

SUNDAY LITURGY | at 11:00 AM

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Administrator: Rev. Robert Youssef Farah

Subdeacon: Claude Shiver **Sunday Liturgy:** 11:00 AM **Saturday Liturgy:** 5:00 PM

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 6:30 PM

Holy Days of Obligation: 6:30 PM







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READINGS		September/2020	September/2020		
September 13		Exaltation of the Holy Cross			
		Epistle	Gospel		
		1 Cor 1:18-25	Jn 12:20-32		
September 20		First Sunday after Holy Cross			
		Epistle	Gospel		
		2 Tim 2:1-10	Mk 10:35-45		
DATE	TIME	* LITURGY INTENTIONS * FROM			
Mass Intentions		Remember your loved ones with Mass Intentions			
Sept. 13	11:00 AM	Personal Intentions			
Sept. 20	11:00 AM	George Maalouf	By: Marie Najm		

HOSPITALITY - COFFEE HOUR/2020

September 13	No Coffee Hour	
September 20	No Coffee Hour??	Coffee
September 27	No Coffee Hour??	

To sponsor a coffee hour pls. contact Mrs. Ana Franca Abi-Aad

Personal Intentions

Tel:(954) 806-9909 Or Email: abetriz@yahoo.com / Donation for coffee hour is appreciated

PARISH OFFERING August 30, 2020

Sept. 27

11:00 AM

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Weekly offering	\$493.00
Stipend	\$75.00
Total Income	\$568.00

Thank You for your generosity and your support

Important Messages

Season of the Holy Cross

Prayer: "Christ, our Savior, may your cross be our powerful weapon and our supreme honor; through it we shall drive way our enemies, and by it our weakness will become strength. May it be our companion in this life and we shall follow you in carrying the sign of your shame, so as to merit being numbered among your disciples. We shall glorify you, now and for ever. Amen"



THE SANCTUARY LAMP

Is a vigil light burning 24/7 and kept near the Blessed Sacrament. The light indicates the unfathomable mystery of the Eucharistic presence of Jesus. It reminds us of the reverence due to the Sacrament. The burning light is a pious custom as a way of prolonging our adoration and prayer to honor His presence.

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

This feast is one of the greatest feasts of the Eastern Churches. It has as its object the triumph of Christ, his resurrection, and the veneration of the holy cross, the sign of his victory over death. It was first instituted in order to commemorate the dedication of the Church of the Resurrection on September 13, 335.

This feast is not directly connected to the earthly life of Jesus and Passion Week. It is rather about the commemoration of the finding of the wooden Cross of Jesus by Queen Helen in Jerusalem. It is also about the recovering and return of the Holy Cross, by King Heraclius from Persia (Iran Today) to Jerusalem, planting it again on Golgotha, and honoring it as a sign of glory, power, triumph and salvation.

With the exaltation of the Cross we begin a new liturgical season. This season concludes the Liturgical Year, which actually ends on the last Sunday of October.

-----T Thank You for Supporting Your Church

During these difficult times of Coronavirus that is forcing everyone to take extreme precautions and remain at home, your Church needs your support and asks you to continue making your financial offerings. You may do so in various ways:

- By Mail at: 600 Mount Vernon Church Rd., Raleigh NC 27614
- Via our website www.saintshatbelchurch.org by clicking on Donate
- Direct Deposit to First Citizens Bank: Routing #: 053100300, Acc # 000861430571
- Vanco: by downloading on your smartphone the free Give+ application.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS - 2020

Due to the Coronavirus, no social activity will take place until further notice. If you cannot to come to Sunday's Liturgy, you may come on Wednesday thru Friday at 6:30 PM, and Saturday at 5:00 PM

Saturday October 17

Taste of Lebanon Drive-Through Festival

Maronite Spirituality

Online activities for our young adults and for all those interested in deepening their spiritual lives:

Seeking to deepen your faith and understanding of our Maronite Spirituality? Register for Eparchy's Fall Virtual Workshops which will be offered in the month of October via Zoom. Open the link to register: (Control Click) https://forms.gle/yfrs1bEZSoaxAKjt8

Eparchy-Wide Virtual Dinner

Please join us for a Virtual Event on Thursday, October 1, 2020, at 7:00PM Eastern Time. Your participation this year is so important. All friends and supporters of the Maronite Church are invited. You may register online at our website (www.stmaron.org), or obtain a printed invitation for the event by sending an email to saintmaron@yahoo.com, or by calling 718-237-9913. Please consider attending and supporting this important event for the Eparchy.

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Qurbono P. 606; Creed P. 748; Pre-Anaphora P.749; Anaphora of St. John P. 815

Dear Parishioners,

Since the restrictions on gathering into phase II are eased, we are relieved to be able to assemble to worship in a larger group. I would like to have no more than 50 people in the church during Liturgy. I would like to recommend the following:

- 1- Parishioners are advised to avoid coming to church if having elevated temperature, or if any family member have any encounter with a person who have Flu like symptoms or one family member or more have these symptoms themselves; such as runny nose, cough, sore throat, fever, shortness of breath, body ache, loss of sense of smell or taste etc...
- 2- We have hand sanitizer, but please bring your own, if available, to keep all hands clean periodically.
- 3- Avoid touching and hand shaking during this stage.
- 4- Let us protect each other by trying to wear face mask
- 5- Let us practice social distancing by keeping at least 6 feet between each other. A group of one family may sit next to each other if they live in the same house.