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Assumption of the Virgin Mary

Shoonoyo ~ The Assumption of the Virgin Mary

In the Maronite Church, a Syriac tradition, every year we celebrate *shoonoyo*, known in English as the “Feast of the Assumption” on August 15th.

The word *shoonoyo* is neither completely identical to assumption (“being taken up”) nor the dormition (“the falling asleep”) of the Latin and Orthodox traditions. Rather, it means “the change of locality,” “the transfer,” “the transition” and “the transit.” (*Compendious Syriac Dictionary*).

Does this make a difference? Yes, not in that it is somehow a contradiction, but that it *adds* an element, the element of *mystery*. An “Assumption” or taking up is a straightforward *conveying*, a clear case of travelling from here to there. But a “transition” or a “translation” is less clear. It does not involve movement, or rather it seems to abstain, from saying that anything was moved in a mechanical way. It seems to suggest the disappearance of Our Lady’s body from this world, and its reappearance in heaven. It is not denying that Our Lady was taken body and soul into heaven. It actually reinforces and confirms that idea. But it does say that the means of this change of place was more mysterious. We cannot pin down how it happened. We know that it was miraculous, and so we leave a veil of silent wonder around it by speaking about it in multiple ways, none of which is intended to be exclusive or definitive.

This is consistent with the *qolo* of the Feast of the Assumption, when it speaks of Our Lady *leaving* this world, and of her being resurrected (*qāma*). Also, in the oldest Syriac texts used today, there is a reference to her being carried by angels!

So multiple expressions are necessary, because the mystery is beyond human expression.

Praise be to the one who is worshipped and glorified, who has magnified the remembrance of His Mother in heaven and on earth. He has made the memory of his saints known in all the nations and poured the dew of mercy and compassion on the bones of those who sleep in the true faith. To Him are glory and honor worthy at this hour of our nocturnal prayer for forgiveness, and in all feasts, times and ages and all the days of our life forevermore. Amen. ~ From the Syriac night prayer



CLERGY

Fr. Paul Damien, Pastor
Deacon Chuck VanHeusen
Subdeacon Ronald Foster

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday through Friday
10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

LITURGY:

Saturday: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 10:30 AM

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*“Never be afraid of loving the
Blessed Virgin too much. You can
never love her more than Jesus did.”
~ St. Maximilian Kolbe*

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*****The Assumption of the Virgin Mary*****

Saturday, August 14 - 5:00 PM: For the Intentions of the Nesbitt Family By Kim Nesbitt

Sunday, August 15 - 10: 30 AM: For Patients at Walter Reed Hospital By the Deason Family

When not listed Fr Jack will offer his Masses for the Donors & Intentions of the Catholic Extension Society

Tuesday	Aug 17	9:00 am	St. Myron of Crete	Judy Garner (Memorial) By Warren and MJ Hahn
Wednesday	Aug 18	9:00 am	The letter of King Abgar to Christ	Margaret Ann Cluck (Special Intention) By Warren and MJ Hahn
Thursday	Aug 19	9:00 am	St. Luke of Baalbek St Andrew and his Companions	Micae (Michael) Thvan Nguyen By Kim Nguyen
Friday	Aug 20	9:00 am	St. Bernard of Clairvaux Doctor of the Church	For Blessings Received By Warren and MJ Hahn

*****14th Sunday of Pentecost*****

Saturday, August 21 - 5:00 PM: Judy Garner (Memorial) By Warren and MJ Hahn

Sunday, August 22 - 10: 30 AM: For all our Parish Families By Father Paul

MASS INTENTIONS / MASS CARDS

Call Parish Office to request Divine Liturgy
(Mass) Intention.
Mass Cards are also available upon request.

READERS

8/14: MJ Hahn 8/15: Marie Reale
8/21: Alex VanWy 8/22: Maria Southern
8/28: Rick Criste 8/29: Ace Acevedo

**SCRIPTURE
READINGS**

Assumption of the Virgin Mary
Rom 12:9-15 / Luke 1:46-55

14th Sunday of Pentecost
1 Thes 2:1-13 / Lk 10:38-42

15th Sunday of Pentecost
1 Thes 1:1-10 / Lk 7:36-50



GIFTS OF THANKSGIVING

Offer the Incense, Candles and Wine for
one month in memory/honor of someone
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IN HONOR OF OUR BLESSED
MOTHER AND HER ASSUMPTION**

by VanHeusen Family

Tithes & Offerings	\$ 2470.00
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Fuel	\$ 45.00
Building Fund	\$ 10.00
Special Donation	\$ 2000.00
Bulletin Ads to Date	\$ 1200.00

God Bless You for your generosity!

Fellowship, food & fun **SAVE THE DATE**
CHURCH **Sunday**
Picnic **September 26th**



Keep your eyes open for more information to come!

ADULT DISCUSSION GROUP

Join us for the Adult Discussion Group **Wednesday Evenings, at 6:30PM**. The group is facilitated by Deacon Chuck. Reading material on the topic is emailed beforehand. We can add you if interested!

VOCATIONS CHALICE

- 8/14: Volunteer**
- 8/15: VanHeusens**
- 8/21: Volunteer**
- 8/22: Ducotes**



*The Church needs men & women eager to commit their lives to serving the Church through the priesthood & religious life. **Consider taking the Vocation Chalice**

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Jeremiah Hurley, Magdalene Royse, Jeff Palmer, Lillian Nelson, Cameron VanWy, Kelly Austin, Terry Streets, Fr. Paul, Joey Ducote, Diana Finney, Loredona Marciano, Joshua Roger, Wanda Foster, Kerri Palmer, Steven Royse, John Lewis, Richard Butcher Sr., Francis Younger



AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

Dan and Emily Levine
 Tom & Theresa Piner
 Chris & Angel Cooper
 CJ & Jess Guerrero
 Bill & Betty Morgan
 Fr. Jack Morrison (Ordination)



ADORATION

Every Thursday
 9:30 am - 6:00 pm
 Rosary & Benediction
 begin at 6:00 pm

Please sign up today, at the church entrance and spend an hour with our Lord!



"The spiritual lives of our families are strengthened through our Holy Hour"

- St. John Vianney

GO FOR THE GOAL UPDATE

Check out the thermometer in the social hall showing \$ collected for the much needed new HVAC & Roof. **To date we have collected \$7,030 of the \$38,000 goal.** Please identify all donations "For the HVAC/ROOF." **Thank you for your support!**

Prayer Chain



Please contact Lucy Zahran at church or call the church office to **join the prayer chain** or with **prayer requests.**



PINEWOOD DERBY POSTPONED

We will wait till we hear more from Warren before we proceed to reschedule the Pinewood Derby.

Fortunately Warren was able to pre-cut everyone's cars this week! If your child wants to pick up their pre-cut car to take home to sand & paint we'll be in the Social hall after Divine Liturgy to help!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2021-2022

Our Religious Education Classes will begin on Wednesday, September 22nd at 6:30PM in the parish social hall.

Registration forms are now available at the church entrance.

All children 3 and up are welcome!

For more information or with any questions
 Call: Marie VanHeusen 988-3499

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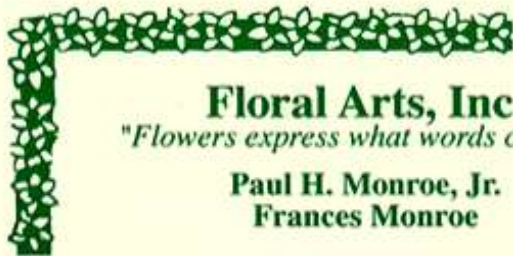
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Matthew 25:40

Inasmuch as you did it for the least of these, you did it for me. - Jesus



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Spiritual & Social Activities
Since 2013
Open to All Ladies 18yrs & older
Join Us 12:00 Noon on the
2nd Sunday of every month
"Come & See !"



