



St. Michael the Archangel Maronite Catholic Church

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"The Eastern Churches are the treasures of the Catholic Church" Blessed John XXIII

**A Community of
Prayer,
Love and Fellowship.
We Welcome You!**

Divine Liturgy Schedule: Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 10:30 a.m.
Daily Liturgy Schedule: Tuesday through Friday at -9:00 a.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: First Tuesday of Month-6:30 p.m. Benediction at 7:00 p.m.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: If you wish to receive Holy Communion, Reconciliation, or Anointing of the Sick, please call the Church Office.

Mystery of Reconciliation: In order to provide greater availability, the Mystery of Reconciliation is normally celebrated one half hour before Divine Liturgy and by appointment.

Mystery of Crowning: Engaged couples must be registered, active members of the parish. Please make an appointment with the pastor at least six months prior to the requested date of marriage.

Inquiry Sessions: For those interested in finding out more about what it means to be Catholic, or seeking information toward the possibility of becoming members of the Catholic Church, please call the Church Office for more information.

Hospital Calls – If someone is in the hospital, please call the Church Office to inform Father Sam.

Parish Trustees: Chairperson – Lynn Vaughan, Deputy – Chuck Van Heusen
Members: Eileen Hicks, Thomas McLamb, Dr. John Handley, and Mary Joan Fredette-Hahn.
Knights of Columbus: Chris Cooper
Youth Advisors: Chuck and Marie VanHeusen **Altar Guild:** Betty Morgan
Sacristan: Ray Miller

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK SEASON OF GREAT LENT MARCH 1-2, 2014

SUNDAY OF THE ENTRANCE INTO LENT

MIRACLE AT CANA IN GALILEE

Readings: Heb. 12:18-24; MT 25:31-46; Liturgy begins on page 157.

Sat. Mar. 1 5:00 p.m. +Jay William Ringer, Sr. by Chris Cooper.
Sun. Mar. 2 10:30 a.m. +Ray & Jeanne Dupere by Peter & Honey Paoni.

ASH MONDAY – DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES

Reading: 2 Cor. 5:20-6-7; MT 6:16-21; Liturgy begins on page 186.

Mon. Mar. 3 12 Noon Your Intention Could Be Here.
6:30 p.m. Your Intention Could Be Here.
Tue. Mar. 4 9:00 a.m. +Thomas Piner, Sr. by Tom & Theresa Piner.
6:30 p.m. Vocations.
7:00 p.m. Rosary & Benediction.
Wed. Mar. 5 9:00 a.m. Your Intention Could Be Here.
Thu. Mar. 6 9:00 a.m. Your Intention Could Be Here.
Fri. Mar. 7 9:00 a.m. Your Intention Could Be Here.
6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross/Rite of the Cross.

MARCH 8-9, 2014

HEALING OF THE LEPER

Readings: Rom. 6:12-23; Mark 1:35-45; Liturgy begins on page 196.

Sat. Mar. 8 5:00 p.m. +Lucille MacMurdy by John Handley.
Sun. Mar. 9 10:30 a.m. +Marjorie Barry by Ronnie & Kathy Criminger.

Tithes & Offerings \$2,588.00
Catholic Home Missions 368.00
Devotions 51.00
Fuel 225.00
\$3,232.00

Building Fund (Restricted): \$200.00

God Bless You for Your Support

SANCTUARY CANDLE, BREAD & WINE – MARCH

Claude Franklin, Sr. by Michelle Gray & Daughters and Ingrid Franklin.

VOCATIONS CHALICE

	Saturday		Sunday
Mar. 1	Frieda Fadel	Mar. 2	Lynn Vaughn
Mar. 8	Mary Rorke	Mar. 9	TBA

READERS - VOLUNTEERS ACCEPTED

LOVE LUNCH: First Wednesday at the Salvation Army on Alexander Street.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING: First Sunday at 12 Noon.

ST. MICHAEL LADIES GUILD MEETING: Sunday, February 2 at 12 Noon.

USHERS & GREETERS – MARCH:

REFRESHMENTS – MARCH: The Foster.

BIRTHDAYS – MARCH: Maria Kenny, Jamie Hurd, Ashley Jenkins, Caimin Kenny, Marie Reale, Alex McLamb, Ed Baez, Thomas McLamb, Bill Powers, Matt Vaughan, John Reynolds, Kimberly McLamb, Sheila Delahunty, Beverly Hamm, Robert, Roccio, Ingrid Franklin, Annika-Marie Nesbitt.

ANNIVERSARIES – MARCH: Stephen & Marie Kenny and Bill & Robin Talley.

IN MEMORIAM – MARCH: Florence Villars, Marjorie Barry, Christopher Brown, Fred Zahran, Sr., Charles Sulphin, John Pollock, Joey Zaremski, Bert Fadel, Raymond Dupere, Virginia Delph, Thomas Piner Sr., and Claude Franklin, Sr.

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS WHO ARE DEPLOYED:
Chaplain Tim Meier, Scott Miller, Linda Kropik, CJ Guerrero, Peter Shamatta.

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS, OUR SISTERS, AND FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD, RELIGIOUS LIFE AND OTHER MINISTRIES OF THE CHURCH.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL MINISTRIES: St. Michael's has been asked to contribute 32 oz. jars of jams or jellies and sample size personal toiletry items. Please place your items in the basket located at the entrance to the Church.

PRAYER CHAIN: Contact for the prayer chain is Grace Jenkins at 910-323-0787.

COLLECTION FOR MARCH 3 – APRIL 19: Eparchial Charities Annual Appeal.

COLLECTIONS FOR MARCH:
Ash Monday, 3 March at each Liturgy.
Fuel and building funds at any time.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE AT HOME AND IN HOSPITALS: Jimmy Monsour, Ana Damian, Shirley Maxwell, Seminarian Philip Johnson, Bishop Stephen Doueihy, Linda Lewis, Mel & Rose, Melody Butler Lindsey, Lorraine Petersen, Grace Jenkins, Phil Montaldo, Sal Scarpa, Joe McBride, Gordon Evans, Shannon Munnerly, Maria Kenny, Carolyn Dorroll, Carolyn Bartlett, Steve Berti, Father Paul Mouawad, and Father Sam. Those requesting special prayers may contact Grace Jenkins at 323-0787

PASTOR'S CORNER

The following are for your convenience of Lenten Observances:

Have a Blessed Week,

LENTEN OBSERVANCES 2014

The Most Reverend Bishops Gregory Mansour and A. Elias Zaidan have issued the following Lenten guidelines for the Maronites of the United States:

- ❖ All Maronites who are physically capable are to **abstain from meat** on Ash Monday (**March 3, 2014**) and all Fridays of Lent.
- ❖ Ash Monday and the Great Friday of the Crucifixion are also days of **fasting**. Fasting in the Maronite Church involves eating and drinking nothing at all (except water and medicine) from midnight until noon. The rest of the day normal meals can be taken, but without meat. All Maronites who are physically capable are to fast on these two days.

DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES

All parish priests are to bless and distribute **ashes** on Ash Monday during the celebration of the Divine Liturgy as indicated in our liturgical books. This ceremony may not be celebrated on the vigil of Ash Monday (Cana Sunday). For the convenience of some faithful of the Latin Church who may come to Mass at a Maronite Church on their Ash Wednesday, ashes that were blessed on Monday may be given to them after the Mass. However, ashes are not to be blessed again on this day.

DEVOTION OF LENTEN FRIDAYS

All parish priests are to celebrate the Benediction with the Cross every Friday of Lent except for the Great Friday of the Crucifixion. This service may be preceded by other popular devotions such as Evening Prayer (Ramsho), Stations of the Cross or even the Divine Liturgy. Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament should not take place on Fridays of Lent.

PERSONAL DEVOTION

Clergy, religious and laity who wish to observe the more traditional Maronite practice of fasting and abstinence are encouraged to do so. That practice is summarized in the following, taken from the Synod of Mt. Lebanon (1736): *Every weekday of Lent (Monday through Friday) is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat and dairy products (eggs, butter, milk, etc.) Fasting involves eating and drinking nothing at all (except water and medicine) from midnight until noon. The rest of the day normal meals can be taken, but without meat or dairy products. Dairy products are excluded because they are animal byproducts. Saturdays and Sundays are exempt from fasting and abstaining, as are the following four feast days: St. Maron - February 9, The 40 Martyrs - March 9, St. Joseph - March 19 and the Annunciation - March 25.*

ICON: MIRACLE AT CANA IN GALILEE



DRESS PROPERLY OR STAY AT HOME!

“The Church (like so many other things in life) is not so much something we inherit from generations past or take over from our predecessors as it is something on loan to us from future generations” (Matthew Kelly)
