

**Weekly Bulletin** 

Sunday January 18, 2009 - Sunday January 25, 2009

## Clergy

Rev. Hanna Tayar Deacon Martin Rachid Subdeacon Earl Matte

### **Parish Staff**

Darrell Frye – Maintenance Pat Haley – Caterer

### **Parish Leaders**

Chuck Solomon – Parish Council
Dee Gardner – Choir Director
Dottie Byrnes – Organist
Freda Hearsch – Religious Education
Mary Matte– 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.

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 Michelle Garey Agnes Torok Tom Joubran Sarah Marshall
Hanneh Chammas
Hap & Eve Maroun
Joe Faris
Ann Faris
Dorothy Mattar
Wanda Maroun
Phillip Shaker
Amy Burke



Our Lady of Lebanon Office Hours

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



# **MASS INTENTIONS**

# SUNDAY January18: 2<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Epiphany Establishment of the Chair of St. Peter in Rome; St. Athanasius of Alexandria, Confessor

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

- Rep. Richard Massad by Aziz &Diane Massad
- Hermiz Hanna & Miriam Hermiz Chocka by Sabria Hermiz & Family.

# **MONDAY19: Martin Luther King**

- Rep. Joe Ferris by John & Ceal Abdella.

# **TUESDAY20: St. Euthymius the Great, Confessor**

- Rep. Aziz Chammas by Tyl Rizik

# **WEDNESDAY21: St. Agnes**

- Rep. Delores Grossi by Dick & Mary Ursha

# **THURSDAY22: St. Timothy**

- Rep. Charlie Rossie by Bob & Sharon Griffiths

# FRIDAY 23: Pope St. Sergius I, Confessor 12NOON

- Int. Mary Mariathas by James and Theresa Manoharan

# SATURDAY 24: St. Francis de Sales, Confessor

- Rep. Mary Pavlica by Josef & Mona Massoud

# SUNDAY January25: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

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

- Rep. Mike Rizik by Mathew & Lisa Faris
- Marrogi, Nouh & Moussa Issa by Sabria

# **SUNDAY February 1: Sunday of the Priests**

10A.M: (1Tim 4:6-16; Lk 12: 42-48) Reader: MYO

- Rep. Tom & Margaret LaBranche bye Aziz Family

Congratulations to Dustin Farnham who was baptized in our parish on Saturday, January 10, 2009. God Bless him and his family!

# **Announcements**

As many of you know, our Church will be hosting the MYO regional retreat in February. There will be approximately 200 people in attendance at this retreat. The Flint MYO is asking for help with donations of bottled water, pop cans, and snacks for our guests. If you would like to make this type of donation, or a monetary donation, please see Noha Zerka, Johnny Solomon, or Father Hanna. Thank you for all your help and support.

A Business Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, January 20, 2009 from 11am to 2pm. The cost of the luncheon will be \$10.

# **Blessing homes for Epiphany**

Father Hanna started to visit and bless all the homes of the parishioners registered in Our Lady of Lebanon Church. If you would like him to bless your house please **call or sign your name** and time which is convenient for you. May God bless you and all your families.

### Think it over ...

- Today we have higher buildings and wider highways, but shorter temperaments and narrower points of view.
- We spend more, but enjoy less.
- We have bigger houses, but smaller families.
- We have more compromises, but less time.
- We have more knowledge, but less judgement.
- We have multiplied our possessions, but reduced our values.
- We talk much, we love only a little, and we hate too much.
- We reached the Moon and came back, but we find it troublesome to cross our own street and meet our neighbors.
- We have conquered the outer space, but not our inner space.
- We have higher income, but less morals.
- These are times with more liberty, but less joy.
- We have much more food, but less nutrition.
- These are the days in which it takes two salaries for each home, but divorces increase
- These are times of finer houses, but more broken homes.

### St. Francis de Sales

# Feastday: January 24, Patron Saint of Journalists

Saint Francis de Sales (in French, St François de Sales: 21 August 1567 – 28 December 1622) was born at Château de Thorens into a Savoyard noble family in what is today France. The first of twelve children, he enjoyed a privileged education in La Roche and Annecy; his spiritual formation and academics were formed by the Jesuits (The Society of Jesus).

In 1588 Francis transferred from The University of Paris in Paris to the University of Padua where he studied both law and Theology. There he made up his mind about becoming a priest. Intelligent and handsome, DeSales went through various conversion experiences that moved his heart to serve God rather than money or the world. One incident included his sword falling to the ground while riding a horse, and crossing another sword, making the sign of The Cross. DeSales took this, among other signs, that Christ was calling him to a life of sacrifice and self-giving love for The Church.

**Formation** In 1592 he ended his studies with the promotion to doctor certified in both Law and Theology. He made the pilgrimage to Loreto Italy, famous for its Shrine to the Virgin Mary, before going home. At home his father had already secured a variety of positions for his son, one of which was a position on the Senate of Chambéry. It was difficult for Francis's father to accept that his son had already chosen a vocation rather than a career.

<u>Graduation</u>: After studying the humanities, rhetoric, theology, and law at La Roche, Annecy, Paris, and Padua, he famously refused to marry the wealthy heiress his father had chosen as his bride, preferring a clerical career. The intervention of Claude de Granier, then bishop of Geneva, won him ordination and appointment as provost of the cathedral chapter of Geneva in 1593.

Francis worked to convert Protestants back to Catholicism, and was an accomplished preacher. He is known also for his writings on the topic of spiritual direction and spiritual formation (including Introduction to the Devout Life), and other religious subjects.

De Sales was beatified by Pope Alexander VII in 1661 and canonized by the same pontiff in 1665. He was declared a Doctor of the Church by Blessed Pius IX in 1877.

# OUR LADY OF LEBANON "BUSINESS LUNCHEON" Tuesday, January 20, 2009 11am – 2pm \$10/per plate including drink Dine in or take out a full variety plate of Middle Eastern Food! Pre-order available by calling: (810)732-2370 Dine in or pick up

at:

Our Lady of Lebanon Reception Hall



# **Altar Server Schedule**

January 25: Team 1 February 1: Team 2



# Church cleaning for January:

Mary Matte

# Mark Your Calendar

# **January**

Business Luncheon
 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany



# **February**

7 St. Maron's Mass and Hafli 13-15 MYO Regional Youth Retreat 22 MYO Dinner and Play

- Why do people believe in Gossip more than they believe in the truth?
  - Because the truth puts a halt to their Gossip.



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