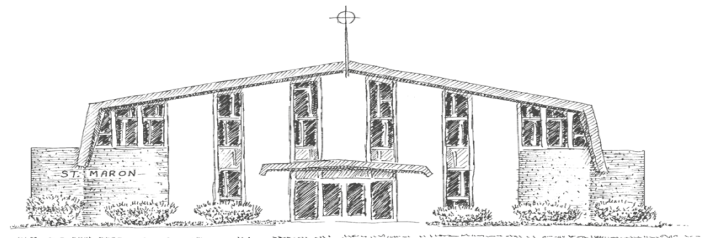


# Saint Maron Catholic Church

## Third Sunday of Pentecost June 02, 2024

The Gospel this Sunday invites us to open our mind and our heart to the gift of the Holy Spirit, whom Jesus promised on several occasions to his disciples: the first and most important gift that he obtained for us with his Resurrection. Jesus says to his disciples: “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he will give you another Counselor, to be with you forever”.

These words remind us first of all that love for a person, and for the Lord, is shown not with words but with deeds; and also, “observing the commandments” should be understood in the existential sense, so as to embrace the whole of life. In fact, being Christian does not mean mainly belonging to a certain culture or adhering to a certain doctrine, but rather joining one’s own life, in all its aspects, to the person of Jesus and, through Him, to the Father. For this purpose, Jesus promises the outpouring of the Holy Spirit to his disciples.



Owing to the Holy Spirit, to the Love that unites the Father and the Son and proceeds from them, we may all live the very life of Jesus. The Spirit, in fact, teaches us all things, that is, the single indispensable thing: to love as God loves.

In promising the Holy Spirit, Jesus defines him as “another Counselor”, which means Paraclete, Advocate, Intercessor, in other words, the One who helps us, protects us, is at our side on the journey of life and in the struggle for good and that against evil. Jesus says “another Counselor” because He is the first, He himself, who became flesh precisely to take our human condition upon himself and free it from the slavery of sin.

Moreover, the Holy Spirit plays a role in teaching and remembrance. Teaching and remembrance. Jesus told us: “the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you”. The Holy Spirit does not bring a different teaching but renders alive and brings into effect the teaching of Jesus, so that the passage of time may neither erase nor diminish it. The Holy Spirit instills this teaching in our heart, helps us to internalize it, making it become a part of us, flesh of our flesh. At the same time, he prepares our heart to be truly capable of receiving the words and example of the Lord. Every time the word of Jesus is received with joy in our heart, this is the work of the Holy Spirit. **Pope Francis**



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## LITURGY INTENTIONS

### Sun. June 02: Third Sunday of Pentecost

(Prov 8:30-36; 1 Cor 2:1-10; Jn 14:21-27 Lit. p 425)

• **9:30 am**

**Liturgy for Isabel Saigh**, by Louis & Antoinette Dasaro

**Liturgy for Herb Gast**, Birthday Remembrance, by Eva Gast & Family

**Liturgy for Alex Agbay Jr.**, by Alex & Laure Agbay

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

• **11:30 am**

**Liturgy for Zakieh Barrak**, 1 year anniversary, by Toufik Barrak & Family

**Liturgy for Habib Elkhoury**, 1 year anniversary, by Sonia Barrak & Family

## NEXT WEEK

### Sun. June 09: Fourth Sunday of Pentecost

(Wis 7:7-14; 1 Cor 2:11-16; Lk 10:21-24 Lit. p 492)

• **9:30 am**

**Liturgy for Isabel Saigh**, 40 day Mass, by Family

**Liturgy for Peter Sparkes**, 40 day Mass, by Family

**Liturgy for Deacon Georges Khoury**

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

• **11:30 am**

**Liturgy for Adib & Afifeh Saleh**, by Family

**Liturgy for Menhem & Hasna Tamer and their son Pierre**, by Inaam Tamer

**Liturgy for all Vocations in the World**

## CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH PENANCE & RECONCILIATION

### *The confession of sins*

When Christ's faithful strive to confess all the sins that they can remember, they undoubtedly place all of them before the divine mercy for pardon. But those who fail to do so and knowingly withhold some, place nothing before the divine goodness for remission through the mediation of the priest, "for if the sick person is too ashamed to show his wound to the doctor, the medicine cannot heal what it does not know."

According to the Church's command, "after having attained the age of discretion, each of the faithful is bound by an obligation faithfully to confess serious sins at least once a year." Anyone who is aware of having committed a mortal sin must not receive Holy Communion, even if he experiences deep contrition, without having first received sacramental absolution, unless he has a grave reason for receiving Communion and there is no possibility of going to confession. Children must go to the sacrament of Penance before receiving Holy Communion for the first time.

Without being strictly necessary, confession of everyday faults (venial sins) is nevertheless strongly recommended by the Church. Indeed the regular confession of our venial sins helps us form our conscience, fight against evil tendencies, let ourselves be healed by Christ and progress in the life of the Spirit. By receiving more frequently through this sacrament the gift of the Father's mercy, we are spurred to be merciful as he is merciful:

Whoever confesses his sins . . . is already working with God. God indicts your sins; if you also indict them, you are joined with God. Man and sinner are, so to speak, two realities: when you hear "man" - this is what God has made; when you hear "sinner" - this is what man himself has made. Destroy what you have made, so that God may save what he has made .... When you begin to abhor what you have made, it is then that your good works are beginning, since you are accusing yourself of your evil works. the beginning of good works is the confession of evil works. You do the truth and come to the light.

Collection May 26, 2024

Sunday Collection	\$ 2,610
Online Donations	\$ 250
Donation by mail	\$ 160
Second collection	\$ 475
Candles	\$ 367
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 June 2024, in loving memory of **Louis P Jolet and Joseph D Jolet**, 9 year remembrance, by the Family
- Bread and Wine for the month of June 2024, in loving memory of **Frederic Sarkis Nassif, and Jim and Loraine Pinett**, by Beverly Baca
- Bread and Wine for the month of June 2024, in loving memory of **Beshara Mabarak and deceased family members**, by Robert Mabarak

**Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus: "O most holy heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore you, I love you, and with lively sorrow for my sins, I offer you this poor heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure and wholly obedient to your will. Grant, good Jesus, that I may live in you and for you. Protect me in the midst of danger. Comfort me in my afflictions. Give me health of body, assistance in my temporal needs, your blessing on all that I do, and the grace of a holy death. Amen".**

**St. Maron Church**

*When my father didn't have my hand... he had my back.*

**Father's Day**



**Sunday June 16th at 9:30 & 11:30 am Liturgies**

# Scotch, Wine & Cigar Night

Patio of St Maron's Rectory  
Friday June 14, 2024  
@ 7:30pm

Donation \$60 Per Person - \$100 Per Couple  
\$35 For Ages 21 to 25  
RSVP by June 9 Office: 313-824-0196



# Saint Maron Church

**Graduation  
Mass**

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



Please submit your name & graduation info  
via email before June 18th  
[Saintmarondetroit@gmail.com](mailto:Saintmarondetroit@gmail.com)

