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Weekly Bulletin

Sunday January 8, 2011– Sunday January 15, 2012



We Are So Lucky

“Honey, would you drop the kids off at school this morning? I’ve got a lot of shopping to do and errands to run...”

Well, I’ve got a pretty hectic day myself, Dear ... (sigh!) ... OK. Sure. But hurry, up kids!

So Dad and his children jump into the car and they’re off. The busy father glances at his watch (not for the first time on this trip.) “Why is traffic so slow this morning? Certainly people should drive safely, not speed, but this little old man in front of us must be sight-seeing! I’ll pass him as soon as I can... take a short cut maybe ... Oh, no!!”

Wouldn’t you know it !?! The car approaches a railroad crossing just as the lights begin to flash and the safety gate comes down. Dad’s first thought: “Darn it! We’re going to be held up by a train.”

So, as Dad is fuming in the front seat, anxiously tapping his fingers on the steering wheel, reviewing, in his mind, how to make up some time ... a sweet, childish voice calls out from the backseat: “Daddy, Daddy, we’re so lucky! We get to watch the train go by!”

And Dad remembers an old Bible verse, the one where Jesus advises adults to be like little children.

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Clergy

Rev. Paul Tarabay, O.M.M.
Deacon Martin Rachid
Subdeacon Earl Matte
The Maronite Order of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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
Dan Bartos - Custodian

Our Lady of Lebanon Office Hours

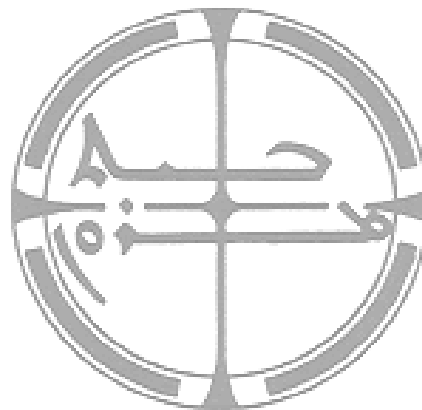
Monday thru Friday
10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Please pray for our sick and homebound Parishioners:



Dorothy Mattar
Hanneh Chammas
Sue Stubbert
Nina Rachid
Ann Faris
Helen Zerka
Nadia Sob
Fouzi Zerka
Ron Delling

Anthony Mansour
Hector & Rose Khoury
Delore Shaker
Ann David
Helen Azzarello
Patsy Joseph
Fayez Zerka
Bruce Lindhurst
Joe Faris
Zeidan Zerka
Agnes Torok
Ophelia Polovina
Ronda Kaufman
Wanda Maroun
Sue Rasak



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 8th: 1st Sunday after Epiphany

10A.M.: (2 Cor. 10:1-11, Jn 1:29-34) Joe Pavlovich

- Rep. Nouhad Badr by Najib & Siham Massaad
- Rep. Samir Deep by Mona & Josef Massoud
- Reps. Jergis & Mary Kouza by Saffa & Linda Kouza

MONDAY 9: St. Adrian, Abbot

- Rep. Elias Zerka by John & Fadia Badr

TUESDAY 10: St. William of Bourges

- Rep. Saleem Sob by the Pavlovich & Hearsch Families

WEDNESDAY 11: St. Theodosius the Cenobiarch

- Rep. Josie Knight by Moussa & Jamal Barnaba

THURSDAY 12: The Council of Trent

NO MASS

FRIDAY 13: St. Jacob of Nisibis Confessor

- Rep. Louise Macksood by George & Sue Rasak

SATURDAY 14: St. Felix of Nola

- Rep. Yvonne Hamilton (40 day) by Jeana Rossie-Miller
- Reps. Massad Toufic Massad & Rachid Massad by Diane & Aziz Massad
- Int. of Yacoub Massad by Aziz and Diane Massad

SUNDAY 15th: 2nd Sunday after Epiphany

10A.M.: (2 Cor. 4:5-15, Jn 1:35-42) Joe Pavlovich

- Rep. Juliette Haddad by Saffa & Linda Kouza
- Rep. Margaret Haddix by Sam Maroun
- Reps. Nouhad Badr by George & Virginia Rizk

SUNDAY 22nd: 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

10A.M.: (Gal 3:23-29, Jn 3:1-16) Erik Lindhurst

- Rep. Nouhad Badr Robert & Nawal Gebrael
- Rep. Albert Karram by Thereze & Family
- Rep. Sister Moubaraka Sleiman Beto by Imad & Fatin Dakki

Announcements:



2012 Envelopes

Donation envelopes for 2012 are available in the entrance of the church. Please be sure to pick yours up. If you do not find an envelope with your name, please contact the church office and we will supply you with a box. 2012 Maronite calendars are available as well.

*You can give without loving,
but you can never love without giving.*

GIVE TO GROW

Together

Contribution Reports

The annual parishioner contribution reports will be mailed to parishioners the third week in January. If you have additional donations you would like to make for the 2011 tax year, please be sure to get them in before January 22nd. If you have any questions concerning the reports, please contact the church office.



MYO Meeting

The MYO will meet Thursday, January 12th at 6:00pm.



The Second collection for January 15th is for the Maronite Voice. If you would like to receive the Maronite Voice during the upcoming year please be sure to turn in this envelope. Subscriptions to the Maronite Voice run \$8.00 per year. We will be sending in the list of parishioners who have subscribed for 2012 the first week of February.



MYO Retreat

This year's MYO regional youth retreat will be hosted by St. Maron's of Cleveland. The retreat will be held from February 17th to the 19th. The cost is \$120 per person. Registration forms are available from Johnny Solomon or Noah Zerka and must be in by the 30th of January. This is a great opportunity for our young people to further their spiritual education and meet new people.



We Are So Lucky continued...

Yes, it seems that our Lord appoints kids to be our role models. Not only do they remind us to be dependent on God as they are on us, but children also teach us to appreciate this present moment.

"You don't want to miss the fun, do you?" the little child always seems to be shouting. "Just look at that!!! Wow! Let's go out and play ... Can we stop for ice cream?"

Now, don't get me wrong. I am a seriously responsible adult. I know it's important to look out for my future and that of my family. I know time is money and must be spent reasonably.

But ... Oh, to be a kid again! To be enraptured by the simple yet wonderful things ... the gifts ... the everyday blessings from God that I, in my over-rated maturity, fail to make time to even see.

I would be grateful if I could change and be like little children. I'm sure I'd be happier. With them, I would cry out: "Father, Father, I'm so lucky! I get to watch the trains go by!"

By Sub Deacon Earl Matte

Mark Your Calendar

February:

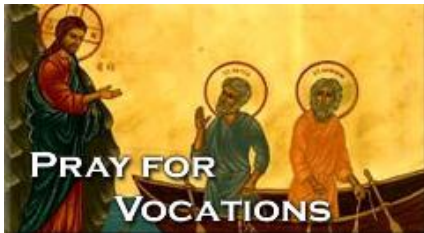
- Feb 11: St. Maron's Hafli
- Feb 16: Mid East Luncheon
- Feb 17-19: Youth Retreat (Cleveland)
- Feb 20: Ash Monday



*"If you want to know what God thinks of money,
just look at the people He gave it to." – Dorothy Parker*

National Vocation Awareness Week

The week of January 8-14 the Church is celebrating National Vocation Awareness Week. We urge all of our parishioners pray that God will call more workers from our Eparchy to this sacred call.



Pray for Vocations

*O God of Love, You call us to live in your love
Through the grace of our baptism.*

*Bless us with the courage to
carry out the mission of Jesus.
Grant us opened and generous
hearts to see the needs of others
and to respond with compassion*

*May our Eparchy and parish be blessed with men and
women who are dedicated to you through the
priesthood, consecrated life and diaconate.*

*To You be glory, honor and thanksgiving
for ever and ever.*

Altar Servers Schedule

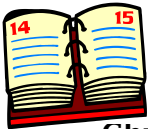
January 15: Team 3

January 22: Team 1

Ushers Schedules

January 15: Team 1
(Josef, Phil, Gino, Marcus)

January 22: Team 2
(Hikmat, Bob, Elias, Najib)



Church Cleaning January:
Mary Matte

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St. Maron's Haftli



Saturday, February 11, 2012

Mass will be celebrated at 5pm

Dinner at 6:30pm

Tickets are \$15 for adults and

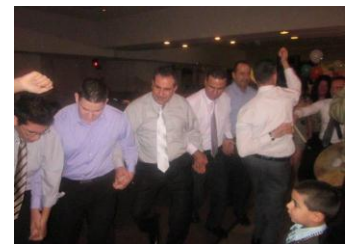
\$8 for children 4 to 12

Children under age 4 are free

For information please contact the church office
Or any member of the Parish Council

God calls us to a holy life. – St. Elizabeth Seton

2011 New Year's Eve Party



Over 200 people attended Our Lady of Lebanon's 2011 New Year's Eve Party on December 31st. Sleiman and Sleiman provided music for the evening and Taboons did an excellent job of providing the food for the event. Everyone shared a great evening bringing in the New Year while enjoying fine food, good music, and dancing. Thank-you to Elie Damouni, Shouky Zerka, Elias Chammas and Barhoum & Colette Rizk for their work in organizing this event and selling tickets. Their efforts provided the parish with a profit of over \$1,200.



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Stewardship

Weekend Dec. 31- Jan 1, 2012

Weekly Envelopes

Distributed	170
Received	44
Weekly envelopes	\$ 1662.00
Fuel	\$ 361.00
Christmas	\$ 30.00
Loose	\$ 761.00
Total Sunday Collection	\$ 2,814.00

Second Collection

Catholic Communications	\$ 25.00
Maronite Voice	\$ 25.00
Budgeted for January	\$ 17,500.00

Amount needed for Jan. (14,686.00)



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