



# Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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**Weekly Bulletin**

**Sunday September 27, 2009 – Sunday October 4, 2009**

### Clergy

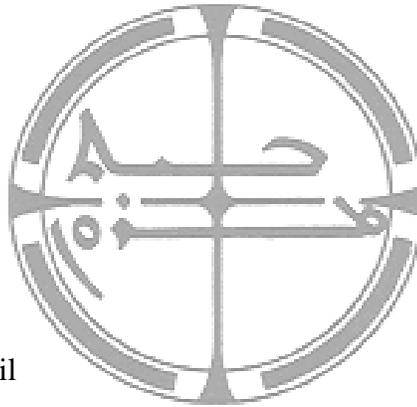
Rev. Hanna Tayar  
Deacon Martin Rachid  
Subdeacon Earl Matte

### Parish Staff

Michelle Tennis - Secretary  
Pat Haley – Caterer

### Parish Leaders

Chuck Solomon – Parish Council  
Dee Gardner – Choir Director  
Joan McKnight – Organist  
Freda Hearsch – Religious Education  
Mary Matte– Altar Society  
Jeanette Walterhouse – Morningstar Society



### “Signs of the Near Coming of Christ”

*By Fr. Hanna*

Like every Sunday during the season of the Holy Cross, the meditation covers two subjects: the salvation and adoration of and by the Holy Cross and the *Parasouia*, the 2<sup>nd</sup> coming of Christ. During Jesus time, many in Israel did not recognize the signs of the times. What about us? Do we know how to recognize the signs of the times? Do we know what signs point to the Second Coming of Jesus? Do we feel that Jesus is still coming everyday in our life? What is more important for you: the end of the world or your personal end?

Knowing and seeing that, these signs will help us persevere through the difficult days in which we are living. It’s like a distance runner who is worn out, but he sees a sign that indicates that the race is almost finished. That gives him the drive he needs to push forward, and not give up.

All over the signs to separate us from Jesus

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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:



Aziz Massad  
Sue Stubbert  
Michelle Garey  
Amy Burke

Agnes Torok  
Helen Azzarello  
Sarah Marshall  
Hanneh Chammas  
Hap & Eve Maroun  
Joe Faris  
Ann Faris  
Helen Zerka  
Ann David  
Dorothy Mattar  
Wanda Maroun  
Phillip Shaker  
Linda Macksood

### Our Lady of Lebanon Office Hours

Monday thru Friday  
10:00 am to 3:00 pm

### Liturgy Schedule

Mon.- Thurs	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.



# MASS INTENTIONS

## SUNDAY September 27: 2nd Sunday after Holy Cross

- 10A.M.:** (1Cor 15:19-34, Mt. 24:1-14) Ferris Anthony
- Rep Margaret Okal (40 day) by James & Debbie Garner
  - Rep. Rep Kimberly Gardener by Duane & Dee Gardner
  - Rep. Najla Assaf by Duane & Dee Gardner
  - Rep Wadad Anthony by Ferris Anthony

## MONDAY 28: St. Wenceslaus

- Rep. Hanna Rizk by Lewis & Jeanette Walterhouse

## TUESDAY 29: St. Cyriacus, Confessor

- Rep. Jake Laureto by Shaheen & Rose Shaheen

## WEDNESDAY 30: St. Gregory the Illuminator, Martyr

- Rep. Sylvia Zerka by George & Virginia Rizk

## THURSDAY October 1: St. Therese of the Child of Jesus, Doctor of the Church, Confessor

- Rep. Eddie Rashid by George & Mae Solomon

## FRIDAY 2: Sts. Cyprian & Justina, Martyrs

- Rep. Ray Faris by Ralph & Helen Burgess

## SATURDAY 3: St. Gerard of Brogne 5:00 PM

- Rep. Ralph Wofford by Duane & Dee Gardner

## SUNDAY October 4<sup>th</sup>: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Holy Cross, Holy Rosary Sunday

- 10A.M.:** (Phil 3:17-4:1, Mt. 24:23-31) MYO
- Rep Ralph Wofford (40 day memorial) by Jeff & Alicia Wofford & Family
  - Rep. Norman Weissert by Yvonne & Family
  - Rep. Najla Assaf & Tanious Gebrael by Najib & Siham Massaad

## SUNDAY October 11<sup>th</sup>: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Holy Cross,

- 10A.M.:** (1 Thes 5:1-11, Mt 24:45-51) Erik Lindhurst
- Deceased of Old & New Calvary Cemetery



Our sympathies are with the family of our organist, Joan McKnight & her husband Duff as they mourn the passing of Joan's mother-in-law, Betty McKnight. Please keep them in your prayers.



Thank you to the team of men and ladies from our parish who worked so hard cleaning the hall kitchen. It looks the best it has in a long while.

## Announcements:



The MYO will meet Thursday, October 1 from 6:00 to 8:00 in the classrooms.



Starting in October, members of our parish will have the opportunity to attend yoga classes here at our church on Wednesdays from 10:30 to 11:30 AM. Yoga improves strength, flexibility and balance and helps you to relax and focus. The teacher will be Natala Harvey, who is trained as a senior Hatha Yoga instructor and has been teaching yoga since 1997.



The group of men that play cards in the morning have moved their meeting time to Wednesday at 10:00 am. Anyone interested in playing cards is welcome to come and join them.



We will be hosting our Mid East Luncheon on Thursday, Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>. Flyers are available in the back of the church. Please pick up a few to place in your place of work or at business that you frequent.



Congratulations to Jaime Fabbri and Catherine O'Malley, daughter of Odette Shaheen, who were married on Saturday, Sept 19<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of Lebanon. May God bless them and be with them in their life together.



We wish to thank Gino and Sawsan Kalo for their work in painting the cross and the statue of Jesus outside the entrance of the church.

*"Signs of the Near Coming of Christ" ... Cont.*

are too many, but are we able to repeat with St Paul: "for I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor power, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 8:38-39). *Amen.*



## ST. THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS

Feastday October 1

St. Thérèse was born in Alençon on January 2, 1873. When Thérèse was only four, her mother died, and so her father moved the family to Lisieux, where the five children were watched by their aunt. An older sister, Mary, ran the household and the eldest, Pauline, made herself responsible for the religious upbringing of her sisters. Pauline later entered the Carmel, an order of contemplative nuns, at Lisieux and Thérèse began to be drawn in the same direction.

When Thérèse was fourteen another sister joined Pauline in the Carmel. During the following year Thérèse told her father of her wish to become a Carmelite, and he agreed; but both the Carmelite authorities and the bishop of Bayeux refused to hear of it because of her young age. A few months later she was in Rome with her father and a French pilgrimage. At the public audience, when her turn came to kneel for the Pope Leo XIII's blessing, Thérèse broke the rule of silence on such occasions and asked him, "in honor of your jubilee, allow me to enter Carmel at fifteen". Pope Leo was clearly impressed by the young girl, but he upheld the decision of the immediate superiors. At the end of the year the bishop gave his permission, and in 1888 Thérèse entered the Carmel at Lisieux, taking the name of Theresa of the Child Jesus. One of the principal duties of a Carmelite nun is to pray for priests, a duty that Sister Theresa performed with fervor.

Although she had hoped to serve as a missionary, she developed tuberculosis and the last eighteen months of her life was a time of physical suffering and spiritual trials. In June 1897 she was removed to the infirmary of the convent where she died on September 30. She was beatified by Pope Pius XI in 1923 -- he canonized her in 1925. In 1927 she was named the heavenly patroness of all foreign missions, and of all works for Russia.

### OUR LADY OF LEBANON

#### "MID EASTERN LUNCHEON"

Thursday, October 8, 2009  
11am – 2pm

**\$10/per plate including drink**

#### Menu

Baked Kibbee, Green Beans with Rice  
Yukhnee, Salad,  
Hummus, Spinach Pie, Pita Bread,  
Bakalava, Coffee, Iced Tea



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### Visit from Abbott Semaan Abou Abdo



Abbott Semaan Abou Abdo, Superior General of the Maronite Order of the Blessed Virgin Mary visited our parish and celebrated mass with us on Sunday, September 19. Abbott Abou would like to thank all of those who made him feel welcome here at our Lady of Lebanon. We appreciate his taking time from his busy schedule to visit our parish and share our service with us.



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September**



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**Altar Servers Schedule:**

Oct. 4: Team 3  
 Oct. 11: Team 1

**Church cleaning for October:**  
 Joann Potts

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**October:**

Oct 8: Mid East Luncheon

**November:**

Nov. 1 Harvest Dinner

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