



## Saint George Maronite Catholic Church

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June 15, 2025

### Sunday of the Most Holy Trinity

#### Liturgical Schedule

Wednesday, Thursday and  
Friday 10:00am

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am -Latin rite  
10:30 am

#### **Exposition of the Holy Eucharist**

Thursday at 6:00pm

#### Meet Your Clergy

**Fr. Tony Saab, Pastor**  
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**Deacon Farid Zaarour**  
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Mon, Weds, Thurs, and  
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Administrative assistant:  
Jihane Ayoub



"Father's Day is a beautiful opportunity to honor the role of fathers in the light of our Christian faith. Fathers are called to reflect God's love, providing guidance, protection, and support to their families. Just as St. Joseph cared for Jesus and Mary with humility and faith, earthly fathers are called to be a

steady presence of love and wisdom. On this day, we give thanks for their sacrifices, their steadfastness, and the faith they instill in their children. Let us pray for all fathers, that they

may continue to be a source of strength and faith in their families, following the example of St. Joseph and guided by God's grace."



### *Happy Fathers' Day!*

#### Sacraments

##### **Baptism & Confirmation**

One month in advance with the Pastor.

##### **Matrimony:**

Arrangements should be made by couples six months prior to the wedding date.

##### **Reconciliation:**

One hour before liturgies, or by appointment.

Please call the office or email

[frtonysaab@gmail.com](mailto:frtonysaab@gmail.com)

##### **Anointing of the Sick:**

Please notify the office if a member of your family is ill, hospitalized, or homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion at home.

#### Weekly collections



\$1,820.00

Thank you



#### **Second Collection schedule**

6/15 For the Order of  
Saint Sharbel

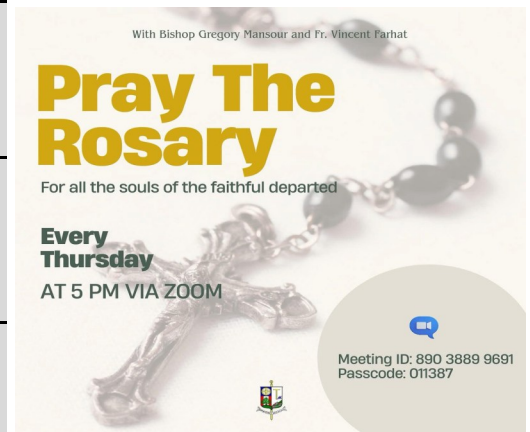
## Liturgical Intentions

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| 6/14<br>4:00pm            | One year anniversary for <b>Richard George</b> , requested by his loving family.                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 6/15<br>8:30am<br>10:30am |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 6/21<br>4:00pm            | 38th Anniversary to the Priesthood of Fr. Ed Nedder.<br>Memorial liturgy for <b>Anthony and Sarah Solomon</b> , requested by their loving family.                                                                                                                              |
| 6/22<br>8:30am<br>10:30am |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 6/28<br>4:00pm            | Second Anniversary liturgy for <b>Denise Solomon</b> , requested by her husband Michael and his loving family.                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 6/29<br>8:30<br>10:30am   | Eight year anniversary liturgy for <b>Angelina Vitulli</b> , requested by her loving family.                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 7/5<br>4:00pm             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 7/6<br>8:30am<br>10:30am  | One year anniversary for <b>Antoine Estephan</b> , requested by his wife Grace, his children, and his loving family.<br><br><b><i>ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM,<br/>O LORD!</i></b><br><br> |

Please join us on Saturday June 21  
celebrate the **38th Anniversary** to the  
priesthood for **Fr. Ed Nedder**  
At 4:00pm



**"The family that prays together**



**stays together,"** is attributed to Father Patrick Peyton, a Catholic priest known for his strong advocacy of family prayer, especially the Rosary. He popularized this phrase in the 1940s through his Family Rosary Crusade, which encouraged families to pray together daily. Over time, it became a well-known motto for promoting family unity and spiritual life.

"The family that prays together stays together," is a reminder of how powerful shared moments of faith can be. When a family prays together, they build a strong bond and a sense of unity that helps them face life's ups and downs. It's not just about the words spoken in prayer, but the act of coming together, sharing hopes, and supporting each other. In these moments, families find strength, love, and a deeper connection with each other. It's a simple yet profound way to keep a family close-knit and resilient through all of life's seasons."

## HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

### Gen 18: 1-8

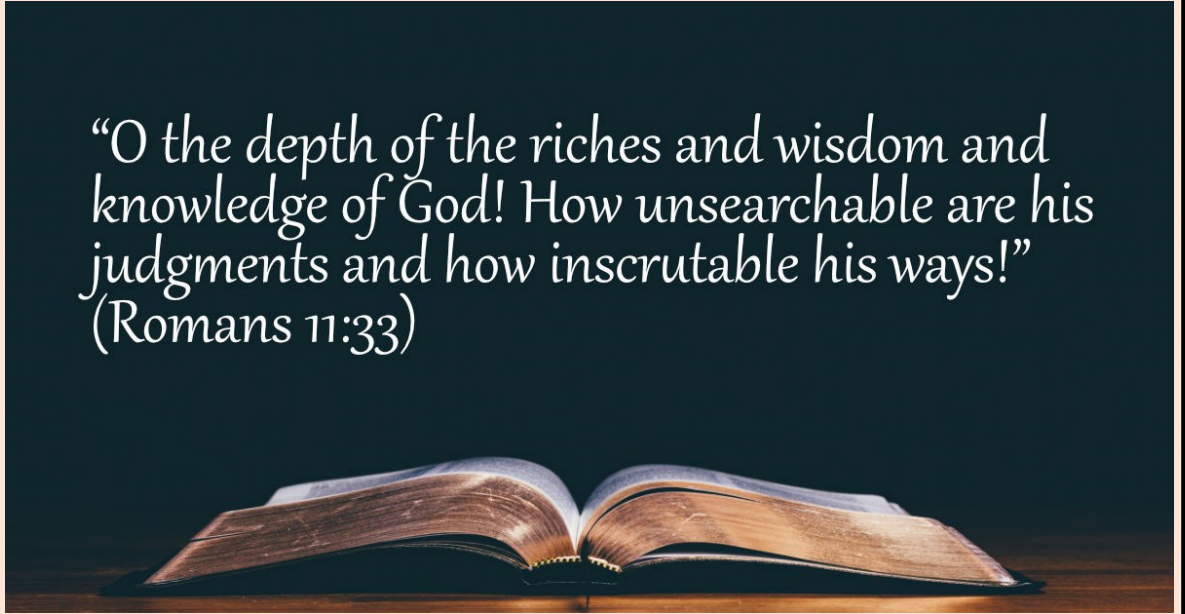
The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oak of Mamre, as he sat in the entrance of his tent, while the day was growing hot. Looking up, he saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the entrance of the tent to greet them; and bowing to the ground, he said: "Sir, if it please you, do not go on past your servant.

Let some water be brought, that you may bathe your feet, and then rest under the tree.

Now that you have come to your servant, let me bring you a little food, that you may refresh yourselves; and afterward you may go on your way." "Very well," they replied, "do as you have said." Abraham hurried into the tent to Sarah and said,

"Quick, three measures of bran flour! Knead it and make bread." He ran to the herd, picked out a tender, choice calf, and gave it to a servant, who quickly prepared it. Then he got some curds and milk, as well as the calf that had been prepared, and set these before them, waiting on them under the tree while they ate.

*"O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!"  
(Romans 11:33)*



### Romans 11:25-36

I do not want you to be unaware of this mystery, brothers, so that you will not become wise (in) your own estimation: a hardening has come upon Israel in part, until the full number of the Gentiles comes in, and thus all Israel will be saved, as it is written: "The deliverer will come out of Zion, he will turn away godlessness from Jacob; and this is my covenant with them when I take away their sins." In respect to the gospel, they are enemies on your account; but in respect to election, they are beloved because of the patriarchs. For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable. Just as you once disobeyed God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now disobeyed in order that, by virtue of the mercy shown to you, they too may (now) receive mercy. For God delivered all to disobedience, that he might have mercy upon all. Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How inscrutable are his judgments and how unsearchable his ways! "For who has known the mind of the Lord or who has been his counselor?" "Or who has given him anything that he may be repaid?" For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

### Matthew 28:16-20

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them. When they saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted. Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."

# The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity readings for the 8:30am Mass

## Reading I Proverbs 8:22-31

Thus says the wisdom of God: "The LORD possessed me, the beginning of his ways, the forerunner of his prodigies of long ago; from of old I was poured forth, at the first, before the earth. When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no fountains or springs of water, before the mountains were settled into place, before the hills, I was brought forth; while as yet the earth and fields were not made, nor the first clods of the world."

"When the Lord established the heavens I was there, when he marked out the vault over the face of the deep; when he made firm the skies above, when he fixed fast the foundations of the earth; when he set for the sea its limit, so that the waters should not transgress his command; then was I beside him as his craftsman, and I was his delight day by day, playing before him all the while, playing on the surface of his earth; and I found delight in the human race."

## Responsorial Psalm Psalm 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

**R (2a) O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!**

When I behold your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars which you set in place —

What is man that you should be mindful of him,  
or the son of man that you should care for him?

**R O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!**

You have made him little less than the angels,  
and crowned him with glory and honor.

You have given him rule over the works of your hands,  
putting all things under his feet:

**R O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!**

All sheep and oxen,  
yes, and the beasts of the field,  
The birds of the air, the fishes of the sea,  
and whatever swims the paths of the seas.

**R O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!**

## Reading II Romans 5:1-5

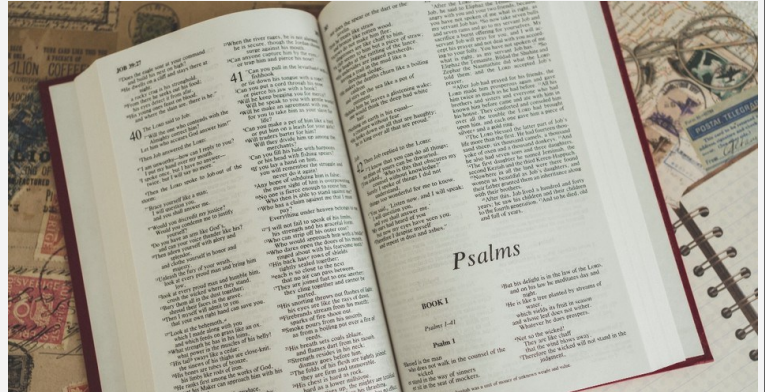
Brothers and sisters:

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in hope of the glory of God. Not only that, but we even boast of our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, and endurance, proven character, and proven character, hope, and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

## Gospel John 16:12-15

Jesus said to his disciples: "I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now. But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth. He will not speak on his own, but he will speak what he hears, and will declare to you the things that are coming.

He will glorify me, because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you. Everything that the Father has is mine; for this reason I told you that he will take from what is mine and declare it to you."



**Bishop Gregory Mansour**  
at the  
Eparchy of Saint Maron's  
16<sup>th</sup> Annual Benefit Dinner

**Wednesday, October 22, 2025**  
**The Metropolitan Club**



Proceeds will support Seminarians,  
Parishes and Missions, Retired Priests,  
and the Church in the Middle East.

## The Most Holy Trinity

This Sunday, we celebrate Trinity Sunday in the Maronite Liturgical Calendar. This mystery is perfectly described by Paul in his Letter to the Romans (11:25-36) as “how inscrutable are his judgments and how unsearchable his ways!” As much as we discuss the Trinity, we can never comprehend this great mystery. What can be said is that the Trinity is the source, cause, purpose and end-goal of all life. Leading up to today, through our journey in the liturgical calendar, the only thing possible to understand about the Trinity is love. The heart of the Trinity is love itself, a boundless, infinite and eternal heart. The Father so loved that he begot the Son to share this love with, in a complete self-giving, sharing his divinity. This love, self-giving and self-emptying is ‘agape’, one of reciprocation. Having been given all by the Father, the Son reciprocates this love perfectly to the Father. This reciprocated expression of love is shown through the procession of the Spirit from Father and Son. The Spirit, participating in the self-emptying love by the Father and Son, reciprocates, giving all that he has to the Father and Son. This is the divine dance of love, *perichorisis*, which is the core of the Trinity.

This is creation. The three Persons of the Trinity, sharing the same divinity, so loved that they willed to share this boundless and eternal joy with creation. In the first creation account in Genesis, we read that God created, and a wind from him also translated as spirit, swept over the face of the waters, and He spoke, “let there be light”, splitting the darkness of formless chaos that covered the Earth. God the Father, the Logos (Word) or Son and Spirit are all present. They all partake in creation, sharing their Divine Love.

This was not the end, for throughout the history of humanity, the Persons of the Trinity were made apparent. In the Old Testament (Gen 18:1-8), we read that the Lord appeared to Abraham. This is the beginning of the Trinitarian revelation of God to man, yet man did not comprehend this experience. So, God became a Father for a whole nation, a chosen people, raising them, disciplining them and leading them until in the fullness of time, the Son was to be revealed. And the Word was made flesh, Christ incarnate, revealing his identity and sonship to the Father, revealing humanity’s identity as children of the Lord. This filial relationship of Father and Son finds its perfection on the cross. In the God-forsaken silence and torment of the Cross, the Son accepts his role in redemption, the new creation, reciprocating the boundless and eternal love of the Father. The Son gives all he has, emptying himself, returning to the Father. Crying out “it is done”, the Son bows his head, loving even unto death, and gives the Spirit, fulfilling this dance of love. The side of Christ was split, and creation was renewed, the new creation had begun. Just as the first creation had given light and split the darkness of chaos that covered the Earth, this new creation allowed the Son to rise, splitting the dark torment and sorrow of death for eternity.

And now we see the beginnings of the works of the Spirit in the church, for the resurrected Son promised the Paraclete, revealed in the tongues of fire in Pentecost.

From Christmas to Lent, to Holy Week, to the glorious resurrection and now Pentecost, we see a revelation of Divine Love that has led us today to the revelation of the Trinity. Let us learn from Abraham’s hospitality, that even though we don’t understand or perceive what is before us, and we cannot understand the depth of knowledge and the mind of the Lord as Paul says, let us be willing to accept these mysterious visitors, these three Persons in our lives with a generous and open heart, not only laying out a meal for them, but setting up a dwelling place, bearing the name of the Father, Son and Spirit in us and with us.

For Christ said, “go forth and make disciples of the world, baptising in the name of the Father, the Son and the Spirit”. This is a call to go forth and renew the face of the world, living the new creation every day, the creation that builds the church, living the Divine Love with the Trinity, living in the relationship of Father, Son and Spirit.

*By Fr Eliah Abboud (LMO)*





**SAVE THE DATES**

# **LIGHT OF LIFE SUMMER BIBLE CAMP:**

**"ANCHORED IN HOPE"**

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**JULY 28TH -  
AUGUST 1ST**

**Saint Anthony of the Desert  
Maronite Church  
300 N Eastern Ave  
Fall River MA**

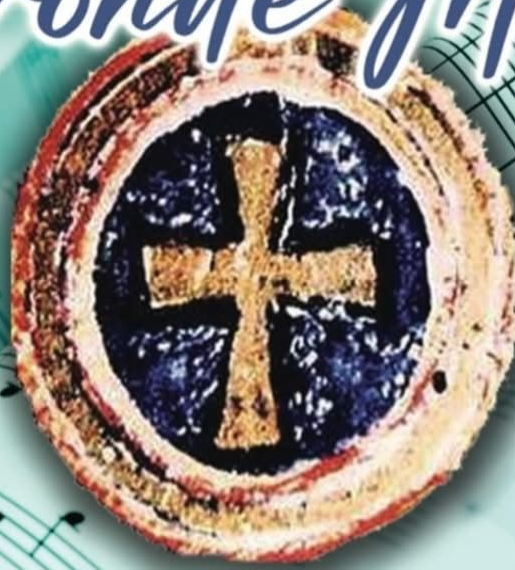


**Presented by the Maronite Servants of Christ the Light  
MARONITESERVANTS.ORG**

The illustration at the bottom shows four children of diverse backgrounds. On the left, a boy in an orange shirt and a girl in a yellow shirt and blue overalls are waving. On the right, a girl in a yellow shirt and a boy in a red shirt and a tan hat are also waving. They are standing on a green grassy field with green bushes in the background. The sky is blue with white clouds.

SAINT SHARBEL SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER PRESENTS

# 2025 *Maronite Music* WORKSHOP



For Maronite Parish Music Directors & Choir Members

**AUGUST  
12 - 13, 2025**

**Registration \$165  
includes meals**

**RESERVE YOUR SPOT TODAY!**

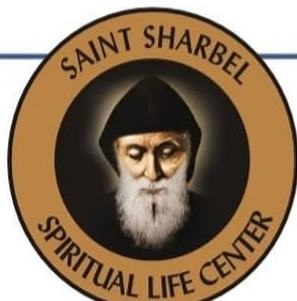
*For those traveling in need of hotel accommodations, contact the Holiday Inn Express & Suites Pittsburgh West-Greentree at 412-922-7070 to reserve one of the rooms blocked off for the workshop.*

## WORKSHOP LED BY

**Fr. Neemtallah (Edgard) Oneissy**  
from St. Anthony Church, Lawrence, MA

## SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTS

- Talk: Spirituality of Choir Members
- Talk: Challenges of Choir Ministry
- Talk: Future of Choir Ministry
- Workshop on Communion Hymns
- Workshop on Virgin Mary Hymns
- Discussion with Bishop Gregory
- Daily Divine Liturgy & Adoration
- Rehearsals & Recital



**To register, go under "Programs" on our website at:**

**[SaintSharbelCenter.org](http://SaintSharbelCenter.org)**

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# NAM 2025 CONVENTION

FAITH IGNITED - HOPE RENEWED  
60 YEARS ROOTED IN MARONITE TRADITION



## July 3-6, 2025 Raleigh - NC

Hosted by Saint Sharbel Church  
Hilton Hotel, Raleigh North Hills  
Groupe Code: NAM25

Registration - Hotel Booking - Program  
**[www.namconvention.org](http://www.namconvention.org)**

REGISTRATION DEADLINE JUNE 1, 2025

Trivias, Escape Room, Excursions, Board Games, & More  
Every Night - DJ Gilbert

Thursday - Spiritual Night: Fun, Games & Trarateel

Friday - Lebanese Folkloric Night & Celebrating the USA by Charbel Bassil

Saturday - Gala Dinner by Lebanese Superstar Hisham El Hajj



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60TH COMMUNION  
ANNIVERSARY



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NAMC convention

## 60th NAM Convention Key Functions

### EXCURSIONS

**St Sharbel Neighborhood & Falls of Neuse DAM (All Ages) Thursday 7/3/2025 - 4 PM**

**Guided Umstead Park Nature Walk (All Ages) Friday 7/4/2025 - 8:45 AM**

**The Museum Of Natural Sciences (Youth & Kids ) Friday 7/4/2025 - 1:30 PM**

**Theology On TAP (MYA) Friday 7/ 4 / 2025 - 2:00 PM**

**Raleigh Highlights (Name of Jesus Cathedral & Sunflower Fields (All Ages) Saturday 7/5/2025 - 8:45 AM**

**Raleigh Trolley Pub (MYA) . Saturday 7/5/2025 - 4:00 PM**

### ACTIVITIES & HIGHLIGHTS

**Board Games Lobby Free Play & Tournaments (All Ages) Thursday - Friday - Saturday**

**Dance, Mobility & Wellness (All Ages) Thursday - Friday - Saturday**

**Escape Room (MYA & MYO) Thursday - Friday - Saturday**

**Dinner & Icebreakers by Age group (All Ages) Thursday**

**MYO Lounge: Connect & Play Thursday - Friday - Saturday**

**After-Party Karaoke: Be the Star of NAM! (All Ages) Thursday - Friday - Saturday**

**Kids Zone (age 5 to 12) Thursday - Friday - Saturday**

**Pool Parties (All Ages / by Age Group) Thursday - Friday - Saturday (TBA)**

**Fun, Food & Friendship With Father Boutros (MYA) Thursday**

**Jubilee Year / Pilgrims of Hope (All Ages) Displays & Activities Celebrating Jubilee Year & The NAM 60<sup>th</sup> Convention.**

**A Party After Party (MYA) Thursday - Friday - Saturday**

### WORKSHOPS & NETWORKING LOUNGE

AI-Powered  
Growth

The Sanctity of Life  
and Marriage

The Commission  
For Lebanon

Understanding The  
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Faithful  
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Showcase your business, pitch ideas, and make new friends among like-minded professionals.

### THURSDAY NIGHT

**Opening Our convention and hearts with an evening of Adoration & Hymns**  
Adoration and Confession followed by an evening of spiritual chants and hymns.

### ENTERTAINMENT

#### DJ GILBERT

Enjoy a great mix of Arabic and American hit songs the whole weekend as we dance the nights away!



### SATURDAY GALA DINNER

#### Lebanese Star Hisham El Hajj

Enjoy a unique cocktail hour with gourmet bites and signature drinks, followed by a Gala Dinner with superstar Hisham El Hajj to light up the night with music and dancing.

### FRIDAY NIGHT HAFLI Charbel Bassil & USA Special

Dress in your finest traditional Lebanese wear and dance the night away with singer Charbel Bassil! Celebrate American Independence Day with dazzling sound and light displays!

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**CELEBRATING THE MINISTRY AND RETIREMENT  
OF  
CHORBISHOP MICHAEL G. THOMAS J.C.D.**

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**YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED  
TO DIVINE LITURGY AND A DINNER RECEPTION HONORING  
THE DISTINGUISHED MINISTRY AND PRIESTHOOD  
OF  
CHORBISHOP MICHAEL G. THOMAS J.C.D.**

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***JUNE 21, 2025  
DIVINE LITURGY 4:30 PM  
OUR LADY OF PURGATORY CHURCH  
4254 ACUSHNET AVENUE  
NEW BEDFORD, MA 02745***

***DINNER RECEPTION 6:00 PM  
OUR LADY OF PURGATORY PARISH CENTER***

***PLEASE RSVP BY JUNE 15, 2025***

***CHURCH OFFICE: 508-996-8934  
Email: [officeolop@gmail.com](mailto:officeolop@gmail.com)***

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SAINT SHARBEL SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER PRESENTS



a feast day celebration of food, festivities, and prayer

## FRIDAY-SUNDAY, JULY 18-20, 2025

### FRIDAY, JULY 18

- 5:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration / Confession
- 6:00 PM Outdoor Eucharistic Procession & Rosary
- 6:30 PM Divine Liturgy and Blessing with Holy Oil of Saint Sharbel

### *Serving on Saturday & Sunday...*

Chicken Shawarma · Falafel · Kafta · Saj  
Kibbee · Stuffed Grape Leaves · Hummus  
Baba Ghannouj · Spinach Pie · Cheese Pie  
Baklava · and more!

### SATURDAY & SUNDAY, JULY 19 & 20

- 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy (Maronite)
- 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM Delicious Lebanese Food (Outdoor Covered Seating)
- 1:00 PM St. Andrew Kim Catholic Youth Trio (Saturday only)
- ALL DAY Confession available
- ALL DAY Vendors of Faith - featuring unique vendors of Sacred items and ideas
- ALL DAY Guided Tour of the Center
- 5:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration / Confession
- 6:00 PM Outdoor Eucharistic Procession & Rosary
- 6:30 PM Divine Liturgy and Blessing with Holy Oil of Saint Sharbel



For more info about this and other events, go to:

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# BENEFIT DINNER

*To Support the Mission of the  
Maronite Servants of Christ the Light*

SATURDAY OCTOBER 4, 2025 | 5:30PM - 9:00PM

SAINT ANTHONY OF THE DESERT CHURCH HALL  
300 N EASTERN AVE FALL RIVER MA

- Special Guest Bishop Gregory J. Mansour
- Gourmet Dinner | Cash Bar
- Entertainment
- Silent Auction | Wine Pull | 50-50

**\$75/TICKET**

**\$35 PER CHILD UNDER 12**

All proceeds will assist the Sisters to continue their mission and outreach in the community.

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