

Sunday Readings

Epistle Reading: Eph 2: 1-10

Gospel Reading: Jn 21: 15-19

Gospel

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon, son of John, do you love Me more than these?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord, You know that I love You.” He said to him, “Feed My lambs.”

He then said to him a second time, “Simon, son of John, do you love Me?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord, You know that I love You.” He said to him, “Tend My sheep.”

He said to him the third time, “Simon, son of John, do you love Me?” Peter was distressed that He had said to him a third time, “Do you love Me?” and he said to Him, “Lord, You know everything; You know that I love You.” Jesus said to him, “Feed My sheep.

Amen, amen, I say to you, when you were younger, you used to dress yourself and go where you wanted; but when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go.” He said this signifying by what kind of death he would glorify God. And when He had said this, He said to him, “Follow Me.”

This is the truth! Peace be with you!

Liturgy Intentions

- Sat, May 17** *St. Serapion, C*
Repose of Nancy Farris
By: Wendell & Nellie Wallace 4:00 PM
- Sun, May 18** *St. Theodotos and the 7 Virgin-Martyrs, M*
Birthday Remembrance for John Ash, Sr.
By: The John Ash Family 10:00 AM
- Mon, May 19** *St. Philoterus, M | St. Cyriaca & Her Companions, M*
No Liturgy
- Tues, May 20** *St. Thalateus of Lebanon, M*
In Memory of Lorna Thornberry (Rest in Peace)
By: Dennis, Ann Marie, Bradley, Benjamin & Broderick Wright 9:00 AM
- Wed, May 21** *St. Constantine the Emperor & His Mother St. Helen, C*
Sick in the Hospital or Homebound
By: Peter & Norma Sawaya Family 9:00 AM
- Thur, May 22** *St. Rita of Cascia, C*
Bob & Rose & Steven Pisconski & Family
By: Peter & Norma Sawaya Family 9:00 AM
- Fri, May 23** *St. Tobit the Righteous, C*
Fr. Claude Franklin, Jr. & Family:
Healing for his Mother & Sister
By: Peter & Norma Sawaya Family 9:00 AM
- Sat, May 24** *St. Simeon the Stylite, Disciple of St. Maron, C*
Repose of Nancy Farris
By: Phil Farris 4:00 PM
- Sun, May 25** *St. Eleutherius & His Mother, M | St. Basilla of Rome, V, M*
Amanda Stockman
By: Paul Sawaya & Family 10:00 AM



Saint Joseph Maronite Church

May 18, 2025 Fifth Sunday of the Resurrection



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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Peace Be With You

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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
- ◆ 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 Hibye
- ◆ Birdie Skrobacz (Breast Cancer)
- ◆ Jan Mulgrew (sister of Jo Ann Snyder—Knee Replacement)
- ◆ James Snyder (On Heart Transplant list at Cleveland Clinic)
- ◆ Darlene Harrison (Friend of the Ash Family in CA)

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 5/5/2025-5/18/2025

Snyder & Zemer Families

By: Peter & Norma Sawaya Family

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:	\$447.00
Special Collection:	\$.00
Candles:.....	\$44.00
Total Collected:	\$491.00
Approx. Needed Weekly:	\$2,400.00
Weekly Deficit:	-1,909.00
Fundraiser Income:	\$.00
Individual Donation:	\$.00
YTD Deficit:	\$19,762.17

Sunday Lector Schedule:

May 18, 2025	June 8
Paul Sawaya	Brandon LaValley
May 25, 2025	June 15, 2025
Lisa Zlockie	Paul Sawaya
June 1, 2025	June 22, 2025
Mikki Cole	Lisa Zlockie

Get Well Cards!

We have a few parishioners who have recently been hospitalized and are recovering. If you would like to send them a “Get Well” card, I’m sure they would appreciate it:

Kathy Baldwin,
1222 Plum St, Olean, NY 14760

Isabel Hamed,
314 W Henley St, Olean, NY 14760

Libby Gustin,
2609 Stoneybrook Rd, Olean, NY 14760

Theresa Hibye,
c/o Eden Heights,
161 S 25th St, Olean, NY 14760

Endowment Fund:

As announced last weekend, the Eparchy of St Maron has granted us a matching grant of \$5,000 to start an *Endowment Fund*, in which we would be able to use the interest, if necessary, but not the principle. We must collect \$5,000 through special donations earmarked for this purpose *before September 1, 2025* in order to fulfill our end of the agreement.

Needed:	\$5,000.00
Collected:	\$2,031.00
Remainder:	\$2,969.00

Lebanese Dinner Donations

We are seeking monetary donations to offset the cost of the following items to be purchased for the **Lebanese Dinner on Sunday, August 3, 2025:**

Pine Nuts—\$50	1 case of Chickpeas—\$40
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1 case Lemon Juice—\$40	Paper & Take-out Products—\$150
1 case Lemon Juice—\$40	30 lbs. of Beef—Pd by John & Liz Ash
1 50# bag of Wheat—\$75	30 lbs. of Beef—Pd by John & Liz Ash
Pita bread—\$125	30 lbs. of Beef—Pd by John & Liz Ash
Rhodes rolls—\$95	30 lbs. of Beef—Pd by John & Liz Ash
Spinach—\$80	Sweet Onions—\$75
1 case of Parsley—\$50	Rice—\$50
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Tomatoes—\$75	Bottled Water—\$30
Green Onions—\$50	Soda—\$80

Please feel free to put monetary donations in a sealed envelope in the weekly collection and earmark for “*Lebanese Dinner Donation.*” You may also mail to the Church office.

THANK YOU

Grape Leaves Needed

June is the best month for picking grape leaves. We will need grape leaves for our **Lebanese Dinner on August 3, 2025.** If you would like to help, please:

1. Pick the grape leaves (preferably the large ones)
2. Clean them
3. Dry them
4. Stack them and count them
5. Wrap in saran wrap & foil or place them in a zip lock bag
6. Label the amount with permanent marker
7. Freeze them
8. Bring them to the church; we can store them in the kitchen Freezer

