



Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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Weekly Bulletin

Sunday April 5, 2009 – Sunday April 12, 2009

Clergy

Rev. Hanna Tayar
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Michelle Tennis - Secretary
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Parish Leaders

Chuck Solomon – Parish Council
Dee Gardner – Choir Director
Dottie Byrnes – Organist
Freda Hearsch – Religious Education
Mary Matte – Altar Society
Jeanette Walterhouse – Morningstar Society

HOSANNA!
CRUCIFY HIM...

Liturgy Schedule

Monday	9a.m.
Tuesday	9a.m.
Wednesday	9a.m.
Thursday	9a.m.
Friday	12noon
Saturday	5p.m.
Sunday	10a.m.

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:



Sue Stubbert
Michelle Garey
Amy Burke
Agnes Torok

Sarah Marshall
Hanneh Chammas
Hap & Eve Maroun
Joe Faris
Ann Faris
Dorothy Mattar
Wanda Maroun
Phillip Shaker
Ann David



Our Lady of Lebanon Office Hours

Monday 10am – 3pm
Tuesday 10am – 3pm
Wednesday 10am – 3pm
Thursday 10am – 3pm
Friday 10am – 3pm



MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY April 5: Palm Sunday

10A.M.: (Phil 1:1-13, Jn. 12:12-22)

- Rep. John Zerka 1 year anniversary & Sylvia Zerka 2 year anniversary by Children and Families
- Living & Deceased members of the Shaheen & Okal families by Family.
- Rep. Aziz Chammas 5 year anniversary by Family
- Rep. Massad Toufic Massad by Vincent Farhat & Family

MONDAY 6: St. Marcellinus

Mass 5:30 pm, Adoration of the Cross at 6 p.m.

- Rep Elias Zerka by Shirley Zerka

TUESDAY 7: St. John Baptist de la Salle, Confessor

Mass 5:30 pm, Adoration of the Cross at 6 p.m.

- Rep Eddie Rachid by Bob & Joanne Potts

WEDNESDAY 8: St. Julia Billiard

Mass 5:30 pm, Adoration of the Cross at 6 p.m.

- Rep. Ferris Adado by Dr. Micheil & Janice Hanczarky

THURSDAY 9: Thursday of the Mysteries

Mass 6:00 pm, Celebration of the Eucharist & Washing of the Feet

- Living & Deceased Priests

FRIDAY 10: Great Friday of the Crucifixion

9:00 am, Liturgy of the Presanctified

6:00 pm, Right of the Burial of the Cross

Great Friday Dinner before & after the Liturgy starting at 5:00 pm.

SATURDAY 11: Great Saturday of the Light

No Mass - 11:45 am Prayer of Forgiveness and Confession

SUNDAY April 12: Easter Sunday

10A.M.: (1Cor 15:12-26, Mk 16:1-8) Clergy

- Int. of all Parishioners

SUNDAY April 19: New Sunday and 2nd Week of the Resurrection

10A.M.: (2 Cor 5:11-21, Jn 20:26-31) Earl Matte

- Living & deceased members of the Maroun Family by Sam
- Rep Milad Lahoud by Robert & Nawal Gebrael
- Rep Massad Toufic Massad by Dottie Byrnes
- Rep Tanious Gebrael by Fouzi Zerka & Family

12 Noon: (2 Cor 5:11-21, Jn 20:26-31) Arabic Mass

Announcements:



Please join us in our final Bible Study Tuesday evening at 7:00 pm.



We will continue our collections for the Eparchial Appeal throughout the Lenten Season. So far we have collected \$2,600.00 of our \$6,900.00 goal. If you have not turned in your envelope, please try to get it in as soon as possible.



The Altar Society would appreciate donations for canned pop and bottled water for their upcoming Salad Supper Bingo. They may be dropped off at the church office.



The Stewardship committee will be meeting Monday April 6th at 7:00 PM. In the library



The Parish Council will be meeting Tuesday April 7th at 7:00 PM in the library. Sunday April 5th is Palm Sunday. Palms will be distributed during 10:00 mass.



46th Annual NAM Convention

will be held July 1-5, 2009 at Our Lady of Mt. Lebanon-St. Peter Cathedral, Los Angeles, CA. Please go to www.ourladyofmountlebanon.com to register for this event. More information is available on the church bulletin board.

O innocent Lamb of God, you were handed over to death by the wicked, in a halo of silence and humility.

You took away the sins of the world, and redeemed it by your sacrifice.

Make us worthy to embrace your sufferings as an example and your humility as a model for us.

Grant that we may present to you our sacrifice because of your sacrifice and our love because of yours. Amen



Palm Sunday

In the Eastern Church Palm Sunday is often called the Entry of the Lord into Jerusalem, it is one of the Twelve Great Feasts of the liturgical year, and is the beginning of Holy Week. The day before is known as Lazarus Saturday, and commemorates the resurrection of Lazarus from the dead. Unlike the West, Palm Sunday is not considered to be a part of Lent, the Eastern Great Fast ends on the Friday before. Lazarus Saturday, Palm Sunday and Holy Week are considered to be a separate fasting period. On Lazarus Saturday believers often prepare palm fronds by knotting them into crosses in preparation for the procession on Sunday. The hangings and vestments in the church are changed to a festive color—in the Slavic tradition this is often green.

According to the Gospels, before entering Jerusalem, Jesus was staying at Bethany and Bethphage, and the Gospel of John adds that he had dinner with Lazarus, and his sisters Mary and Martha. While there, Jesus is described by the Synoptic Gospels as sending two unnamed disciples to the village over against them, in order to retrieve a donkey that had been tied up but never been ridden, and to say, if questioned, that the donkey was needed by the Lord but would be returned in a short period of time. Jesus then rode the donkey into Jerusalem, with the Synoptics adding that the disciples had first put their cloaks on it, so as to make it more comfortable.

The Gospels go on to describe how Jesus rode into Jerusalem, and how the people there lay down their cloaks in front of him, and also lay down small branches of trees. The people are also described as singing part of Psalm 118 - ...Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father, David. ... (Psalms 118:25-26). Where this entry is supposed to have taken place is unspecified; some scholars argue that the Golden Gate is the likely location, since that was where it was believed the Jewish messiah would enter Jerusalem; other scholars think that an entrance to the south, which had stairs leading directly to the Temple, would be more likely (Kilgallen 210). According to Jewish tradition (Sefer ha Zohar, part about donkey driver) the one who is able to bridle and ride a colt (or donkey) has a status of Messiah.

Long before the Gospels were ever put in writing, they were told as stories and that is how they took shape. The earliest story told was the story of how Jesus died, those last 18 hours in his life. The Story begins with Jesus' arrest in the Garden of Gethsemane and ends with his burial.

In Mark's Passion Narrative, there are eight scenes:

- Arrest in the Garden of Gethsemane
- Jesus on trial before the Jewish Sanhedrin
- Denials of Peter
- Trial before Pilate
- Mocking of Pilate's soldiers
- The Way of the Cross
- The Death of Jesus
- The Burial of Jesus

The Holiest week of the year begins today. But the world doesn't stop. Everything goes on—the regular TV programs, the regular work schedule, income tax...

So, if I want this to be a “Holy Week”, what do I do? I decide.

Your presence and participation in the services during this Holy Week at Our Lady of Lebanon is essential.

Mark Your Calendar

April

April 10: Great Friday Dinner

April 12: Easter

May

May 3 First Communion
May 13 Salad Supper Bingo
May 26 Business Luncheon
May 30 Golf Scramble

Altar Server Schedule

April 9: All Servers
April 10: All Servers
April 11: All Servers
April 12: All Servers
April 19: Team 2



Church cleaning for April:

Diane Massad/Nawal Gebrael



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