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**Weekly Bulletin**

**Sunday April 23, 2006 – Sunday April 30, 2006**

The 2006 National Maronite Convention will be held in Chicago at the Palmer House Hilton from July 5-9, 2006. The National Apostolate of Maronites (NAM) is sponsoring the 43rd convention. NAM is asking for your participation by encouraging you to place an ad in their commemorative program book. A supporting page honoring your family and loved ones would be a beautiful addition. NAM will also make sure that sponsors receive a copy of their own book. The deadline is April 30, 2006. You can find an ad form in the back of the church.



Can Pop Needed

The Altar Society is asking for donations of can pop for this year's Salad Supper Bingo. All donations of pop can be dropped off at the Church office to Pam.



Maronite Youth Conference

The Maronite Youth Conference will take place July 19-23, 2006 at Youngstown State University in Youngstown, Ohio. The cost for the conference is \$250 per person. No registration will be accepted without the pastor's signature. The deadline for the applications and the non-refundable deposit of \$150 is May 31, 2006. Late registrations will incur a \$50 per person late fee. However, no applications will be accepted after June 27, 2006.

**Clergy**

Rev. Father Jihad Younes  
Deacon Martin Rachid  
Subdeacon Earl Matte  
Subdeacon Charles Rossie

**Parish Staff**

Pam Aziz – Parish Secretary  
Darrell Frye – Maintenance  
Pat Haley – Caterer

**Parish Leaders**

Lewis Walterhouse II – Parish Council  
Dee Gardner – Choir Director  
Dottie Byrnes – Organist  
Erik Lindhurst – Religious Education  
Cindy Shaheen – Altar Society  
Jeanette Walterhouse – Morningstar



**Liturgy Schedule**

Monday	9a.m.
Tuesday	9a.m.
Wednesday	9a.m.
Thursday	9a.m.
Friday	12noon
Saturday	8:30a.m.
	5p.m.
Sunday	10a.m.
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month	10a.m. (English)
	12noon (Arabic)

**Adoration**

Friday 11a.m.

**Confessions**

½ hour before liturgy on Saturday and Sunday and by appointment.

**Sacrament of Baptism**, please contact the priest at least **1 month** before the intended date for the baptism.

**Sacrament of Marriage**, please contact the priest at least **6 months** before the intended date for the wedding.

**Sick calls**, please notify the Church office as soon as possible if you want communion for your sick. We usually do sick calls on Wednesdays.

**Pray for our sick and homebound Parishioners:**



Eddie Rashid  
Ferris Adado  
Jeannie Rossie  
Charlie Rossie  
John Abdella  
Hap Maroun

Sarah Marshall  
Mike Rizik  
Hanneh Chammas  
Betty Mansour  
Doris Beck  
Lu Lu Williams  
Rose Johnson  
Dorothy Mattar  
Bob Beck  
Beth Garner



**Prayer for Divine Mercy Sunday**

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world; for the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world





## MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY 23: Divine Mercy Sunday St. George, Martyr

10A.M.: (2Cor 5:11-21; Jn 20:26-31) Reader: Ferris Anthony  
- Rep. Jim Maroun by Sam  
- Rep. Rose Skolnik by Lindhurst Family

### MONDAY 24: St. Saba, Martyr

- Intentions of Kyle Knight by Keith, Freda & Jonathon Hearsch

### TUESDAY 25: St. Mark, Apostle

- Rep. Julie Macksood by George & Virginia Rizk

### WEDNESDAY 26: St. Marcellinus, Confessor

- Intentions of Betty Kinker by Marge Okal

### THURSDAY 27: St. Simon, Apostle

- Rep. Winston Walterhouse by Louie & Pam Aziz

### FRIDAY 28: St. John, One of the 72 Disciples 12NOON

- Rep. Rose Skolnik by Lindhurst Family

### SATURDAY 29: St. Catherine of Siena, Doctor of the Church, Confessor

8:30A.M.

- Special Intentions

5P.M.

- Rep. Winston Walterhouse by Family  
40 Day

### SUNDAY 30: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Resurrection St. James, Apostle

10A.M.: (2 Tim 2:8-13; Lk 24:13-35) Reader: Freda Hearsch  
- Rep. Albina Manssur by Mayford  
- Intentions of Mike & Tyl Rizik by Aziz & Diane Massad & Family

### SUNDAY May 7: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Resurrection Our Lady of Lebanon World Prayer for Vocations

10A.M.: (Heb 7:1-10; Jn 21:1-14) Reader: Erik Lindhurst  
- Intentions of the Parishioners

#### Weekly Contributions

March 26: \$2965  
April 2: \$2330  
April 9: \$4227  
April 16: \$4498



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The church office will be closed every Thursday and Fr. Jihad will be out of town. If you have an emergency please call Deacon Marty. (232-9713)

Our Lady of Lebanon Altar Society will be having their annual Salad Supper Bingo on May 10, 2006. Doors open at 4:30pm. Tickets are \$8 and can be purchased from any Altar Society member or see Pam in the church office.

A very special MYO Thank you to Pam Aziz for her donation of time and effort for the Procession Candles. We also would like to Thank the parish for everything they have given us to make us a big part of the church.

Love, MYO

The NAM Committee would like to rent a bus for the NAM Convention to be held in Chicago. This will be a special convention as the Patriarch Nasrallah Peter will be in attendance. The bus will leave our parish on Wednesday, July 5<sup>th</sup> and return on Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup>. The cost for the bus trip will be around \$165. You will be responsible for booking your own hotel room. For more hotel information there are pamphlets in the back of the church. If you are interested in attending there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board or see Chuck Solomon or Odette Shaheen.

#### Ladies Night Out

Friday, May 5, 2006 starting at 5:30 and ending at 9:00pm. There will be various vendors to purchase products from. The proceeds from this event are being raised to help with MCO expenses. There are still tables available for vendors if you are interested or know anyone who might be interested please contact Natalie Zerka at 810-655-2042.

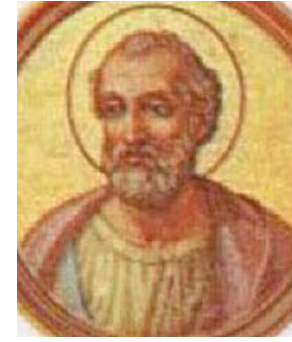
#### Altar Servers Schedule for:

Sunday, April 23: Team 2  
Sunday, April 30: Team 1



Church cleaning for the  
Month of April:  
Cindy Shaheen

## Saint Marcellinus, Confessor



Saint Marcellinus was born in Africa of a noble family; with two other Christians desiring to evangelize Gaul, Vincent and Dominus, he went to Pope Saint Damasus. The young men were sent to Eusebius, bishop of Verceil, who encouraged them for their mission and announced to them that they would have much to suffer. The three were ordained, and Marcellinus was consecrated bishop of Embrun by Eusebius and the bishop of Valencia. The gift of miracles fortified the preaching of Marcellinus at Embrun, in a region bordering on the Alps, while his companions continued their labors at Digne. Saint Dominus was later consecrated bishop of Digne by Saint Marcellinus, and energetically protected his flock from the errors of Arius; eventually Saint Vincent succeeded him there.

Marcellinus built at Embrun a chapel in which he passed his nights in prayer, after laboring all day in the exercise of his sacred calling. By his pious example, as well as by his earnest words and his miracles, he converted many of the pagans among whom he lived. A striking miracle, added to these influences, brought the entire population of Embrun into the church, with the exception of one idolater, who later also abandoned his gods. The waters in the nearby baptistery were increased, without the human intervention, which had been proposed, to accommodate great numbers of catechumens who, during the feast of Christmas, would be baptized. The same event occurred again at Easter, and the waters healed the sick. For as long as the ancient baptistery remained standing, the miracle was renewed, as Saint Gregory of Tours and Saint Adon of Vienne attest — that is, for more than five hundred years.

Saint Marcellinus died at Embrun about the year 374, and was interred there. Saint Gregory of Tours, who speaks of him in terms of highest praise, narrates some of the countless miracles, which multiplied, at his tomb.

[www.magnificat.ca](http://www.magnificat.ca)

## Saint Catherine of Siena



Catherine Benincasa was born in Siena on Palm Sunday, March 5, 1347, the daughter of Giacomo Benincasa, a pious and prosperous dyer and his wife Lapa. It is said that when she was five years old, she was in the habit of saying the Hail Mary on each step of the staircase of the house. When Catherine was about six year old, she saw a vision of Christ and His Apostles while walking in the countryside with her brother. She was transfixed by the vision, in which the Lord, in the garb of a pope, blessed her. As one writer put it, "Such was the 'call' of Saint Catherine of Siena ... and the appearance of Christ, in the semblance of His Vicar [the pope], may fitly appear to symbolize the great mission of her later life to the Holy See". For the pope was not in Rome but in Avignon, France, the so-called "Babylonian Captivity" of the papacy, where for political reasons the papal court had moved -- and Catherine, years later, would attempt to persuade the pope to return to Rome, the See of Peter.

At the age of sixteen Catherine took the habit of the Dominican Tertiaries (or "third order", a lay affiliation with the Dominican Order). After three years of celestial visitations and familiar conversation with Christ, she underwent the mystical experience known as "spiritual espousal" (or "mystical marriage" to Christ).

Catherine then dedicated herself to the poor, the sick and the conversation of sinners. In the summer of 1370 she received visions of Hell, Purgatory and Heaven and a Divine command to enter the public life of the world.

She began to dictate and dispatch letters to men and women in every condition of life, entered into correspondence with the princes and republics of Italy, was consulted by the papal legates about the affairs of the Church, and set herself to heal the wounds of her native land. She implored Pope Gregory XI to reform the notoriously corrupt clergy and the administration of the Papal States. Through her influence, the pope left Avignon and returned to Rome.

On the fourth Sunday of Lent in 1375 she received the *stigmata*, that is, the wounds of Christ.

In about 1378 Catherine composed her "Dialogue", said to have been dictated while she was in ecstasy, a book of meditations and reflections on the Creed and teachings of the Church, and on the sinfulness of man and the mercy of God. Her last public work was to aid in the reconciliation of Pope Urban VI and the Roman Republic.

Catherine died April 29, 1380. In 1970 Pope Paul VI proclaimed Saint Catherine of Siena a Doctor of the Church, a title given to certain ecclesiastical writers because of the benefit the whole Church has derived from their teaching and witness.

[www.wf-f.org/stcathsienna.html](http://www.wf-f.org/stcathsienna.html)