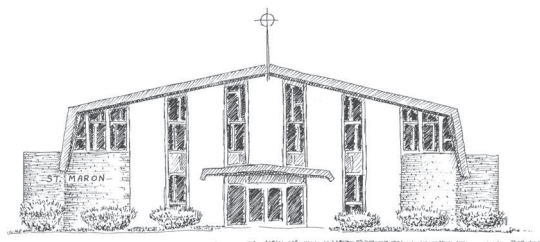


SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

JANUARY 16, 2011

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Epiphany Meditation

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form, as a dove, and a voice came from heaven, "Thou art my beloved Son; with thee I am well pleased."

Do you know the joy of submission to God? Jesus submitted to John's baptism which was a baptism of repentance. In this humble submission we see a foreshadowing of the sinless one who would humbly lay down his life on a cross to pay the price for our sins. The heavenly Father is much pleased with his Son's humble submission and speaks audibly and directly to Him for all to hear: You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.

The Holy Spirit, too, is present as Jesus submits to John's baptism. He anoints Jesus for his ministry which begins that day as he rises from the waters of the Jordan River.

We are called to follow in the footsteps of our Savior, Jesus Christ. We too must humbly submit ourselves to God's wise and loving plan for our lives. He, in turn, anoints us with his Holy Spirit that we may be clothed with his power and grace. Do you yield to the Holy Spirit that he may anoint you with power to live as son or daughter of God?

"Lord, fill me with your Holy Spirit and inflame my heart with the joy of the gospel. May I find joy in seeking to please you just as you found joy in seeking to please your Father".



Sunday, January 16, 2011

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

- **Victoria Sam**, by Catherine Stapelton & Michael Simon
- **4th anniversary for Rev. Joseph Bitar**
4th anniversary for Martin Asmar
Birthday remembrance for Fr. Antoun Saad, by Asmar family
- **Special Intention, by Msgr. Baz**
- **For all the sick people in the parish, by Msgr. Baz**

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

- **Catherine Aziz**, by Mamie Amine
- **Parishioners of St. Maron**, by Msgr. Baz

Monday, January 17, 2011

9:00 a.m. Mary McNair, by Sam Thomas

Tuesday, January 18, 2011

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

Wednesday, January 19, 2011

9:00 a.m. In honor Of Holy Name of Jesus, by Amy Laus

Thursday, January 20, 2011

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

Friday, January 21, 2011

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

Sunday, January 23, 2011

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

- **Victoria Sam**, by Sam Thomas
- **Leon Joseph**, by Asmar family
- **Boulos Helou & Victoria Fares**, by the Helou family

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

- **Catherine Aziz**, by the family
- **Sarkis Soto 40 days liturgy**, by his sisters Sadie Barker and Theresa Homsy and Saleh family

Parish Staff

Secretary.....Ms. Inaam Tamer
 Parish Council President.....Dr. George B. Ghanem
 Stewardship Committee President...Dr. G. Ghafari
 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. Theresa Ghafari
 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 9, 2011 for both Collections is \$ 1,646.00 candle \$51.00

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.

- **Bread and Wine For a special intention** by anonymous for the month of January 2011
- **Bread and Wine For a special intention** by **M/M Karam Karam** for the month of January 2011.
- **Bread and Wine** is in memory of **Habib and Muna Safadi**, by **Hanna Safadi & family** for the month of February 2011.
- **Bread and Wine in memory of Assad Amine** by **the family** for the month of February 2011.
- **Bread and Wine in memory of Ghassan Ghafari** by **Theresa Ghafari and family** for the month of March 2011.
- **Bread and Wine in memory of Assad Amine** by **the family** for the month of April 2011.
- **Bread and Wine in memory of Chemali and Mabarak families** by **Dolores & Ray Mabarak** for the month of May 2011.
- **Bread and Wine in memory of Assad Amine** by **the family** for the month of May 2011.
- **Bread and Wine in memory of Adib & Afife Saleh** for the month of June 2011.

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, Joyce Mabarak.

Dates to Remember

- 2-5-2011 St. Maron's Feast Day Banquet
2-6-2011 St. Maron Liturgy With Bishop Shaheen

St. Maron's Church Hundred year Celebration

We are having our 100 year Anniversary Celebration on the weekend of Sept 30, Oct 1, & Oct 2, 2011. Our Beloved Bishop Shaheen will be present among us. We will have the following events:

- 9-30-11 **Clergy Night Banquet**
10-1-11 **100 Year Anniversary Mass & Banquet**
10-2-11 **Family Day Celebration**

If you can help in any way, please see the Chair Person Theresa Ghafari.

We are looking forward to have a historical celebration.

MARONITE SYNAXARION

- 1-6 The Glorious Feast of the Epiphany
1-12 The Council of Trent
1-15 Our Lady of the Sowing
1-17 St. Anthony The Great
1-24 St. Francis De Sales
1-28 St. Ephrem The Syrian
1-31 St. John Bosco

MASSES FOR FEBRUARY 5 & 6

February 5, 2011 the mass is at 6:00 PM
February 6, 2011 only one mass at 10:30 AM
Thank you for all your help in this matter

Knight of Columbus

The meeting is on Monday 1-17-2011 at 7 PM at St. Sharbel church.

Eparchy Raffle

Our Bishop Robert Shaheen has asked all of the Maronite Churches to help him finish building our New Maronite Heritage Institute in Missouri. In order to do so, he sent us 50 raffle tickets, \$50.00 each to be sold at St. Maron Church. Drawing is at 3-2-11. Prizes are: \$10,000.00, \$4,000.00, \$1,000.00. Please call Msgr Baz @ 313-824-0196 or Rudy Jabbour @ 313-826-4192 for Tickets. Thank you for your help in this matter.