

The Department of Religion and Culture at Virginia Tech

Very Rev. Mitred Archpriest Mark Morozowich will be giving a talk on Pope Leo's approach to the Eastern Churches and the situation in Ukraine. Fr. Mark is a Ukrainian Catholic priest, Associate Professor of Liturgy at the Catholic University of America, and the Chair and Director of CUA's Bishop Basil H. Losten Center for Ukrainian Church Studies. The talk is free and open to the public.

Title: The Roman Catholic Church Today and Tomorrow: Pope Leo XIV's Approach to Eastern Christians

Speaker: Very Rev. Mitred Archpriest Dr. Mark M. Morozowich, SEOD
(The Catholic University of America)

Date & Time: Tuesday, October 21, 5:00–6:30 PM

There is a flyer on the table in the vestibule area of the church.

A Zoom option will also be available for those unable to attend in person. Please feel free to reach out to Dr. Rachel Scott rmscott@vt.edu with any questions about the event

Syriac Faith Formation Online Series

The [Maronite Servants of Christ the Light](#) will be hosting an online Maronite Faith Formation Series on the Syriac Language starting **Thursday October 30** through the Saint Sharbel Center to help our people to learn more about the beauty and richness of our Maronite Liturgical language.

Clergy from the Eparchy of Saint Maron presenting these online sessions on three consecutive Thursdays at 8pm. Following the presentation there will be time for Q&A.

See below for the upcoming dates, topics and presenters at 8pm:

October 30—History of the Syriac Language (Subdeacon Vincent Michael)

November 6— Syriac Prayer to Learn (Fr. George Antaby)

November 13— Syriac Hymns & Melodies (Fr. Neemtallah Oneissy)

The recordings will also be uploaded on the Saint Sharbel Center [website](#).

Registration link: <https://saintsharbelcenter.org/zoom-series/the-syriac-language>

If you have any questions, please contact our Maronite Sisters at sister@maroniteservants.org.

Please see the flyer on the bulletin board in the entrance of the church.



OLPH Youth - TRUNK or TREAT

The OLPH Trunk or Treat, hosted by the OLPH youth, is Sunday, October 26 from 5pm-7pm. We will have trunks, fun games inside our social hall, free smores and pork barbeque dinners and chicken nugget dinners for sale. We would love to see you. If you would like to host a trunk that would be awesome too. If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Yates at 540-387-0491.

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October 19, 2025

Liturgy Schedule

Emails: Fr@steliashurch.org
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Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 10:30 am
Weekdays: 9:00 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:
Every Friday following the 9:00 am
Liturgy until 5:00 pm

Mystery of Reconciliation: Saturdays from 4:00 PM to
4:40 PM and Sundays from 9:45 AM to 10:15 AM
or by appointment

LITURGY INTENTIONS

WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 18 & 19, 2025

Saturday: 5:00 PM: For the souls in Purgatory

Sunday: 10:30 AM: Jim & Wanda Donckers, RIP, birthdays (Waddell Family)

Monday, Oct 20: 9 AM- The souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, Oct 21: 9 AM-

Wednesday, Oct 22: 9 AM-

Thursday, Oct 23: 9 AM-

Friday, Oct 24: 9AM-

Offertory— October 12, 2025 - \$3,554.00

SECOND COLLECTION this weekend for World Mission Sunday



ALL SOULS' DAY

How often do we remember our faithful departed and how often do we pray for them? Mass for the Holy Souls will be celebrated on Sunday, **November 2nd. Envelopes are included to put the names of those faithful departed loved ones you wish remembered during this Mass.** You can place the envelopes in the collection basket **by October 30th.**

ALTAR EUCHARIST CELEBRATION OCTOBER

The bread, wine & candles are being offered in memory of
Reggie Gilbert by Donna Gilbert



Daily Scripture Readings

Week of October 19, 2025

Monday: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 : Luke 16:1-12

Tuesday: 1 Corinthians 1:10-17 : Luke 18:1-8

Wednesday: 1 Corinthians 1:26-31: Luke 19:11-28

Thursday: 1 Corinthians 3:10-23 : Mark 4:21-25

Friday: 1 Corinthians 4:1-13 : Mark 4:26-29

Saturday: 1 Corinthians 4:14-21: Matthew 22:1-14

Sunday: Rom 12:9-21: Mt 25:31-46



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will **end this Friday, 10/24 at 4pm** instead of 5, due to a wedding rehearsal at 4:30.

Pope Leo XIV to every parish: 'Take part in World Mission Sunday'

Pope Leo XIV calls on every Catholic parish to take part in World Mission Sunday, 19 October, recalling how the generosity that day concretely enables and sustains the good work of missionaries worldwide, as he saw firsthand while serving in Peru.

"I urge every Catholic parish in the world to take part in World Mission Sunday," insisted Pope Leo XIV in a video message for the occasion of World Mission Sunday.

World Mission Sunday is held every year on the second-to-last Sunday of October. This year it will take place on 19 October with the theme of "Missionaries of Hope among the peoples."

The video begins with the Holy Father recalling that on World Mission Sunday every year, the whole Church prays, united, particularly for missionaries and the fruitfulness of their apostolic labors. "When I served as a missionary priest and Bishop in Peru," Pope Leo illustrated, "I saw first-hand how the faith, the prayer and the generosity shown on World Mission Sunday can transform entire communities." Hence, he gave all Catholic parishes some concrete homework.

"I urge every Catholic parish in the world to take part in World Mission Sunday," Pope Leo said, underscoring, "Your prayers, your support will help spread the Gospel, provide for pastoral and catechetical programs, help to build new churches, and care for the health and educational needs of our brothers and sisters in mission territories."

"This October 19th, as we reflect together on our baptismal call to be 'missionaries of hope among the peoples,'" the Pope encouraged, "let us commit ourselves anew to the sweet and joyful task of bringing Christ Jesus our Hope to the ends of the earth." The Holy Father thanked parishes worldwide for everything they do to help him to help missionaries throughout the world and imparting his Apostolic Blessing.