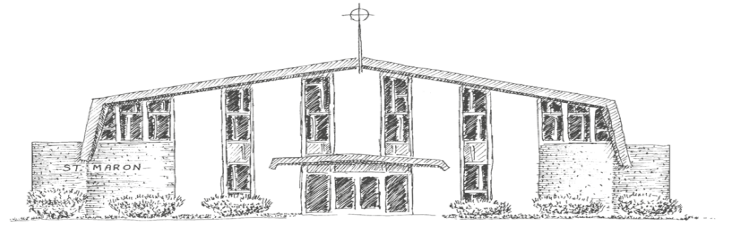


# Saint Maron Catholic Church

## Mother's Day May 11, 2025

On this special day, we remember and honor our mothers with heartfelt gratitude. We give thanks to those who gave us life, those who continue to walk beside us, and we fondly remember those who have gone before us and returned to the Father's house. While mother's day is celebrated once a year, a mother's love is something we experience every day, an unconditional love that nurtures, sacrifices, and gives life so that others may grow and flourish.

Heaven once spoke to the earth and said: "blessed are you, for you possess the most precious treasure of all, you have a mother!" And indeed, this profound truth echoes through time. "Give me a mother, and I will give you God."



That is exactly what happened: the earth offered Mary, and heaven offered God. Through Mary, God entered into our humanity and came to dwell among us. The divine became human thanks to the heart and the "yes" of a mother.

Throughout scripture and Christian tradition, Mary is often referred to simply as "woman": the woman of the "yes," the woman of silence, the woman of the covenant, the woman of sorrows. She was called "woman" by her son both at the wedding at Cana and at the foot of the cross. These titles are deeply meaningful, but they find their fullest expression when combined with her truest identity: mother. She is the mother of advent, the mother of sorrows, and the mother who stood faithfully at the cross. In one of her apparitions, when asked who she was, she answered with simplicity and power: "I am the mother of all mothers."

Today, we turn to Mary, the mother of the incarnate Word and our spiritual mother, to entrust to her our mothers. We pray for those who, alongside their husbands, raise their children in loving and harmonious families. We also remember those mothers who face the journey alone, carrying the heavy responsibility of parenthood with strength and courage. May each of them fulfill their daily tasks, whether in the family, the church, or society, with devotion, faith, and perseverance. May our lady be a constant support, comfort, and source of hope to all mothers, both in our parish and throughout the world.



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## LITURGY INTENTIONS

### Sun. May 11: Fourth Sunday after Resurrection

(Gen 1:20-23; Heb 13:18-25; Jn 21:1-14 Lit. p 315)

• 9:30 am

**Liturgy for all the living and deceased Mothers of Saint Maron Parish**

**Liturgy for all our volunteers who keep helping and supporting our events**

**Liturgy for Charles & Bettie Dawood**

**Liturgy for Christopher & Shirley Dasaro**

**Liturgy for all sick people in our parish**

• 11:30 am

**Liturgy for all the living and deceased Mothers of Saint Maron Parish**

**Liturgy for all our volunteers who keep helping and supporting our events**

**Liturgy for all vocation in the World specially in our Eparchy**

## NEXT WEEK

### Sun. May 18: Fifth Sunday after Resurrection

(Ez 34:11-16; Eph 2:1-10; Jn 21:15-19 Lit. p 315)

• 9:30 am

**Liturgy for Isabel Saigh, 1 year anniversary, by Family**

**Liturgy for Paul, Peter & Josephine Saigh**

**Liturgy for Laura Shannon, by Family**

**Liturgy for all donors and supporters of Saint Maron Church**

• 11:30 am

**Liturgy for Chuck Kamel, 1 year anniversary, by Tonine & Tim Cowper**

**Liturgy for Samira Howard, by Carol Monsour**

**Liturgy for all donors and supporters of Saint Maron Church**

## CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH THE DIGNITY OF THE HUMAN PERSON

### *Man: The image of God*

By his reason, man recognizes the voice of God which urges him "to do what is good and avoid what is evil." Everyone is obliged to follow this law, which makes itself heard in conscience and is fulfilled in the love of God and of neighbor. Living a moral life bears witness to the dignity of the person.

"Man, enticed by the Evil One, abused his freedom at the very beginning of history." He succumbed to temptation and did what was evil. He still desires the good, but his nature bears the wound of original sin. He is now inclined to evil and subject to error: Man is divided in himself. As a result, the whole life of men, both individual and social, shows itself to be a struggle, and a dramatic one, between good and evil, between light and darkness.

By his Passion, Christ delivered us from Satan and from sin. He merited for us the new life in the Holy Spirit. His grace restores what sin had damaged in us.

He who believes in Christ becomes a son of God. This filial adoption transforms him by giving him the ability to follow the example of Christ. It makes him capable of acting rightly and doing good. In union with his Savior, the disciple attains the perfection of charity which is holiness. Having matured in grace, the moral life blossoms into eternal life in the glory of heaven.

### *IN BRIEF*

"Christ . . . makes man fully manifest to man himself and brings to light his exalted vocation".

Endowed with a spiritual soul, with intellect and with free will, the human person is from his very conception ordered to God and destined for eternal beatitude. He pursues his perfection in "seeking and loving what is true and good".

In man, true freedom is an "outstanding manifestation of the divine image".

Man is obliged to follow the moral law, which urges him "to do what is good and avoid what is evil". This law makes itself heard in his conscience.

Man, having been wounded in his nature by original sin, is subject to error and inclined to evil in exercising his freedom.

He who believes in Christ has new life in the Holy Spirit. the moral life, increased and brought to maturity in grace, is to reach its fulfillment in the glory of heaven.

**Collection May 4, 2025**

Sunday Collection	\$ 2,040
Online Donations	\$ 220
Second Collection	\$ 328
Donation by mail	\$ 10
Coffee & Donuts	\$ 20
<p>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></p>	

**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 May 2025, In Loving Memory of **Living and Deceased Members of the Mabarak Family**, by Robert L. Mabarak
- Bread and Wine for the month of May 2025, In Loving Memory of **Peter Kassis**, by George & Jamie Kassis
- Bread and Wine for the month of May 2025, In Loving Memory of **our mother Theresa Joseph Abood, Bahia Joseph and all mothers around the world**, by Richard and John Abood and Family

ST. MARON MYO PRESENTS...

**BOWLING NIGHT!**

*Everyone ages 12-18 are welcome!*

SATURDAY  
 ☞ MAY 17TH ☞  
 4 PM

📍 Imperial Lanes, Clinton Township 📍

**DINNER TO FOLLOW NEARBY**

Our Congratulations and Best Wishes to  
**Jeremy Schubel**  
 &  
**Jenna George**  
 who were married at St. Maron on  
 Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025.  
 We pray that the Lord God may grant  
 this couple happiness and joy  
 in their lives together as husband and wife!

Our Congratulations and Best Wishes to  
**Giselle Bashi, Antony Dib**  
 and **Jordyn Safadi**  
 who received their first communion  
 at St. Maron on Sunday May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025.  
 May God Bless them abundantly!

Our deepest condolences go to **Houda Tayah**  
 on the passing of her sister **Farah Haddad**.  
 May her soul rest in peace.

# Scotch, Wine & Cigar Night

Patio of St Maron's Rectory

Friday June 13th, 2025 @ 7:30pm



**Donation \$60 Per Person - \$100 Per Couple**  
**RSVP by June 5<sup>th</sup>, Office: 313-824-0196**

# Saint Maron Church

Graduation Mass for  
class of

# 2025

**Sunday June 29th @ 11:30 am**

Please submit your name & graduation info  
via email before June 16th  
[SaintMaronDetroit@gmail.com](mailto:SaintMaronDetroit@gmail.com)

