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**Weekly Bulletin Sunday September 14, 2008 – Sunday September 21, 2008**

**Mark Your Calendar**

October  
5 Breakfast with St. George  
26 Harvest Dinner


November  
27 Thanksgiving Day



Fall!

**Weekly Contributions**


August 17: \$2236  
August 24: \$2047  
August 31: \$2202  
September: \$3663



**Church cleaning for September:**  
Hala Kaspar & Juleit Hermiz

**Altar Server Schedule**


September 21: Team 2  
September 28: Team 3



**Clergy**  
Rev. Hanna Tayar  
Deacon Martin Rachid  
Subdeacon Earl Matte

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

**Parish Leaders**  
Chuck Solomon – Parish Council  
Dee Gardner – Choir Director  
Dottie Byrnes – Organist  
Freda Hearsch – Religious Education  
Cindy Shaheen – Altar Society  
Jeanette Walterhouse – Morningstar Society



**Liturgy Schedule**

Monday	9a.m.
Tuesday	9a.m.
Wednesday	9a.m.
Thursday	9a.m.
Friday	12noon
Saturday	5p.m.
Sunday	10a.m.

**Adoration**  
Friday 11a.m.



**Confessions**  
½ hour before liturgy on Saturday and Sunday and by appointment.


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**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:**



Sue Stubbert  
Ray Faris  
Violet Deibis

Sarah Marshall  
Hanneh Chammas  
Hap Maroun  
Joe Faris  
Ann Faris  
Dorothy Mattar  
Wanda Maroun  
Anne Nickola  
Joe Pavlovich



**Our Lady of Lebanon Office Hours**

Monday 10am – 3pm  
Tuesday 10am – 3pm  
Wednesday 10am – 3pm  
Thursday 10am – 3pm  
Friday 10am – 3pm



## MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY 14: Exaltation of the Holy Cross

10A.M: (1Cor 1:18-25; Jn 12:20-32) Reader: Ferris Anthony

- Rep. Wadad Anthony by Ferris Anthony
- Rep. Wagih Khazaal by Robert & Nawal Gebrael & Family
- Rep. Evon Zogheib by Sami & Ida Hayek

### MONDAY 15: St. Sassine & St. Shaina

#### St. Catherine of Geona

- Int. Violet Deibis by Louie & Pam Aziz

### TUESDAY 16: St. Cyprian

- Int. Mrs. Mary Jesuratnam by James Manoharan

### WEDNESDAY 17: St. Sophia & her Three Daughters

- Int. Amy Burke by Mary Ann Sheehan

### THURSDAY 18:

- Int. Michelle Garey by Mary Ann Sheehan

### FRIDAY 19:

12NOON

- Rep. Joe Ferris by John & Ceal Abdella

### SATURDAY 20:

- Deceased Members of Deibis Family by Violet

### SUNDAY 21: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after the Holy Cross

10A.M: (2Tim 2:1-10; Mk 10:35-45) Reader: Erik Lindhurst

- Deceased & Living Members of the Maroun & Sauder Families by Sam
- Rep. Karime Rizk by Duane & Dee Gardner

### SUNDAY 28: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the Holy Cross

10A.M: (1Cor 15:19-34; Mt 24:1-14) Reader: Diane Massad

- Rep. Kimberly Gardner by Duane & Dee Gardner
- Rep. Karime Rizk by Robert & Nawal Gebrael & Family

### A Prayer to the Holy Cross

*I adore You, O glorious Cross, which was adorned with the Heart and Body of my Savior Jesus Christ, stained and covered with blood. I adore You, O Holy Cross, out of love for Him, Jesus, who is my Savior and my God. Amen*



## Announcements

\* The Stewardship Committee meeting will be on Tuesday, September 16, 2008 at 6pm.

\* Altar Society will be having a meeting in the library on Monday, September 15, 2008 at 7pm. Please note the date change. A sub-sandwich meal will be served.

\* The Office of Vocations along with the Seminary are pleased to announce the second Discernment Weekend. This will take place on November 14, 15 and 16. If you are interested in attending please see Fr. Hanna or the church office.

\* We are so thankful and appreciate all the donations we have received for our new organ which has made our Sunday Liturgy more delightful. Your donations have helped pay \$30,000. There is a balance of \$15,000 that still needs to be paid. If you would like to make a donation please see Dee Gardner.



\* The fall will be upon us soon, as much as most of us hate to see it coming, its coming. Please keep in mind the families that we help feed at Thanksgiving and Christmas. Our food pantry is a yearly ongoing donation for those in need.

Our Lady of Lebanon  
Annual Raffle  
Wednesday, September 17, 2008  
Dinner at 6pm  
Raffle at 7pm

Tickets are \$35 or 3 for \$100

1 <sup>st</sup> Draw wins.....	\$100
50 <sup>th</sup> -100 <sup>th</sup> -150 <sup>th</sup> -200 <sup>th</sup> -250 <sup>th</sup> Draw wins.....	\$50
25 <sup>th</sup> -75 <sup>th</sup> -125 <sup>th</sup> -175 <sup>th</sup> -225 <sup>th</sup> -275 <sup>th</sup> Draw wins.....	5
Lottery Tickets	
299 <sup>th</sup> Draw wins.....	\$200
300 <sup>th</sup> Draw wins.....	\$2500

\*Tickets may be purchased from any parish council member or the church office.

## Saint Cyprian



Saint Cyprian was an African of noble birth, the son of a Roman senator; he was a teacher of rhetoric in his youth, but still pagan and frivolous. In his vigorous mid-life he was converted to Christianity through the influence of a priest who was himself a convert to Christianity and was edifying all Carthage by his conversation and his virtues. A long combat followed for Cyprian, who although convinced of the truth of these excellent reasonings and the beauty of this doctrine, still had to overcome the pride of a philosopher and the worldly bent of his life of pleasure. Nonetheless, grace won out and he listened to the interior voice of conscience which constantly pressed him onward: "Courage, Cyprian! Whatever the cost, let us go to God." He sold his estates and gave the price to the poor; and it was not long after his baptism that he was ordained a priest, and then consecrated Bishop of Carthage notwithstanding his resistance. The Christian population rejoiced, sure that in him they would have a strong bulwark during persecution.

When the persecution of Decius broke out, he was the object of a search by the pagans wanting to disorganize the flock. He left his Episcopal city and found a secure retreat, in order to continue to minister to their spiritual needs by letters and the administration of the sacraments. He went on seeing to the burial of the martyrs and the needs of those deprived of their possessions. When a pestilence broke out, he aided in the ministry to the dying. He consulted other ecclesiastical authorities as to whether he should return from his retreat; he was told to remain where he was. He maintained existing religious discipline which required penance of those who, under stress, apostatized by paying money to certain magistrates; these would write certificates saying that they had obeyed the Roman edicts. The prevaricators afterwards strove to escape the penalties and return into communion with the faithful. Saint Cyprian met much opposition by his firmness, but was sustained by Rome.

After a few years of peace under the emperor Valerian, he was finally banished and retired to a place about fifty miles from Carthage. There he learned by supernatural revelation that his future martyrdom was to occur the following year. He was discovered in a place near Carthage one day, and the sentence of death by decapitation was pronounced against him. He received it with the words, "Thanks be to God." His great desire was to die while preaching the faith of Christ, and he had the consolation of being surrounded at his martyrdom by crowds of his faithful children; there he paid the trembling executioner to encourage him in his task, and, preaching very effectively both by his words and his actions, was beheaded on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September, 258. In the brief ten years of his ministry, the Church was enriched through the fidelity of the martyrs he sustained, and by the many baptisms of pagans won over to his Christian flock. A considerable number of the spectators who were still pagan wept at his martyrdom. The holy bishop was buried publicly, with great solemnity.

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## St. Cyprian Prayer

Almighty God, who gave to your servant Cyprian boldness to confess the Name of our Savior Jesus Christ before the rulers of this world, and courage to die for this faith: Grant that we may always be ready to give a reason for the hope that is in us, and to suffer gladly for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

