

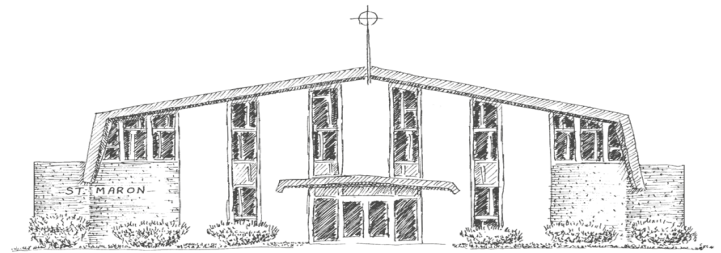
# Saint Maron Catholic Church

## The Glorious Resurrection

April 5, 2026

Christ is risen. This is our faith, and to be witnesses of this Resurrection is our mission. The Resurrection is the foundation of our faith: Jesus is the only one who truly died and rose from the dead, never to die again. Death was conquered by the Resurrection of Christ. Death has always been perceived as a failure. It reveals the limits of man and reminds us: "I am not God." But the Resurrection gives us the strength to face death, not as an end, but as an entrance into eternal life.

In the Resurrection, the biblical truth is fulfilled: love is stronger than death. In His Resurrection, Jesus experienced the love of the Father, a love stronger than death itself. Gabriel Marcel once said: "To love someone is to tell him: you shall not die." Yet humanity, by itself, was unable to attain eternity through love alone. The Resurrection of Christ makes it possible for us to overcome death through love.



The last word does not belong to the world, nor to death. The last word belongs to God, the God of life, salvation, and love. Without the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, there would have been no Christianity, and there would be no Christianity today. Without the Resurrection, the whole Christian faith would collapse, because it would be founded on error. That is why, at the beginning of Christianity, the central celebration was Easter: the Resurrection of Christ.

The Resurrection is the culmination of divine revelation and the heart of Christian faith. As Saint Paul says: "If Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain." The Resurrection is the high point of revelation and one of the greatest reasons for the credibility of our faith. It confirms that Jesus is truly the Son of God.

Christ was crucified, but the Resurrection reveals that His message is true and that He is truly the Father's messenger. The evangelists proclaim that Jesus was already, before His Resurrection, the Christ, the Lord, and the Son of God, but it is through the Resurrection that this truth was fully manifested. The Crucifixion made many believe in His failure, but the Resurrection reveals His victory. It is the Father's answer to those who put His Son to death. What looked like defeat became the greatest triumph: the victory of life over death, of love over hatred, and of God over sin.

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## LITURGY INTENTIONS

### Sat. April 4: The Glorious Resurrection

(Jon 2:1-11; 2 1 Cor 15:12-26; Mk 16:1-8 Lit. p 315)

- **5:00 pm**

**Liturgy for all the living and deceased members of Saint Maron Church**

**Liturgy for peace in the entire world especially Lebanon and the Middle East**

- **11:00 pm**

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### Sun. April 5: The Glorious Resurrection

(Jon 2:1-11; 2 1 Cor 15:12-26; Mk 16:1-8 Lit. p 315)

- **9:30 am No Liturgy**
- **11:30 am**

**Liturgy for all the living and deceased members of Saint Maron Church**

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## NEXT WEEK

### Sun. April 12: Second Sunday of the Resurrection

(IS 52:7-12; 2 Cor 5:11-21; Jn 20:26-31 Lit. p 315)

- **9:30 am**

**Liturgy for Joseph A. Michaels, 12 Year Anniversary, by Family**

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

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

- **11:30 am**

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

**Liturgy for all the living and deceased members of Saint Maron Church**

### CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

#### *THE CHURCH, MOTHER AND TEACHER*

##### *I. Moral Life and the Magisterium of the Church*

The authority of the Magisterium extends also to the specific precepts of the natural law, because their observance, demanded by the Creator, is necessary for salvation. In recalling the prescriptions of the natural law, the Magisterium of the Church exercises an essential part of its prophetic office of proclaiming to men what they truly are and reminding them of what they should be before God.

The law of God entrusted to the Church is taught to the faithful as the way of life and truth. The faithful therefore have the right to be instructed in the divine saving precepts that purify judgment and, with grace, heal wounded human reason. They have the duty of observing the constitutions and decrees conveyed by the legitimate authority of the Church. Even if they concern disciplinary matters, these determinations call for docility in charity.

In the work of teaching and applying Christian morality, the Church needs the dedication of pastors, the knowledge of theologians, and the contribution of all Christians and men of good will. Faith and the practice of the Gospel provide each person with an experience of life "in Christ," who enlightens him and makes him able to evaluate the divine and human realities according to the Spirit of God. Thus the Holy Spirit can use the humblest to enlighten the learned and those in the highest positions.

Ministries should be exercised in a spirit of fraternal service and dedication to the Church, in the name of the Lord. At the same time the conscience of each person should avoid confining itself to individualistic considerations in its moral judgments of the person's own acts. As far as possible conscience should take account of the good of all, as expressed in the moral law, natural and revealed, and consequently in the law of the Church and in the authoritative teaching of the Magisterium on moral questions. Personal conscience and reason should not be set in opposition to the moral law or the Magisterium of the Church.

Thus a true filial spirit toward the Church can develop among Christians. It is the normal flowering of the baptismal grace which has begotten us in the womb of the Church and made us members of the Body of Christ. In her motherly care, the Church grants us the mercy of God which prevails over all our sins and is especially at work in the sacrament of reconciliation. With a mother's foresight, she also lavishes on us day after day in her liturgy the nourishment of the Word and Eucharist of the Lord.

**Collection March 29, 2026**

Sunday Collection	\$ 4,840
Online Donations	\$ 820
Donation by Mail	\$ 10
Second Collection	\$ 3,192
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>	

**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 April 2026, in Loving Memory of all **Living & Deceased Members of the Mabarak Family**, by Robert L. Mabarak & Melissa A. Gilmore
- Bread and Wine for the month of April 2026, in Loving Memory of all **The Choir Families**, by Nuha Tabet
- Bread and Wine for the month of April 2026, in Loving Memory of **Dr. Daher Rahi**, by Chrissy Kassab and Family

Thank you to all our volunteers, decoration committee, choir members, altar servers, and everyone who worked so hard to make our Holy Week celebrations prayerful and successful. Your dedication, generosity, and love for our parish shine through in every detail. **Thank you, and may God bless you all.**

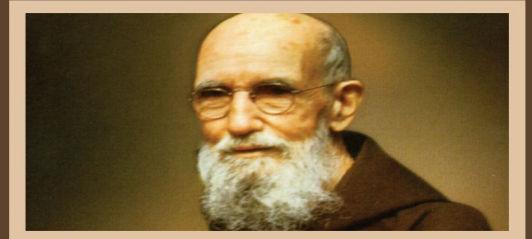
**SAINT MARON  
CHURCH - DETROIT**

**LET'S  
VISIT  
FATHER  
SOLANUS**

**Saturday April 11<sup>th</sup>  
@ 10:30 am**



**1780 Mt Elliott St, Detroit, MI 48207**



# Saint Maron Church



May, Month of Mary

## Rosary @ Homes

Every Monday - Wednesday - Friday  
@ 7:00 pm

*Sign up in the hall*

# SAINT MARON CHURCH

## MOTHER'S DAY

*Let us Celebrate  
The Great Moms  
in our Parish*

**SUNDAY MAY 10TH, 2026**

**LITURGIES @ 9:30AM & 11:30AM**

