



Saint Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church

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April 7, 2024

New Sunday

Jesus Appears to the Disciples and Thomas



Next Sunday

Jesus Appears to the Two Disciples at Emmaus

2 Tm 2:8-13 (Timothy's Conduct)

Lk 24:12-25 (The Appearance on the Road to Emmaus)

Your Gifts To God

Offering Report for March 24th - 30th

Online.....	\$433.00
Collection.....	\$1,243.00
Weekly Total.....	\$1,676.00

YTD Total.....	\$17,797.90
YTD Goal.....	\$30,004.00

YTD Difference.....-\$12,206.10

Liturgy Intentions

Sunday, April 7th, 11:00am

+*Kameel Mouammar*

Monday, April 8th

Cyrus Marshall

Tuesday, April 9th

Available

Wednesday, April 10th

Available

Thursday, April 11th

Available

Friday, April 12th

Available

Saturday, April 13th

Available

Sunday, April 14th

+*Michael Redmond*

Adoration/Exposition every Sunday at 10:00 am before the morning Liturgy.

Confession every Sunday 10:35-10:50am before the morning Liturgy.

Also join us to pray the Rosary on Sundays at 10:30 am before the Liturgy begins.

Altar Sponsorship

Sunday, April 7th

Available

Sunday, April 14th

Available

Parish Council

Chair: Lydia Massaad

Sara Ashou

Eva Bekahi

Ben El Hajj

Adib Karam

+Claude Karam

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+Doug Raab

+Thaddeus Rask

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Gibran Zogbi

+Finance Committee



NATIONAL APOSTOLATE OF MARONITES
OFFICIAL LAY APOSTOLATE OF
EPARCHY OF ST. MARON OF BROOKLYN
EPARCHY OF OUR LADY OF LEBANON

NAM COORDINATOR : JOB DESCRIPTION

According to the National Apostolate of Maronites By-Laws, the NAM coordinator is responsible for the successful leadership and management of the Organization according to the strategic direction set by the Board of Directors in consultation with the Bishops.

The NAM coordinator performs some or all of the following:

- Participate with the Board of Directors in developing a vision and strategic plan to guide the Organization
- Identify, assess, and inform the Board of Directors of internal and external issues that affect the Organization
- Act as a professional advisor to the Board of Directors on all aspects of the Organization's activities
- In addition to the President of NAM, act as a spokesperson for the Organization
- Conduct official correspondence on behalf of the Board as appropriate and jointly with the Board
- Represent the Organization at community activities to enhance the Organization's community profile
- Perform the day-to-day operations of the National Office, which can be located anywhere
- In Conjunction with the education Chair, supervise NAM's scholarship applications and awards
- Supervise the receipt and disbursement of all funds of the Organization and shall authorize deposits and withdrawals of all monies under such conditions as shall be imposed by the Board and by an approved budget
- Maintain up-to-date, true, and accurate financial Records report on the financial standing of the Organization on a monthly, quarterly, and annual basis
- Maintain current records of membership and delegates/representatives
- With the Chairman of Finance, prepare and present to the Board the National Convention Report and the annual financial statements
- Serve as the Convention Coordinator, working in close collaboration with the Bishops, host Pastors, and chairpersons of national and regional conventions, as well as the organizing committees
- Serve as a non-voting member of the Executive Committee
- Actively solicit donations or funding sources
- Perform all other duties as delegated by the Board of Directors and all other duties that customarily devolve for the Office, not specifically mentioned herein
- Plan and coordinate all aspects of the meeting in-person as well as online (send out Zoom invites, book hotel conference space, arrange catering, book hotel room block for BOD)

In addition to the above, the NAM coordinator must work with the Bishops regularly.

QUALIFICATIONS

~Knowledge of Google Drive ~Participate in and understand Maronite traditions and interact with the Maronite Bishops, Clergy, and laity ~Perform efficiently and on-time all aspects of office operations ~Knowledge of convention planning and hotel negotiations ~Previous event coordination experience is a must ~Ability to travel, when needed, throughout the year - Must attend all meetings per year ~Ability to present well to the general public as the face of NAM ~Abide by all Catholic teaching and morality and practice the Catholic Faith with sincerity ~Ability to prepare, understand, and present financial reports ~Bookkeeping ability ~Ability to work independently and as part of a team ~Flexibility to work evenings and weekends as required for events ~Bachelor's degree preferred but not required ~Bilingual, English and Arabic preferred, but not required

Proposed Salary \$45,000 per annum

For further information or to be considered for this position, please contact: **Father Albert Constantine** (818) 416-3839 or fralbertconstantine@gmail.com
Dr. Dany Sayad at (813) 917-4755 or desayad@yahoo.com or **Diana Ayoub** at (310) 940-1031 or dsayoub@gmail.com

NOTE: This job description is a general guideline and may be subject to change to meet the evolving needs of the organization.

"TRULY, I SAY TO YOU, AS YOU DID IT TO ONE OF THE LEAST OF THESE MY BRETHREN, YOU DID IT TO ME."
 Matthew 25:40

HOPE ON THE HORIZON
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 AUG 6-21 2024

- Open to ages: 19-30
- Community live-in
- Help the homeless
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- Mentorship
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Devout Maronite older man from San Diego seeks room for rent from any family living in Hillsboro or Beaverton (he is working on contract for Intel). Maroun Aboubechara is his name.

Email: SaintSharbelPDX@gmail.com or Abouna Chris directly if able to help

Parish Programs

Wanted ONE Holy Hour per Week!



Contact Nadia Redmond
503-671-0440

-or-

Email: n.redmond@comcast.net

More info at:

<https://sevensistersapostolate.org/>

MYO EVENTS

TBA

All Youth ages 13-18 are welcome!

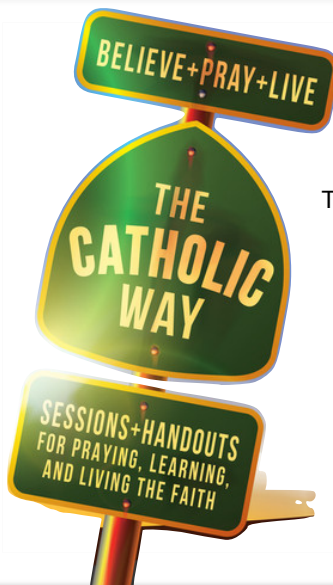
PRAY THE ROSARY



EVERY SUNDAY BEFORE MASS WE PRAY THE ROSARY AT 10:30AM.

PLEASE JOIN US IN PERSON OR WITHIN YOUR OWN FAMILY TO PRAY THE ROSARY TOGETHER.

SUNDAYS 10:30AM

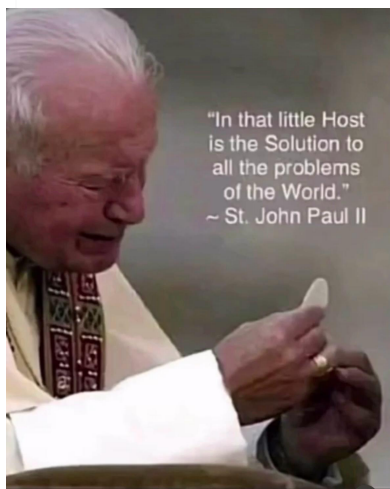


Cedars of St. Sharbel
Youth Catechesis
Ages 12-17

To sign up, contact Gennifer Karam jmkaram3@gmail.com

April 14 - Love and Responsibility

May 19 - The Theology of the Body



"In that little Host is the Solution to all the problems of the World."
~ St. John Paul II



Maronite Young Adults (MYA)

MYA is a local chapter of a national Maronite organization for single and married men and women ages 19+

NEXT MEETING:

APRIL 21st — Continued Discussion on the Eucharist

For more info on the MYA, contact Claude@trazzafoods.com

 **EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL** ZOOM

Theological Content, Testimonies & More!

FEB 18	What's Our Story?
MAR 10	Who is Jesus?
APR 14	Am I Saved?
MAY 19	Why a Church?
JUN 23	God is With Us
JUL 14	The Story of the Eucharist
AUG 18	Bread for the Journey

Select Sundays @ 7:00 PM EST

Religious Education

To ALL Families with children between Ages 6-11

For Information about family catechesis and sacrament preparation

Contact Nadia Redmond, Coordinator of Religious Education, n.redmond@comcast.net

Please continue to pray for our parish and ministries.



Reflection

As we proclaimed last week, Christ is risen! The great battle is finished and He has destroyed death by His death demonstrating His ultimate victory against humanity's great Enemy... So why, then, do we hear in the Gospel that the Apostles were hiding in fear in the Upper Room a week after this glorious triumph of Christ? As St. John tells us, they locked themselves in the Upper Room "for fear of the Jewish leaders" (John: 20:19) persecuting the followers of Christ. Perhaps it sounds a bit like our own lives – if Christ won the greatest victory of all time, why are we still undergoing hardship here and now?

The Apostles hid in the Upper Room in fear of their immediate circumstances in Jerusalem, perhaps not yet even fully understanding the mystery of our Lord's resurrection. Their main preoccupation is survival. But Jesus Christ Himself assured them that He would never abandon them to their own devices. In fact, Christ came in the first place because "God so loved the world, that He gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16). Having redeemed humanity in His Passion, Christ would not simply leave those who believed in Him to perish simply within the first week. Before even undergoing His Passion He promised them "I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you" (John 14:16) – referring to the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, which had not yet happened. Until then, our Lord appears to His Apostles; though it might seem Christ is far away because we cannot see Him, He has promised us, "where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them" (Matt. 18:20).

But St. Thomas has incredibly bad timing. Just as we believe St. Thomas was late for the Assumption and missed saying goodbye to the Virgin Mary at her death, he also missed Christ's first appearance to the Apostles saying, "Unless I see the nail marks in His hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe" (John 20:25). According to the logic of the world, why should St. Thomas believe Christ was with them? The Disciples were suffering persecution and would be killed if found. So Christ appears to the Apostles again to assure St. Thomas, and we ourselves, in saying, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed" (John 20:29).

In the Syriac tradition we do not remember St. Thomas for his doubt but his response to Christ's admonition. Having seen that our God is not dead but truly alive and forever with us, St. Thomas bids farewell to Jerusalem and heads to India. Today, millions of Indians following the Syriac tradition trace apostolic succession to St. Thomas's initial evangelization. At the end of his service teaching the Indians about Christ, working many miracles and converting many he was martyred for the same Lord's Resurrection he initially doubted for St. Thomas. St. Thomas understood on New Sunday that all had been made new by the Resurrection – though he should be threatened by physical forces, this world will eventually pass away but all who believe in Christ will have eternal life even if they should die here for Christ raised those who believe in Him at His resurrection. Let us follow St. Thomas's example to bring the Resurrection to the world with our daily lives and pray with joy this day:

This feast is a mystery and title of the New World – let us rejoice and exult with the blessed company of Apostles. With them and amongst them let us worship Him. With Thomas who touched His side, let us give thanks to Him and cry out, "You are our Lord and our God!" Glory be to His Resurrection!

(from the Diaconal Proclamation for New Sunday)

—Article Credit St. Rafka Parish

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