

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Teachers will meet Wednesday,
September 30th at 6:00 PM in the library.

Classes will begin on **Wednesday, October 14th at 6 PM** and will be held in the social hall.

From Bishop Gregory

As we prepare to enter the month of October, I invite all our parishes to observe **Respect Life Month** in a special way. October provides us with an opportunity to renew our commitment to the dignity and sacredness of every human life, from conception to natural death, and to bring this intention before the Lord in our prayers and liturgies. I encourage our parishes to dedicate time throughout the month to **pray for the unborn, for mothers facing difficult pregnancies, and for all those who are vulnerable and in need of our support and compassion.** As a Church, we are called not only to proclaim the sanctity of life, but also to accompany women and families with love, mercy, and practical support.

"The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few."

Hearing God's call in a world where there is so much noise is never easy. Nonetheless, we know there are men in our parishes called to the priesthood. Can we help them hear this call?

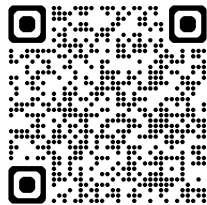
Let us increase our efforts to discern with them, to the best of our abilities, and put them on the right path. In this way we will be privileged to accompany men who show signs of a vocation to the priesthood, as well as promote the beauty of the priesthood in all that we do.

The Office of Vocations of the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon and the Eparchy of Saint Maron, will be holding a discernment weekend from **Friday November 6th to Sunday November 8th at the Maronite Seminary, in Washington DC.** If you know of anyone discerning a vocation to the priesthood, or would like to know more, please email the Seminary at:

Maroniteseminary@comcast.net

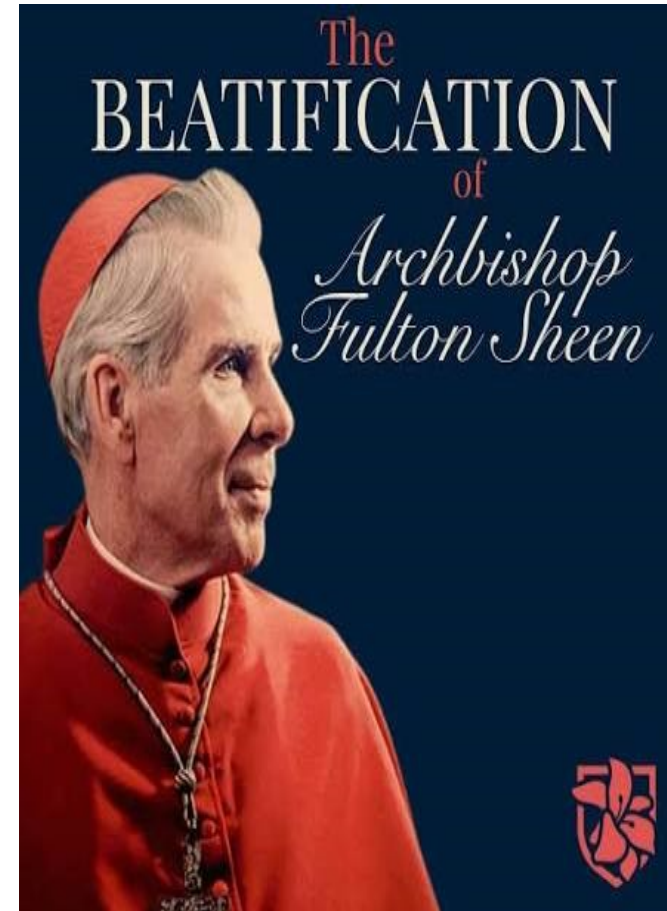
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They will be able to experience a weekend in the life of a seminarian by joining us for Liturgy, Adoration, meals, prayers and hanging out. This weekend is a great opportunity for them to come and see what a weekend in the life of a seminarian is like!

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September 27, 2026**



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Liturgy Schedule

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 SEPTEMBER 26 & 27, 2026

Saturday: 5:00 PM: Edwin Kyle Carter, Jr., RIP (Mickey Thomas)

Sunday: 10:30 AM: Forty Day Liturgy, Gerald Brunning, RIP

Monday, Sept 28: 9 AM- The Kohut Family, RIP (Craig Turner)

Tuesday, Sept 29: 9 AM-

Wednesday, Sept 30: 9 AM- Stephen Graham, birthday

Thursday, Oct 1: 9 AM- (Feast of St. Therese of the Child Jesus, Doctor of the Church)

Friday, Oct 2: 9 AM-

WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 3 & 4, 2026

Saturday: 5:00 PM: Gerald Brunning, RIP (Mickey Thomas)

Sunday: 10:30 AM: St. Elias Parishioners & The Sexton Family (Pierre)

Offertory— September 20 - \$2,484.00

SECOND COLLECTION— this weekend, 9/26 & 9/27 for the needy

ALTAR EUCHARIST CELEBRATION September

Surrounding 9/11/01 in prayer:

The repose of souls lost; Gratitude for healing and safety; Hope and comfort to the living; Grace to embrace traumas with Your Will and Mercy.

By Lourice Thomas, II



Daily Scripture Readings

Week of September 27, 2026

Monday: Revelation 3:1-6 : Mt 10:16-22

Tuesday: Revelation 3:7-13 : Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Revelation 3:14-22 : Mt 12: 29-32

Thursday: Revelation 4:1-11 : Mt 12:33-37

Friday: Rev 5:1-10 : Mt 12:38-42

Saturday: Revelation 6:9-17 : Mt 12:43-45

Sunday: Phil 3:17 - 4:1 : Mt 24:23-31

Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary



The first Sunday of October, October 4th, is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. The Rosary will be prayed including all four sets of the mysteries in the Church at 9:45 a.m.
We invite all to come and join.

Happy 103rd Birthday!!!

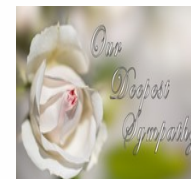
We would like to wish a Happy Birthday to our oldest living parishioner, Josephine Ellis, who will be turning **103 this Tuesday, September 29th.**
May God continue to bless her

LIFE CHAIN

The 39th Annual Life Chain is on **Sunday, October 4th at the intersection of Orange Ave and Williamson Road.** LIFE CHAIN is a world-wide event. The key emphasis is to be highly visible with the issue of LIFE and provide information on signs about the value of human life, God's forgiveness, and how to receive help and support concerning a pregnancy. This is not a protest rally -- it is meant to be a visible reminder to the thousands of cars that will come through the intersection on that one day that God values each human life since He is our creator. There will be 1600 other cities across the world that will be doing the same thing on that same day.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH FROM 2-3:30...**

Our Deepest Sympathy to...



Samira Nassif & family on the death of her sister-in-law,
Odette Nassif Abdul-Karim (9/16/26)

+ May her soul and the souls of all our faithful departed rest in His peace +