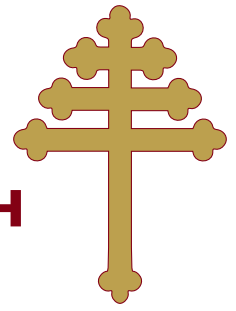




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RECONCILIATION

Before or after Liturgy or by appointment

MARRIAGE

Couples must contact our priest six months before the wedding.

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Be sure to visit from time to time for National Maronite News, pictures of parish events and other announcements!

THE SUNDAY OF THE RIGHTEOUS AND JUST

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

Adoration 4:00 p.m.; Liturgy at 4:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

Rosary at 9:30 a.m.; Liturgy at 10:00 a.m.

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 25:31-46



The Judgment of the Nations

The Lord Jesus Said: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will

put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger

and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer

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The Last Judgment (Tempera on panel. Between 1425-1431) Fra Angelico. Originally in the church of Santa Maria degli Angeli; now in the museum of San Marco, Florence. via Wikimedia Commons

This week Father will pray the
ANAPHORA OF SAINT PETER,
beginning on page 774.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 27 at 4:30 p.m.

For the repose of the soul of Francis Motuzick
Requested by Lisa & Mike Soliani;
Don & Sharon Newkirk; and Judith Theeb

Sunday, January 28 at 10:00 a.m.

40 Day Memorial for the repose of the soul of
Elias Nemer Noujaim
Requested by his brother Nassib and sister Toni

Saturday, February 3 at 4:30 p.m.

For the repose of the soul of David Essa
Requested by Renee and Deacon Steven

Sunday, February 4 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the soul of Angelo Silano
Requested by his wife, Mireille

Saturday, February 10 at 4:30 p.m.

For the repose of the soul of Nabih Nejaime
Requested by Renee and Steven Marcus

Sunday, February 11 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the soul of Youssef Macary,
25th Anniversary remembrance
Requested by his wife

Monday, February 12 at 6:00 p.m.

Ash Monday

Available

Saturday, February 17 at 4:30 p.m.

For Jorge and Celina Nejaime
Requested by their daughters

Sunday, February 18 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the soul of Gloria Spina
Requested by the Class of 1979 Reunion Committee

Saturday, February 24 at 4:30 p.m.

For the repose of the soul of Charlie Nader
Requested by his wife Dulcie and son Anthony

Sunday, February 25 at 10:00 a.m.

Available

Saturday, March 2 at 4:30 p.m.

For the repose of the soul of Gloria Spina
Requested by Renee and Steven Marcus

Sunday, March 3 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the soul of Marie Soliani
Requested by Sam and Jane Slaiby

For the repose of the soul of Joseph Haddad, Sr.
Requested by Deacon David and Marilyn Leard

CHURCH SUPPORT

Weekend of January 20/21

Saturday, January 20 Offering:

1st Collection **\$289.00**

2nd Collection **\$142.00**

Sunday, January 21 Offering:

1st Collection **\$564.00**

2nd Collection **\$189.00**

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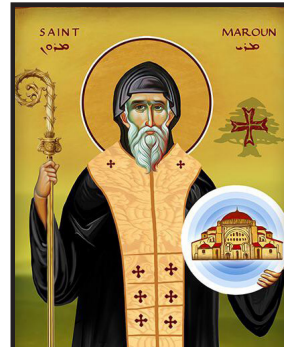
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January 27/28

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To help us plan for the correct amount of food
from the caterer, **please RSVP as soon as
possible to Office@saintmaronchurch.org** if
you are planning on attending. To reserve your
place, **Fr. Fadi must have all ticket money by
February 9.**

It will be a wonderful dinner and time with our
Bishop, and we hope to see you there!



EPISTLE

HEBREWS 12:18-24

Brothers and Sisters:

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. Praise be to God always!



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them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life." This is the truth. Peace be with you.

QUOTES FROM ST. MARON ILLUSTRATED IN TODAY'S GOSPEL:

*Let your heart be filled with love for all humanity,
for this is the way of Christ.*

*True devotion to God is not just about words and rituals,
but about living a life of compassion, humility, and love.*



The Pastor's Corner

SHORT ARTICLES AND NOTES

My Dear Friends:

In the Maronite Church, this year, January 28th is the Sunday of the Righteous and Just. This is actually the traditional Maronite feast in honor of all saints. Whereas the Latin Church celebrates the feast of All Saints November 1st, the Maronite Church, following its ancient tradition, dedicates this Sunday to the memory of the saints.

On this day we call to mind all the men and women, children of the Church, who have followed the path of justice and righteousness. We remember the prophets, apostles and martyrs, the hermits, ascetics, men and women religious, as well as all Christians who have led holy lives. As our liturgy so often reminds us, they are just in the sight of God because they have patterned their lives on Jesus Christ, the Just One. The saints are our models; their prayers and fasting have taught us to fight against sin and temptation and so gain the reward of righteousness. The saints are our intercessors; by their prayers we are strengthened in the Christian virtues. They were the salt of the earth and the light of the world; now, they call us to follow their path. Through their intercession may we one day merit eternal life with God.

I pray that God will bless all of you in a special way this week.

Fr. Fadi



LOUISE (PIXLEY) SPINO

January 26, 1921 ~ January 15, 2024

Louise (Pixley) Spino passed away on January 15, 2024, age 102. She was born on January 26, 1921 in Glendale, MA, the daughter of Edward and Emma Pixley. Louise married Ralph Spino and they settled in Harwinton, living in the same house for 55 years. Louise retired from the Torrington Co. Standard Plant as an inspector with 20+ years of service.

Louise was predeceased by her husband Ralph in 2001. She was also predeceased by her son-in-law, Kevin Sullivan. Louise is survived by four children: Marilyn Korman and her spouse Allen, Nicholas Spino and his spouse Dona, Rosalie Sullivan, and Annette Spino, as well as four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

On behalf of our parish community we offer our deepest condolences to Nick on the passing of his dear mother. Please be assured of our thoughts and prayers for you, Dona, and your entire family. Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon her.



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