



# AHLAM SOLOMON

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### Mark Your Calendar

### May

- 4 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion
- May Crowning
- Feast of Our Lady of Lebanon
- 13 Altar Society Prayer Devotion 5:30 followed by monthly meeting in the hall
- 14 Salad Supper Bingo
- 18 Altar Society Sunday
- 31 Golf Outing

### **Weekly Contributions**

March 23: \$5000 March 30: \$2638 \$2505 April 6:





April 13:

# Church cleaning for April:

Diane Massad & Nawal Gebrael

### **Altar Server Schedule**

\$2174

April 27: Team 1 May 4: Team 2





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## **Weekly Bulletin**

# **Sunday April 20, 2008 - Sunday April 27, 2008**

### Clergy

Rev. Father Jihad Younes 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



### **Liturgy Schedule**

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

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 Doris Beck Ann Faris **Dorothy Mattar** Wanda Maroun



Our Lady of Lebanon Office Hours

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



# **MASS INTENTIONS**

# SUNDAY 20: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Resurrection

 $10A.M: \ (\text{Eph 2:1-10; Jn 21:16-19}) \ \ Reader: \ \ Ferris \ Anthony$ 

- Rep. Sylvia Zerka by George & Sue Rasak
- Intentions of Victor Joubran and Margaret Joubran by Family
- Rep. Peter Joubran by Family

#### **MONDAY 21: St. Amselm**

- Intentions of Jim Ott by Mary Ann Sheehan

#### **TUESDAY 22:**

- Intentions of Mr. & Mrs. P. Benedict by James & Theresa Manoharan

#### **WEDNESDAY 23: St. George**

- Rep. Woody Mattar by Joseph Shaheen

# THURSDAY 24: St. Saba the Commander

- NO MASS

### FRIDAY 25: St. Mark

12NOON

- Rep. Charlie Rossie by Richard & Marion Black

### **SATURDAY 26: St. Marcellinus**

- Rep. Eddie Rachid by Pauline Smorch
- Rep. Emma Deibis by Violet

# SUNDAY 27: 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Resurrection St. Simon the Apostle

10A.M: (Rom 10:1-13; Lk 24:36-48) Reader: Erik Lindhurst

- Louie & Wanda Maroun Family by Sam

### SUNDAY May 4: 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Resurrection 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion, Our Lady of Lebanon and St. Monica

10A.M: (Eph 1:15-23; Jn 13:31-35) Reader: MYO

- Intentions of 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Children and their families

# Parish Expenses for March

Income for March was \$33,833 Expenses for March were \$17,907.16

Net income for March was \$15,925.84

Please come into Mass early enough not to disturb.

Leave late enough not to insult.

Worship reverently enough not to distract.

And dress proudly enough not to offend.

## **Announcements**

The Altar Society is preparing for their Salad Supper Bingo. The ladies are accepting donations of can pop or bottled water which can be dropped off at the parish office. If you have prizes for the Salad Supper Bingo they may be dropped off at the Parish office.

If you would like to donate salads for the Salad Supper Bingo please see Pat Pollack or Juleit Hermiz.

If anyone took pictures at the play our MYO group performed in January could you please call the parish office.

We have started a new program with VG's. VG's Grocery Stores gives back to organizations 1% of customer receipts. We have signed up with them to help the church raise money. 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.

If you would like a ticket for the Raffle and Dinner held on May 31<sup>st</sup> at the Grand Blanc Golf Club following the golf outing they are available from any choir member, Duane Gardner or the church office.

The choir is raising money to purchase a new organ for the church. They need \$45,000. If you would like to make a donation please see Dee Gardner.



Our Lady of Lebanon
Maronite Catholic Church
Golf Outing
May 31, 2008
Dinner and Raffle at 3,30pm
\$25 per person

at
Grand Blanc Golf Club
5270 Perry Road
Grand Blanc, MI 48439

If you have any questions see Duane, Chuck, Freda and Pam at 810-733-1259.

### Saint Marcellinus



During the third century paganism and Christianity vied for supremacy in the Roman Empire. Hoping to stifle the Church completely, the emperor Diocletian in 303 began the last and fiercest of the persecutions. In time, Christian charity conquered

pagan brutality, and as the Church attracted more and more members, the Roman government would be compelled to recognize its existence, but it was only after almost three hundred years, during which persecutions had forced Christian worship underground, that the Church would finally come out into the open after the Edict of Nantes in 313. It was still young and disorganized, vulnerable to heresy and apostasy, and needed a strong leader to settle questions of doctrine and discipline.

Such a leader came to the Chair of Peter in 304, when Saint Marcellus was elected pope. Saint Marcellinus, his predecessor, while being taken to torture, had exhorted him not to cede to the decrees of Diocletian, and it became evident that Marcellus did not intend to temporize. He established new catacombs and saw to it that the divine mysteries were continually celebrated there. Then three years of relative peace were given the church when Maxentius became emperor in 307, for he was too occupied with other difficulties to persecute the Christians.

After assessing the problems facing the Church, Saint Marcellus planned a strong program of reorganization. Rome then as now was the seat of Catholicism, and his program was initiated there. He divided the territorial administration of the Church into twenty-five districts or parishes, placing a priest over each one, thus restoring an earlier division which the turmoil of the persecutions had disrupted. This arrangement permitted more efficient care in instructing the faithful, in preparing candidates for baptism and penitents for reconciliation. With these measures in force, Church government took on a definite form.

Marcellus' biggest problem was dealing with the Christians who had apostatized during the persecution. Many of these were determined to be reconciled to the Church without performing the necessary penances. The Christians who had remained faithful demanded that the customary penitential discipline be maintained and enforced. Marcellus approached this problem with uncompromising justice; the apostates were in the wrong, and regardless of the consequences, were obliged to do penance. It was not long before the discord between the faithful and the apostates led to violence in the very streets of Rome.

An account of Marcellus' death, dating from the fifth century, relates that Maxentius, judging the pope responsible for the trouble between the Christian factions, condemned him to work as a slave on the public highway. After nine months of this hard labor, he was rescued by the clergy and taken to the home of a widow named Lucina: this woman welcomed him with every sign of respect and offered him her home for a church. When the emperor learned that Christian rites were being celebrated there, he profaned the church by turning it into a stable and forced the Holy Father to care for the animals quartered there. In these sad surroundings, Marcellus died on January 16, 310. He was buried in the catacombs of Priscilla, but later his remains were placed beneath the altar of the church in Rome which still bears his name.

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# Our Lady of Lebanon Altar Society's Annual Salad Supper Bingo



May 14, 2008

Doors open at 4:30 Supper Served at 6:00

Tickets \$10

price includes one book

Tickets are available from any Altar Society Member or the church office. (810-732-2370).

No one under 18 years of age will be permitted