

## GREAT LENT

### **ACCORDING TO OUR MARONITE LITURGY, SAINTS & TRADITION**

Maronite Faith Formation Sessions at 8pm, beginning February 19.  
This is hosted by the Maronite Servants of Christ the Light in conjunction with the  
St. Sharbel Spiritual Life Center.

Please see the flyer on our bulletin board in the entrance of the church. Registration  
link: [saintsharbelcenter.org/zoom-series](http://saintsharbelcenter.org/zoom-series) (You can also register by scanning the QR  
Code on the flyer)

If you have any questions, please contact our Maronite Sisters  
at [sister@maroniteservants.org](mailto:sister@maroniteservants.org).

## THE VALUE OF MARRIAGE

Each year the USCCB designates the observance of National Marriage Week  
during February 7-14, and World Marriage Day this year on Sunday February 8.  
The theme selected for 2026 is: *“Man and Woman He Created Them: Together  
with Purpose”*.

In observance, the Eparchial Couples Ministry will be sharing resources with you  
over the next few weeks to share with your congregations. In addition, the  
Couples Ministry and the Sharbel Center will host a ZOOM meeting on February  
10<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm (see flyer for details) to discuss the Doctrinal Note released by  
the Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith on the value of Marriage as an  
“exclusive union and mutual belonging”.

## ROANOKE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Roanoke Catholic School is seeking an **After School Care Assistant** for our Pk-7  
after school program. Hours are between 2:30 and 6 and vary as needed. Please  
submit a diocesan application or letter of interest to Mrs. Delores  
Azar: [dazar@roanokecatholic.com](mailto:dazar@roanokecatholic.com).

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

**4730 COVE ROAD, NW, ROANOKE, VA 24017**  
**January 25, 2026**



## **Sunday of the Priest**

**Pastor: Fr. George Zina**

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[secretary@steliaschurch.org](mailto:secretary@steliaschurch.org)  
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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 24 & 25, 2026

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

**Sunday:** 10:30 AM

Monday, Jan 26: 9:00 AM- All souls in Purgatory  
Tuesday, Jan 27: 9:00 AM- All souls in Purgatory  
Wednesday, Jan 28: 9:00 AM- All souls in Purgatory  
Thursday, Jan 29: 9:00 AM-  
Friday, Jan 30: 9:00 AM-

**PLEASE NOTE:** Saturday's vigil on February 7th will be at 4:30, due to the dinner.

**Offertory— January 18, 2026- \$2,461.00**



**Second Collection: this weekend, 1/ 24 & 1/ 25/ 26 for United States Catholic Bishops' Worldwide Charities**

## 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 25, 2026

**Monday:** 2 Timothy 1:1-11 : Matthew 16:24-28

**Tuesday:** 2 Timothy 2:1-13 : Matthew 18:1-5

**Wednesday:** 2 Timothy 2:14-26: Matthew 20:20-28

**Thursday:** 2 Timothy 3:10-17 : Luke 17:7-10

**Friday:** 2 Timothy 4:1-8 : Luke 22:24-30

**Saturday:** Titus 1:1-9 : John 13:13-17

**Sunday:** Heb 12:18-24 : Mt 25:31-46



## 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:

**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.

## MYA (ages 18-39)

### **MYA Northern Retreat**

Are you a young adult between the ages of 18 and 39? Are you looking to grow deeper in your faith and connect with other like-minded young adults from your culture and faith? Join our MYA family February 28th at St. John Paul II at the Immaculate Conception Maronite Church in Sleepy Hollow, NY for an unforgettable experience. The theme will focus on "Stillness in the Noise: Meeting God This Lent". The retreat will include meals, breakouts, adoration, confession, fellowship and more.

### **MYA Southern Retreat**

Are you a young adult between the ages of 18 and 39? Are you looking to grow deeper in your faith and connect with other like-minded young adults from your culture and faith? Join our MYA family March 14th at Mary, Mother of the Light Church in Tequesta, FL for an unforgettable experience. The theme will focus on "Stillness in the Noise: Meeting God This Lent". The retreat will include meals, breakouts, adoration, confession, fellowship and more.

To learn more or to register for the retreat visit [myaeparchystmaron.org](http://myaeparchystmaron.org). Registration is now open!

If you have any questions, reach out to:

**Marla Saikali**, MYA Eparchial President at (904) 327-1909

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