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Weekly Bulletin

Sunday August 21, 2011– Sunday August 28, 2011



Broken Glass

The Stratford Festival of Canada presented the most wonderful production of the Broadway hit “West Side Story”. I saw it and hummed the Leonard Bernstein melodies for weeks ... month ... afterward.

In 19761 Bernstein wrote another musical that was very different from that popular play. There were no hummable tunes this time ... and no comedy relief either. This was a dead serious memorial to John F. Kennedy.

Bernstein composed this theater piece for singers, dancers and players, calling it simply ... “Mass”. Here is the concluding scene which, I think, is fruit for much meditation:

A priest, dressed in gorgeous liturgical vestments and holding a beautiful glass chalice, is lifted high above the audience by a pyramid of dancers. Suddenly these dancers stumble. The priest is cast down to the stage floor, his vestments stripped away. The glass cup is shattered. Then slowly, the priest gets to his feet. He’s now wearing just blue-jeans and a t-shirt. He walks barefoot through the ruined debris of his former glory.

At this point, a children’s choir begins singing the “Laudate” (“Praise, praise, praise be to God.”) and the priest looks down at the pieces of broken chalice for a long time ... then he speaks the final words of the play:

“I never realized that broken glass could shine so brightly.”

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Clergy

Rev. Hanna Tayar
Deacon Martin Rachid
Subdeacon Earl Matte

Parish Leaders

Tom Macksood- Parish Council
Dee Gardner – Choir Director
Dorothy Bolduc-Peppin - Organist
Alicia Massad – Religious Ed.
Cindy Shaheen – Altar Society
Jeanette Walterhouse –
Morningstar Society

Parish Staff

Michelle Tennis - Secretary
Pat Haley – Caterer

Our Lady of Lebanon Office Hours

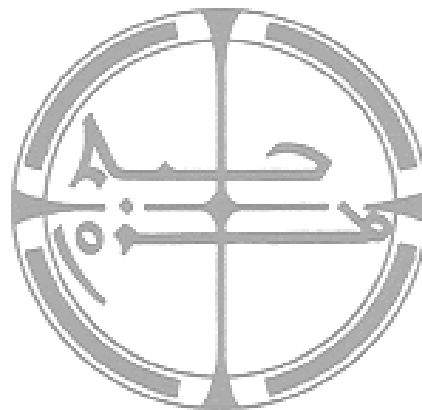
Monday thru Friday
10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Please pray for our sick and homebound Parishioners:



Michelle Garey
Dorothy Mattar
Hanneh Chammas
Verna Rinker
Joe Faris
Ann Faris
Helen Zerka
Nadia Sob
Wanda Maroun
Sue Stubbett
Bert Foster

Eliane Zerka
Hector & Rose Khoury
Delore Shaker
Amy Burke
Helen Azzarello
Patsy Joseph
Fayez Zerka
Bruce Lindhurst
Eve Maroun
Bob Griffiths
Agnes Torok
Ophelia Polovina
Ann David
Ralph Burgess
Patti Pollack



Liturgy Schedule

Mon. – Wed. 9a.m.
Friday 12noon
Saturday 5p.m.
Sunday 10a.m.

Adoration and Rosary
Friday 11:00a.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.



Mass Intentions

SUNDAY August 21st: Eleventh Week of Pentecost

10A.M.: (Eph 2:17-22, Lk 19:1-10) Elias Chammas

- Rep. Rose Ellen Fall by Francis & Salwa Haddad
- Rep. Valerie Lucy Soloman by Aziz & Diane
- Rep. Josie Knight by Juliet Hermiz

MONDAY 22: Queenship of the Blessed of the Virgin Mary

- Rep. Ralph Wofford by Family

TUESDAY 23: St. Issac the Syriani, Confessor

- Rep. Luba Elia by Todd & Courtney Cramer

WEDNESDAY 24: St. Bartholomew

Rep. Hilda Kelush by Ruth Avetta

THURSDAY 25: St. Titus, One of the 72 Disciples, Apostle

- No Mass

FRIDAY 26: St. Teresa of Jesus Jornet Ibars

- Rep. Int. Mrs. Yvonne Dias by James & Teresa Manoharan

SATURDAY 27: St. Biyameen the Hermit, Confessor

- Rep. Ernesto De Leon Jr. by Millie Hendrick

SUNDAY August 28st: Twelfth Week of Pentecost

10A.M.: (Eph 3:1-13, Mt 15:21-28) Ferris Anthony

- Rep. George Soloman by Ed & Lorraine
- Rep. Elias Zerka by Karim & Dolly Damouni
- Rep. Fran Adado by Robin Petrowski

SUNDAY September 4th: Thirteenth Week of Pentecost

10A.M.: (1Cor 3:1-11, Lk 8:1-15) MYO

- Rep. Albert Karram by Lino Kaspar & Family
- Repts. Charles & Elizabeth Soloman by Ed & Lorriane
- Rep. Hanna Rizk by Dib Al-Zarka

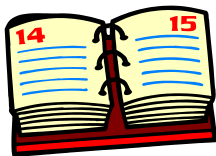
Mark Your Calendar

September:

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| Sept 7: | Altar Society Meeting |
| Sept 11: | Religious Education |
| | Introduction/Books |
| Sept 18: | Religious Education classes begin |



Altar Servers Schedule:



August 28: Team 3

September 4: Team 1

Ushers Schedules

August 28: Team 2

September 4: Team 3/MYO

Church Cleaning August:

Hala Kaspar

Announcements:



Teachers Needed

We are looking for instructors for the upcoming year for our religious education classes. If you would be willing to volunteer your time to this worthy endeavor, please contact the church office. Classes are scheduled to start the Sunday September, 18th and will run through the second Sunday in May. Sign up forms are available in the back of the church or through Alicia Massad.



Altar Society

The next meeting for the Ladies Altar Society is set for Wednesday, September 7th at 6pm. Please mark your calendars today! We will get together for a dinner and talk about upcoming activities. The meeting will be held at Sorrento's restaurant in Flushing



Condolences

We wish to offer our condolences to Gerald Mansour Sr. and all of the Mansour family on the death of Frances Mansour Saturday, August 13th, 2011. The funeral for Frances was held here at Our Lady of Lebanon Church on Tuesday, August 16th with Bishop Gregory Mansour officiating. Lord, now let thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word. ~Luke 2

The greatest mistake you can make in life is to be continually fearing that you will make one.

~Elbert Hubbard

Broken Glass – Continued...



Some people see life as a losing battle, a journey of despair, a hopeless struggle ... just one piece of broken glass after another.

But Leonard Bernstein gives a more hopeful take on our pain-filled journey through this world. It seems to me that he's saying ... it's not life's exhilarating, exciting triumphs that justifies our place as God's chosen children. It's surviving the sacrifices, seemingly endless disappointments and failures that really connects us with Jesus.

As we walk through all that broken glass, we finally come home to tell our Father what we've learned. How surprising to realize that our failures shine so brightly!

By Sub Deacon Earl Matte



The Saints on Mary's Queenship

"No one has access to the Almighty as His mother has; none has merit such as hers. Her Son will deny her nothing that she asks; and herein lies her power. While she defends the Church, neither height nor depth, neither men nor evil spirits, neither great monarchs, nor craft of man, nor popular violence, can avail to harm us; for human life is short, but Mary reigns above, a Queen forever."

~Venerable John Henry Cardinal Newman



St. Teresa of Jesus Jornet

Feast Day: August 26th

Teresa Jornet Ibars founded The Little Sisters of the Poor. She was born on January 9, 1843, to a farmer in the Catalan region of Spain.

From a young age, Teresa demonstrated a strong concern for the poor, often bringing them to the home of an aunt, where they were sure to receive assistance. She later moved to the nearby city of Lérida, living with another aunt, as she pursued her education. She grew up to become a teacher in the suburbs of Barcelona.

During this time, she felt drawn to the monastic life and applied for admission to the Poor Clares near Burgos. She was prevented from doing so, however, by anti-clerical laws then in effect. She devoted herself to her teaching, and became a Carmelite religious member of the third order to help in the development of her spiritual life. The death of her father was followed by a severe illness which kept her homebound for a prolonged period.

Her spiritual director encouraged her to undertake the care of the many elderly people of the region. She accepted the challenge and in 1872, she opened the first house to this end in the city of Barbastro. The following year, her small group took the habit and became a religious congregation. Teresa taking the name of Teresa of Jesus was elected the first superior of the new community.

The members of the community were totally dedicated to the care of their aged charges. Mother Teresa of Jesus taught her Sisters to sacrifice their own personal comforts for that of the men and women for whom they cared, to the point of giving up their own coats in the winter to them. In addition to her intense commitment, she was noted for a strong air of serenity all her life, all of which drew many young women to join in her work.

An outbreak of cholera hit Spain in 1897. Mother Theresa joined the other members of the congregation in their non-stop care of the victims of this plague. By the time it had ended, twenty-four Little Sisters and seventy of their patients had succumbed to the disease. Worn out by this effort, she was physically overwhelmed and retired to the house in Liria, south of Valencia. It was there that she died, on August 26. At the time of her death, there were fifty houses of the congregation she had started.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/St._Teresa_of_Jesus_Jornet



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2011

Summer Bible School.

Summer Bible School was held here at Our Lady of Lebanon Church from August 8th through the 12th. The theme this year was “Miracles” and the children heard stories and made crafts revolving around that theme. These included making “fish mobiles and cinnamon bread” as they studied miracle of the loaves and the fishes.



They also made “Icons and St. Peter’s Chair” while learning about the Vatican. The week ended with everyone wearing t-shirts they’d painted and enjoying some time outdoors as they broke the Pinata they’d created to get the treats inside. The youths closed the week by attending 12:00 Mass where they sang songs they’d practiced throughout the week.



Thank you to Tonya Solomon, Shelby Soloman, Alicia Massad, and Gabby Lindhurst for working with the children this week. God bless all of you for your hard work and dedication.

Stewardship

Weekend August 13 – August 14, 2011

Envelopes Distributed	170
Weekly Envelopes received	69
Weekly envelopes	\$ 1,838.00
Fuel	\$ 95.00
Eparchial Assessment	\$ 175.00
Loose	\$ 258.00
Total Sunday Collection	\$ 2,366.00
Second Collection	-0-
Budgeted for August	\$ 16,000.00
Amount needed for August Budget	(\$ 10,568.00)

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5191 Lennon Rd. In back of Kohls
Friday, August 26 5:00 pm till 11:00 pm
Saturday, August 27 11:00 am till 11:00 pm
Adult admission \$2.00
12 and under free

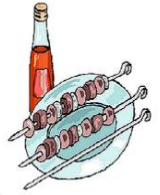
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