

Sunday Readings
Old Testament Reading:.....Song 5:2-8
Epistle Reading:.....Phil 2:12-18
Gospel Reading:.....Mt 25:1-13

Gospel

“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise. The foolish ones, when taking their lamps, brought no oil with them, but the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps. Since the bridegroom was long delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep. At midnight, there was a cry, ‘Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!’ Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ But the wise ones replied, ‘No, for there may not be enough for us and you. Go instead to the merchants and buy some for yourselves.’

While they went off to buy it, the bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, ‘Lord, Lord, open the door for us!’ But he said in reply, ‘Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.’ Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

This is the truth! Peace be with you!

Liturgy Intentions

Sat, Oct 17	Sts. Cosmas And Damian, M Rose Mary Koch By Mary Elizabeth Koch.....4:00 PM
Sun, Oct 18	St. Luke the Evangelist, Ev 5th Sunday After Holy Cross Georgette Safi By Marie & Fr. Chuck.....10:00 AM
Mon, Oct 19	St. Aaron of Antioch, M Sts. John de Brebeuf, Isaac Jogues, and Companions (USA), M No Liturgy
Tues, Oct 20	St. Shalita (Artemis), M Freda Fadel Marie & Fr. Chuck.....10:00 AM
Wed, Oct 21	St. Halarion of Tabatha, C In Loving Memory of Carol Keyser W/ Love Sawaya & Knight Families..10:00 AM
Thur, Oct 22	Pope St. John Paul II (+2005), C For the Ash Families, We Love You Parishioners of St. Joseph's.....10:00 AM St. Sharbel Mass.....5:30 PM
Fri, Oct 23	St. Ignatius, Patriarch of Constantinople, C Living & Deceased of Michael, Carol & Brian Bolt Family By Sawaya & Cole Families.....10:00 AM
Sat, Oct 24	St. Arethas (Hares) and His Companions, M In Loving Memory of Betty Rutterman By Tom Freitag.....4:00 PM
Sun, Oct 25	St. Chrysanthus and His Wife Daria, M Sunday of Christ the King Wedding Anniversary of Mr. & Mrs. John Ash Sr. By John Ash Family..... 10:00 AM



Saint Joseph Maronite Catholic Church

October 18, 2026
**5th Sunday After
Holy Cross**



Divine Liturgy

Weekdays (Tuesday — Friday) 10:00 AM
Saturday..... 4:00 PM
Sunday.....10:00 AM
Holy Days.....(unless otherwise specified) 12:15 & 5:30 PM

Confession

30 Minutes before each liturgy or upon request

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Peace Be With You

Fr. Charles Van Heusen

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Contact Fr. For anything necessary, such as hospital visits,
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Please Pray for those who are Sick, in the Hospital, or Homebound:

- Maria Oszwaldowska & Family (Special Intention)
- Joanne O'Brien– Sister of Ron Dapolito (Sick & In Hospital Rochester, NY)
- Mike Losey (Husband of Laurie Losey, suffered two strokes)
- Cynthia Crawford
- Coradean “Deany” Simon (The Pines)
- Pat Tucker (The Pines)
- Kathy Baldwin
- Missy (13y/o with Cancer)
- William Tunberg (Relative of the Ash Family in CA)
- Maria Putzke (Breast Cancer)
- The Chew Family
- Jan Mulgrew (sister of Jo Ann Snyder—Knee Replacement)
- James Snyder (Recovery after heart surgery at Cleveland Clinic)
- Steve Mike (Prostate Cancer– Brother of Fr. Anthony Salim)
- Phyllis Gayton
- Teresa Hibye
- Isabelle Drake

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 10/5/2026-10/18/2026

Deceased of Pisconski & Crawford Families

By: 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:	\$2477.00
Candles:.....	\$43.00
Total Collected:	\$2520.00
Individual Donation:	\$0.00
Special Collection:.....	\$0.00
Second Collection:.....	\$0.00
Fundraiser Income:.....	\$0.00
Total Income for the Week:.....	\$2520.00

Sunday Lector & Reader Schedule

<u>Lector Schedule</u>	<u>Reader Schedule</u>
Oct 18, 2026 Lisa Zlockie	Oct 18, 2026 Lisa Zlockie
Oct 25, 2026 Brandon LaValley	Oct 25, 2026 Brandon LaValley
Nov 1, 2026 Marie Van Heusen	Nov 1, 2026 Marie Van Heusen
Nov 8, 2026 Mikki Cole	Nov 8, 2026 Mikki Cole

A great big thank you to all who attended the Mass for the deceased members of St. Joseph’s Church! It was a good time had by all, sharing memories and stories!

Thanks to all who donated the food and desserts!

**More events to come after our
Fall Harvest dinner!**

Coming in December!
A new version of the
Annual Christmas Fair
Featuring Nativity Scenes. Games, light
foods and raffles.

We will be having our annual
**Advent Calendar Raffle! As well as other
raffles for the Harvest dinner!**
We are looking for donations of gift cards
and scratch off lottery tickets for the raffles.
If you choose to donate please hand the gift
cards in to the office, Lisa or Mikki as soon
as possible.
Thank you!

**Remember the first Friday of each Month is
Adoration Friday In the Main Church**

The Adoration schedule time is as follows.

Mass 10:00 AM-10:45 AM

Adoration 11:00 AM- 6:00 PM

Rosary 1:00 PM

Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:00 PM

Benediction/Repose 5:00 PM

**Come spend an hour with the Lord, or even just a few
minutes!**

St. Sharbel Devotion Mass

On the **22nd** of each month, there will be a mass for St.
Sharbel, anointing with St. Sharbel oil and veneration
afterwords. If the **22nd** lands on a weekend, anointing and
veneration occur after the mass. These monthly St. Sharbel
masses will take place at **5:30 PM**.

Mass Intentions: If you would like to schedule a mass for
your friends or loved ones, please contact
Mikki Cole (716) 498-4279.

Please write out checks for masses to:
Fr. Chuck Van Heusen

Don’t Forget !
November 14, 2026
Harvest Dinner from 5-7 PM
Cost is \$25 per person.

So save the date.
Tickets will be available soon.

**Kibbee, Grapeleaves, Cousa stew
among other items on the menu.**
**Come and have some fun and support
St. Joseph’s Church!**
More details to come shortly!