



# Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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**Weekly Bulletin**

**Sunday October 30, 2011– Sunday November 6, 2011**

## **FORGIVE THEM**

Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."  
Luke 23:34



## *Freedom to Forgive*

"Forgive and forget" may be a time-honored cliché, but the idea of truly forgiving and forgetting a hurt is largely unrealistic, says Sandra Lamb, in Family Circle magazine.

Experts she consulted said true forgiveness requires an enormous amount of patience as well as a commitment to resolve the conflict or issue. It does not require excusing or condoning offensive behavior, nor does it indicate weakness.

On the contrary, Dr. Robert Enright, an educational psychologist at the University of Wisconsin, calls forgiveness a great act of courage.

Interestingly, Lamb notes that it is possible to resolve grudges even if the offender does not acknowledge the offenses. She points out that the act of forgiveness itself benefits both the person who is forgiven and the person who forgives

**Choose to forgive and ask to be forgiven.**

*Holy Spirit, help me not to waste time and energy brooding over offenses.*

*Submitted by Deacon Marty*

### **Clergy**

Rev. Paul Tarabay  
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 Waltherhouse –  
Morningstar Society

### **Parish Staff**

Michelle Tennis - Secretary  
Pat Haley – Caterer  
Dan Bartos - Custodian

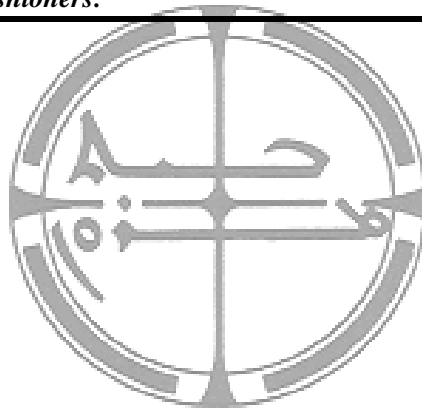
### **Our Lady of Lebanon Office Hours**

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

*Please pray for our sick and homebound Parishioners:*



Patsy Joseph	Hector & Rose Khoury
Dorothy Mattar	Delore Shaker
Hanneh Chammas	Ann David
Sue Stubbett	Helen Azzarello
Joe Faris	Wanda Maroun
Ann Faris	Fayez Zerka
Helen Zerka	Bruce Lindhurst
Nadia Sob	Eve Maroun
Patti Pollack	Nina Rachid
Aryielle Dyer-Stone	Agnes Torok
	Ophelia Polovina
	Ronda Kaufman
	Fouzi Zerka



### **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 October 30<sup>th</sup>: Sunday of Christ the King

**10A.M.:** (Rom 12:9-21, Mt 25:31-46) Elias Chammas

- Rep. Josie Knight by Duane & Dee Gardner
- Rep. Violette Naffah by George & Virginia Rizk
- Rep. Bishop George Kwaitey by Francis & Salwa Haddad

### MONDAY 31: St. Wolfgang

- Rep. Louise Macksood by Chuck Solomon

### TUESDAY November 1: All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation) Mass 9:00 am & 6:00 pm

- Int. Fayez Zerka Yakooop & Nahla Easi

### WEDNESDAY 2: All Souls Day

- Deceased Members of the Zogheib & Hayek families by the family

### THURSDAY 3: St. Risha, Confessor No Mass

### FRIDAY 4: St. Charles Borromeo

- Rep. Mark Grab by Pat & Vikki Haley

### SATURDAY 5: St. Asia the Righteous, Confessor

- Rep. Jean Rossie by Fouzi Zerka & Family

### SUNDAY November 6<sup>th</sup>: Consecration of the Church

**10A.M.:** (Heb 9:1-12, Mt 16:13-20) MYO

- Rep. Msgr. Beshara by Altar Society
- Rep. Violette Naffah by Frances & Salwa Haddad
- Int. Nina Rachid by Choir

### SUNDAY November 13<sup>th</sup>: Announcement to Zechariah

**10A.M.:** (Rom 4:13-25, Lk 1:1-25) Ferris Anthony

- Rep. Violette Naffah by Fouzi & Eliane Zerka
- Int. Sue Rasak by Choir
- Rep. Esther Blahed (1yr) Yakooop & Nahla Easi



To my dearest friends and family at Our Lady of Lebanon Church:

Words cannot express my emotions on receiving your outpouring of cards, gifts and best wishes last Sunday. I am deeply touched by your kindness and generosity. As I leave for Lebanon, I truly feel I am leaving behind a part of my life and a family that I have shared that life with for the last three years. I hope that each of you will keep me in your hearts and prayers in the years to come. You know that I will have you in mine daily.

I hope to be able to return and visit you soon if God is willing. I also hope that all of you will work together to continue the goals we have set for our parish and will support your new pastor Father Paul in all that he works to accomplish just as you supported me and Father Jihad before me.

*May God Bless you and Keep You.*

God Loves You and So Do I.  
Abouna Hanna

## Announcements:



### Masses

This Tuesday is the Feast of All Saints. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be held at 9:00 am & 6:00 pm.



### Bible Study Classes

Please join us in our next Announcement Season Bible Study class. This will be held Tuesday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> after mass. The classes are held in the library. The reading for this coming Tuesday is **John 2:1-11**.

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



### Altar Society

The Altar Society will meet Wednesday November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 pm.



### Stewardship/Parish Council Meetings

As next Monday is October 31st and Halloween, November's Stewardship Committee Meeting will be held on Monday November 7th and the Parish Council Meeting will be held Tuesday November 8th



### Corrected Address for Fr. Tayar

Fr. Hanna TAYAR  
Monastery N.D. Louaize  
B.P. 31  
Zouk-Mosbeh, Lebanon

Or email him at: [abounapilot@hotmail.com](mailto:abounapilot@hotmail.com)



### Condolences

we wish to extend our condolences to Hikmat and Deborah Karyakose on the death of Hikmat's aunt, Sandra Robinson of Swartz Creek, MI. Sandra passed away Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. Please keep the Karyakose family in your thoughts and prayers

*You have pain now; but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.* John 16.22

**Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?" Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy times seven.**

Mat 18:21-22

### Altar Servers Schedule:

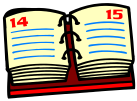
November 6: Team 1  
November 13: Team 2

### Ushers Schedules

November 6: Team 3/MYO  
November 13: Team 1

### Church Cleaning October:

Eva Massoud



### Mark Your Calendar

#### November:

Nov. 1 : Bible Study (After Mass)

#### December:

Dec. 4: Organizational Christmas Party

Dec. 31: New Year's Party



## Welcome to Abouna Paul & Farewell to Abouna Hanna



Thank you to all of our parishioners and parish friends who came out to say farewell to Father Hanna and welcome Father Paul last Sunday. We would like to thank the members of the parish council who worked so hard organizing the evening. We also wish to thank the ladies of the parish who provided desserts, salads and horderves and spent Sunday afternoon decorating the hall.



## All Saints Day - November 1<sup>st</sup>

Christians have been honoring their saints and martyrs since at least the second century AD. Every day in the Church calendar has a saint day, but the Solemnity of All Saints is when the Church honors all saints, known and unknown. This is much like the American holidays Veterans Day and Presidents Day, where many people are honored on one day.

While we have information about many saints, and we honor them on specific days, there are many unknown or unsung saints, who may have been forgotten, or never been specifically honored. On All Saints Day, we celebrate these saints of the Lord, and ask for their prayers and intercessions.

The whole concept of All Saints Day is tied in with the concept of the Communion of Saints. This is the belief that all of God's people, on heaven, earth, and in the state of purification (called *Purgatory* in the West), are connected in a communion. In other words, Catholic and Orthodox Christians believe that the saints of God are just as alive as you and I, and are constantly interceding on our behalf. Remember, our connection with the saints in heaven is one grounded in a tight-knit *communion*.

The saints are not divine, nor omnipresent or omniscient. However, because of our common communion with and through Jesus Christ, our prayers are joined with the heavenly community of Christians.

<http://www.churchyear.net/allsaints.html>

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**Stewardship**

*Weekend Oct. 22 – Oct. 23, 2011*

**Weekly Envelopes**

Distributed	170
Received	81
Weekly envelopes	\$ 2,334.00
Online Donations	\$ 275.00
Loose	<u>\$ 123.00</u>
<b>Total Sunday Collection</b>	<b>\$ 2,732.00</b>

**Second Collection**

World Mission Sunday	\$ 10.00
Budgeted for October	\$ 16,000 .00
<b>Amount needed for Oct.</b>	<b>(\$4,259.00)</b>



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*to **GET WELL** and  
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