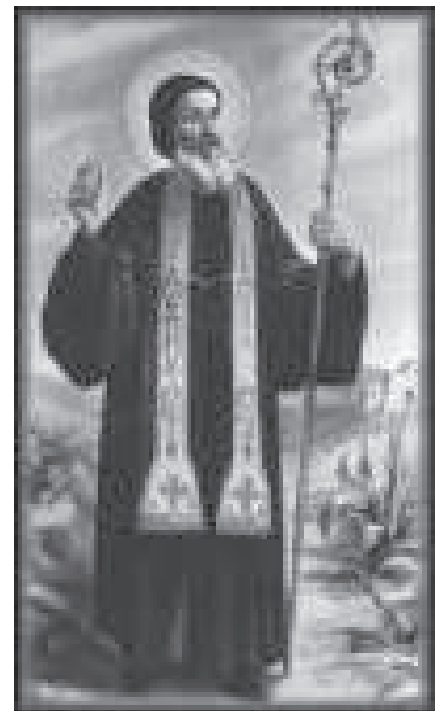
Only a few facts are known about the life of this holy hermit. Maron lived in strict asceticism, living outdoors most of the time. Whatever food he ate was either donated to him by passing travelers or grown by him in his own garden.

Word about Maron's holiness eventually spread throughout the region. He also gained a reputation for working miracles, especially curing all sorts of sickness and driving out demons. Eventually, people came to live near Maron to learn from him.

Maron was a very simple man. When he taught his disciples about the spiritual life, he compared it to his own garden of vegetables. As Maron saw it, the point of the Christian life is to root out vices (weeds) and to nourish virtues (plants good for eating).

After Maron died in A.D. 410, his disciples continued together in his way, forming the nucleus of the Maronite Church. They raised in his honor another church and a monastery that would bear the name Bet Maroon, meaning "the house of Maron." The monastery that was situated in the valley of the Orontes River in Syria soon flourished. It became a place of prayer and pilgrimage. Today Maronites honor Saint Maron on February 9, his feast day.

## **FEAST OF SAINT MARON FEBRUARY 9, 2012**



**Saturday, February 4, 2012**

6:00 p.m. **Saint Maron feast Day celebration**

**For all the Maronites in Michigan, by Msgr. Baz & Msgr. Badawi**

**Sunday, February 5, 2012**

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

- **Roy Sam**, by Gladys & David Snapke
- **Joyce Mabarak**, by Dolores Hejjawi
- **For vocations to the priesthood**, by Msgr. Baz

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

- **Victor Hage**, by Soraya Akouri
- **For vocations to the priesthood**, by Msgr. Baz

**Monday, February 6, 2011**

9:00 a.m. Poor Souls in Purgatory, by Amy Laus

**Tuesday, February 7, 2011**

9:00 a.m. Norm Weissert, by Yvonne & family

**Wednesday, February 8, 2011**

9:00 a.m. Nouhad Badr, by Jason & Joumana Klanseck

**Thursday, February 9, 2011**

**Saint Maron Feast Day**

9:00 a.m. **All Parishioners**, by Msgr. Baz

**Friday, February 10, 2011**

9:00 a.m. **Loretta Kovach**, by anonymous

**Saturday, February 11, 2012**

4:00 p.m. Special Intention, by Msgr. Baz

**Sunday, February 12, 2012**

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

- **Esther Michael 1 year anniversary**, by the family
- **Roy Sam**, by Asmar & Anderson families
- **Joyce Mabarak**, by Joe & Sue Hakim
- **Esther Kassab**, by Dr. & Mrs. Paul Thomas

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

- **Victor Hage**, by John & Helen Habib
- **Boulos Helou and Victoria Helou-Fares**, by the Helou family

**Parish Staff**

- Secretary.....
- Parish Council President.....
- Stewardship Committee President.....
- Church Attorney.....Mr. Don Howard
- Director of Public Relation.....Dr. Daher Rahi
- Church Accountant.....Mr. Peter Jabbour
- Hall Manager.....Mr. Rodolphe Jabbour
- Church Business Manager.....Mr. Edward O'Brien
- Ladies Altar Society President .Ms. Veronica Asmar
- Ushers Coordinator.....Mr. Raymond Mabarak
- Language Classes Director.....Mrs. Nouha Tabet
- Organist.....Mr. Teddy Tedesco
- 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 VOCATIONS**

**Our Offerings to God**

Our offerings for Sunday, January 29 2012 for Collection is \$1405.00 Candles \$76.00 thank you for all your donations to St. Maron church.

**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.

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- **Bread and Wine for Special Intention** for the month of February 2012, by Sam Thomas
- **Bread and Wine for good health** for the month of February 2012, by Catherine Marr
- **Bread and Wine in memory of Michaels Family** for the month of April 2012, by M/M Joseph Michaels
- **Bread and Wine in memory of Ghassan Ghafari** for the month of March 2012, by Theresa Ghafari & family
- **Bread and Wine** for the month of July 2012. By **Dr. & Mrs. Raymond d Farrar**

**LET US KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS**

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

**sick**: Julie Hakim, Ronald Hakim.

**CHILDREN MASS**

THE CHILDREN MASS FOR NEXT MONTH WILL BE ON February 12, 2012 at 11:30 am.

**St Maron Feast Day Celebration**

I Like to thank the Maronite Community of Michigan for coming together to celebrate the Feast of St. Maron the founder of our Church. Especially I like to thank all who attended, and the committee members who worked very hard to ensure the success our feast day celebration. May God Bless you all with the intercessions of St. Maron.

**GOLF OUTING**

This year the Golf outing is taking place on Monday August 6, 2012 the same place as usual.

**We need your Email Id's**

We need the parishioners email Addresses so we can get in touch with you and send you special announcements or notifications. Please call the church office @ 313-824-0196 or talk to Msgr. Baz after the Liturgies.

**MARONITE SYNAXARION**

- 2- 2 The presentation of Christ in the Temple
- 2- 3 Sts. Simeon the Venerable & the Propheetess Anna
- 2- 9 St. Maron (Confessor)
- 2- 19 The 500 Martyrs of Tyre
- 2- 20 St. James of Cyrrhus the Hermit (Confessor)

**Second Collection**

Today the second collection is for Catholic Home Mission. Please be generous. Thank you

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**Second collection Sunday February 12**

Sunday February 12, 2012 , there will be a second collection for the feast of St. Maron. Please be generous. Thank you.

**RENEW YOUR YEARLY MASSES**

Please fill up the form to make sure your yearly masses are scheduled.

It is a good thing you do when you remember your deceased family members during this coming year.

Don't forget to offer masses for the poor souls in purgatory too.