

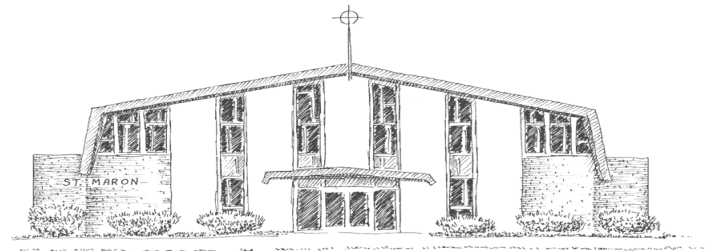
Saint Maron Catholic Church

Tenth Sunday of Pentecost

August 10, 2025

In the heart of summer, the Church celebrates two glorious feasts just days apart: the Transfiguration of our Savior Jesus Christ and the Assumption of His Mother, the ever-Virgin Mary. More than their closeness on the calendar, these two solemnities are intimately united in meaning. They both reveal the splendid destiny of the human body, a destiny established by God, who created our flesh not for decay, but for the glory of resurrection.

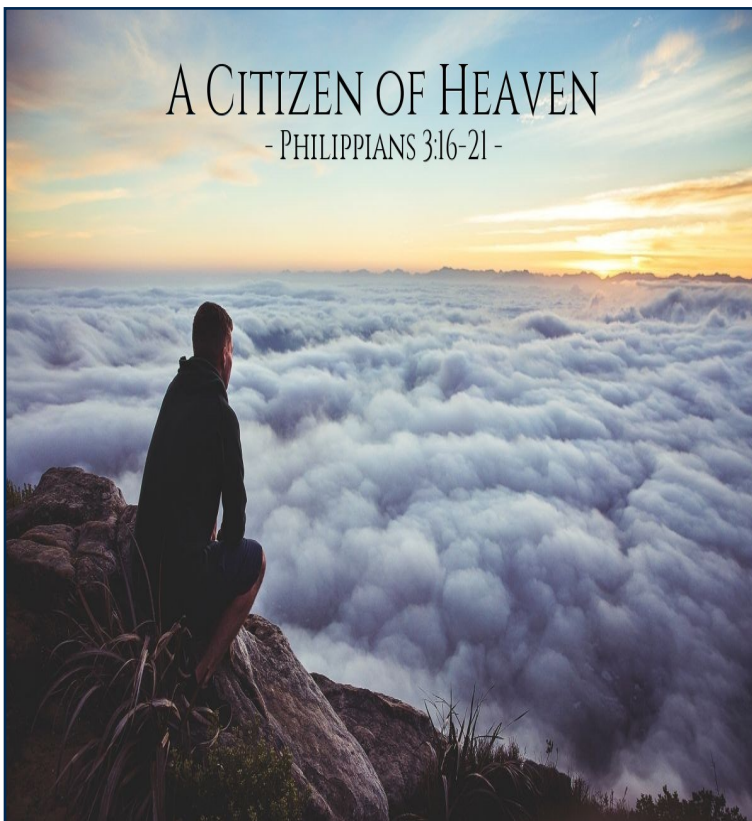
The glory of eternal life was revealed momentarily in Jesus' mortal flesh on Mount Tabor, as He prayed in the presence of Peter, James, and John. That same glory was fully realized in Mary, assumed body and soul into heaven at the end of her earthly life. These



feasts proclaim the destiny we all long for: to share in the eternal glory of God and dwell with the Lord forever.

At the Transfiguration, the uncreated Light, eternally in the bosom of the Father, burst forth from within Jesus, transfiguring His human nature and making it radiant with divine glory. His shining face and dazzling garments express, in visible form, the mystery of the Incarnation: "The Word became flesh". The very flesh of the Son of God, received from the Virgin Mary, was filled with divine life. It was not a borrowed light, but the very Light of God dwelling bodily in Him. His flesh, though fully human, burned with the primordial light of divinity. And since His flesh is our flesh, He being born of a woman, it signifies our shared destiny. For us sinners, He died and rose again, so that we might share in His immortal life.

The Assumption of Mary is not merely an honor granted to her alone, though she is the Mother of God. It is a sign of hope for all humanity. She is the first human being to enter heaven wholly, body and soul, and now lives eternally in the presence of the Holy Trinity. Her Assumption is not exclusive but inclusive: it points to the final destiny intended for each of us. It affirms that our eternal future is not in the grave, but in the heart of the Creator, who is also our Savior and the Giver of life.



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LITURGY INTENTIONS

Sun. August 10: Tenth Sunday of Pentecost

(2 Kings 1:2-8; 1 Cor 12:1-11; Mt 12:22-32 Lit. p 583)

- **9:30 am**

Liturgy for Marie Michaels, by Kathleen Abdallah

Liturgy for Carolyn Neam, by Anthony Isaac

Liturgy for our Parishioners Intentions

Liturgy for all sick people in our parish

- **11:30 am**

Liturgy for Marie Jabbour, One Year Anniversary, by Family

Liturgy for Antoine Jabbour, Four Year Anniversary, by Family

Liturgy for Ray & Delores Mabarak

NEXT WEEK

Sun. August 17: Eleventh Sunday of Pentecost

(Ezek 18:1,21-28-8; Eph 2:17-22; Lk 19:1-0 Lit. p 425)

- **9:30 am**

Liturgy for Marie Michaels, by Anthony Isaac

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

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

- **11:30 am**

Liturgy for Don Howard, by Dinah Agby

Liturgy for Samira Howard, by Dinah Agby

Liturgy for Thomas Monsour, by Dinah Agby

CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE VIRTUES

I. The Human Virtues

Prudence is the virtue that disposes practical reason to discern our true good in every circumstance and to choose the right means of achieving it; "the prudent man looks where he is going." "Keep sane and sober for your prayers." Prudence is "right reason in action," writes St. Thomas Aquinas, following Aristotle. It is not to be confused with timidity or fear, nor with duplicity or dissimulation. It is called *auriga virtutum* (the charioteer of the virtues); it guides the other virtues by setting rule and measure. It is prudence that immediately guides the judgment of conscience. the prudent man determines and directs his conduct in accordance with this judgment. With the help of this virtue we apply moral principles to particular cases without error and overcome doubts about the good to achieve and the evil to avoid.

Justice is the moral virtue that consists in the constant and firm will to give their due to God and neighbor. Justice toward God is called the "virtue of religion." Justice toward men disposes one to respect the rights of each and to establish in human relationships the harmony that promotes equity with regard to persons and to the common good. the just man, often mentioned in the Sacred Scriptures, is distinguished by habitual right thinking and the uprightness of his conduct toward his neighbor. "You shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor." "Masters, treat your slaves justly and fairly, knowing that you also have a Master in heaven."

Fortitude is the moral virtue that ensures firmness in difficulties and constancy in the pursuit of the good. It strengthens the resolve to resist temptations and to overcome obstacles in the moral life. the virtue of fortitude enables one to conquer fear, even fear of death, and to face trials and persecutions. It disposes one even to renounce and sacrifice his life in defense of a just cause. "The Lord is my strength and my song." "In the world you have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

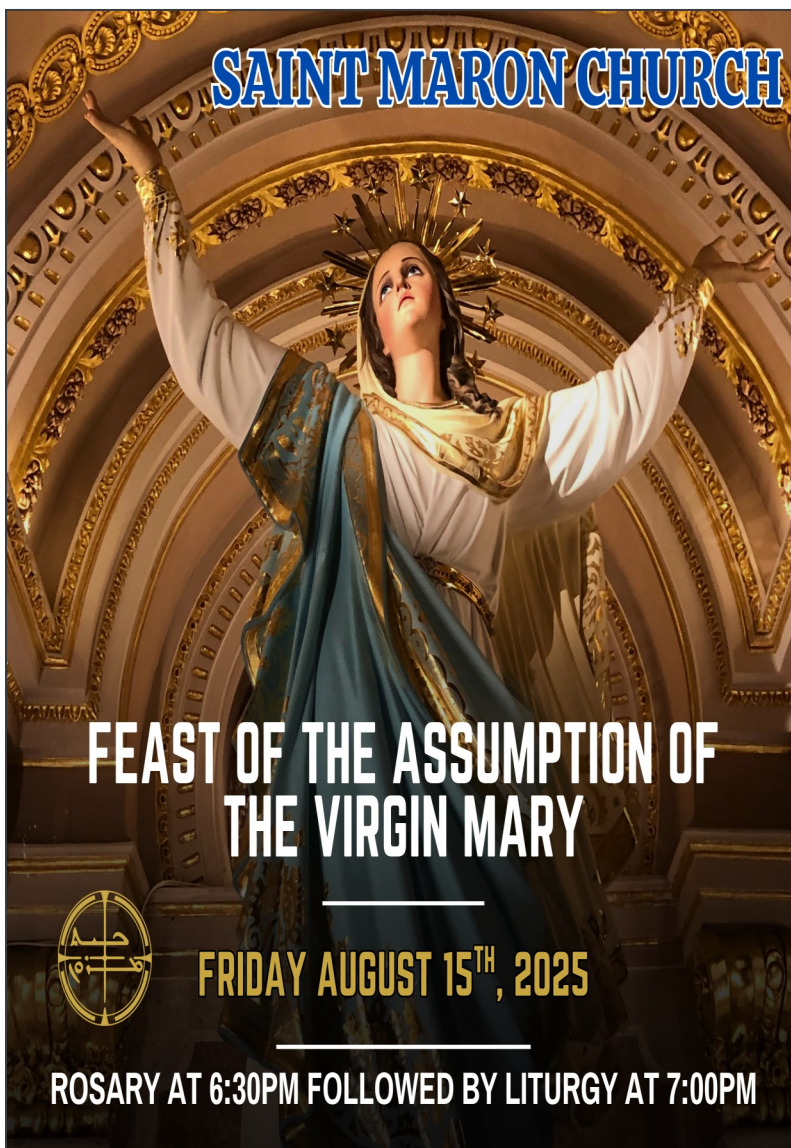
Collection August 3, 2025

Sunday Collection	\$ 1,271
Online Donations	\$ 150
Donation by mail	\$ 0
Coffee & Donuts	\$ 39
Votive Candle	\$ 632
You can support the Church by mail or through our website donating online www.saintmarondetroit.org/donate-online	

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 August 2025, In Loving Memory of **Dr. Daher Rahi**, by Chrissy Kassab and Family
- Bread and Wine for the month of August 2025, In Loving Memory of **Antoine & Marie Jabbour**, by Family
- Bread and Wine for the month of August 2025, In Thanksgiving for the Recovery of **Tony Bassil**, by Zako Bassil



SAINT MARON CHURCH

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE VIRGIN MARY

FRIDAY AUGUST 15TH, 2025

ROSARY AT 6:30PM FOLLOWED BY LITURGY AT 7:00PM

Our Congratulations and Best Wishes to

Joseph Hanna

&

Souad Abdo

who were married at St. Maron on
Saturday, August 2rd, 2025.

We pray that the Lord God may grant
this couple happiness and joy
in their lives together as husband and wife!

Congratulations to

Samir & Shavonne Karam on their new blessing. Welcome baby **Julia Rose** to our parish as our youngest member. God Bless!

I will be out of town from August 13th through September 10th. During my absence, Fr. Elias Hazkial will be overseeing the parish and tending to its needs. Please feel free to reach out to him for any assistance. **Fr. Roby!**

SAINT MARON CHURCH - DETROIT

SHOW YOUR TALENT

Singing - Playing - Painting - Stand up... etc.

SUNDAY
OCT. 12, 2025
@ 1:30 PM

OPEN TO
ALL PARISHIONERS
CHILDREN | ADULTS

For registration
Mr. Raji ElKassouf 248-763-2972



SAINT MARON CHURCH



Bring your bag, laptop, ipad... and get blessed

BLESSING OF STUDENTS & SCHOOL BAGS

GROUP
ACTIVITIES

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LEARNING

INDIVIDUAL
DEVELOPMENT

MATH,
BIOLOGY,
HISTORY



SUNDAY AUGUST 31ST
AT BOTH LITURGIES

