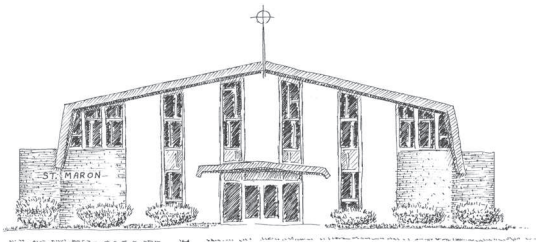


SUNDAY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY MAY 30, 2010

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MAY THE HOLY TRINITY BLESS YOU FATHER, SON AND HOLY SPIRIT. AMEN.

SYMBOLS representing the idea of the Holy Trinity were not so common in the early days of Christianity as one might expect. Our Lord Himself taught clearly the fact that there are Three Persons. In His last words to His disciples He said, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." -- St. Matthew 28, 19. The names of the Three Persons occur frequently throughout the New Testament, and in the liturgical formulae of the early Church.

Although the doctrine of the Holy Trinity was taken for granted by the early believers in the primitive Church, the word "Trinity" did not come into use for some time. Theophilus, Bishop of Antioch, is thought by some to have been the first to use the term, although the best authorities nowadays usually credit the first use of the word to Tertullian, who flourished at the beginning of the third century.

The names of the Three Persons are found in Christian inscriptions from the very beginning, but such inscriptions usually state the belief of the primitive Church in the Three Persons, with no attempt at a symbolical portrayal of the mystery. One early inscription reads, "In Nomine Sanctae

Trinitatis" Trinitatis," that is, In the name of the Holy Trinity. Another reads, "Patris et Filii et Spiritus Sancti", or "Of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit". Yet another tomb erected to the memory of an early member of the Christian Church bears an inscription which reads, "Quintilianus Homo Del Confirmans Trinitatem Amans Castitatem Respuens Mundum," meaning "Quintilianus, a man of God, holding firmly to the Trinity, loving chastity, renouncing the world."

An early symbol of the Blessed Trinity is to be found on a tomb in the cemetery of St. Priscilla, and contains the palm branch of martyrdom and of victory, together with two symbols of the Son of God, and the equilateral triangle of the Holy Trinity.

It seems that the earliest Christians hesitated to express so profound a mystery as that of the Trinity in the form of symbols. With the coming of fierce controversies in the early Church, where it was necessary to defend the doctrine of the Trinity against false teachers both within the Church and outside of it, certain definite symbols were developed. What Christians had always believed was now expressed in graphic form.

Sunday, May 30, 2010

9:30 a.m. [Lectors:Robert Safadi]
* **1 year anniversary for Anne Meda,**
by Emily Michael and Josephine Saigh
* **For our Priests Our Churches and the
Unity of the Christians**
* **Ferris & Zehia Thomas and their
Deceased Children,** by Sam Thomas
* **Janet Ganem Anniversary,** by Fuad
Ganem

11:30 a.m. [Lectors: Don Howard]
* **Antoinette Awad Gebara,**
by M/M Antoine Geagea
* **Faris & Hane Awad,**
by M/M Antoine Geagea

Monday, May 31, 2010

9:00 a.m. In honor of St. Maron, by Msgr.
Baz

Tuesday, June 1, 2010

9:00 a.m. In honor of St. Sharbel, by Msgr.
Baz

Wednesday, June 2, 2010

9:00 a.m. For all the sick of the parish, by
Msgr. Baz

Thursday, June 3, 2010

9:00 a.m. Special Intention, by Msgr. Baz

Friday, June 4, 2010

12:00 p.m. For the poor souls in purgatory,
by Msgr. Baz

Sunday, June 6, 2010

9:30 a.m. [Lectors:Robert Safadi]
* **Joseph & Victoria Gabriel and
Deceased Family Members.**
* **Peter & Marguerite Asmar and Son
Martin Asmar,** by Michael Gabriel
* **Victoria Helou Fares,** by the Helou
family

11:30 a.m. [Lectors: Don Howard]
* **Philip Agby,** by Slater Management
Company
* **For more vocations to the
priesthood,** by Msgr, Baz
* **For good health to all the
Parishioners of St. Maron,** by Msgr. Baz

Parish Staff

Church Secretary
Parish Council President.....Dr. George B. Ghanem
Stewardship Committee President...Dr. Georges B.
Ghafari
Church Attorney.....Mr. Don Howard
Public Relations.....Dr. Daher Rahi
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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. 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

Everything we have comes from God; life, each other, talents, treasures. Our offerings to God are in thanksgiving for His many Gifts and especially in response to His unconditional love.

Our offerings for Sunday, May 23, 2010 for the two collections are \$ 1,146.00

Candles: \$53.00

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Friday June 4, 2010, is the first Friday of the month, we will have mass at noon and also will **expose the Blessed Sacrament till 3 pm.** Come and let us pray together for the intention of peace and for more vocations to the priesthood.

Sunday June 6, 2010

Arabic Class Graduation, we need to remind everyone of you to invite your family members and friends to join us.

Pizza, Hotdogs, cake and fruits will be served after 11:30 am mass. Also a magician will be at the party. Come let us enjoyed this beautiful day together.

WISH LIST FOR THE CHURCH

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

In Memory of **Richard & Bahia Joseph & Sons**, Theresa Aboud & Eva Gast are offering the Host and Wine for the month of **May**.

In Memory of **Adib and Afifee Saleh**, Mr. & Mrs. Salim Saleh & Family are offering the Host and Wine for the month of **June**.

In Memory of **John Salame**, Joyce Salame & Family are offering the Host and Wine for the month of **June**.

In Memory of **Nader & Fayez Shaer**, Margo Shaer is offering the Host and Wine for the month of **July**.

Joelle & James Alibri are offering the Host and Wine for the month of **July**.

LET US KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

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

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

Dates to Remember

June 6,2010 Arabic Class Graduation
More information will follow

Aug 2, 2010 Golf Outing

Sept. 15, 2010 Clergy appreciation Banquet

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

The graduates name are:

Mary Anderson graduated from Wayne State University, in May 2010, with a Master of Social Work Degree. She recently completed successful graduate internships at Student Disability Services and the University Physicians Group Clinic for Infectious Diseases. Mary has volunteered to share her talents as our English soloist, for Sunday and Holy Day Liturgies, since 2003 and was awarded the Faith of the Mountain Service Award in 2007.

Mark Ghafari graduated from University Liggett school.

Michael Kassab graduated from University Liggett School.

Peter Ghafari graduated from Boston College

A BIG THANKS FOR A SUCCESSFUL MOTHER'S DAY PARTY

Msgr. Baz would like to thank the chair person Mrs. Theresa Ghafari and her committee for a very successful Mother's Day party. May the Lord bless all of you for all you do for St. Maron parish. God bless you all The profit will be reported next week.

PRAYERS
YEAR FOR THE PRIESTS

HEAVENLY Father, please grant to Your faithful servants, the grace and strength to carry out Your mission for the church each day. Keep our priests close to You and continue to inspire them to serve others in Your holy name. please help to inspire men who are called to a priestly vocation to answer Your call and participate in the fullness that You have planned for them. Amen.