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**Weekly Bulletin**

**Sunday March 11, 2007 – Sunday March 18, 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 <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.



**Knights of Columbus of the Maronite Churches of the Greater Detroit**  
cordially invite you to join us at a dinner for the Benefit of the Christian Television Station  
**Noursat / Tele-Lumiere**  
Under the patronage of their Excellencies  
**The Most Reverend Robert Shaheen, Bishop of the Eparchy Our Lady of Lebanon**  
And  
**The Most Reverend Gregory Mansour, Bishop of the Eparchy of St. Maron**  
**Friday, April 13, 2007 @ 8:00PM**  
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**Pray for our sick and homebound Parishioners:**



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



**Our Lady of Lebanon  
Office Hours**

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



# MASS INTENTIONS

## SUNDAY 11: Sunday of the Prodigal Son

10A.M.: (2Cor 13:5-13; Lk 15:11-32) Reader: David Allen  
- Rep. Norman Weissert by Yvonne  
- Rep. John & Jeanne Shaheen by Daughters

## ARABIC MASS 12 NOON

- Rep. Antoine Massoud by Josef & Mona Massoud & Massoud Family

## MONDAY 12: Pope St. Gregory the Great

- Rep. Wajdi Badr by Family

## TUESDAY 13:

- Rep. Mayford Penhaligon by Ed Soloman

## WEDNESDAY 14:

- Rep. Betty Mansour by Bob & Sharon Griffiths

## THURSDAY 15:

- Rep. Anton Patrick Saverimuthu by Theresa Manoharan

## FRIDAY 16: First Council of Constantinople 12NOON

- Rep. Woody Mattar by Vincent Harrison

## SATURDAY 17: St. Patrick

9A.M.:

- Special Intentions

5P.M.

- Rep. Michael, Hilanek & Chihady Barnaba by Moussa & Jamal Barnaba Family

## SUNDAY 18: Sunday of the Paralytic St. Cyril of Jerusalem

10A.M.: (1Tim 5:24-6:5- Mk 2:1-12) Reader: Anthony Ferris

- Rep. Lopu Saverimuthu by Theresa Manoharan

## SUNDAY 25: Sunday of the Blind Man The Annunciation

10A.M.: (2 Cor 10:1-7; Mk 10:46-52) Reader: Freda Hearsch

- Rep. Yvonne, Elias & Youssef Najjar by Eva Joubran & Family

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

#### MARCH

- 17 St. Patrick's Day
- 31 Easter Church Cleaning
- 31 Lenten Bake Sale

#### APRIL

- 1 Lenten Bake Sale
- 6 Good Friday
- 6 Great Friday Supper
- 8 Easter



## Announcements

Every Friday during the Lenten Season there will be no Adoration at 11am. Mass will still be celebrated at noon. There will be Adoration of the Cross every Friday at 6pm. Please spend some time with our Lord in prayer.

Thanks to the kindness and generosity of our parish we have helped feed families who are really in need. Unfortunately the shelves are a little bare. If you would like to contribute food items please place them in the food box in the Narthex. If you would like to give a monetary donation please see Deacon Marty.

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 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.



Church cleaning for the Month of March:

Cindy Shaheen

### Altar Server Schedule

- March 18: Team 3
- March 25: Team 4
- April 1: Palm Sunday, All Altar Servers
- April 5: Holy Thursday, All Altar Servers
- April 6: Good Friday, All Altar Servers
- April 8: Easter Sunday, All Altar Servers



### Weekly Contributions

- February 11: \$2236
- February 18: \$2106
- February 25: \$2415
- March 4: \$2022



## Pope Gregory the Great



Gregory the Great was born in Rome at some time around 540. His father, Gordianus, was a wealthy patrician with a fine town house on the Coelian Hill and large estates in Sicily. More important than noble blood and great wealth, this family had a strong

Christian spirit. Gregory's mother, Sylvia, was honored as a saint as were his father's two sisters, and John the Deacon can speak of Gregory's education as that of a saint among saints.

Gregory, with his wealth and family influence, soon became prefect of the city. While in this high position he decided to give up a career in the world for the life of a monk. Never halfhearted, Gregory used his six Sicilian estates to found monasteries and turned his Coelian Hill residence into another, dedicated to St. Andrew. Here he lived the simple, prayerful life of a monk. His retirement was interrupted. Pope Pelagius II sent Gregory as ambassador to the imperial court in Constantinople. After six years at the capital Gregory was allowed to return to his beloved monastery, of which he became abbot.

Probably at this period of his life Gregory saw the Saxon slaves who so stirred his zeal. He tried to go to England, indeed actually received the Pope's blessing and was on his way. But the Romans, who loved the abbot of St. Andrew's, raised so loud a protest that Gregory was recalled.

In 590 when Pope Pelagius died, Gregory was unanimously chosen to succeed him. Reluctantly he had to exchange the quiet life of a monk for the ceaseless activity of the pope. But always eager to do God's will, Gregory plunged manfully into his new work and filled fourteen years with great achievements.

As an administrator Gregory kept a watchful eye on the vast estates which formed the patrimony of Peter. But the money that efficient management brought into the treasury the Vicar of Christ's great charity caused to flow out just as rapidly.

Faced with the frightful menace of the Lombards, Gregory worked hard and intelligently to save Rome from devastation. Although the pope was not at that time the highest civil authority in Italy, the weakness and incompetence of the imperial officials threw a heavy burden on Gregory's broad shoulders. In spite of Lombard ferocity and Byzantine fecklessness, Gregory managed to bring a measure of peace to bleeding Italy.

Gregory made several improvements in the liturgy, and his name is immortalized in the Gregorian chant.

Once pope, Gregory did not forget the English. He sent St. Augustine on his historic mission in 597 and thus accomplished by another what he had longed to do himself. He worked hard with St. Leander to convert the still Arian Spanish Visigoths, and also paved the way for the conversion of the Lombards.

Gregory was a popular preacher and a writer whose works lived. His style, while not that of Cicero or Augustine, was suited to the rougher and simpler taste of his day and of darker days to come. Gregory's Homilies, Dialogues, and Pastoral Care did much to form the minds of the men of the early middle ages.

Gregory protected the Jews at a time when other rulers were giving the poor people a bad time.

The great Pope died in 604 with Italy at peace, the conversion of Spain accomplished, and that of England under way. He deserves to be called Gregory the Great, but the title which suits the noble old Roman best was that given to him in an early epitaph--God's Consul.

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### Prayer to St. Gregory

Almighty and merciful God, who raised up St. Gregory to be a servant of the servants of God, and inspired him to preach the Gospel to all people. Preserve in your Church the catholic and apostolic faith they taught, that your people, being fruitful in every good work, may receive the crown of glory that never fades away; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen