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Altar Server Schedule

February 1: Team 2
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Church cleaning for January:



Nahida Hanna
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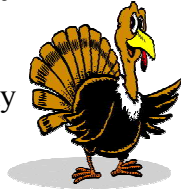
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Weekly Bulletin Sunday January 25, 2009 – Sunday February 1, 2009

Mark Your Calendar



January
 25 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

February
 1 Sunday of the Priests
 7 St. Maron's Mass and Hafli
 13-15 MYO Regional Youth Retreat

*“O Lord and Master of my life, take away from me the spirit of despondency, negligence, avarice and idle talk.
 But grant me thy servant, the spirit of chastity, humility, patience and love.
 Yea, O Lord and King, grant that I may see my own transgressions and not to judge my brother, for blessed art thou unto the ages of ages”*

(Prayer of St Ephrem)

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.

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Pray for our sick and homebound Parishioners:

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 Agnes Torok

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 January 25: 3rd 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, Nough & Moussa Issa by Sabria Hermiz & Family

MONDAY 26: St. Paula

- Deceased Members of Deibis Family by Violet Deibis.

TUESDAY 27: St. Angela Merici

- No Mass

WEDNESDAY 28: St. Ephrem the Syriani, Doctor of the Church, Confessor

- Rep. Hannie Nasr by Jacqueline Lavoie.

THURSDAY 29: St. Gildas the Wise

- Rep. Wagih Khazal by Ahlam Solomon & Family.

FRIDAY 30: St. Bathildis

12NOON

- Rep. Dr. John Zerka by Scott & Cindy Shaheen.

SATURDAY 31: St. John Bosco, Confessor

- Rep. Eddie Rashid

SUNDAY February 1: Sunday of the Priests

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

- Rep. Tom & Margaret LaBranche by Aziz Family

SUNDAY February 8: Sunday of the Righteous & Just

10A.M: (Heb 12:18 -24; Mt 25: 31-46)

Reader: Michael Potoczny

- Rep. Tom & Margaret LaBranche by Aziz Family.



Congratulations to Stephen Lindhurst

who was baptized in our parish on Sunday, January 18, 2009. God Bless him and his family!

Announcements



We would like to thank everyone who helped make the Business Luncheon a success. Thank you to the ladies who did the cooking. The food was wonderful! Also thank you to all those individuals who made donations to cover all expenses for the luncheon. May our Lord God bless all of you.



There will be no mass on Tuesday, January 27, 2009.



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.



The Stewardship Committee will be having its monthly meeting on Monday, February 2, 2009 at 6pm.



Parish Council will be having their monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 3, 2009 at 7pm.



St. Maron's Hafli

Saturday, February 7, 2009

featuring
Soumaya Aziz and her Band

Mass will be celebrated at 5pm and Dinner to follow

Tickets for the Hafli are \$25 for adults and \$8 for children 12 and under

For tickets see: Church office 732-2370
Or any member of the Parish Council

Mor Ephrem the Syrian (306-373)

Mor Ephrem the Syrian, the great poet saint of the Syriac Church, was born in c. A.D. 306 in Nisibis (North-west of Mosul, Iraq). While some late sources claim that his father was a heathen priest who worshiped an idol called Abnil, his own writings affirm that he was raised in a Christian family.

He was ordained deacon in c. A.D. 338 and served the Bishop of Nisibis, Mor Ya`qub, who participated in the Synod of Nicaea (AD 325). He lived as a solitary and apparently never entered into priesthood. After the cession of Nisibis to Persia in AD 363, Ephrem withdrew into the Roman Empire and settled at Edessa where he composed the hymns that survive to this day. Though in the ecclesiastical hierarchy he was just a deacon, he is remembered as a great doctor of the universal Church.

Ephrem wrote exclusively in Syriac, the Edessene dialect of Aramaic, but his works were translated into Armenian and Greek, and via the latter into Latin and Slavonic. Many works in these languages attributed to him are, however, not genuine. Much of Ephrem's exegetical, dogmatic and ascetic works are in verse form. He wrote several polemical works refuting the heresies of Marcion, Bardaisan, Mani, the Arians and the Anomoeans. He wrote widely regarded biblical commentaries on Genesis and the Diatesseron. His writings extensively employ typology and symbolism. Over 500 genuine hymns survive, of great beauty and insight. His poetry is in two genres: *madrāshe* (hymns) and *memre* (verse homilies). After his death, the hymns were arranged into hymn cycles, the most famous of which are those on Faith (including the five 'On the Pearl'), on Paradise and on Nisibis (the second half of which is on the Descent of Christ into Hell). His liturgical poetry had a great influence on Syriac and Greek hymnography. Syriac churches honor him as 'the lyre of the Holy Spirit'. Mor Ephrem departed to his heavenly abode on 9th of June, A.D. 373. His memory is commemorated in the Syriac Orthodox Church on the first Saturday of the Great Lent.

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2009
FROM 10:00 TO 12:00 P.M.
MOTHER OF GOD CHURCH HALL

تحت شعار
"المسيحية في الشرق الأوسط قديمة ولكن متجددة يوماً"
تستضيف أبرشية مار توما الرسول الكلدانية في ولاية ميشيغان الأمريكية
وللمرة الأولى

مؤتمراً دولياً عن المسيحية في الشرق الأوسط
يحاضر فيه نخبة من العلماء والأخصائيين الروحيين والعلمانيين
من داخل وخارج الولايات المتحدة الأمريكية
المؤتمر برعاية منظمة (CAMECT) التي تمثل كل كنائس مسيحية الشرق الأوسط في أمريكا
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وذلك يومي السبت والأحد المصادف

22-21 / شباط

المؤتمر يقام على مدى يومين السبت الحادي والعشرين من شهر شباط وعلى قاعات فندق هلتون
في مدينة ساوث فيلد ، من الساعة التاسعة صباحاً ولغاية الساعة الرابعة مساءً .
ويوم الأحد الثاني والعشرين من شهر شباط وعلى قاعة كنيسة أم الله الكلدانية في ساوث فيلد تمام
الساعة العشرة صباحاً .
يقدم المؤتمر أصالة بقدم كبير يشترك فيه مطارنة وكنيسة الكنائس الشرقية مع سيدة المطران
مار إبراهيم أبراهيم وعلى منبر الكاتدرائية الكلدانية في ساوث فيلد الساعة الثانية عشر ظهراً .
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