



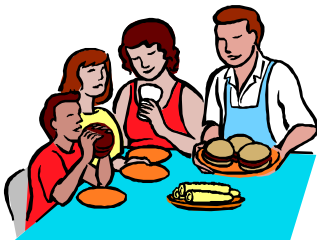
# Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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**Weekly Bulletin**

**Sunday February 20, 2011 – Sunday February 27, 2011**



## The Power of the Family Dinner

Times are hard, and people are busy. Few of us have the luxury of enjoying a full, sit-down meal every night of the week, surrounded by loved ones and relaxed conversation.

Yet, research has illustrated the critically important role the family dinner plays in a child's development. Study after study shows that kids who dine with their families on a regular basis are healthier, less likely to be overweight, and less likely to smoke, drink or use drugs.

In addition, kids who are treated to a family dinner are also more likely to do well in school and just plain feel happier. Dining with parents offers kids yet another benefit: Kids learn conversational skills, manners and values. Even if you can't do it every day, dine as a family as often as possible.

Perhaps the most important thing parents can "Serve Up" to their kids at dinnertime is their presence and attention.

**God bless all who raise children in these uncertain times!**

**Submitted by Deacon Marty**

### Clergy

Rev. Hanna Tayar  
Deacon Martin Rachid  
Subdeacon Earl Matte

### Parish Staff

Michelle Tennis - Secretary  
Pat Haley – Caterer  
Richard Baka – Custodian

### 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

### Our Lady of Lebanon Office Hours

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

### Please pray for our sick and homebound Parishioners:



Phil Adado  
Albert Karram  
Hanneh Chammas  
Ed Solomon  
Joe Faris  
Ann Faris  
Helen Zerka  
Nadia Sob  
Elisabeth Fanderl  
Sue Stubbett  
Michelle Garey

Duane Gardner  
Hector & Rose Khoury  
Delore Shaker  
Amy Burke  
Helen Azzarello  
Nina Rachid  
Fayez Zerka  
Bruce Lindhurst  
Eve Maroun  
Michel Farah  
Agnes Torok  
Ophelia Polovina  
Ann David  
Dorothy Mattar  
Wanda Maroun



### 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 February 20<sup>th</sup>: Sunday of the Righteous & Just

- 10A.M: (Heb 12:18-24, Mt 25:31-46) Mary Matte
- Rep. Roger Nesser (1 yr) by Laila Nesser
  - Rep. Gerald Knight by John & Lucy Northup
  - Reps. Khosho Kalo & Shami Dawood by Sam & Samira Kalo
  - Reps. Halwa & Dahous Elbayeh (40 day) by Pat & Vikki Haley

### MONDAY 21: St. Eustathius, Patriarch of Antioch, Confessor

- Rep. Brian Rizik by Ralph & Helen Burgess

### TUESDAY February 22: Establishment of the Chair of St. Peter in Antioch

- Int. Jacquie LaValle by Sue Stubbert

### WEDNESDAY 23: St. Polycarp of Symrna, Martyr

- Rep. John Abdella by Bob & Joanne Potts

### THURSDAY 24: St. John Theristus

- No Mass

### FRIDAY 25: St. Tarasius

- Int. Aziz Massad by Ralph & Helen Burgess

### SATURDAY 26: St. Isabel of France

- Rep. John Abdella (40 day) by Family

### SUNDAY February 27<sup>th</sup>: Sunday of the Faithful Departed

- 10A.M: (1Thes 5:1-11, Lk 16:19-31) Bob Pollack
- Reps. Antoine & Nohad Massoud by Aziz & Diane Massad
  - Reps. Gereos & Nazira Zerka by Fouzi & Eliane Zerka
  - Rep. Hanna Rizk by Elias & Simone Raad

### SUNDAY March 6<sup>th</sup>: Miracle of Cana at Galilee

- 10A.M: (Rom 14:14-23, Jn 2:1-11) MYO
- All The Faithful Departed



*To Abouna, Cindy Shaheen and all our parish family:*

We wish to thank you for all your hard work in making the St. Maron's celebration a beautiful event honoring Joseph Faris.

We were all touched by the love and caring which you extended to him.

Thank you with our heartfelt appreciation and love.

*The Faris Family*



### Condolences

We wish to extend our condolences to the Dakki family on the death of Jamil Dakki the father of Imad & Esam Dakki. Mr. Dakki passed away Wednesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> in Detroit. Please keep the family in your thoughts and prayers. May they be comforted in the knowledge that he now rests with God.

## Announcements:



### Bible Study

Please join us for our weekly Bible Study classes at 7:00 pm Tuesday evenings. This week we will be studying Mark 7:1-16.

*Scripture is the lens through which we see all of life!*



### Help Needed

Ahlam Solomon is looking for help preparing food for our upcoming Mid East Luncheon. She will be signing up people after Sunday Mass this weekend. If you are available to volunteer and miss the sign-up, please show up at 10:30 am, Saturday, February 26<sup>th</sup>. Any and all help will be appreciated. If you have questions, please contact Ahlam at 659-6797.



### AAHC Arabic Classes

The Arab American Heritage Council is offering Arabic classes Saturday mornings starting February 26<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$125 for one child, \$100 each for two children or \$75 each for three or more children. Registration must be received by February 25<sup>th</sup>. Registration forms are available in the back of the church. For more information call the Council at 810-235-2722.

### Altar Servers Schedule:

February 27: Team 3

March 6: Team 1

### Ushers Schedules

February 27: Team 3

March 6: Team 1/MYO

### Church Cleaning February

Ahlam Solomon

### Coffee & Donuts February

Coffee: Mon Shaheen

Donut Pick-up: Najib Massaad



### Congratulations

Congratulations to Jamie & Catherine Fabbri on the baptism of their son Camilo Mansour Fabbri here at Our Lady of Lebanon on Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. Camilo is the grandson of Odette Shaheen. May God's grace and joy abide with him always.

*The road to success is always under construction!*

## OUR LADY OF LEBANON

### "MID EASTERN LUNCHEON"

&  
**Bake Sale**

Thursday, March 3, 2011  
11am – 2pm

**\$10/per plate including drink**

#### Menu

Yakhni & Rice, Baked Kibbee, Hummus, Spinach Pie,  
Salad, Pita Bread, Dessert, Coffee, Iced Tea



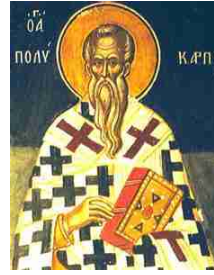
Pre-order available by calling:  
**(810)732-2370**

Dine in or pick up  
at:

*Our Lady of Lebanon Reception Hall*  
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## Saint Polycarp of Smyrna

Feastday: February 23



Polycarp was a holy man and bishop of Smyrna. One day, during a bloody martyrdom, the crowd became so mad that they demanded more blood by crying, "Down with the Christians; let Polycarp be found. Polycarp was persuaded to leave the city and hide.

While praying he saw a vision of his pillow turned to fire and announced to his friends that the dream meant he would be burned alive. His pursuers found him by torturing two boys. The proconsul begged the eighty-six-year-old Polycarp to give up his religion to save himself, Polycarp answered, "If you imagine that I will swear by Caesar, you do not know who I am. Let me tell you plainly, I am a Christian."

Because of Polycarp's lack of fear, the proconsul told him he would be burned alive. When he was tied up to be burned, Polycarp prayed. The fire was lit as Polycarp said Amen and then the eyewitnesses who reported said they saw a miracle. The fire burst up in an arch around Polycarp, the flames surrounding him like sails, and instead of being burned he seemed to glow like bread baking, or gold being melted in a furnace. When the captors saw he wasn't being burned, they stabbed him. The blood that flowed put the fire out.

## 2011 ST. MARON FEAST



Our Lady of Lebanon celebrated the 1600 anniversary of the Feast of St. Maron Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. In honor of this special event, Bishop Earl Boyea, of the Catholic Diocese of Lansing came and officiated at mass and shared in the ceremonies. Over 280 people including many clergy and local and national dignitaries attended to honor Mr. Joseph Faris, a founding member, of our parish with the Silver Massabki Award - one of the highest honors bestowed on a member of the National Apostolate of Maronites. A special acknowledgement was given to Deacon Marty and Nina Rachid for their dedication and work for our parish. The parish council, supported by the ladies and men of the parish, provided the food for the evening, and dinner was followed by music and dancing. We would like to thank all of the volunteers who worked organizing, decorating and cooking for this event making this a St. Maron's Feast to remember.



Stewardship  
Weekend February 12-13 2011

Envelopes Distributed	170
Weekly Envelopes received	74
Weekly envelopes	\$ 2,248.00
Fuel	\$ 280.00
Eparchial Assessment	\$ 30.00
Loose	\$ 232.00
<b>Total Sunday Collection</b>	<b>\$ 2,790 .00</b>
<b>Second Collection</b>	
Maronite Voice	\$ 22 .00
Home Missions	\$ 20.00
Budgeted for February	\$ 19,000.00
<b>Amount needed to meet February Budget</b>	<b>(\$ 13,165.00)</b>



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Mark Your Calendar

March

- Mar. 3: Mid East Luncheon
- Mar. 7: Ash Monday

April

- Apr. 16: Church Cleaning
- Apr. 17: Palm Sunday
- Apr. 24: Easter

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