



# Saint George Maronite Catholic Church

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## Liturgical Schedule

Thursday and Friday

10:00 am

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am (Latin rite)

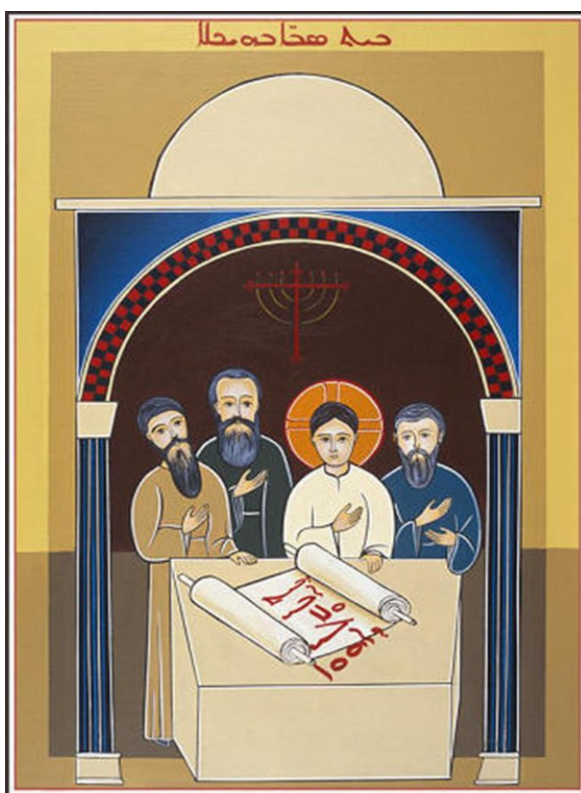
10:30 am

**Exposition of the Holy Eucharist**

Thursday 6:00 pm– 8:00 pm

**January 04, 2026**

**The Finding of the Lord in the Temple**



## Meet Your Clergy

**Fr. Tony Saab, Pastor**

401-430-0056 Direct  
line  
[frtonysaab@gmail.com](mailto:frtonysaab@gmail.com)

**Deacon Farid Zaarour**

[fzaarour@yahoo.com](mailto:fzaarour@yahoo.com)

## 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.

Mon, Weds,  
Thurs, and  
Friday by appointment.

**401-7238444**

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## Weekly Collections

(Christmas) \$1,880.00  
(Weekend 12/27) \$1,248.00

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## **Young Adults Bible Study**

Join us every other  
Thursday for Bible Study

**Jan 8, 2026 at 7:30 pm**

In the Church Hall

All adults are welcome!

## Liturgical Intentions


1/1 10:30 am	The Circumcision of Jesus <b>New Year's Day</b>
1/3 4:00 pm	Third-anniversary liturgy for <b>Anthony Budway</b> , and Fifteen-year liturgy for <b>Kay Murphy</b> , requested by Maureen Budway, her children, and her grandchildren.
1/4 8:30 am 10:30 am	Memorial liturgy for <b>Toufic Ayoub</b> , requested by his loving family.
1/5 7:00 pm	<b>Feast of the Glorious Epiphany Eve</b>
1/6 10:30 am	<b>Feast of the Glorious Epiphany</b>
1/10 4:00 pm	
1/11 8:30 am 10:30 am	<b>"Remember me in your Kingdom"</b> special intentions
1/17 4:00 pm	
1/18 8:30 am 10:30 am	
1/24 4:00 pm	Memorial liturgy for <b>Alexandria M. Saker</b> , requested by her loving family.
1/25 8:30 am 10:30 am	Eleven-year anniversary for <b>Joseph Barkett</b> , requested by his daughter Theodora Barkett.

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*Divine Liturgy*

WITH CELEBRANT  
**FR. CHRISTIAN HBAITER**



NOV 2 NOV 23  
DEC 7 JAN 18  
FEB 1 FEB 15  
MAR 1

5:00PM



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### **1 Kings 3: 5-7+9-12+14**

In Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream at night. God said: Whatever you ask I shall give you. Solomon answered: "You have shown great kindness to your servant, David my father, because he walked before you with fidelity, justice, and an upright heart; and you have continued this great kindness toward him today, giving him a son to sit upon his throne. Now, LORD, my God, you have made me, your servant, king to succeed David my father; but I am a mere youth, not knowing at all how to act. Give your servant, therefore, a listening heart to judge your people and to distinguish between good and evil. For who is able to give judgment for this vast people of yours?" The Lord was pleased by Solomon's request. So God said to him:

Because you asked for this—you did not ask for a long life for yourself, nor for riches, nor for the life of your enemies, but you asked for discernment to know what is right, I now do as you request. I give you a heart so wise and discerning that there has never been anyone like you until now, nor after you will there be anyone to equal you. And if you walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and commandments, as David your father did, I will give you a long life.



THE FINDING OF JESUS IN THE TEMPLE

### **Hebrews 7:11-19 Melchizedek, a Type of Christ**

Now if perfection had been attainable through the levitical priesthood — for the people received the law under this priesthood — what further need would there have been to speak of another priest arising according to the order of

Melchizedek, rather than one according to the order of Aaron? For when there is a change in the priesthood, there is necessarily a change in the law as well. Now the one of whom these things are spoken belonged to another tribe, from which no one has ever served at the altar. For it is evident that our Lord was descended from Judah, and in connection with that tribe Moses said nothing about priests. It is even more obvious when another priest arises,

resembling Melchizedek, one who has become a priest, not through a legal requirement concerning physical descent, but through the power of an indestructible life. For it is attested of him, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." There is, on the one hand, the abrogation of an earlier commandment because it was weak and ineffectual (for the law made nothing perfect); there is, on the other hand, the introduction of a better hope, through which we approach God.

### **Luke 2:41-52 Finding in the Temple**

The Evangelist said: Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety." He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.



# St. George Maronite Catholic Church

## ***Men's Game Dinner***

Sunday, January 18, 2026

12:00pm – 4:00pm

(First course served promptly at 12:30pm)

Santa Maria Di Prata Hall

29 Walnut Grove Avenue, Cranston, RI

### **Raffles ~ Cash Bar**

### **Tickets: \$60 per person**

All tickets **MUST** be reserved in advance.

There will be **NO** new tickets sold at the door.

#### **Menu:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Course:** Venison Chili

**2<sup>nd</sup> Course:** Antipasto served with game calzones

**3<sup>rd</sup> Course:** Venison meatballs and sausage, Pasta, Wild Boar and Peas

**4<sup>th</sup> Course:** Game Hen Ala Mama, Venison Marsala

**For tickets or to become a table captain, please contact:**

Tony Simon (401) 465-1858 or [tony@simonconsults.com](mailto:tony@simonconsults.com)

Hanna Kosseifi (401) 248-1537 or [kosseifi1@gmail.com](mailto:kosseifi1@gmail.com)

George Thomas (401) 480-8812 or [401gtrealty@gmail.com](mailto:401gtrealty@gmail.com)

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**\*All proceeds benefit St. George Maronite Catholic Church.**





Join us for  
**MOVIE NIGHT:**

# *Rush Hour*



**Sunday, Jan 4th!**

**6:00pm**

**St George Maronite Church**

*1493 Cranston St*

*Cranston, RI*

**Free Popcorn, Pizza and Fun  
Served!**