



Saint John Maron Church

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We are a growing family of God that celebrates and witnesses the saving presence of Christ among us through worship, social interaction, and charity. While in full communion with the Pope, our worship follows the ancient Syriac Maronite Catholic Tradition with a vibrant, modern balance. We constantly seek to renew ourselves that we may set aside personal divisions and welcome everyone in a spirit of Christian Love!

The Year of Our Lord 2017, Nov 26
ANNOUNCEMENT TO MARY
Liturgy of the Word pg.27, Creed pg. 748
Anaphora of St. James pg.835

9:30 am Liturgy is offered for the repose of the soul of Gabriel Herman Nyambu, as requested by his daughter, Maria Nyambu. May he rest in the peace of Christ.

11:30 am Liturgy is offered as a one year memorial for the repose of the soul of Afaf Younes as requested by her husband, Subdeacon John Younes and family. May she rest in the peace of Christ.

Next Sunday, Dec 3, 11:30 am Liturgy will be offered as a forty day memorial for the repose of the soul of Georgette English, as requested by her niece Mary Martin. May she rest in the peace of Christ.

Next Sunday, Dec. 3, 11:30 am Liturgy will be offered for the repose of the souls of the late Minister Pierre A. Gemayel and all those who were killed for Lebanon and those who are living a life of hardship and sacrifice, as requested by the Kataeb, O.C. Chapter.

WEEKDAY LITURGY

- Wednesday, Nov 29, 7:00 pm
- Thursday, Nov 30, 7:00 pm
- Friday, Dec 1, 7:00 pm
- Saturday, Dec 2, 6:00 pm

CONFESSIONS: Before Liturgy

WEDDINGS: Allow 6 months

BAPTISMS: Allow 1 month

Parents of Youth ages 13-14 Meeting, on Sunday, Dec. 3,
1:00 pm in the Library

--**Youth Liturgy** Sat. Dec. 9, 6:00 pm

--**Youth Christmas Caroling** Dec. 16, 12:00 noon

Last Week's Collections

Sunday, 9:30 am: \$659

Sunday, 11:30 am: \$1,150

Contributions: \$400



at Church
Every Friday,

7:45pm to 10:00pm

We are showing the videos every Friday check the schedule and join us, no matter what session it is. Previous video sessions are linked on our Facebook, but nothing beats a video with a meal and heart to heart conversation, Remember almost Every Friday at Saint John Maron church. Dinner 7:45 pm, Watch a half hour video and discuss it in a small group. Bring a guest with you. Potluck, for food donations, please call Raghida Francis 714-728-0041. Free Event, Walk-in, No Reservation Needed



Sunday Nov 26

**The Kids Choir will be celebrating
the Independence Day of Lebanon**

**In the church hall
After the 11:30 Liturgy**

Lk 1:26-38 Announcement to Mary

The Annunciation – the calling of Mary, is the calling of every person. Let us see the four movements of this great story.

Firstly, we read, 'Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you' (v28). Can we, like Mary, recognize and accept God's great love for each of us? Do we believe it to be so utterly true? Can we accept our worth as Isaiah writes in 43:4, 'Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you.'

Secondly, we read, 'And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son' (v31). Can we, like Mary, be the means by which God is made present to others? Can we become God bearers in the world? Remember we were made in God's image as we are reminded in Gen 1:27, 'So God created humankind in his image.'

Thirdly, we read, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you' (v35). Like Mary, can we put aside our ego, and allow God's way to work in us? On our own we can do nothing. With God all things are possible. Do we realize God's grace in us is all we need?

Fourthly, we read, 'Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word' (v38). Can we, like Mary, say yes to God? Do we trust God enough to know that the grace within us matters more than anything else?

This Christmas we pray to say yes like Mary and be God bearers in the world. Amen

"Margaret Ghosn mshf"



Gospel Reflections

MYO 2018 CALIFORNIA REGIONAL RETREAT

HOSTED BY OUR LADY OF LEBANON
MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN
MILLBRAE, CALIFORNIA

March 2-4, 2018

Located at: Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite
Catholic Church

600 El Camino Real, Millbrae, CA 94030

Cost: \$200

All attendees must be accompanied by at
least one advisor.

APPLICATIONS AND PAYMENT IN FULL ARE DUE BY
JANUARY 29, 2018 TO THE MYO OFFICE, P.O. BOX
2902, YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO 44511

For more info, visit www.maroniteyouth.org

National Maronite Youth Organization



Youth of St John Maron Church

**You are invited to
a Teen Mass & a Talk**

December 9th

6:00 pm



Inspirational guest speaker :

Matthew Zemanek is a devoted husband, a youth minister, Catholic speaker, a musician and a huge nerd.

Originally a mountain man from Lake Arrowhead, Matt left a life of bear-riding, log-hurling and competitive beard-growing to live in Aliso Viejo, CA, with his beautiful wife, Erika.

He is the Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministry at Saint Timothy's in Laguna Niguel, CA and has been serving in youth ministry since 2005.

Matt will complete his Master's Degree in Pastoral Theology at Loyola Marymount University in May 2018 and hopes to continue on to receive his PhD and eventually become a deacon.

He enjoys being a joyful Catholic, leading worship, doing escape rooms and drinking iced tea.

*Open Invitation, come as you are,
no rules, no charges...*

Youth Parent Meeting

Sunday, Dec 3, 1:00pm



Let's prepare our church for Christmas and remember those who are celebrating with us from above!

We need 22 Poinsettia to decorate our church

2 Large Size 16 inch
20 Small Size 6 inch

If you like to donate bring the Poinsettia to church with the name of your loved one to remember, on December 3rd 2017.

Please click here and let us know!
Thank you!



IT'S CHRISTMAS TIME

Save the Date
Sunday, December 17
10:30 AM @ SJM church

CHOCOLATE

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

GIFTS

SANTA'S BOOTH

KIDS CRAFTS

LUNCH



It is Christmas every time you let God love others through you.
Saint Mother Teresa



Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, when it is in your power to do it. (Proverbs 3:27)



Saint John Maron Church helping those in need

Pick a number

Donate an item from the list

Bring back your wrapped gift to church by December 16, 2017

All gifts will be distributed

The Giving Tree



Helping Those in Need

Giving Alms (1 John 3:17)

But whoever has the world's goods, and sees his brother in need and closes his heart against him, how does the love of God abide in him?



Kids Choir - Youth Choir &

Young Adult Choir

He who sings prays twice

Rehearsals for Kids Choir, Youth Choir and a Young Adults

Dr. Marlise Ayoub: **Kids Choir on:**

Sat 11/25, 12/2, 12/9, 12/16 from 5:30 to 6:00 pm

Sr. Laure (714-356-7674):

Youth Choir: Sat 11/25, 12/3 from 4:00 to 5:30 pm

Young Adults Choir: Thursday, November 30, at 7:30 pm.

December 7 & 14, at 7:30 pm.



We are proud of our choir and are really blessed to have such a fine group of singers!

New talents are welcome to join!

Choir practices for November are scheduled as follows:

Sun Nov 26, after Liturgy

Wed Nov 29, at 7:30 pm



Kids Club & Cub Scouts

Registration

St. John Maron Church is resuming its Kids Club activities on November 11th, 4:00-6:00pm.

The kids will be divided into two groups:

Group 1: Ages: 4 through 7

Group 2: Ages 8 through 13, which will be modeled around the Cub Scouts Organization and will be registered to be an official Cub Scout Pack with the Boy Scouts of America.

Kids Meetings: Saturdays, 4:00 pm, November 25th, December 2nd, December 9th, December 16th.

To register your child, please [click here](#)

**CALL FOR
VOLUNTEERS!**

We are seeking adult parishioners who can be part of the kids-related leadership teams, to include:

- Liaison with the Boy Scouts of America
- Scout Master
- Assistant Scout Master
- Scout Committee Member
- Scout Committee Chair
- Event coordinator
- Event volunteer

If you are interested, please contact Dr. Michel Kamel.

Welcome



Please Join us for a New Year's Eve Party

Dec 31, at 8:00 pm

Grand Catered Events

300 S Flower Street, Orange CA.92868

Open bar - Mezza - Dinner - DJ

Free Parking

Tickets available starting Sunday Nov 19,

Adults: \$ 100 or \$125 after Dec 20

**Children: \$ 25, in the children's room until
11:30pm, or \$100 in the hall**



Please join us as we come together in...

SOLIDARITY WITH PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS AROUND THE WORLD

Wednesday, November 29, 2017
6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

"In terms of the numbers of people involved, the gravity of the crimes committed and their impact, it is clear that the persecution of Christians is today worse than at any time in history. Not only are Christians more persecuted than any other faith group, but ever-increasing numbers are experiencing the very worst forms of persecution."

- John Pontifex, editor of "Persecuted and Forgotten? 2015-2017,"
report on worldwide persecution of Christians, quoted in *Crux*, 10/18/17

Christ Cathedral Cultural Center (Freed Theater)
13280 Chapman Avenue
Garden Grove, CA 92840

Keynote Presenters:

- Mr. Dotty Hage, Chair of the O.C. Chapter of In Defense of Christians
- Fr. Steven Tschlis of St. Paul's Greek Orthodox Church, Irvine
- Fr. Kyrillos Ibrahim of St. Paul's Coptic Orthodox Church, Irvine
- Fr. Ashur Elkhoury of St. Paul's Assyrian Church of the East, Anaheim

#SolidarityInSuffering

In the midst of the turbulence in the Middle East, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops expresses solidarity with Christians and all those who suffer from the conflict and persecution in the region.

In observance of the week of awareness (November 26-December 2, 2017), join us the evening of November 29th which includes a Reception at 6:30 p.m. and presentations at 7:30 p.m.



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