

Saint Stephen Maronite Catholic Church

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Weekend Liturgy: Sunday 12:30 PM

Location 4116 Waxhaw-Marvin Rd, Waxhaw, NC 28173

Daily Liturgy: At 2951 Brookridge Lane, Charlotte, NC 28211

Monday 6:30 PM (St Sharbel Liturgy & Novena)

Wednesday 6:30 PM (St Rafka Liturgy & Novena)

Thursday & Friday 10:00 AM

Eucharistic Adoration: Every Thursday @ 11 AM

7th Sunday of Resurrection

May 17th, 2026

Ephesians 1:15-23 John 13:31-35

PARISH MISSION

The Mission of Saint Stephen Maronite Catholic Church, is to be anchored in the Lord Jesus Christ & the Teachings of the Catholic Church. United in Love & Faith, We Welcome with Open Arms and Hearts all Our Brothers and Sisters to join Our Family, God's Family.

BAPTISM & CHRISMATIONS: Please contact Fr. Rodolph for the proper preparation.

MARRIAGES: Preparations are needed at least 6 (six) months in advance.

CONFESSIONS: Available before and after the Divine Liturgy and anytime upon request.

SICK CALLS: If someone is sick, hospitalized, homebound or in a Nursing Home, please contact Fr. Rodolph to let him know.

MASS INTENTIONS : Call (704) 412-1016 or email:

saintstephenmaronitechurch@gmail.com

NEW COMMERS: Welcome to your family. Please make yourself at home. When you are with us , you are not a guest, you are one of us.



Pray the Rosary

Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, May 21 @ 6:30pm

@ St Matthew's 8015 Ballantyne Common Pkwy

Parish Picnic & Mass

Sunday June 7th 11am - 4pm

Divine Liturgy (Mass) @ 11AM

@ Cane Creek, Shelter # 1

No 12:30pm Mass at St Matthew, Waxhaw

2nd Collection Sunday May 17th

For Catholic Home Mission Appeal: This Collection is used for Missions in the U.S.A. Our Eparchy has received grants from USCCB from this collection for several years



To Offer the Mass for your loved ones
(Living or Deceased) email:
saintstephenmaronitechurch@gmail.com
Or call: **(704) 412-1016**

Sun. 5.17.2026 @ 12:30PM	4116 Waxhaw-Marvin Rd	For the Soul of Pina Habbal
Mon. 5.18.2026 @ 6:30PM	2951 Brookridge Ln	St Sharbel Liturgy & Novena
Wed. 5.20.2026 @ 6:30PM	2951 Brookridge Ln	St. Rafka Liturgy & Novena
Thu. 5.21.2026 @ 10:00AM	2951 Brookridge Ln	Liturgy, Eucharistic Adoration & Rosary
Fri. 5.22.26 @ 10:00AM	2951 Brookridge Ln	
Sunday 5.24.2026 @ 12:30PM	4116 Waxhaw-Marvin Rd	For Peace in the World, in Lebanon and the Region



**We extend our Deepest
Condolences to
the Family
of Pina Habbal.**

**May The Lord in His Infinite
Love and Mercy look upon her
with Love and Mercy!**

May Her Soul Rest in Peace!

Collection 5/10/2026

Church Collection	\$707.00
Online Weekly	\$80.00
Online Monthly	\$200.00
Total	\$987.00

Church Attendance:

Sunday 5/10/26: 76 People

Annual Budget (\$7,500 X 12 Months) **\$90,000.00**
Weekly Budget (90,000 ÷ 52 weeks) **\$1,730.00**

Last week's Income \$987.00
Collected to Date \$16,840.00
Donations \$125.00

Total Income \$16,965.00

Needed to meet Budget: \$73,035.00

Please keep in your Prayers:

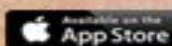
Deacon Frank Enderle, Bruce Goldstein, Judge Moossa,
Mary Shaheen and Aleena Tashjian.

Please let Fr Rodolph know of anyone who is sick, undergoing surgery,
homebound or in Nursing Home so that we can all pray for them. Fr.
Rodolph would give them the anointing of the Sick and bring them Holy
Communion. Please Call Fr Rodolph: **704-412-1016**

**GET
STARTED!**

Support our mission
and vision—anywhere,
any time.

Online Giving



Sign up for online giving.

It is easy. Set it up once and you don't
have to worry about it again!

Sunday's Readings

7th Sunday of Resurrection

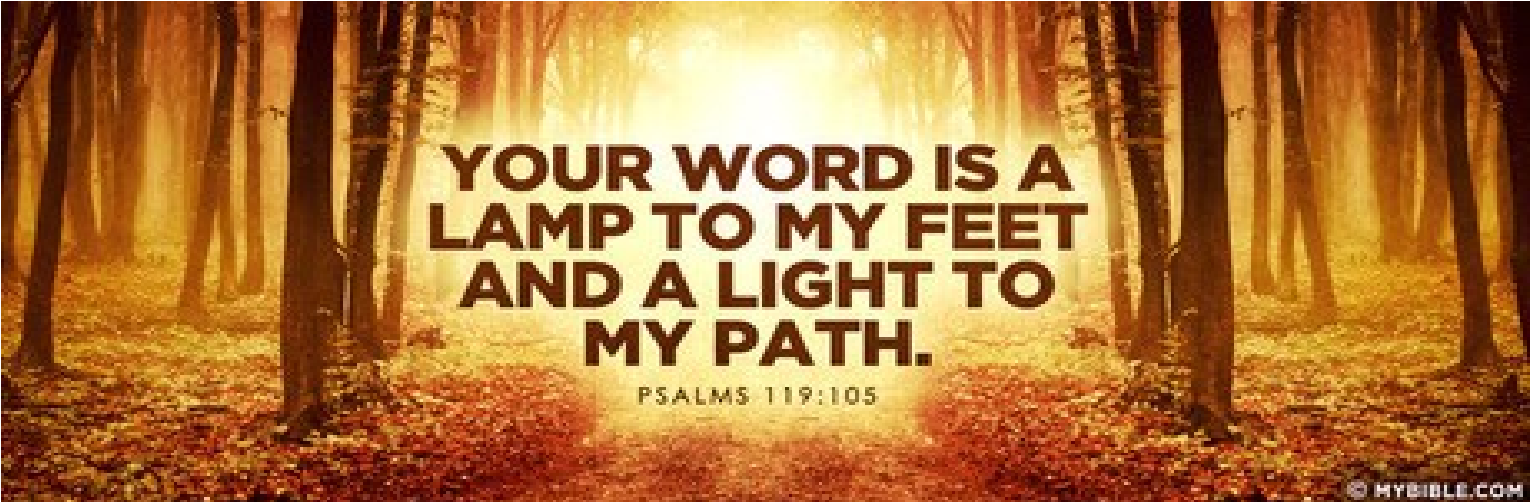


Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

John 13:31-35

When he had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'



**YOUR WORD IS A
LAMP TO MY FEET
AND A LIGHT TO
MY PATH.**

PSALMS 119:105



First
Holy Communion

Sunday May 3rd

Congratulations

Luka Del Pozo

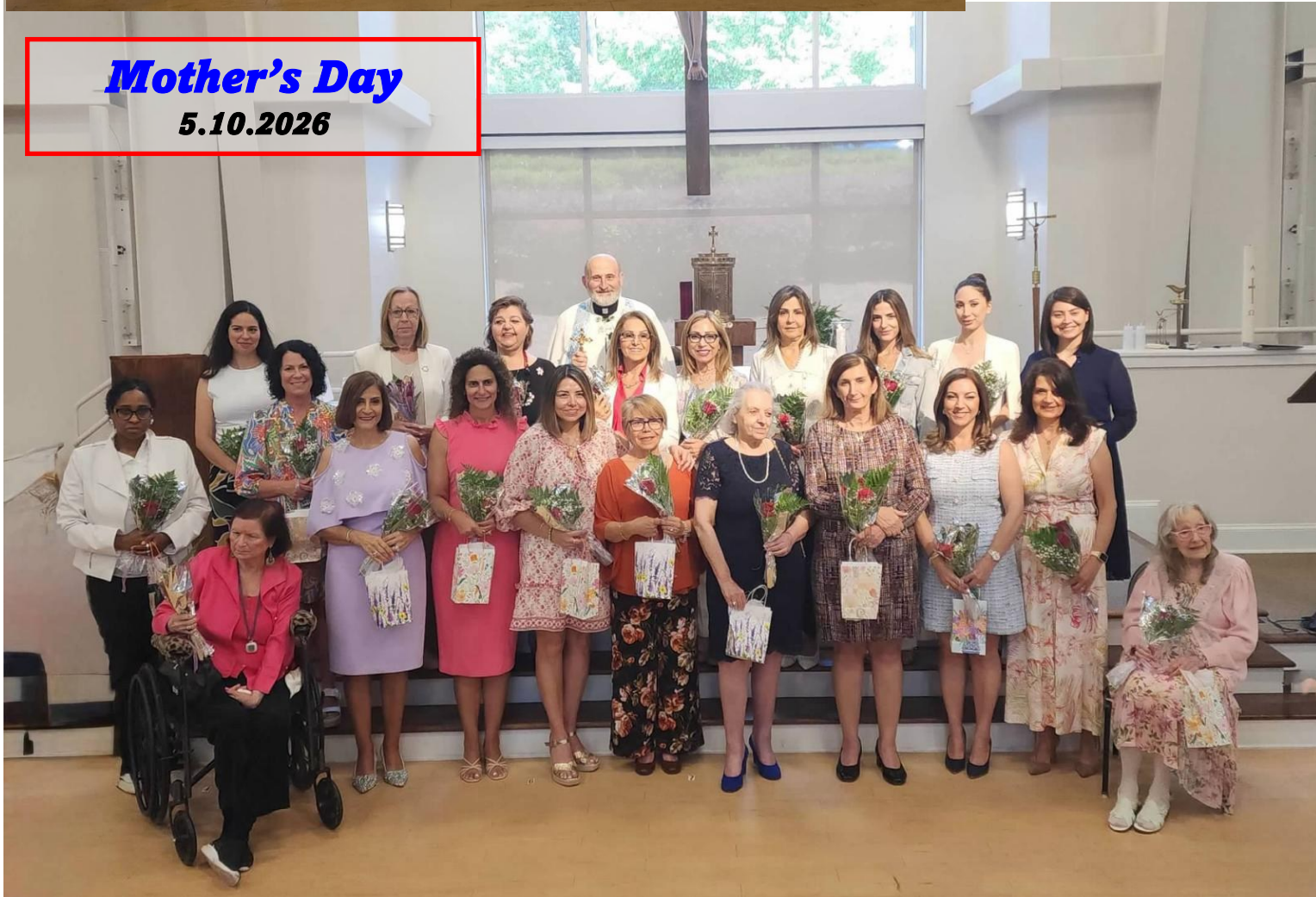
Michael Hutchens

Angelica Takle

Cecilia Tikle

Mila Tikle

Mother's Day
5.10.2026



Prayers of the Rosary

SIGN OF THE CROSS

In the name of the Father, + and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

OUR FATHER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name: Thy kingdom come: Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread: and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation: but deliver us from evil. Amen.

HAIL MARY

Hail Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

HAIL, HOLY QUEEN

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope! To thee we do cry, poor banished children of Eve, to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn, then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us; and after this our exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus; O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

How to pray the Rosary

1. Make the Sign of the Cross and pray "The Apostles' Creed."
2. Pray the "Our Father."
3. Pray 3 "Hail Marys."
4. Pray the "Glory Be To The Father."
5. Announce the First Mystery, then pray the "Our Father."
6. Pray 10 "Hail Marys," while meditating on the First Mystery.
7. Pray the "Glory Be To The Father."
8. Announce the Second Mystery, then pray the "Our Father." Repeat 6 & 7 and continue with the Third, Fourth and Fifth Mysteries in the same manner.
9. After completing the fifth Mystery, pray the "Hail, Holy Queen" on the center medal.



Parish Picnic & Mass

Sunday June 7th 11am - 4pm

Divine Liturgy (Mass)@11AM

@ Cane Creek, Shelter # 1

***** All Are Welcome *****



Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, May 21 @ 6:30pm

@ St Matthew's 8015 Ballantyne Common Pkwy, Charlotte

Hospitality Sign up

May 17: Soudir Family

June 14: _____

May 24: _____

June 21: _____

May 31: _____

June 28: _____

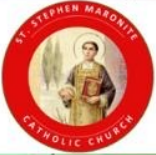
June 7: _____

July 5: _____

***** Thank You *****

Sign up Sheet is on the table in the Lobby.

May God bless you for your generosity and support.



**St. Stephen Maronite
Catholic Church**

PICNIC IN THE PARK

Join us for a delightful day of fun, food, and festivities!

Date: Sunday, June 7, 2026

Time: 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Liturgy: 11:00 AM

What to Expect:

- * BBQ (Burgers & Hot Dogs)
 - * Music, Dancing & Dabke
 - * Fun Games for Adults & Kids
- Fun for everyone - All are Welcome!

50/50 Drawing at 3 PM

Tickets \$5 each.

📍 Cane Creek Park

5213 Harkey Rd, Waxhaw, NC 28173

Shelter #1

🚗 Park entrance: \$4 per car





Pathways

Empowering Palestinian Students—New York City 2026

Join Us

*For an intimate evening at The Metropolitan Club.
Transforming lives for Palestinian students.*

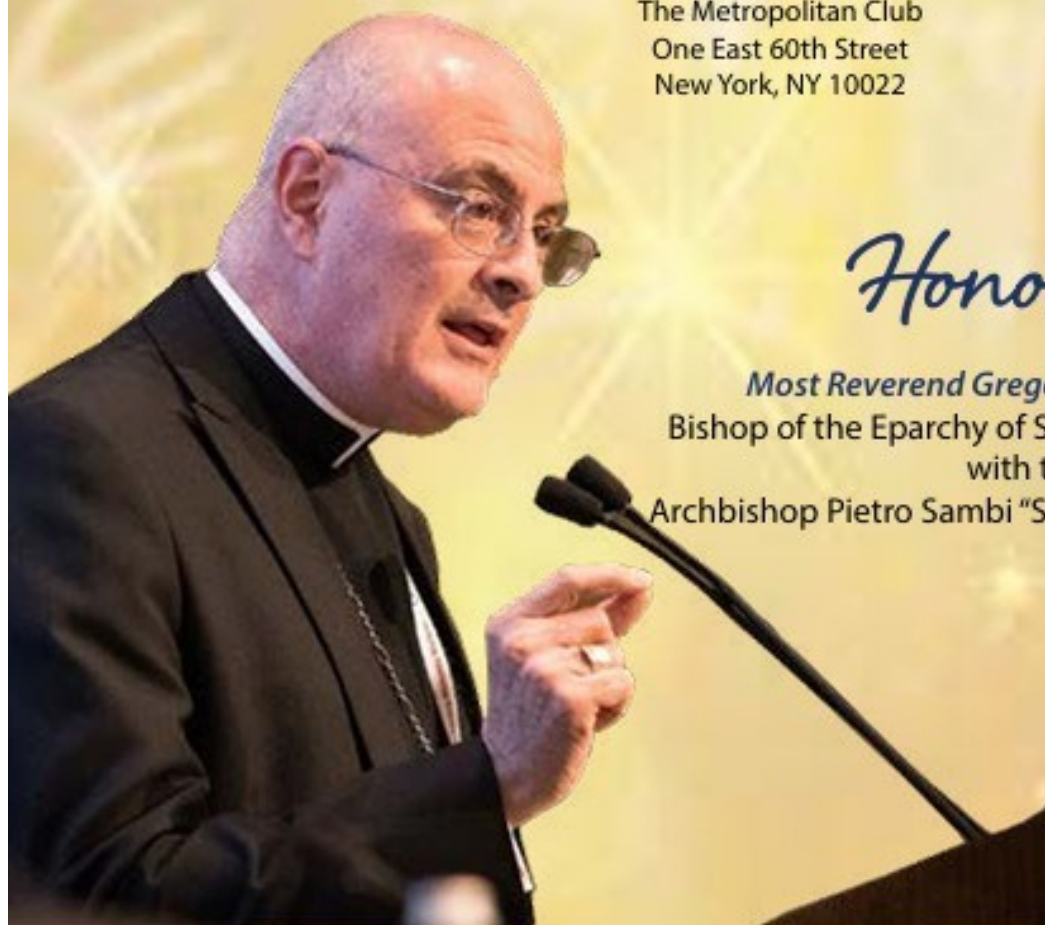
Wednesday, May 20, 2026

6–8 pm

The Metropolitan Club

One East 60th Street

New York, NY 10022



Honoring

Most Reverend Gregory John Mansour

Bishop of the Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn

with the

Archbishop Pietro Sambi “Star of Bethlehem” Award

Host Committee

Joseph and Meya Abed

Mona Aboelnaga and Sabi Kanaa

Issa and Doris Baconi

Vicki Downey

Wassila Guiga-Lotfi and Sherif Lotfi

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