



Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

Maronite Rite

Pastor: Chorbishop Michael G. Thomas, JCD
Deacon: John Jarvis

WEEKEND MASSES	Saturday at 4:00 pm (English) Sunday at 11:00 am (English + Arabic)
WEEKDAY MASSES	Monday through Thursday at 12:00 noon
OFFICE HOURS	Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm <i>Closed on: Holy Days of Obligation and Federal Holidays</i>

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1ST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

JANUARY 12, 2025



MASS INTENTIONS

- Sat. 01/11**
4:00 pm For Forgotten Souls
By Antoinette Tartak
- Sun. 01/12** **1st Sunday after Epiphany**
11:00 am For George Ghazal
By Zuha Ghazal and Family
- Mon. 01/13** **St. Jacob of Nisibis, C**
12:00 noon For Salibe Tartak and Family
By Antoinette Tartak and Family
- Tues. 01/14** **St. Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers,
Doctor of the Church, C**
12:00 noon For Special Intention
- Wed. 01/15** **Our Lady of the Sowing and
St. John Calybitis, C**
12:00 noon For Alejandro Segovia Lizcano
By The Parsons Family
- Thurs. 01/16** **Memorial of the Chains of
St. Peter, Ap**
12:00 noon For Thomas C. Barrella
By Joseph Shaia

Fri. 01/17 **NO MASS**

- Sat. 01/18** **Establishment of the Chair of
St. Peter in Rome**
4:00 pm For Souls in Purgatory

Sun. 01/19 **2nd Sunday after Epiphany**

11:00 am For Montaha and Karim Bousemaan
By Joseph Bousemaan and Family

Feast of Saint Maron Hafli Requests

Our Hafli, scheduled for February 8, will hopefully be a wonderful evening for all of us.

As with all our fundraisers, their success is based on your kind and generous donations.

By popular demand, Lebnen Khalil will provide live entertainment. There are a few expenses which we are hoping to cover by donations rather than through ticket proceeds.

If you can help in the following areas, in any way, please contact Chorbishop Michael.

Either way, I am sure that the Hafli will be a great success.

✈ Air fare from Boston for the 2 musicians:

🏠 Two hotel rooms for one night:

🔪 Actual entertainment cost:

Thank you and God bless you!

By the way, tickets are now on sale: \$89.00 pp.



The Women of Grace Study Program will begin on January 15 at Heart of Jesus at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall.

Women sign up!

You will learn about your gift of authentic femininity, Church teachings, Holy Scripture and great women saints with other women in the parish.

We will meet twice a month. Materials will be available for purchase. Please contact Thea at 727-492-2856.



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Saint Anthony Catholic Church Cancer Support Ministry

Meets every 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm
in the Saint Anthony Ministry Center.

Located at 215 N.E. 10th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale,
Florida 33301.

For more information contact:
Rose Young
954-462-2170
R290young@gmail.com

Christmas Matching Grant

A sincere thank you to all our incredible parishioners and friends who responded to our Christmas Matching Grant opportunity. We successfully met and surpassed, our needed grant offer of \$7,000.00. Through everyone's incredible heart felt generosity and kindness, we received \$12,100.00. The parish received a total of \$19,100.00 including the Matching Grant offer. Thank you!!!



Have you heard?

Religious Education Classes are back in session.



PARISH FINANCES

December 21 & 22

Collection Basket	\$ 2,542.00
Automated Bank Checks	\$ 420.00
Electronic Payments	\$ 140.00
Candles	\$ 101.00
Total	\$ 3,203.00

December 25

Collection Basket	\$ 1,602.00
Electronic Payments	\$ 45.00
Candles	\$ 115.00
Total	\$ 1,762.00

December 28 & 29

Collection Basket	\$ 1,284.00
Automated Bank Checks	\$ 500.00
Electronic Payments	\$ 120.00
Candles	\$ 76.00
Total	\$ 1,980.00

January 01

Collection Basket	\$ 645.00
Electronic Payments	\$ 330.00
Candles	\$ 4.00
Total	\$ 979.00

January 04 & 05

Collection Basket	\$ 2,040.00
Automated Bank Checks	\$ 1,700.00
Electronic Payments	\$ 322.22
Candles	\$ 139.00
Total	\$ 4,201.22

January 06

Collection Basket	\$ 847.00
Total	\$ 847.00

Feast of Saint Maron Dinner and Hafli

*Sponsored by
Heart Of Jesus Maronite Catholic Church*

February 8, 2025

7:00 P.M. to Midnight

Cocktails (cash bar): 7:00 P.M.

Lebanese Dinner: 8:00 P.M.

Hafli: 9:00 P.M.

Featuring

The Violin Master Lebnen Khalil

Donation: \$89.00

At the Parish Hall

1800 N.E. 6th Court

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For ticket information contact

Vivian Sfeir - 954-564-0005

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MIAMI LEBANESE FESTIVAL

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SATURDAY 01/25/25 FROM 6PM TO 1AM
SUNDAY 01/26/25 FROM 12PM TO 10PM

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WHO ARE THE MARONITES?

The Maronite Church is one of 22 Eastern Rites of the Catholic Church, under the authority of the Pope. It dates back to the early Christians of Antioch (Syria) where Jesus' followers "were called Christians for the first time" (Acts II:26). The actual name "Maronite" is derived from the name of Saint Maron, who was a priest and hermit, and died around the year 410 AD.



*Pope Saint John Paul II, Bishop Frank Caggiano, Chorbishop Michael Thomas
The Vatican - June 1992*

As part of the Roman Catholic Church, the Maronites profess the same beliefs in the Dogmatic and Moral teachings of the Church and celebrate the same seven Sacraments. Their liturgical celebrations are more unique and reflect their early Apostolic beginnings. For example, in some prayers and hymns of the Mass, the Maronites still use Syriac, a dialect of the Aramaic language spoken by Jesus and his Apostles, and incense is regularly used.

During the civil and religious persecutions of the 7th century, the Maronites fled their churches and monasteries in the plains of Syria, and took refuge in the verdant mountains and caves of nearby Lebanon. Since then, Lebanon has been considered the homeland of the Maronite Church.

Millions of Maronites now live in various countries throughout the world, but their Mother Church remains in Lebanon. The current Maronite Patriarch, Bechara Peter Rai, was made a Cardinal by Pope Benedict XVI, in November of 2012. Cardinal Rai lives at the Maronite Patriarchal residence in Bkerke, Lebanon.

The United States is home to two Maronite Eparchies (Dioceses). The Most Reverend Gregory Mansour is our Bishop who resides in Brooklyn, New York. Bishop Mansour is a member of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), as is the Maronite Bishop of the Western Eparchy, the Most Reverend Elias Zaidan who resides in Los Angeles.

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