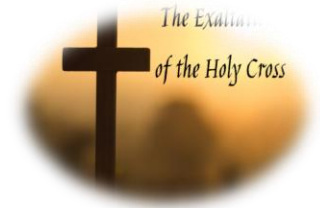


OCTOBER 5, 2025 - OCTOBER 12, 2025

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**Are we prepared?:** The gospel of today encourages and strengthens us with the conviction of Jesus' return. It also reminds us in a very forceful way that we must be prepared. The great question is not, "When is the Lord returning?" The question we should be concerned with is, "Are we prepared for His return?" **How do we prepare for the Lord's return?:** The best way to prepare for the second coming of Christ as Paul says is to "increase and abound in love for one another and for all" so that we "may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints" (1 Thess. 3:12-13). We should place God first in our lives and love our neighbour as ourselves. We should also in faith transform our weapons of war and destruction into instruments and tools of culture and construction.

**The coming of the son of man:** In our Lord's first coming, in the womb of the Virgin Mary, when He took up His residence among us, He came meek and lowly. He came to perform the obedience to the divine law of God for us. That obedience took Him to the cross, where He suffered and died for our sins. He came the first time doing the will of the Father and, so to speak, there was not even a little twitch in the world. Apart from the heavenly angels over the fields of Bethlehem, and a handful of shepherds, no one took notice. Rome and Caesar considered it to be simply another day as usual. People ate, drank, washed, and went to bed. But when our Master comes again, heaven will be shaken, stars shall fall. The sun shall not give her light, earth shall be broken on her foundations and mountains cast into the sea. For He shall appear as the Lord of glory. And you shall know Him, the One who suffered and died and rose again and to whom you belong now by His grace. When Jesus comes, it will be glorious. It is the moment for which we are being prepared. It is the moment for which we have been saved.

**Are you ready?:** He shall come upon the clouds. The clouds in Scripture are often a symbol of the presence and majesty of God. God led Israel by a pillar of cloud by day and fire by night which He put between Israel and Egypt to protect Israel. It was the cloud which was a figure of His own glory as He descended upon the tabernacle. Christ's coming will be majestic. Against the darkness of the sky - for the sun shall not shine. The Son of man in all of His beauty and power shall appear. That is why every eye shall see Him. They shall see Him in power, the very opposite of weakness. They shall see Him in glory, the outshining of all of His perfections **Is that your hope?** : Are you living in such a way that you are ready now? Then hear His word. Christ says, "I come. I come to be glorified in you. I will never forget you. I have chosen to dwell with you to all eternity. And soon, now, very soon, I come." Do you hear Him? If you aren't "eagerly awaiting His return" perhaps you love this present world too much. The Bible tells us that "if anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him" (1 John 2:16). But when you don't love the world, your heart will be set upon the things above and you will "eagerly await" His return. **Please evaluate your heart this morning.**

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HOMEBO

Jerry Mansour Shirley Zerka Duane Hannoush Samira Nemer  
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We now have a NEW OLOL webpage-[www.ololmccflintmi.org](http://www.ololmccflintmi.org)

As well as our Facebook page, "[Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church](https://www.facebook.com/OurLadyofLebanonMaroniteCatholicChurch)"

#### Office Hours

Monday thru Friday  
10 AM—3 PM

#### Clergy

Pastor: Fr. Pierre Bassil  
Deacon: Martin Rachid  
Deacon: Joseph Pavlovich

#### Parish Leaders

Parish Council  
Fady Elias

Music Director  
Dee Gardner

Organist  
Faith Yassick  
Sam Golden

Religious Education  
Deacon Joseph Pavlovich

Altar Society  
Cindy Shaheen

Morning Star  
Anthony Marshall

#### Parish Staff

Secretary:  
Custodian: Juan Hernandez  
Caterer: Charity & Garrett  
Wagner: 810.867.4048

#### Mass Schedule

Mon-Wed	9 AM
Friday	Noon
Saturday	5 PM
Sunday	10 AM

#### Adoration and Rosary

Friday 11 AM

#### Confessions

½ hour before Liturgy on  
Saturday and Sunday  
or by appointment.

#### Website

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## Mass Intentions

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4 : 5 PM LITURGY**

**(3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY AFTER HOLY CROSS)**

Rep: Earl Matte by Sue Rasak

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5: 10AM LITURGY**

Rep: Earl Matte by Lino & Hala Kaspar

Rep: William Lisboa by Jason & Joumana Klanseck & family

Dan 7:9-14; Phil 3:17-4:1; Mt 24:23-31 A: Theresie Zeydan E: Erik Lindhurst

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 6: 9AM LITURGY**

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7 : 9AM Liturgy**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8: 9AM LITURGY**

Rep: Earl Matte by Stacey Shaheen

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9: NO LITURGY**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10: 11-12 BENEDICTION + LITURGY**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11: 5 PM LITURGY**

**(4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER HOLY CROSS)**

Rep: Earl Matte by Ladies Altar Society

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12: 10AM LITURGY**

Rep: William Lisboa by Najib & Siham Massaad & family

Rep: Earl Matte by Scott & Cindy Shaheen

Gen 41:38-44; 1 Thes 5:1-11; Mt 24:45-51 A: Micheline Zerka E: Rita Chammas



October is the Month of the Rosary; let us pray for Respect of Life and for Peace.. The Rosary will be prayed each Saturday and Sunday a half hour before the Liturgy for these intentions. We hope you will join in on this blessed time.

**BIG THANK YOU:** On behalf of our parish family, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to all the ladies who lovingly prepared the mercy meal for Subdeacon Earl Matte, as well as to all who served and helped on this occasion. Your generosity and dedication are a true blessing to our community. We are deeply grateful for your support and for the continued love you show toward our parish and each other . May the Lord reward your good deeds and bless each of you with health, peace, and abundant grace.



**OCT 26<sup>TH</sup> AT 12 P.M.**

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## Bible Study at Our Lady of Lebanon

Join us for fellowship, learning, and spiritual growth! Our Bible Study welcomes everyone—whether new to scripture or experienced in faith. Details:

**When:** Friday November 7 & Fridays, 6:00–7:00 PM

**Where:** at Our lady of Lebanon Hall

**Facilitator:** Deacon Joe

**Format:** Guided readings, discussion, prayer, occasional guest speakers

**Materials:** Bibles provided (or bring your own)

**Sign-Up:** Please leave your name and contact info to help us prepare seating, materials.

## meeting

Reminder: The Parish Council & Stewardship will have a meeting **on Tuesday, October 8th**. Stewardship will meet at 6 PM followed by the Parish Council at 7 PM. If you are unable to attend, PLEASE let the office know. Thank you all for your dedication! God Bless!



## Religious Education

**Parents: Enroll your children it is not too late!**

**Registration forms are in the Narthex,**

As parents, it is a sacred obligation to pass on the faith & culture to your children and to teach them about God and our tradition. Parents enroll your children in the Religious Education program. This Maronite Christian Formation program gives our children the opportunity to learn about their faith and to be involved in the spiritual and social programs that are held throughout the year.



The students of the religious education program are planning a Thanksgiving Fundraiser Luncheon on Sunday, **November 16<sup>th</sup>** immediately following the Liturgy. If you would like to donate or help Please inform the office or Fadia Nemer (810 ) 221-5379 & Rosleen hawa (810)624-2950. All proceeds will go to the Religious Education Program. **PLEASE NOTE:** No Religious Education class this day.

## You Belong Here ~ Join Our Parish Family!

Are you officially registered? Please make sure you are registered in the Parish so that we can minister to your needs. We can only reach out to you about upcoming events and opportunities if you are registered and we have your updated contact information Please Contact Monther Hawa. Registration Forms are in the Church Narthex



## PROMISE To Protect Pledge To HEAL

If you need to report child or vulnerable adult sexual abuse by a Cleric (Priest or Deacon), Member of a Religious Congregation, Lay Employee or Volunteer in the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles contact: Dr. Laura Kahwaji Victim Assistant Coordinator (323) 428 -681

### Discernment Weekend 2025

The Office of Vocations of the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles and the Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn will hold a discernment weekend from Friday, October 31st to Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, at the Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Seminary in Washington, DC. If anyone discerning a vocation to the priesthood, or if anyone wants more information, please ask you to fill out the following form: <https://forms.gle/vS767wXLcavCcsDH9>  
This is an opportunity for those discerning their vocation to experience a weekend in the life of a seminarian by joining the Divine Liturgy, Adoration, meals, prayers, and spending time together at the Seminary.

**The Maronite Voice** : Please feel free to take as many copies as you wish of the Maronite voice Magazine in the Narthex to Know what's going on in our Eparchy.

### Order of St. Sharbel

"Order of Saint Sharbel Sunday" in the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles. We Invite you to Join the Order of St Sharbel. The Order of Saint Sharbel is vitally important in providing financial and spiritual support for educating our seminarians, who are crucial for the future of our Maronite Church. The Eparchy depends on our laity to help cover some of the costs of our future priests. The Order has two levels of membership, Annual and Perpetual: Annual membership is a donation \$500 each year. Perpetual members make a one-time donation of \$5,000 to the Order's Endowment Fund. For more information you are also welcome to visit: <https://www.orderstsharbel.org/> We are sincerely thankful for your prayerful consideration of joining the Order and supporting our seminarians and retired priests



We know these times are unexpected and we ask if possible, to please remember your parish. You can send your offerings to the church or don't forget you can always do online offerings-we now have PayPal set up for you. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support. May God bless you and keep you safe!

**Weekend of September 28, 2025**

**Candles: \$38.00 Collection: \$2079.00**

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**Amount needed for SEPTEMBER : \$11165.00**

Monthly Expenses:

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Utilities : \$ 4500.00

Insurance Building, Medical, Car & Assessment= \$ 8000.00

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**Total: \$ 18000.00**



Our Maronite Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon is offering each parish the special opportunity to host a first-class relic of St. Faustina, the Apostle of Divine Mercy, as we celebrate the Jubilee Year: Pilgrims of Hope. This year invites us to focus on the Divine Mercy of our Lord, the true source of our hope.

Our parish will be blessed to welcome this sacred relic on October 31st, November 1st, and November 2nd, 2025. What a grace to receive this visit at the very beginning of our parish's 50th anniversary celebration! We are truly honored by this gift, and we invite everyone to mark their calendars and join us in prayerful thanksgiving.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Eparchy is looking for volunteer graphic designers and video content creators to join our Media Team. If you know anyone interested, please let us know. We also ask that you share the attached graphic with your communities. Thank you for your continued ministry.

**KROGER AWARD:** Parishioners of Our lady of lebanon, We encourage to enroll in the Kroger Community (NPO LN471) For the benefits of the church. It only takes seconds of your time....thank you for your support and help in this matter...

**Support Our Church through Legacy Giving** Please consider supporting Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Church through Legacy Giving (a tax-deductible way of giving to our church through your will, insurance policy, retirement assets, or a charitable trust), by remembering Our Lady of Lebanon Church in your will, or giving our church a gift of a common stock or mutual fund share. For more information on these giving options, please contact John F. Kurey, Esq., MBA by phone or email (718) 237-9913 or (314) 231-1021,

**Parishioners of Our lady of Lebanon:** Please, informs Fr. Pierre of any ailing person, either at the hospital or at home, who needs a pastoral visit. Fr. Pierre is happy to visit anyone in need. Don't assume that father has always been notified. He will respect people's privacy

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

October 4<sup>th</sup>: St Francis of Assisi

October 5<sup>th</sup> : Trip to Damouni's Orchard

October 26: Fall Harvest Party

October 31: Visit of St Faustina Relic

November 2<sup>nd</sup>: 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Liturgy Opening

November 7<sup>th</sup>: Starting Bible Study

November 16: Thanksgiving Luncheon Fundraiser



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