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Weekly Bulletin

Sunday May 21, 2006 – Sunday May 28, 2006

The Things Kids Say

STARTING THE MORNING RIGHT

This little grandmother was surprised by her 7 yr. old grandson one morning. He had made her coffee. She drank what was the worst cup of coffee in her life. When she got to the bottom, there were three of those little green army men in the cup. She said, "Honey, what are these army men doing in my coffee?" Her grandson said, "Grandma, it says on TV ' the best part of waking up is soldiers in your cup!"

Chicken Little

One day the first grade teacher was reading the story of Chicken Little to her class. She came to the part of the story where Chicken Little tried to warn the farmer. She read, ".... and so Chicken Little went up to the farmer and said, "The sky is falling, the sky is falling!" The teacher paused then asked the class, "And what do you think that farmer said?"

One little girl raised her hand and said, "I think he said: 'Holy Cow! A talking chicken!'" The teacher was unable to continue for the next 10 minutes.

TOO ROUGH

A little girl asked her mother, "Can I go outside and play with the boys?" Her mother replied, "No, you can't play with the boys, they're too rough." The little girl thought about it for a few moments and asked, "If I can find a smooth one, can I play with him?"



Advice from Kids

"Never try to baptize a cat."
Eileen, age 8

"Felt-tip markers are not good to use as lipstick."
Lauren, age 9



"You can't hide a piece of broccoli in a glass of milk."
Amir, age 9

"A puppy always has bad breath--even after eating a Tic-Tac."
Andrew, age 9

"When your Mom is mad at your dad, don't let her brush your hair."
Taylia, age 11

"When your dad is mad and asks you, "Do I look stupid?" Don't answer."
Hannah, age 9

God, our Father, we pray that you will protect our children.

Keep them safe from harm and help them to grow healthy in mind and body.

Give them the strength to keep their faith in you. Amen



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 nd 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:



Joe Rachid
Jeannie Rossie
Charlie Rossie
Hap Maroun

Sarah Marshall
Mike Rizik
Hanneh Chammas
Betty Mansour
Doris Beck
Eddie Rashid
Rose Johnson
Dorothy Mattar
Ferris Adado
Beth Garner

Maronite Youth Conference

The Maronite Youth Conference will take place July 19-23, 2006 at Youngstown State University in Youngstown, Ohio. The cost for the conference is \$250 per person. No registration will be accepted without the pastor's signature. The deadline for the applications and the non-refundable deposit of \$150 is May 31, 2006. Late registrations will incur a \$50 per person late fee. However, no applications will be accepted after June 27, 2006.



MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY 21: 6th Sunday of Resurrection Saints Constantine & His Mother, Helena, Confessors Altar Society Sunday

10A.M.: (Rom 10:1-13; Lk 24:36*48) Reader: Tony Massad
- Rep. Alfred Shaker by Sam
1st Anniversary
- Intentions of all Altar Society Members

MONDAY 22: St. Rita of Cascia, Confessor

- Intentions Kerriaine & Patrick Hughes
9th Anniversary by Mary Ann Sheehan

TUESDAY 23: - NO MASS TODAY

WEDNESDAY 24: - NO MASS TODAY

THURSDAY 25: The Ascension of Our Lord This is a Holy Day of Obligation for all Catholics Mass will be celebrated at 6pm today

- Rep. Mary Ann BoSauder by Aziz Family

FRIDAY 26: 12NOON - Rep. Sue Adado by Betty Mansour

SATURDAY 27: 8:30A.M. - Special Intentions 5P.M. -

SUNDAY 28: 7th Sunday of Resurrection

10A.M.: (Eph 1:15-23; Jn 13:31-35) Reader: Earl Matte
- Rep. Bernadette Roy by Mayford
- Intentions Kyle Knight by Hearsch Family

SUNDAY June 4th: Pentecost Sunday

10A.M.: (Acts 2:1-21; Jn 14:15-20) Reader: Mary Matte
- Rep. Sue Adado by Potts Family
- John Solomon by Family
- Rep. Salem Zerka by Ahlam & Family

Weekly Contributions

April 23: \$2834
April 30: \$2766
May 7: \$3370
May 14: \$1700



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)

Father Jihad will be out of town beginning Tuesday, May 16, 2006 and will be back in the office on Friday, June 16, 2006. There will be no mass on Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays during that time. We will have regular office hours.

Sunday, May 28th and Sunday, June 4th Wood carvings on display to help families in the Holy Land

This Sunday is Altar Society Sunday please keep in your prayers our ladies who work so hard for our parish. Also keep in your prayers those members who are no longer with us. God Bless You All.

Altar Servers Schedule for:

Sunday, May 21: Team 2
Sunday, May 28: Team 1



Church cleaning for the Month of May:
Hala Kasper, Eliane Zerka & Georgette Zerka

Prayer for Peace



Blessed are the PEACEMAKERS, for they shall be known as the Children of God.

But I say to you that hear, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. To those that strike you on the cheek, offer the other one also, and from those who take away your cloak, do not withhold your coat as well.

Give to everyone who begs from you, and of those who take away your goods, do not ask for them again. And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.

Saint Rita of Cascia



Saint Rita was born in Italy in the late 14th century, near the little city of Cascia, of parents who though advancing in age had no children; she was the fruit of their pious prayers. At the age of twelve she resolved to consecrate herself to God by the vow of chastity, but her parents required her to marry. She obeyed; and God, who perhaps wished her to serve as an example for those having to bear with violent spouses, permitted that she be joined to a man of ferocious character, who terrified the region where he lived.

During eighteen years she succeeded so well in pacifying him that he eventually even became submissive to the laws of God. Nonetheless, his enemies killed him; and then the pious widow had to overcome her twin sons' desire for vengeance. Again she succeeded. When the two young men died not long afterwards, she was without any further bonds to keep her in the world, and she made application to a convent of Augustinian nuns at Cascia. Never had a widow been admitted there, but Saint John the Baptist, with Saint Augustine and Saint Nicholas, who had died during the 13th century in the nearby town of Tolentino, appeared to her to answer her fervent prayers. They transported her miraculously into the convent by night, despite all the locked doors. The Sisters, finding her there in the morning, could not refuse her request any longer.

Saint Rita practiced severe mortifications, eating but once a day and taking only bread and water for food. She was a model of perfect obedience; she meditated every night, from midnight until dawn, on the Passion of Our Lord, and begged to share His sufferings. On one of these nights she felt in her forehead the pain of sharp thorns, which made there an incurable wound. The festering wound isolated her from the other Sisters, and she lived thereafter almost as a hermit in the convent. The wound was cured once for a short time, when the entire group of Sisters was to go to Rome on the occasion of a universal jubilee; on their return her wound opened again.

It was discovered that Saint Rita had the gift of miracles when a young girl was cured during her mother's visit to the convent, to beg the Saint's prayers for that intention. Soon many visitors were coming even from distant regions to ask her charity. She expired peacefully in May of 1456. The wound of her forehead, until then very ugly, became brilliant at the moment of her death. The shrine of Saint Rita is still a favorite pilgrimage site in Italy.

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Ascension of Our Lord



"But at daybreak on the first day of the week they took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb; but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were puzzling over this, behold, two men in dazzling garments appeared to them. They were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground. They said to them, "Why do you seek the living one among the dead?"

He is not here, but he has been raised. Remember what he said to you while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners and be crucified, and rise on the third day." And they remembered his words. Then they returned from the tomb and announced all these things to the eleven and to all the others." (Luke 24:1-9).

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