



## MARCH FOR LIFE 2026

We invite you to join us as we prayerfully gather with fellow Maronites from across the United States to march for the unborn, and to witness the sanctity and dignity of human life from the womb to the tomb. The 2026 March for Life will take place on Friday, January 23rd in Washington, DC. To encourage more of our people to attend we have reserved a block of rooms at a discounted rate at the *Yours Truly Hotel* in

Washington, DC. More details and a schedule for the weekend are posted on the bulletin board of the church.

Rooms are \$149 a night plus tax. Each individual guest must make his or her own reservation by calling 877-269-5199 and telling them they are with the MYA March for Life.

**Please note:** The booking link price you see online will show the \$26 destination fee included in the rate. Please rest assured that the charge will not show on your final bill. Rooms need to be booked by December 23, 2025. The blocked room rates could potentially be available past this date if they are able to provide some (this will be determined case by case). Each person booking a room is responsible for their own room fees and is responsible for cancelling if necessary, within the hotel's allowable time period to avoid charges.

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### Virginia Pro-Life Day

Thousands of pro-life advocates are expected to gather in Richmond Jan. 15 for the fifth annual [Virginia Pro-Life Day](#), as the General Assembly begins its 2026 session and abortion advocates push for a constitutional [amendment](#) that would make abortion a protected "right" in Virginia. The pro-life rally, held at the Virginia State Capitol, is organized by the Catholic Diocese of Arlington and the Catholic Diocese of Richmond, in partnership with other faith-based and pro-life organizations. In a statement provided to CatholicVote, organizers said it has always been the largest citizen advocacy event held during the General Assembly session. Virginia Pro-Life Day will include prayer, speeches, and advocacy meetings with lawmakers. Organizers expect to see participation from people across the Commonwealth, including students, families, clergy, and parish-based group.

[See Maureen Aaron for information about attending this event](#), 276-806-7688

## **ST. ELIAS MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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January 11, 2026**



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### Liturgy Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 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 3:00 PM to 3:40 PM and Sundays from 9:45 AM to 10:15 AM or by appointment

## LITURGY INTENTIONS

### WEEKEND OF JANUARY 10 & 11, 2026

**Saturday: 4:00 PM** Mandy Tolano & Joe Moses, special intention  
(Rufus & Tammy Flinchum)

**Sunday: 10:30 AM:** Dr. Kevin Britt, career & retirement (Lourice Thomas II)

**Monday, Jan 12: 9:00 AM-**

**Tuesday, Jan 13: 9:00 AM-**

**Wednesday, Jan 14: 9:00 AM-** Gary Gray, RIP (Stephen & Rhonda Graham)

**Thursday, Jan 15: 9:00 AM-**

**Friday, Jan 16: 9:00 AM-**

**Offertory— January 4, 2026- \$3,462.00\***

**\*This includes 1/1/26 Holy Day**

**Second Collection: next weekend, 1/17 & 1/18/26 for the needy**

### ALTAR EUCHARIST CELEBRATION January

The bread, wine & candles are being offered in loving  
memory of Joe, Marie & Michael Eunice and  
Reggie Gilbert by Donna Gilbert



### Daily Scripture Readings Week of January 11, 2026

**Monday:** 2 Corinthians 10:12-18 : Mark 1:1-8

**Tuesday:** 2 Corinthians 11:1-6 : John 1:19-28

**Wednesday:** 2 Corinthians 11:7-15 : John 3:22-30

**Thursday:** 2 Cor 11:18,22-30 : John 3:31-36

**Friday:** 2 Corinthians 12:1-10 : Matthew 14:1-12

**Saturday:** 2 Corinthians 12:11-16 : John 10:40-42

**Sunday:** 2 Corinthians 4:5-15 : John 1:35-42



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR... **The Feast of St. Maron Dinner**

**February 7, 2026, starting at 6 PM**

Tickets are on sale after all Liturgies. Tickets will also be  
available at the office - please call Deebie at 540-562-0012.  
**We need your help to sell tickets to family and friends!**

The adult **chicken** dinner is \$35.00 per person. Children's **chicken meal** for ages 10 and under  
is \$15.00. Adult **lamb** dinner is \$40.00 per person. The menu consists of:

hummus with pita bread, salad, chicken **OR** lamb & rice with almonds, spinach feta roll, kibbeh  
& Lebanese dessert, ice tea, lemonade & coffee. .

**Take out will be available.**

Thank you for your support.

### HELP NEEDED

Here is the prep and dinner day schedule if you are able, and would like to help:

**Saturday, 1/17:** Make spinach feta rolls... 9 am-5 pm

**Saturday, 1/24:** Make kibbi ... 9 am-5 pm

**Friday, 2/6:** plate sweets, cut bread, setup, cut veg... 9 am- 5 pm

**Saturday, 2/7: Dinner at 6 pm: starting 2 pm** till after dinner: making coffee, takeout, plating  
salad, hummus, entrée.

Enjoying dinner and then cleaning.

### UPCOMING MEETING

There will be a Festival 2026 meeting at **6 PM on Monday, January 19th**. All parishioners are  
encouraged to attend as we need everyone's help!

### 2025 Tax Letters

**2025 Tax Letters will be mailed out to Parishioners no later than the end of January.**  
**If you have changed your address, please notify the office.**