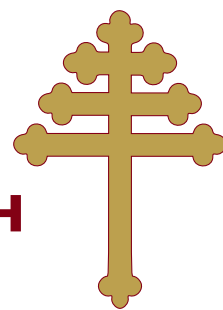




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## **SACRAMENTS**

### **BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION**

Please contact our priest ASAP after the birth of your child.

### **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!*

## **THIRD SUNDAY AFTER HOLY CROSS**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**

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

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1**

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

## **GOSPEL**

**MATTHEW 24:23-31**



If anyone says to you then, 'Look, here is the Messiah!' or, 'There he is!' do not believe it. False messiahs and false prophets will arise, and they will perform signs and wonders so great as to deceive, if that were possible, even the elect. Behold, I have told it to you beforehand. So if they say to you, 'He is in the desert,' do not go out there; if they say, 'He is in the inner rooms,' do not believe it. For just as lightning comes from the east and is seen as far as the west, so will the coming of the Son of Man be. Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather. "Immediately after the tribulation of those days, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will fall from the sky, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming upon the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And he will send out his angels with a trumpet blast, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other.



**THE LAST JUDGEMENT.** Jehan Cousin the Younger, c. 1585. The Louvre.  
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If you wish to convert anyone to the fullness of the knowledge of Our Lord and of His Mystical Body, then teach him the Rosary. One of two things will happen. Either he will stop saying the Rosary – or he will get the gift of faith. -- Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen

The Rosary is the Bible on a String. -- Father Ronan Murphy

## MASS INTENTIONS

- Saturday, September 30** at 4:30 p.m.  
For the repose of the soul of Marie Soliani  
Requested by Adla Keywan
- Sunday, October 1** at 10:00 a.m.  
For the repose of the soul of Marie Soliani  
40 Day Memorial  
Requested by her family
- Saturday, October 7** at 4:30 p.m.  
Available
- Sunday, October 8** at 10:00 a.m.  
For Deirdre Houlihan DiCara and FISH  
(Friends in Service to the Humanity of NW CT)  
Requested by St. Maron's Community
- Saturday, October 14** at 4:30 p.m.  
For the repose of the soul of Mary Lou Brewer  
Requested by her friends
- Sunday, October 15** at 10:00 a.m.  
For Afaf Elias Nejaime  
Birthday blessings & good health  
Requested by Renee and Steven Marcus
- For the repose of the soul of Marie Soliani  
Requested by Renee and Steven Marcus
- Saturday, October 21** at 4:30 p.m.  
For the repose of the soul of Katherine V. Sperry  
Requested by Renee and Steven Marcus
- Sunday, October 22** at 10:00 a.m.  
For John and Mary Comporesi  
Requested by Hayat and Jack Comporesi
- One year anniversary for the soul of Gabriel Laklak  
Requested by Mireille Silano
- Saturday, October 28** at 4:30 p.m.  
Available
- Sunday, October 29** at 10:00 a.m.  
Available
- Saturday, November 4** at 4:30 p.m.  
Available
- Sunday, November 5** at 10:00 a.m.  
Zakeeya and Michel Noujaim and their brothers  
Requested by Hayat & Jack Comporesi and  
Toni and Richard Noujaim

Coffee Hour October 8 after the 10:00 a.m. Mass!

Coffee Hour will be a chance to talk with

Deirdre Houlihan DiCara  
and hear more about FISH



## CHURCH SUPPORT

### Weekend of September 23/24

Saturday, September 9 Offering:

1st Collection **\$540.00**

2nd Collection **\$168.00**

Sunday, September 10 Offering:

1st Collection **\$559.00**

2nd Collection **\$239.00**

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*Thank You!*

## UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTION

### October 21-22

World mission Sunday - For the Society for the Propagation of the Faith and CNEWA



Congratulations and God's blessings upon Sandra Paola Bueston Muy, the newest member of our parish. She was baptized and confirmed last Sunday after the liturgy. It was a happy and joyful day for Sandra and her family!



Connections. Community. Mental Wellness.

JOIN PRIME TIME HOUSE IN CELEBRATING  
WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY!

**Wednesday, October 11, 2023**  
**WALK FOR RECOVERY**

*We will be walking from Prime Time House to Torrington City Hall where we will host a presentation about mental health recovery.*

- 9:00 a.m. Registration at Prime Time House
- 9:30 a.m. Walk begins
- 10:00 a.m. Recovery Program at City Hall
- 11:30 a.m. Return walk to Prime Time House
- 12:00 noon Lunch at Prime Time House

## EPISTLE

PHILIPPIANS 3:17-4:1

Join with others in being imitators of me, brothers, and observe those who thus conduct themselves according to the model you have in us. For many, as I have often told you and now tell you even in tears, conduct themselves as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is destruction. Their God is their stomach; their glory is in their "shame." Their minds are occupied with earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself. Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, in this way stand firm in the Lord, beloved.



On Sunday, October 8, Deirdre Houlihan DiCara, the Executive Director of FISH NWCT (Friends in Service to the Humanity of Northwest Connecticut) will join us both at Divine Liturgy and afterwards at Coffee Hour. Please and come meet her and hear about the Gospel work she and her staff are doing everyday, right here in our corner of Connecticut.

The mission of FISH NWCT is to provide the most basic human needs - food, shelter and hope. Since opening its doors in 1972, FISH has become our region's largest emergency homeless shelter, providing families, individuals and veterans a safe and secure haven as they await permanent supportive housing. FISH also serves over 1200 area residents as a food pantry, distributing food for nearly 110,000 meals over the past year.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Religious Education Classes began last weekend and are off to a great start! The good news is that it is not too late to give your children the great gift of an understanding of their faith. **Classes are on Sundays from 9:15 to 9:55 a.m.**, after which we all attend the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Registration forms can be found on the table in the vestibule. Return them to the parish office or drop them in the weekly collection basket.

If you have any questions please contact Helen Piechocki at [helenpiechocki@gmail.com](mailto:helenpiechocki@gmail.com) or 860.983.3933.



## The Pastor's Corner

SHORT ARTICLES AND NOTES

My Dear Friends:

October is traditionally called the Month of the Rosary, primarily because the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated on October 7. It is a good month to start praying the Rosary if you don't already.

The majority of the events described in the Joyful, Luminous, Sorrowful and Glorious mysteries of the Rosary are found in Scripture. The few that aren't come from church Tradition – those stories that were never written down, but instead, passed along orally from generation to generation. When we pray the Rosary we are meditating deeply on Christ's joys, sacrifices, sufferings and glorious miracles. As we keep the events of His life in front of us, we can't help coming closer and closer to Him.

The two main prayers of the Rosary – the Our Father and the Hail Mary – come from Scripture. The words of the Our Father are those Christ taught His disciples to pray in Matthew 6:9-13. The Hail Mary also comes straight from the Bible. The first part, "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with thee," comes from Luke 1:28, and the second, "Blessed art thou amongst women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb," is found in Luke 1:42. In the last part of the Hail Mary we ask Mary to intercede for us, just as we might ask a family member or friend to pray for us.

Sometimes it's hard to start praying the whole Rosary at once. When you are not used to it, it seems like a lot. If that's the case, then you can start slowly - just pray one of the mysteries at first and slowly work your way up.

Fr. Fady

### JOYOUS MYSTERIES

1. The Annunciation
2. The Visitation
3. The Birth of Our Lord
4. The Presentation in the Temple
5. The Finding of the child Jesus in the Temple

### LUMINOUS MYSTERIES

1. The Baptism of the Lord
2. The Wedding Feast at Cana
3. The Proclamation of the Kingdom of God
4. The Transfiguration
5. The Institution of the Eucharist

### SORROWFUL MYSTERIES

1. The Agony in the Garden
2. The Scourging at the Pillar
3. The Crowning with Thorns
4. The Carrying of the Cross
5. The Crucifixion

### GLORIOUS MYSTERIES

1. The Resurrection
2. The Ascension
3. The Coming of the Holy Spirit
4. The Assumption of Mary
5. The Crowning of Our Lady as Queen of Heaven





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