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If you have a story,  
announcement or something you  
would like to contribute to the  
bulletin please see Fr. Jihad or  
Pam.

MYA is having a clothing drive on Saturday,  
January 14, 2006 from 4pm to 7pm. and on  
Sunday, January 15, 2005 following Liturgy  
until 5pm. They are looking for men, women  
and children's clothing. The items will be  
donated to St. Vincent DePaul.



*Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church*  
*Annual St. Maron's Day Dinner and Hafli*  
*Saturday, February 4, 2006*  
*Liturgy at 5pm followed by Dinner and Hafli*



There will be **NO TICKET SALES** at the door. To get reserved seating your tickets must be  
purchased before Wednesday, February 1, 2006. There will be no ticket sales after Wednesday,  
February 1, 2006.



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**Weekly Bulletin**

**Sunday January 15, 2005 – Sunday January 22, 2006**

**Clergy**

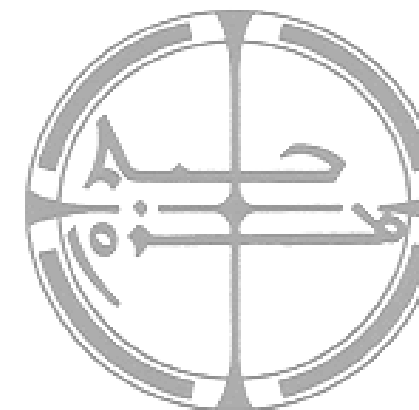
Rev. Father Jihad Younes  
Deacon Martin Rachid  
Subdeacon Earl Matte  
Subdeacon Charles Rossie

**Parish Staff**

Pam Aziz – Parish Secretary  
Darrell Frye – Maintenance  
Pat Haley – Caterer

**Parish Leaders**

Lewis Walterhouse II– Parish Council  
Dee Gardner – Choir Director  
Dottie Byrnes – Organist  
Erik Lindhurst – Religious Education  
Cindy Shaheen – Altar Society  
Jeanette Walterhouse – Morningstar



**Liturgy Schedule**

Monday	9a.m.
Tuesday	9a.m.
Wednesday	9a.m.
Thursday	9a.m.
Friday	12noon
Saturday	8:30a.m.
	5p.m.
Sunday	10a.m.
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month	10a.m. (English)
	12noon (Arabic)

**Adoration**

Friday 11a.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.

**Pray for our sick and homebound Parishioners:**



Sarah Marshall  
Mike Rizik  
Hanneh Chammas  
Doris Beck  
Joe Faris  
Lu Lu Williams  
Rose Johnson  
Dorothy Mattar  
Jamal Barnaba  
Winston Walterhouse  
Patricia Joseph

**Contribution Statements**

Will be printed and mailed the week of  
January 15<sup>th</sup>. If you have additional  
contributions you would like to make please  
get them in as soon as possible. If you have  
any questions or concerns with your statement  
please call the office.



## MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY Jan 15: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

10A.M.: (2Cor 4:5-15; Jn 1:35-42) Reader: Clergy

- Rep. George Faris by Family
  - Rep. Gerald Knight by Josie & Family
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary

### MONDAY 16: Martin Luther King Day The Chains of Saint Peter

- Rep. Paul Shaker by Jim George

### TUESDAY 17: St. Anthony the Great, Confessor

- Rep. Josephine Harrison by Marge Okal

### WEDNESDAY 18: St. Athanasius the Alexandrian, Confessor

- Rep. Robert Leadley by Mary Ann Sheehan

### THURSDAY 19: St. Macarius the Egyptian, Confessor

- Rep. Paul Badr by Mike and Madeline Zerka

### FRIDAY 20: St. Euthymius the Great, Confessor

12 NOON

- Rep. Ann Smithingell by John & Helen Williams

### SATURDAY 21:

8:30A.M.

- Special Intentions

5P.M.

- Rep. Mary Ann BoSauder by Joan Lowe

### SUNDAY Jan 22: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany Saint Timothy, Disciple of St. Paul

10A.M.: (Gal. 3:23-29; Jn 3:1-16) Reader: David Allen

- Rep. Ann Smithingell by Delore Shaker

### SUNDAY Jan 29: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

10A.M.: (Rom 7:1-6; Jn 4:5-7, 9-26) Reader: Ferris Anthony

- Living & Deceased Maroun Family by Sam

#### Weekly Contributions

December 18: \$2135  
 December 25: \$2919  
 January 1: \$2217  
 January 8: \$2858



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The church office will be closed every Thursday and Fr. Jihad will be out of town. If you have an emergency please call Deacon Marty. (232-9713)

New officers for Parish Council are as follows: Chairperson, Lewis Walterhouse, Vice Chairperson, Al Zerka and Secretary Diane Massad.

The Great Season of Lent begins Monday, February 27, 2006.

MYA is going to be putting together a cookbook and are asking if anyone would like to contribute by sending them your favorite recipe(s). If you would like to help them out please bring your recipe(s) to the office or see Pam.

Adult religious education class on Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup> will be covering baptism and confirmation. If you are interested class begins at 6:30pm.

If anyone is interested in being a reader on Sundays please call the office or see Pam.

Bishop Robert Shaheen and Bishop Gregory Mansour have made this the year of the Priest. Please keep in your prayers all our clergy. We also ask that you pray for vocations. We have a sign up sheet on the bulletin board for those who wish to take the Icon to their homes.



Church cleaning for the month of January: Mary Matte

## Good Clean Humor

A Sunday school teacher asked the children just before she dismissed them to go to church, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?" Annie replied, "Because people are sleeping."

## The Chains of Saint Peter

In the year 44 King Herod Agrippa, after putting to death Saint James, son of Zebedee, was still avid for popular approval by the Jews. He had Saint Peter cast into prison, intending to put him to death publicly after the Passover; but the entire Church of Jerusalem was offering up prayers to God "without ceasing" (Acts 12:5) for the deliverance of the Chief Pastor of His flock, and God heard them favorably.



The king had taken all possible precautions to prevent the escape of his prisoner. He was guarded day and night by sixteen soldiers, four of whom kept sentry duty in turn — two in the same dungeon with him, and two at the gate. Saint Peter was fastened to the ground by two chains, and a soldier watched on either side of him. He lay fast asleep on the very night before the day fixed for his execution, when it pleased God to deliver him out of the hands of his enemies. In the middle of the night, a bright light shone in the prison, and an Angel appeared beside him. He woke him from his sleep and bade him instantly rise, fasten his cincture, put on his sandals and cloak, and follow him. The Apostle did so, for the chains had fallen off his wrists. Following his heavenly guide, he passed after him through the first and second watches, and when they arrived at the iron gate which led into the city, that gate opened before them of its own accord. The Angel conducted him through one street, then, suddenly disappearing, left him to seek refuge.

The Apostle went directly to the house of Mary, mother of John Mark, where several disciples were assembled and sending up their prayers to heaven for his deliverance. As he stood knocking, a young woman who had been sent to the door, hearing Peter's voice, ran back in joy and informed the group that their Pastor was at the door. They paid no attention to her, saying she was beside herself, or that it was probably his Guardian Angel. But the knocking continued until they opened the door, and Saint Peter, entering, told them of his miraculous escape. Having enjoined them to notify the rest of the brethren, he departed to regions of greater security, carrying wherever he went the divine blessing and life.

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## Saint Anthony the Great



Saint Anthony was born in the year 251 AD in Egypt of very pious parents. His education was limited, however he attended church with his parents and intensely observed the services, wanting to enrich his spiritual growth. His parents died when he was 18 years old. He lived with his sister and took care of family affairs. One day when he attended the liturgy, he heard the words that Jesus had said to a wealthy young man, "If wilt be perfect, go sell all that thou hast and give it to the poor and come follow me..." He was so impressed by these words that he decided to do as Christ had told the young man. He sold off his plots of farmland, gave the money to the poor and entrusted his sister to a Christian home for virgins for at this time there were no monasteries. Those who wanted to meditate would build cells a short distance from the city and live there. This is what Anthony did.

In the area lived an old hermit. Anthony followed his example by praying, meditating and fasting in order to overcome the many temptations which are common to young men. He drilled himself by remaining awake days at a time, eating once a day, sometimes once every two days and sleeping on the ground. The philosophy behind his actions was that young men should torture their bodies as much as possible so that their resistance to physical and spiritual sickness would be higher.

The years passed. To further his spiritual struggle, at the age of 35 he departed for the desert where he found a derelict fortress in which he barricaded himself. Completely isolated, but for a good Christian who bought him food every six months or so, he pursued with greater severity his ascetic way of life, constantly battling Satan's temptations.

As the years passed many men came to him, expressing the desire to follow his example by living the life of a hermit and undergoing spiritual struggles. He taught his brothers to prefer their love for Christ over everything else. Even though Saint Anthony lacked education, his words were full of faith and divine wisdom. His reputation and ascetic figure added a heavenly charm to his teachings. In time this became the first monastery, established in 305 AD. It is for this reason that Saint Anthony is generally known as the Father of Monasticism. From this one brotherhood many more sprouted throughout the known world. Rules were soon established which were to be followed by all hermit monks.

During the time of the persecutions under Emperor Maximianus, Anthony and several other monks traveled to Alexandria to encourage and comfort the many suffering Christians. In 325 AD, Anthony and his monks helped defeat the Arian heretics at the First Ecumenical Council in Nicaea. Many miracles are attributed to this religious father. His fame reached even Constantinople. Constantine the Great and one of his sons would write letters to Saint Anthony asking for his blessing and advice. Saint Anthony died in 356 AD at the age of 105. He instructed two of his monks to bury him secretly. This they did, and his resting place is still unknown.

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