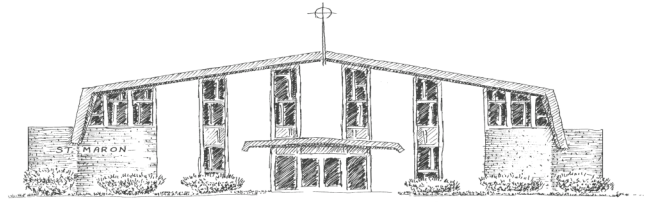


# Saint Maron Catholic Church

## New Year & Finding of the Lord January 01-02, 2022

On this first day of the year, the Church celebrates the World Day of Peace established by Saint Pope Paul VI fifty-four years ago. From the first year on, the popes used to send a message about peace. His Holiness Pope Francis sent a message for this year 2022 entitled: ***Dialogue Between Generations, Education and Work: Tools for Building Lasting Peace.***

Today the *path of peace*, which Saint Paul VI called by the new name of *integral development*, remains sadly distant from the real lives of many men and women and thus from our human family, which is now entirely interconnected. Despite numerous efforts aimed at constructive dialogue between nations, the deafening noise of war and conflict is intensifying. While diseases of pandemic pro-



portions are spreading, the effects of climate change and environmental degradation are worsening, the tragedy of hunger and thirst is increasing, and an economic model based on individualism rather than on solidary sharing continues to prevail. As in the days of the prophets of old, so in our own day *the cry of the poor and the cry of the earth* constantly make themselves heard, pleading for justice and peace.

In every age, peace is both a gift from high and the fruit of a shared commitment. Indeed, we can speak of an “architecture” of peace, to which different institutions of society contribute, and an “art” of peace that directly involves each one of us. All can work together to build a more peaceful world, starting from the hearts of individuals and relationships in the family, then within society and with the environment, and all the way up to relationships between people and nations.

Here I wish to propose *three paths* for building a lasting peace. First, *dialogue between generations* as the basis for the realization of shared projects. Second, *education* as a factor of freedom, responsibility, and development. Finally, *labor* as a means for the full realization of human dignity. These are three indispensable elements for “making possible the creation of a social covenant”, without which every project of peace turns out to be insubstantial.



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## LITURGY INTENTIONS

### Sat. Jan 01 : Circumcision of the Lord

(Readings: Eph 2:11-22; Lk 2:21-24 Lit. p 97)

- 11:30 am

**Liturgy for our Parishioners Intentions**

**Liturgy for peace and stability in the entire world**

### Sun. Jan 02 : Finding of the Lord in the temple

(Readings: Heb 7:11-19; Lk 2:41-52 Lit. p 87)

- 9:30 am

**Liturgy for Victoria Peters, by Mary Michaels**

**Liturgy for Rachel Dwaihy**

**Liturgy for our Parishioners Intentions**

**Liturgy for William E. O'Neil, Jr, by Family**

- 11:30 am

**Liturgy for all the Volunteers who worked hard during the last year to support our Church events**

**Liturgy for all the people suffering from sickness**

## NEXT WEEK

### Sun. Jan 09: First Sunday of Epiphany

(Readings: 2 Cor 10:1-11; Jn 1:29-34 Lit. p 107)

- 9:30 am

**Liturgy for Norman Foster, by Louie & Antoinette Dasaro**

**Liturgy for our Parishioners Intentions**

**Liturgy for William E. O'Neil, Jr, by Family**

- 11:30 am

**Liturgy for Boulos and Margaret Helou, by Cesar & Diane Helou**

**Liturgy for Charbel, Victoria and Katrine Fares, by Cesar & Diane Helou**

### MARRIAGE BANNS

**First Marriage Banns between  
Boutros Ghafari & Meghan Ulmer**

## CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

### THE CHURCH IS CATHOLIC

"Let us be very careful not to conceive of the universal Church as the simple sum, or . . . the more or less anomalous federation of essentially different particular churches. In the mind of the Lord the Church is universal by vocation and mission, but when she puts down her roots in a variety of cultural, social, and human terrains, she takes on different external expressions and appearances in each part of the world." The rich variety of ecclesiastical disciplines, liturgical rites, and theological and spiritual heritages proper to the local churches "unified in a common effort, shows all the more resplendently the catholicity of the undivided Church."

#### *Who belongs to the Catholic Church?*

"All men are called to this catholic unity of the People of God.... and to it, in different ways, belong or are ordered: the Catholic faithful, others who believe in Christ, and finally all mankind, called by God's grace to salvation."

"Fully incorporated into the society of the Church are those who, possessing the Spirit of Christ, accept all the means of salvation given to the Church together with her entire organization, and who - by the bonds constituted by the profession of faith, the sacraments, ecclesiastical government, and communion - are joined in the visible structure of the Church of Christ, who rules her through the Supreme Pontiff and the bishops. Even though incorporated into the Church, one who does not however persevere in charity is not saved. He remains indeed in the bosom of the Church, but 'in body' not 'in heart.'"

"The Church knows that she is joined in many ways to the baptized who are honored by the name of Christian, but do not profess the Catholic faith in its entirety or have not preserved unity or communion under the successor of Peter." Those "who believe in Christ and have been properly baptized are put in a certain, although imperfect, communion with the Catholic Church." With the Orthodox Churches, this communion is so profound "that it lacks little to attain the fullness that would permit a common celebration of the Lord's Eucharist."

## Collection December 25, 26 2021

Christmas Collection	\$ 4,088
Donation by mail	\$ 110
Online Donations	\$ 525
Sunday Collection	\$ 1,706
You can support the Church by mail or through our website donating online <a href="http://www.saintmarondetroit.org/donate-online">www.saintmarondetroit.org/donate-online</a>	

Our Congratulations and Best Wishes to

**SALWA MARIE DAAIBES**

who was Baptized at St. Maron Church  
on Saturday December 18, 2021.

May God bless her and her family to be a good  
disciple of Jesus Christ!

## BREAD AND WINE

Please contact the Rectory to donate the Host and Wine for \$50.00/month, we will be accepting donations from three different families each month.

- Bread and Wine for the month of January 2022, in loving memory of **Bettejean Ahee**, by Chuck & Pamela Thomas
- Bread and Wine for the month of January 2022, in loving memory of **Moufid Eid**, by Joelle Ali-bri
- Bread and Wine for the month of January 2022, in loving memory of **Nader and Fayez Shaer, and Mariam Nimri**, by Amal Shaer

**A Big Thank You** for all the ladies who worked hard making for us the Amehh for St Barbara Feast and the Meghle for Christmas.  
God bless you and your families!

## **Saint Maron Church**

**First meeting**

**to review the Synod questions**

## **Journey Together**



**For a synodal Church**  
communion | participation | mission

**Friday January 14th, 2022 @ 7:30 pm**  
**at the Parish Center**

## **Saint Maron Church**

## **Feast of the Epiphany - Baptism of Jesus**

*You are my beloved Son,  
with you i am well  
pleased!*



**Thursday January 06, 2022**

**Liturgy @ 7:00 pm**  
**with the Blessing of water**





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