

Sunday Readings

Epistle Reading: 1 Tim 5: 24-6:5

Gospel Reading: Mk 2: 1-12

Gospel

When Jesus returned to Capernaum after some days, it became known that He was at home. Many gathered together so that there was no longer room for them, not even around the door, and He preached the Word to them.

They came bringing to Him a Paralytic carried by four men. Unable to get near Jesus because of the crowd, they opened up the roof above Him. After they had broken through, they let down the mat on which the Paralytic was lying. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the Paralytic, "Child, your sins are forgiven."

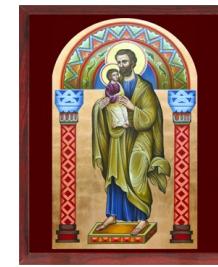
Now some of the Scribes were sitting there asking themselves, "Why does this man speak that way? He is blaspheming. Who but God alone can forgive sins?" Jesus immediately knew in His mind what they were thinking to themselves, so He said, "Why are you thinking such things in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the Paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, pick up your mat and walk'?"

But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority to forgive sins on earth"—He said to the Paralytic, "I say to you, rise, pick up your mat, and go home." He rose, picked up his mat at once, and went away in the sight of everyone. They were all astounded and glorified God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this."

This is the truth. Peace be with you!

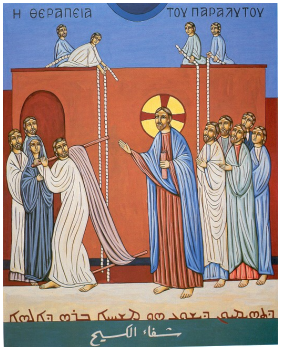
Liturgy Intentions

- Sat, Mar 29** *St. Cyril of Saalbek, M*
 Birthday Remembrance for Mike Luty
 By: Terry & Kathy Covert..... **4:00 PM**
- Sun, Mar 30** *St. John Climacus, C*
 Repose of James Knieser
 By: Liz & John Ash **10:00 AM**
- Mon, Mar 31** *Pope St. Lucius I (+254), M*
 No Liturgy
- Tues, Apr 1** *St. Mary of Egypt, C*
 With Loving Memory of Ralph A. Rose
 With Love, the Peter & Norma
 Sawaya Family **9:00 AM**
- Wed, Apr 2** *St. Aphian & His Brother, St. Aedesius, M*
 Loving Memory of James Knieser
 With Love, the Sawaya's **9:00 AM**
- Thur, Apr 3** *Isaiah & Ezekiel the Prophets*
 The Intentions & Donors of Catholic Extension
 By: The Catholic Extension Society **9:00 AM**
- Fri, Apr 4** *Pope St. Anicetus (+166), M*
 Repose of Grace Ash
 By: Bob Ash **9:00 AM**
- Sat, Apr 5** *St. Robert of Molesme, Founder of the Cistercians, C*
 For the Health of Joe Hollister
 By: The Sayegh Family **4:00 PM**
- Sun, Apr 6** *St. Marcellinus of Carthage, M*
 In Memory of Fred & Mary Louise Ash
 By: Mary Ellen Ash **10:00 AM**



Saint Joseph Maronite Church

March 30, 2025 Healing of the Paralytic



Divine Liturgy

Weekdays (Tuesday — Friday) 9:00 AM
 Saturday 4:00 PM
 Sunday 10:00 AM
 Holy Days (unless otherwise specified) 6:30PM

Confession

30 Minutes before each liturgy or upon request

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Please Pray for those who are Sick, in the Hospital, or Homebound:

- ◆ Estella Wood (Mother-in-law of Kathy Covert & Aunt of Kathy Baldwin)
- ◆ Maria Oszwaldowska & Family (Special Intention)
- ◆ Easton James & Brynn Isabel Hamed (Son & Daughter of Sara & Lindsey)
- ◆ Mike Losey (Husband of Laurie Losey, suffered two strokes)
- ◆ Cynthia Crawford (Knee Surgery)
- ◆ Coradean "Deany" Simon (The Pines)
- ◆ Phyllis Gayton
- ◆ Kathy Baldwin
- ◆ Tom Freitag (Prayers for his left-side torn Rotator Cuff and Shoulder)
- ◆ William Tunberg (Relative of the Ash Family in CA)
- ◆ Libby Gustin Recovery
- ◆ Teresa Hibe
- ◆ Birdie Skrobacz (Breast Cancer)
- ◆ Ron DaPolito (Injured Shoulder)
- ◆ Joe Hollister (Massive Stroke, Brain Bleed — Strong Medical Center)

Please let us know if anyone should be added to or removed from the prayer list.

Please Contact the Office if you would like a Pastoral Visit!

The Sanctuary Lamp

For the Weeks of 3/24/2025-4/06/2025

John & Betty Sawaya

By: The Sawaya & Cole Families

*In the same way, let your light shine before others that they may
See your charitable deeds and glorify your Father in Heaven.*

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM / CHRISMATION (CONFIRMATION):

Please notify the Priest at least a month ahead for preparations.

CROWNING (MARRIAGE):

Contact the Priest at least 6 months ahead for preparations and necessary paperwork.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK:

Please notify the Priest if a family member is sick.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Thursdays at Noon

Weekly Collection

Weekend Liturgies:	\$414.00
Special Collection:	\$.00
Candles:.....	\$18.00
Total Collected:	\$432.00
Approx. Needed Weekly:	\$2,400.00
Weekly Deficit:	-\$1,968.00
Fundraiser Income:	\$.00
Individual Donation:	\$100.00
YTD Deficit:	\$16,249.00

Sunday Lector Schedule:

Mar 30, 2025	Apr 20, 2025
Lisa Zlockie	Mikki Cole
Apr 6, 2025	Apr 27, 2025
Paul Sawaya	Lisa Zlockie
Apr 13, 2025	May 4, 2025
Brandon LaValley	Paul Sawaya

Get Well Cards!

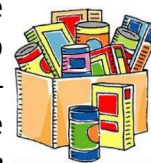
Let us pray for all those who are sick or ill in our community, and in a special way those who are in need of extra prayers at this critical time, namely **Joe Hollister** and **Kathy Baldwin**. For those who would like to send "Get Well" cards to Joe and Kathy, please send cards to the following addresses: **Joe Hollister, 509 S. Main Street, Bolivar, NY 14715.** And **Kathy Baldwin, 1222 Plum St, Olean, NY 14760.**

Bishop's Appeal

The Bishop's Appeal for the Eparchy of St. Maron of Brooklyn is now taking place. Every family is asked to participate in the Appeal at a level which is meaningful for them. **This year our Parish is required to give the Eparchy \$1,500.00 after Easter.** Please give what God has put in your heart to give to help us offset this expense. All checks should be made payable to **St. Joseph Maronite Church** and include **"Bishop's Appeal"** in the memo. *Thank you, Fr. Claude*

Lenten Food Drive:

Once again we will be having a Lenten food drive to help those who are less fortunate. Please drop off your donations in the Church Foyer. Non-perishable items as well as personal hygiene items are welcome. All items will go to the **Olean Food Pantry. *Deadline, Sunday, April 13!***



Cadillac Dinner Tickets Available for Reservation

We are now taking reservations for Cadillac Dinner Tickets. The cost is \$300.00 as in year's past. You can also reserve chances for the Early Bird 50/50 Raffle for \$25.00 a chance. Please contact Ann Marie Wright for more information and to reserve your tickets at **(716) 560-5421.**

ST. JOSEPH MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

FISH DINNERS

Friday, March 7 and 21
Friday, April 4

*LEBANESE STYLE FISH OR SCAMPI STYLE FISH
WITH POTATO, VEGETABLE, BREAD, & SALAD*



DINE IN OR TAKE OUT

CALL PARISH OFFICE TO PRE-ORDER: 716-379-8436

COST: \$20.00

DEADLINE:

MARCH 7: ORDER BY MARCH 2
MARCH 21: ORDER BY MARCH 16
APRIL 4: ORDER BY MARCH 30

4PM - 7PM

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1102 WALNUT STREET
OLEAN, NY



May 20 - June 3, 2025

13 Day & 13 Night Tour Includes
Rome • Montecassino • Padre Pio • Lanciano • Loreto
St. Veronica Giuliani • La Verna • Florence Pisa • Assisi
Foligno • St. Rita • Greccio

Package Includes
Single bed in a double room, international full coverage insurance, bus transportation, monument entrance fees, hotel breakfast & dinner

\$2,900/person, all included except airfare
(single rooms available for an additional cost)
Limited seats available. Register by 3/31/2025



For more information,
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This trip is hosted by the Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn.