

Saint Stephen Maronite Catholic Church

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Weekend Divine 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

Visitation of the Virgin to Elizabeth

December 1, 2024

Ephesians 1:1-14

Luke 1:39-45



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.



***Most Blessed
are you among
Women
and
Blessed
is the Fruit
of your Womb.***



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

Sunday 12.1.24 @ 12:30PM	4116 Waxhaw -Marvin Rd	For Peace in the world specially in the middle East & Lebanon
Mon. 12.2.24 @ 6:30PM	2951 Brookridge Ln	St Sharbel Liturgy & Novena For the well being of Pina Habbal
Wed. 12.4.24 @ 6:30PM	2951 Brookridge Ln	St. Rafka Liturgy & Novena For the Recovery of Judge Moossa
Thu. 12.5.24 @ 10:00AM	2951 Brookridge Ln	Liturgy, Eucharistic Adoration & Rosary
Fri. 12.6.24 @ 10:00AM	2951 Brookridge Ln	
Sunday 12.8.24 @ 12:30PM	4116 Waxhaw-Marvin Rd	

✦ Thank you ✦



May God bless you for your Generosity



Sunday Collection 11/17/2024

Church Collection	\$687.00
Weekly Online Giving	\$110.00
Monthly Online Giving	\$0.00
Total	\$787.00
2 Donations	\$10,000.00

Church Attendance:
Sunday 11/24/24: 58 People



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Annual Budget (\$7,500 X 12 Months)	\$90,000.00
Weekly Budget (90,000 ÷ 52 weeks)	\$1,730.00
This week's Income	\$787.00
Collected to Date	\$35,682.55
Catholic Extension Grant	\$8,000.00
Individual Donations	\$19,162.00
Festival Net Profit	\$33,165.00
Total Income	\$96,796.55
Surplus over the Budget:	\$6,796.55

Please keep in your Prayers:
Elias Bou-Ghazale, Anna El Zayek, Pina Habbal, Saiid Khattar, Marie Medawar, Judge Robert Moossa, Mary Shaheen and Aleena Tashjian (John Najjar's Grand-daughter)
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**

Sunday's Readings

Visitation of the Virgin to Elizabeth



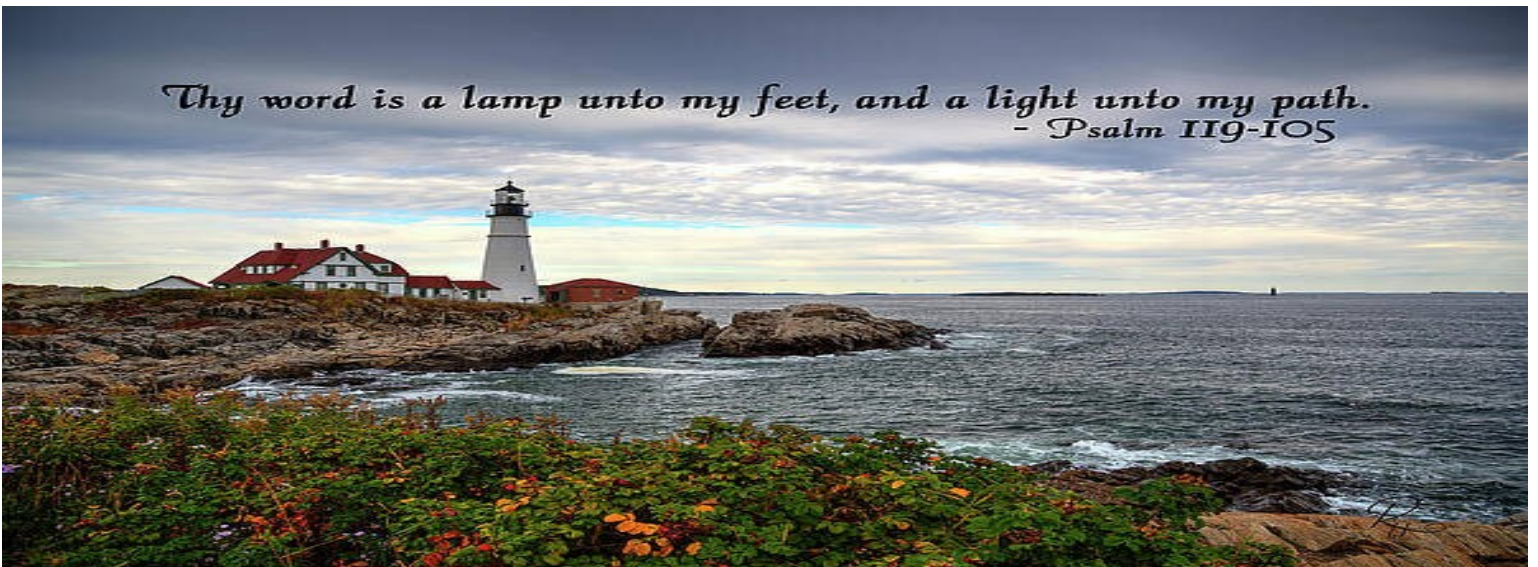
Ephesians 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, to the holy ones who are [in Ephesus] faithful in Christ Jesus: grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavens, as he chose us in him, before the foundation of the world, to be holy and without blemish before him. In love he destined us for adoption to himself through Jesus Christ, in accord with the favor of his will, for the praise of the glory of his grace that he granted us in the beloved. In him we have redemption by his blood, the forgiveness of transgressions, in accord with the riches of his grace that he lavished upon us. In all wisdom and insight, he has made known to us the mystery of his will in accord with his favor that he set forth in him as a plan for the fullness of times, to sum up all things in Christ, in heaven and on earth. In him we were also chosen, destined in accord with the purpose of the One who accomplishes all things according to the intention of his will, so that we might exist for the praise of his glory, we who first hoped in Christ. In him you also, who have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and have believed in him, were sealed with the promised holy Spirit, which is the first installment of our inheritance toward redemption as God's possession, to the praise of his glory.

Luke 1:39-45

During those days Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled."

*Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.
- Psalm 119-105*



Latest News

Christmas Novena From Thurs Dec. 15 to Fri. Dec. 23

Everyday Before the Divine Liturgy

Mon & Wed @ 6:30PM, Tue, Thu & Fri @ 10 AM, Sat & Sun @ 12:30 PM

Christmas & New Year's Liturgies Schedule

Christmas Day Liturgy: Wednesday, December 25th @ 12:30 PM

New Year's Day Liturgy: Wednesday, January 1st @ 12:30 PM

At St Matthew Church 4116 Waxhaw-Marvin Rd. Waxhaw

Christmas Dinner

Saturday December 14 at 6PM @ St Matthew's, Banquet Room

St Stephen Children Activities

**Children Choir Practice is Every Sunday at 11am
from November 24th - December 8th**

Next Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, January 16 @ 6:30pm @ St Matthew's Ballantyne, Rm 204

Hospitality Sign up

Nov. 24: Sarah Savaya

Dec. 22: Joe & Kelly Brais

Dec. 1: Elie & Chadia Habbouche

Dec. 29: _____

Dec 8: Pierre & Madelene Haddad

Jan. 5: Del Pozo Family

Dec. 15: Chaaya Family

Jan. 12: _____

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

Sign up Sheet is on the table in the Lobby.

May God bless you for your generosity and support.

Blessed Are You

MYO Eparchial Day Retreat

All in Grades 7-12
Encouraged to Attend

\$30
per person

Southern Region



Saturday, December 7
11 AM - 7 PM



Saint Sharbel Church
600 Mt. Vernon Church Rd
Raleigh, NC



Register online:
myoeparchystmaron.org
Registration Closes Nov 27



St Stephen Church



Christmas Dinner



You are all invited to join us

Saturday December 14th @ 6pm

St Matthew's Banquet Hall

8015 Ballantyne Commons Pkwy,

Charlotte, NC 28277



Free Admission

All Are Welcome

Santa is Coming with Bag Full of Gifts

Delicious Lebanese Food and Sweets

And Great Raffle Prizes

For information Call 704-412-1016



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FEBRUARY 2025



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*Save
THE
Date*



HIGH SPRINGS, FL

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