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**Weekly Bulletin Sunday July 27, 2008 – Sunday August 3, 2008**

### Mark Your Calendar

#### August

15 Assumption of the Blessed Mother

#### September

17 Cruise Raffle



### Weekly Contributions

June 29: \$2208  
July 6: \$2990  
July 13: \$2592  
July 20: \$2054



### Church cleaning for July:

Mary Matte

### Altar Server Schedule

August 3: Team 1  
August 10: Team 2



### Clergy

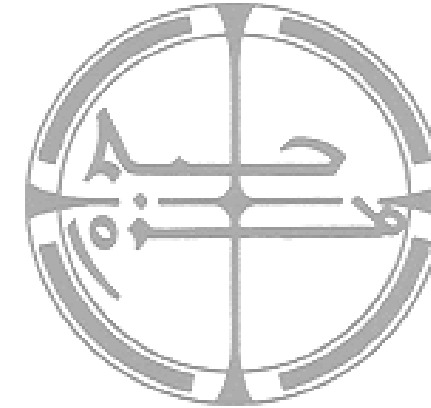
Rev. Hanna Tayar  
Deacon Martin Rachid  
Subdeacon Earl Matte

### 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.  
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.

### Pray for our sick and homebound Parishioners:



Sarah Marshall  
Hanneh Chammas  
Hap Maroun  
Joe Faris  
Ann Faris  
Dorothy Mattar  
Wanda Maroun  
Phillip Shaker  
Paul Zerka



### Our Lady of Lebanon Office Hours

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



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## MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY 27: 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost St. Pantaleon

10A.M: (Eph 3:1-13; Mt 15:21-28) Reader: Earl Matte

- Rep. Charlie Rossie by Family
- Rep. Karime Rizk by Louise Shaheen
- Rep. Wagih Khazaal by Mike & Madeleine Zerka & Family
- 40 Day Memorial
- Rep. Joseph Gebrael by Robert & Nawal Gebrael & Family
- 4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

### MONDAY 28: 3<sup>rd</sup> Council of Constantinople

- Souls in Purgatory by Rob Kowalk

### TUESDAY 29: St. Martha

- Rep. Mike Rizik by Greg & Joan Armbruster

### WEDNESDAY 30:

- Rep. Delores Grossi by Josie & Teresa Knight

### THURSDAY 31: 350 Maronite Martyrs

- Rep. Sylvia Zerka by Mary Ann Sheehan

### FRIDAY August 1:

12NOON

- Rep. Eddie Rashid by Bob & Pat Pollack

### SATURDAY 2:

- Rep. Karime Rizk by Najib & Siham Massaad

### SUNDAY August 3: 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost David the Prophet

10A.M: (1Cor 3:1-11; Lk 8:1-15) Reader: MYO

- Rep. Wagih Khazaal by Najib & Siham Massad
- Rep. Karime Rizk by Francis & Salwa Haddad
- Rep. Samia Hayek by Robert & Nawal Gebrael & Family

### SUNDAY 10: 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost St. Laurence

10A.M: (1Thes 2:1-13; Lk 10:38-42) Reader: Mary Matte

- Rep. Jacob, Mary & Louie Zerka by George & Virginia Rizk
- Intentions of Vince Farhat by Aziz & Diane Massad



## Announcements

If you have keys to the church, office or any where in our building will you please see Pam in the office or call her on the phone. Thank you, Fr. Hanna

Due to the lack of coordinators we will be unable to have Bible School this year.

If you shop at VG's or know anyone who does, please save your receipts and turn them in to the office or you can put them in the drop box in the Narthex.

The new organ is here! The choir has made two payments totaling \$30,000. There is a balance of \$15,000. If you would like to make a donation please see Dee Gardner.



Rev. Hanna Tayar

Father Hanna Tayar is currently our parish priest serving Our Lady of Lebanon Church in Flint. His call to vocation came to him early in life, directly after completing his high school studies. It was then that Father Hanna joined the Maronite Mariamite Order. Father Hanna made his temporary vows in 1987 and his perpetual vows in 1994. He was ordained a priest on August 10, 1996 at the age of 26. Father Hanna was the youngest priest to take up the position of Secretary General of the MMO for three years. While completing his studies, he also served at a parish in Paris for five years. Father Hanna lived for a year in Rome, was the director of the Notre Dame de Louaize School in Faitroun and helped with a Lebanese parish for two years before coming to the US. Father Hanna holds a doctoral degree (PhD) in socio-psychology from the Sorbonne University in Paris and the Jesuit University in Beirut and a Masters in Theology from the University of Angers in France. Please take time to introduce yourself to Fr. Hanna and welcome him to our parish.



Fr. Hanna we welcome you to our parish and we hope your time with us will be wonderful. God Bless You!

## Saint Martha



"Jesus loved Martha and Mary and Lazarus." This unique statement in John's gospel tells us of the special relationship Jesus had with Martha, her sister, and her brother.

Apparently Jesus was a frequent guest at Martha's home in Bethany, a small village two miles from Jerusalem. We read of three visits in Luke 10:38-42, John 11:1-53, and John 12:1-9.

Many of us find it easy to identify with Martha in the story Luke tells. Martha welcomes Jesus and his disciples into her home and immediately goes to work to serve them. Hospitality is paramount in the Middle East and Martha believed in its importance. Imagine her frustration when her sister Mary ignores the rule of hospitality and Martha's work in order to sit and listen to Jesus. Instead of speaking to her sister, she asks Jesus to intervene. Jesus' response is not unkind, which gives us an idea of his affection for her. He observes that Martha is worried about many things that distract her from really being present to him. He reminds her that there is only one thing that is truly important -- listening to him. And that is what Mary has done. In Martha we see ourselves -- worried and distracted by all we have to do in the world and forgetting to spend time with Jesus. It is, however, comforting to note that Jesus loved her just the same.

The next visit shows how well Martha learned this lesson. She is grieving the death of her brother with a house full of mourners when she hears that Jesus has just come to the area. She gets up immediately and leaves the guests, leaves her mourning, and goes to meet him.

Her conversation with Jesus shows her faith and courage. In this dialogue she states clearly without doubt that she believes in Jesus' power, in the resurrection, and most of all that Jesus is the Son of God. Jesus tells her that he is the resurrection and the life and then goes on to raise her brother from the dead. Our final picture of Martha in Scripture is the one that sums up who she was. Jesus has returned to Bethany some time later to share a meal with his good friends. In this home were three extraordinary people. We hear how brother Lazarus caused a stir when was brought back to life. We hear how Mary causes a commotion at dinner by anointing Jesus with expensive perfume. But all we hear about Martha is the simple statement: "Martha served." She isn't in the spotlight, she doesn't do showy things, and she doesn't receive spectacular miracles. She simply serves Jesus.

We know nothing more about Martha and what happened to her later. According to a totally untrustworthy legend Martha accompanied Mary to evangelize France after Pentecost.

But wouldn't it be wonderful if the most important thing that could be said about us is "They served"?

Martha is the patron saint of servants and cooks.

Prayer

Saint Martha, pray for us that we might serve Jesus better. Help us to overcome our distractions and worries to listen to his words and be present to him this day. Amen

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