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DECEMBER

3 Organizational Christmas Party
6 Altar Society Meeting 7pm at the Rectory
25 Christmas
31 New Year's Eve Party



Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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Weekly Bulletin Sunday December 3, 2006 – Sunday December 10, 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
Freda Hearsch – Religious Education
Cindy Shaheen – Altar Society
Jeanette Walterhouse – Morningstar
Rob Kowalk – Spiritual Growth Coordinator



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:



Hap Maroun
Jeannie Rossie
Charlie Rossie
Marge Okal

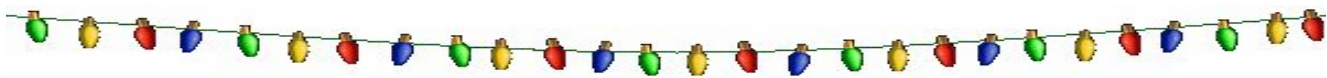
Sarah Marshall
Mike Rizik
Hanneh Chammas
Eddie Rashid
Joe Faris
Doris Beck
Rose Johnson
Dorothy Mattar
Ferris Adado
Beth Garner

Sharon Griffiths
Osama Abou Shakra
Bob Beck
Woody Mattar



**Our Lady of Lebanon
Office Hours**

Monday 9am – 5pm
Tuesday 9am – 5pm
Wednesday 9am – 5pm
Thursday 9am – 5pm
Friday 9am – 5pm



PARISH UPDATE

Please help us to update our parish records. Please fill out the form below and return it to the church or place it in the collection basket. Also if you know of any family members or friends as well as any local Maronites who are not attending please provide us with names and any other information you can. Thank You!

LAST NAME: _____

FIRST NAME: _____ SPOUSE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE: home: (____) _____ work: (____) _____ cell: (____) _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

OCCUPATION: _____



MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY 3: Visitation of Virgin Mary

St. Francis Xavier, Confessor

10A.M.: (Eph 1:1-14; Lk 1:39-45) Reader: Erik Lindhurst

- Rep. Karen Solomon by Chuck & Family
6th Anniversary

MONDAY 4: St. Barbara, Martyr

- Intentions of Leo Gigliotti by Marge Okal

TUESDAY 5: St. Saba the Hermit, Confessor

- Rep. Richard Sedlacek by Josie Knight

WEDNESDAY 6: St. Nicholas, Confessor

- Intentions of Antoine Massoud by Mike & Tyl Rizik

THURSDAY 7: St. Ambrose, Confessor

- Rep. Mariam Kolo by Juleit & Dad

FRIDAY 8: The Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation

12NOON

- For All Souls in Purgatory by Rob Kowalk

SATURDAY 9:

8:30A.M.

- Special Intentions

5P.M.

- Rep. Helen O'Brien by Nieces
6th Anniversary

- Rep. Larry Aremia by Family

SUNDAY 10: Birth of John the Baptist

10A.M.: (Gal 4:21-Lk 1:57-66) Reader: Diane Massad

- Rep. Norman Weissert by Yvonne & Family

- Living & Deceased of Shaheen & Okal
Families

ARABIC MASS 12NOON

SUNDAY 17: The Revelation to Joseph

10A.M.: (Eph 3:1-13; Mt 1:18-25) Reader: Clergy

- Rep. Mary Faris by Family

- Rep. Mark Grab by Pat & Vikki Haley

Weekly Contributions

November 5: \$3104

November 12: \$1691

November 19: \$2226

November 26: \$2551



ANNOUNCEMENTS

December 8th is The Feast of the Immaculate Conception. This is a Holy Day of Obligation for all. Mass will be celebrated at 12noon and also at 6pm.

Parish Council Elections will be held on Saturday, December 9th and Sunday, December 10th.

If anyone is interested in reading on Saturdays or Sundays please contact the church office. A new 2007 schedule for readers will be available soon.

There will be an Altar Society Meeting on Wednesday, December 6, 2006. This meeting will be held at the rectory at 7pm.

The Ladies Altar Society will be do a major church cleaning on Saturday, December 16th at 10am.

There will be a Children's Christmas Party for the MCO group, children from ages 5 to 10 years. This will be held on Saturday, December 16, 2006 from 11am to 1pm. If there are any questions please call the church office or see Freda Hearsch or Natalie Zerka.

The New Year's Party will be held on Sunday, December 31, 2006 following 5:30pm Liturgy. Doors open at 6:30pm the cost is \$35 per person 13 years and older. Children 12 to 5 years \$10 and under 5 are free. Tickets are available from any Parish Council member or the church office.

Just a reminder to our parish as we near the end of 2005, if you have contribution envelopes that you are behind on please consider catching them up soon. Sometime around the middle of January the printing of yearly contribution statements will take place. If anyone has any questions please call Pam in the office.



Church cleaning for the
Month of December:

Major Cleaning December 16th at 10am

Altar Servers Schedule for:

Sunday, December 3: Team 2

Sunday, December 10: Team 1

The Immaculate Conception



On this day, so dear to every Catholic heart, we celebrate first of all the moment when Almighty God, in a vision telescoping the ages, showed Mary both to our first parents and to the demon, as the Virgin Mother of the future divine Redeemer, the Woman destined to crush the proud head of the serpent. This episode is narrated in the first book of Scripture, *Genesis* chapter 3. We find Her again in the last canonical prophecy of the Bible, the *Apocalypse* or Revelation of Saint John the Apostle, as the *Woman clothed with the sun*, having on Her head a crown of twelve stars. In this beautiful vision She is also identified with the persecuted Apostolic Church, obliged to flee into the "desert", and as the Mother of a great Head of that Church, destined to govern the flock of the latter times in the final combat, who like that flock is Her own Child. Mary, like Her Son, is at the beginning and the end of all God's intentions, an integral part of His designs for the Redemption of the human race.

Since by eternal decree She was exempted from all stain of original sin from the first moment of Her Creation, and was endowed with the richest treasures of grace and sanctity, it is fitting that we honor Her glorious prerogatives by this special feast of the Immaculate Conception. We should join in spirit with the Blessed in heaven and rejoice with our dear Mother, not only for Her own sake, but also for ours, Her children, for we are partakers of Her glory and happiness. "The treasures of the mother are the heritage of the children," said Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus.

We celebrate at the same time the ever-memorable day, the 8th of December of 1854, which raised the Immaculate Conception of Our Blessed Lady from a pious belief to the dignity of a dogma of the infallible Church, causing a great and universal joy among the faithful. The Holy See had already permitted the feast day from the time of Sixtus IV, by his papal bull *Cum Praeclsa* (1477), formally allowing its celebration for all dioceses desiring it. In 1854, the ancient faith of the people in their Mother exulted.

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From the Album



Mountains of Lebanon.

From Maaser El-Shouf - Lebanon (May 2006)