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# MARONITE EPARCHY OF AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND AND OCEANIA

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31 March 2025

To Whom It May Concern;

I, the undersigned, Most Reverend Antoine-Charbel Tarabay, Bishop of the Maronite Eparchy of Saint Maroun of Australia, New Zealand and Oceania, hereby certify that the project “Darb Mar Charbel” (Saint Charbel’s Trail) is authorised by the Maronite Patriarch, His Beatitude and Eminence Mar Bechara Boutros Cardinal Rai. It has my full endorsement and merits unconditional backing and support.

This pilgrimage trail is a long-distance hiking path through the landscapes of Lebanon, extending over approximately 130km and encompassing key locations associated with the earthly life of Saint Charbel (1828–1898), the patron saint of Lebanon. These include his birthplace (Beqaakafra), the source of his spiritual inspiration (Qozhaya), his novitiate (Mayfouq), his ordination site (Bkerke), and the monastery of his cenobitic and eremitic life (Annaya), among others. The trail’s northernmost point is the Monastery of Mar Antonios Qozhaya in the Qadisha Valley, while its southernmost destinations include the Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon in Harissa and the Maronite Patriarchal See in Bkerke.

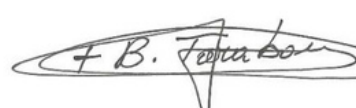

This pioneering initiative, overseen by the Lebanese Darbessama Association, is well underway. Its northern segment (Qozhaya to Annaya) is scheduled for inauguration, God-willing, in July 2025, in honour of the Jubilee Year 2025 proclaimed by His Holiness Pope Francis under the theme Pilgrims of Hope.

Open to all hikers, regardless of religion or nationality, this trail aims to deepen the spiritual life of the faithful worldwide. It will also serve as a testament to Lebanon’s natural beauty and rich cultural heritage, while contributing to the country’s sustainable development. By encouraging new tourism ventures in the villages along its route, the project supports local communities and helps preserve their time-honoured way of life. Furthermore, it will stand as a lasting moral and spiritual bond uniting Lebanese people everywhere.

The Darb Mar Charbel pilgrimage trail is authorised to conduct fundraising within the Eparchy during the period 2025 - 2027. We gratefully rely on your prayers and generous support for this unique and meaningful endeavour, a lasting legacy for future generations.

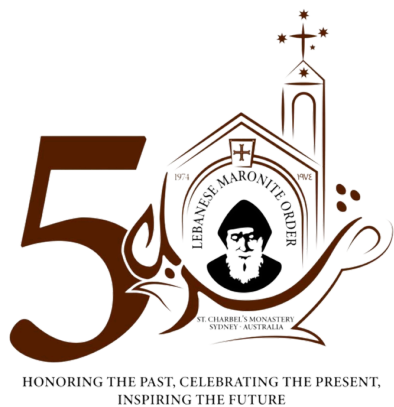
Any funds raised in Australia will follow the appropriate procedures and be transferred to the Darbessama Association in Lebanon in support of the project.

Given in Sydney, on 31 March 2025.

+ Antoine-Charbel Tarabay  
Maronite Bishop of Australia, New Zealand and Oceania





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