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JANUARY

20 MYO Spaghetti Dinner

FEBRUARY

3 St Maron's Dinner and Hafli

9 St Maron's Feast Day



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*Our Lady of Lebanon
Maronite Catholic Church
4133 Calkins Road
Flint Michigan 48532*

*Annual Saint Maron's Day Hafli
Saturday, February 3, 2007
Liturgy at 5pm followed by Dinner & Hafli*

Adults \$10
Children 12 & under \$8

Doors open at 6pm
Dinner at 6:30pm
Hafli at 7:30pm

*Blessed are you Saint Maron your
fasting and prayer became the
inheritance of a chosen people.
Blessed is the church which honors
your memory today*



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Weekly Bulletin

Sunday January 7, 2006 – Sunday January 14, 2007

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

Albert Zerka – 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	9a.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:



Marge Okal

Sarah Marshall
Mike Rizik
Hanneh Chammas
Hap Maroun
Joe Faris
Doris Beck
Rose Johnson
Dorothy Mattar
Sharon Griffiths
Woody Mattar



**Our Lady of Lebanon
Office Hours**

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



MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY 7: First Sunday after Epiphany Praises to John the Baptist

10A.M.: (2Cor 10:1-11; Jn 1:29-34) Reader: Mary Matte
- Rep. Mayford Penhaligon by Duane & Dee Gardner

MONDAY 8:

- Rep. Sue Adado by Ray & Jeannie Faris

TUESDAY 9:

- Rep. Winston Walterhouse by Gerald & Brenda Tyler

WEDNESDAY 10:

- Rep. Elias Deibis by Marge Okal

THURSDAY 11:

- Rep. Adieba Zaknoun by Chuck Solomon

FRIDAY 12:

12NOON

- Rep. Lola Williams by Tom & Sara St. Martin

SATURDAY 13: St. John of Nisibis, Confessor

9A.M.:

- Special intentions

5P.M.

- Rep. Ted Beck by Mon & Elsie Shaheen

SUNDAY 14: Second Sunday after Epiphany

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

- Rep. George Faris by Josie and Family

- Rep. Jerry Knight (4th Anniversary) by Josie and Family

ARABIC MASS 12 NOON

SUNDAY 21: Third Sunday after Epiphany

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

- Rep. Joe Nemer by Duane & Dee Gardner

Weekly Contributions

December 10: \$3419
December 17: \$2387
December 24-25: \$5008
December 31: \$ 4596



Church cleaning for the
Month of January:

Mary Matte

Announcements

Monday, January 8th to Friday, January 12th is National Vocation Awareness Week. Please take time to pray for Vocations.

Don't forget your contribution envelopes

Contribution envelopes are now available in the Narthex. If you do not see a box of envelopes with your name on it please call the church office.

If you have contribution envelopes that you are behind on please consider catching them up soon. If anyone has any questions please call the office.

The MYO will be having a spaghetti dinner on Saturday, January 20th from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. They will also be raffling off a ring. Come and enjoy the evening with us.

During the Divine Liturgy the gifts (bread and wine) are transferred from the side altar to the main altar as a symbol of offering the fruit of our work to Almighty God who will come and unite His Divinity with our Humanity. We need to have gift bearers every Sunday to help in this part of Liturgy. A sign up sheet is put on the bulletin board for you to choose the date when you want to be the gift bearer. Please sign your name and don't forget we need TWO people every Sunday.

There will be a Parish Council meeting on Thursday, January 11 at 7pm with the new council for 2007.

No meeting for the stewardship committee.

Prayer for Vocations

O, Christ, the High Priest Who gave the Priesthood to mankind forever, make us worthy to approach the treasury of Your mercy and to worship in Your presence. We petition You for an increase of ministers to Your vineyard. Grant them to share in the power of Your Holy Spirit, so that they may bless, forgive, nourish and grant life to Your people. And we will glorify You, now and forever. Amen

POPE URGES PEACE IN NEW YEAR And Respect for Dignity of the Person

VATICAN CITY, JAN. 1, 2007

(Zenit.org) If human rights are to be respected, the world's nations must first respect the dignity of the human person, Benedict XVI said on the first day of 2007.

The Holy Father made this comment today before praying the Angelus with crowds gathered in St. Peter's Square. Today the Church observes the solemnity of Mary the Mother of God and the World Day of Peace.

"At present there is much talk about human rights, but it is often forgotten that they need a stable -- not relative or debatable -- foundation," said the Pope.

The Pontiff said "this can only be the person's dignity. Respect for this dignity begins with the recognition and protection of the person's right to freely live and profess his religion."

Benedict XVI said: "I renew today my desire for peace to the rulers and leaders of nations and of international organizations and to all men and women of good will.

"I do so particularly with the special message I prepared -- with my collaborators of the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace -- whose theme this year is: 'The Human Person, Heart of Peace.'"

The Pope said that the message he wrote for today affirms the essential point of the "value of the human person."

Person first

In his homily earlier today at a Mass held in St. Peter's Basilica, attended by many ambassadors accredited to the Holy See, the Pontiff also delivered a message of peace.

The Holy Father said that he is "profoundly convinced that peace is promoted by respecting the person."

Benedict XVI said: "Given the threats to peace, sadly always present, given the situations of injustice and violence, which persist in several regions of the earth, given the permanence of armed conflicts, often forgotten by general public opinion, and the danger of terrorism, which disturbs the serenity of nations, it is more necessary than ever to work together for peace."

The Pope said that peace is not only a gift but also a task, a "gift that must be invoked with prayer, a task that must be carried out with courage, without ever tiring."

Referring to the Holy Land, the Holy Father asked: "How can one not implore with insistent prayer that the day of peace come soonest, the day in which the ongoing conflict will be resolved definitively, which has already lasted for too long?"

Lasting peace

The Pontiff said that "to be lasting, a peace agreement must be supported by respect for the dignity and rights of every person."

The Bishop of Rome added: "The desire I articulate before the representatives of nations here present is that the international community join its efforts so that in the name of God a world is built where the essential rights of man are respected by all.

"For this to occur, it is necessary that the foundation of such rights is recognized not in simple human agreements but in the very nature of man and in the inalienable dignity of the person created by God."

Benedict XVI said that if "the constitutive elements of human dignity, including its rights, are entrusted to changing human opinions, even if solemnly proclaimed, they end up by becoming weak and variously interpreted."

The Pope commended to the Virgin Mary the New Year, "which we receive from God's hands as a 'precious' talent to make fruitful.

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