



# Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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**Weekly Bulletin**

**Sunday August 7, 2011– Sunday August 14, 2011**



## Keeping Christmas Year Round

You can keep Christmas alive for 365 days according to Liguorian magazine. Try these ideas:

1. See God in yourself. "The word became flesh" says the Gospel according to John. How well do you treat your body and soul?
2. See God in all people. Genesis says, "God created humankind in His image." To mistreat a human being is to desecrate the image of God in the person.
3. See God in every living creature. All creatures have value and dignity, regardless of how they might be useful to us. Live so that all may flourish.
4. Be a sacrament of God's love. Affirm, enrich, and strengthen yourself, your spouse, family friends and strangers.

Live the joy of Christ's birth each day and remember.

**"Love your neighbor as yourself". (Mark 12:31)**

*Submitted by Deacon Marty*

*"Since God is everywhere, where can I look and not see God?  
"I choose to remember that, whatever I look at, whomever I see, God is there."*

### 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 Stubbart

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

**Welcome Home Abouna!**

Lindhurst

### 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 7<sup>th</sup>: Ninth Week of Pentecost

**10A.M.:** (2 Cor 5:20-6:10, Lk 4:14-21) MYO

- Rep. Rose Ellen Fall by Joe & Georgette Damouni
- Rep. Hanna Rizk by Mr. & Mrs. John Rashid
- Int. Joe Faris by Duane & Dee Gardner

### MONDAY 8: St. Dominic, Confessor

- Rep. Jean Rossie by Ken & Betty Ritter

### TUESDAY 9: St. Matthias, Apostle

- Rep. Albert Karram by Thereze & Family

### WEDNESDAY 10: St. Laurence, Martyr

- Rep. Linda Macksood by Diane Dunsmore

### THURSDAY 11: St. Clare, Confessor

- No Mass

### FRIDAY July 12: St. Shaina, Confessor

- Rep. Josie Knight by Louis & Jeanette Waltherhouse

### SATURDAY 13: St. Hippolytus

- Int. of Lewis Waltherhouse by Mon & Elsie Shaheen

### SUNDAY August 14<sup>th</sup>: Tenth Week of Pentecost

**10A.M.:** (1 Cor 12:1-11, Mt. 12:22-32) Bob Pollack

- Rep. James Soloman by Francis & Salwa Haddad
- Rep. Raymond Faris by David & Norma Lazar
- Rep. Dalilah Petros-Quia by Manal Dabish & Family

### SUNDAY August 21<sup>st</sup>: 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. Vlaerie Lucy Soloman by Aziz & Diane
- Rep. Josie Knight by Juliet Hermiz

## Announcements:



### *Congratulations*

Congratulations to Francis & Salwa Haddad on the marriage of their daughter, Dana Haddad to Bernard Herro here at our Lady of Lebanon Church Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup>. May God bless the happy couple and may they love one another as God has loved them.



### *Condolences*

We wish to extend our condolences to the following parishioners and their families who recently lost loved ones.

**Wilson & Gloria Lahoud:** on the passing of Gloria's uncle, Sayedna George Kwaiter Monday, July 25<sup>th</sup> in Saida, Lebanon.

**Bob and Sharon Griffiths:** whose cousin Shawn Coole passed away Friday, July 29<sup>th</sup> here in the Flint area.

**Sameer & Manal Dabish:** Manal's aunt, Dalilah Petros-Quia passed passed away Sunday, July 31<sup>st</sup> in Detroit.

Please keep all of the departed and their families in your thoughts and prayers. May their families take comfort in the fact that those who die still live in God's presence, and that their lives change but do not end. May God have mercy on all of our dearly departed and may He bring them to rejoice with Him in everlasting life.



## St. Laurence

Feast Day: August 10<sup>th</sup>

Laurence is one of the most widely venerated saints of the Roman Catholic Church. Since the Perseid Meteor Shower typically occurs every year in mid-August, on or near Saint Laurence's feast day, some refer to the shower as the "Tears of Saint Laurence."

After the death of Sixtus, the prefect of Rome demanded that Laurence turn over the riches of the Church. Laurence asked for three days to gather together the wealth. Laurence worked swiftly to distribute as much Church property to the poor as possible, so as to prevent its being seized by the prefect. On the third day, at the head of a small delegation, he presented himself to the prefect, and

when ordered to give up the treasures of the Church, he presented the poor, the crippled, the blind and the suffering, and said that these were the true treasures of the Church. This act of defiance led directly to his martyrdom.

By tradition, Laurence was sentenced at San Lorenzo in Miranda, martyred at San Lorenzo in Panisperna, and buried in the Via Tiburtina in the Catacomb of Cyriaca. Tradition holds that Laurence was burned or "grilled" to death, hence his association with the gridiron. Tradition also holds that Laurence joked about their cooking him enough to eat while he was burning on the gridiron, hence his patronage of cooks and chefs, stating something along the lines of, "turn me over ... I'm done on this side".

Constantine I is said to have built a small oratory in honor of the martyr, which was a station on the itineraries of the graves of the Roman martyrs by the seventh century. Pope Damasus I rebuilt or repaired the church, now known as San Lorenzo Fuori le Mura. The minor basilica of San Lorenzo in Panisperna was built over the place of his martyrdom and the gridiron of the martyrdom was placed Pope Paschal II in the church of San Lorenzo in Lucina.

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Laurence-of-Rome>

*Father, you called Saint Laurence to serve you by love and crown his life with glorious martyrdom. Help us to be like him in loving you and doing your work. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God, for ever and ever. Amen*



## Congratulations Abouna Hanna on your promotion!



Every six years, the Maronite Order of the Blessed Virgin Mary (OMM) elects a new Superior General (Abbot) and four Assistant Generals. In reality, the position of the Superior General is like a Bishop, he has the right to wear and carry pontifical insignia for the Order. After him, the order of seniority is Assistants in the first, second, third, and fourth level.

Last Friday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, all members of the Order voted and elected Fr. Boutros Tarabay as new Superior General and four Assistant General, Fr. Hanna Tayar – your pastor– is one of them!

According to the rules of the Order, to be eligible for Assistant General you must:

- Be more than 35 years old
- Have more than 10 years of professing his perpetual vows
- Serve with good example, have a good and rich spiritual life experience, and zeal to defend the Order, its spirit, and customs
- Be distinguished by his knowledge and culture of the Order

Potential candidates do not run, seek the position, or lobby in any way. All members of the Order who meet the above requirements can be voted for anonymously. That was the case of Fr. Tayar. He left the U.S. to assist at the General Chapter of the Order, but it ended with his election by his brother priests as an Assistant General for the Maronite Order of the Blessed Virgin Mary. As Assistant General, Fr. Tayar will assist the Superior General in governing and administrating the Order, spiritual life and vocation of the Order, education, pastoral and mission activities, and manage all financial aspects of schools, monasteries, and universities and attend the General Council weekly.

However, it's important to acknowledge and recognize how important he was to each one of you members of Our Lady of Lebanon Church throughout the last three years. He led you on your spiritual journey during good times and bad. He dedicated himself preparing his weekly messages that encouraged you to draw closer to God, to give your utmost for the One who gave all, and to face your own weaknesses with truth and forgiveness. I think it's the best time to thank, appreciate, and acknowledge Fr. Tayar – your Pastor, for making such a big difference to your Church for his generous and holy service and congratulate him for his new assignment.

May God bring **Fr. Tayar** many blessings as he begins his new assignment as **Assistant General of the Maronite Order of the Blessed Virgin Mary.**

*Abouna Joseph*

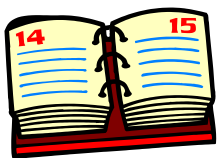


Any fool can count the seeds in an apple.  
Only God can count all the apples in one seed.



~Robert H. Schuller

### Altar Servers Schedule:



August 14: Team 1  
August 21: Team 2

### Ushers Schedules

August 14: Team 3  
August 21: Team 1

Church Cleaning August:  
**Hala Kaspar**

### Mark Your Calendar

#### August:

August 13: Assumption Day Picnic



### Stewardship

*Weekend July30 – July 31, 2011*

Envelopes Distributed	170
Weekly Envelopes received	58
Weekly envelopes	\$ 1,711.00
Fuel	\$ 10.00
Online Donations	\$ 105.00
Loose	\$ 58.00
<b>Total Sunday Collection</b>	<b>\$ 1,884.00</b>
<b>Second Collection</b>	<b>-0-</b>
Budgeted for July	\$ 17,500 .00
<b>Amount needed for July Budget</b>	<b>(\$ 7,542.00)</b>



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Remember this:



When people choose to withdraw far from a fire, the fire continues to give warmth, but they grow cold. When people choose to withdraw far from light, the light continues to be bright in itself but they are in darkness. This is also the case when people withdraw from God. ~Augustine

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