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Weekly Bulletin

Sunday April 4, 2010 – Sunday April 11, 2010

JESUS IS RISEN, ALLELUIA!



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Dear Parishioners, dear Friends,

"Today, all creation rejoices and exults in praise, for the Son of God has been raised from the tomb in glory."

The Day of **Resurrection** is the head of festivals and the **heart of our Christian faith**; the Church rejoicing finds its reason to be. Without the Resurrection, there is no meaning for our faith: "If Jesus didn't rise, our faith is invalid."

In our Maronite tradition, we always see the picture or the icon of Jesus on the Cross with the empty tomb. We always **tie the death to the resurrection**. We rejoice because our faith in Christ had been vindicated, **truth has triumphed over falsity, justice over injustice and life over death**.

In my second Easter with you, may the Light of this glorious season of the Resurrection illuminate your life and journey during all this Resurrection season.

Happy Easter فصح مجيد

ABOUNA HANNA

Clergy

Rev. Hanna Tayar
Deacon Martin Rachid
Subdeacon Earl Matte

Parish Staff

Michelle Tennis - Secretary
Pat Haley – Caterer
Richard Baka – Custodian

Parish Leaders

Tom Macksood- Parish Council
Dee Gardner – Choir Director
Dorothy Bolduc-Peppin - Organist
Alicia Massad – Religious Ed.
Mary Matte – Altar Society
Jeanette Walterhouse –
Morningstar Society

Our Lady of Lebanon Office Hours

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

Please pray for our sick and homebound Parishioners:



Joe Faris
Ann Faris
Helen Zerka
Jean Rossie
Aziz Massad
Sue Stubbett
Michelle Garey
Luba Elia
Sam Russo

Delore Shaker
Amy Burke
Helen Azzarello
Sarah Marshall
Hanneh Chammas
Hap & Eve Maroun
Phil Shaker
Agnes Torok
Fran Adado
Ann David
Dorothy Mattar
Wanda Maroun
Linda Macksood
Fayz Zerka

**CHRIST IS RISEN...
ALLELUIA!**

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.

- * **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.



Mass Intentions

SUNDAY April 4: The Glorious Resurrection

10A.M: (1Cor 15:12-26, Mk 16:1-8) Clergy

- Int. of all Parishioners

MONDAY 5: St. Vincent Ferrer

- Rep. Raymond Albert by Rod & Cindy Wilson

TUESDAY 6: St. Marcellinus

- Int. James M. Manoraj by James & Theresa Manoharan

WEDNESDAY 7: St. John Baptist de la Salle, Confessor

- Int. Danielle Ala by Addeb & Mayson Stepho & Family

THURSDAY 8: The Second Council of Nicaea

No Mass

FRIDAY 9: St. Gaucherius

- Rep. Hanna Rizk by Jaber & Eva Massoud

SATURDAY 10: The Miracle of the Icon of Christ in Beirut

- Int. Ghantous Tayar by Lazar & Nahida Hanna

SUNDAY April 11: New Sunday and 2nd Week of the Resurrection

10A.M: (2 Cor 5:11-21, Jn 20:26-31) Earl Matte

- Int. of Julie Joubran by Choir
- Reprs. Khaled Sahouri & Badaea, Helwah, Gerious, Heleneh, Moussa, & Julia by the Family

12 Noon: (2 Cor 5:11-21, Jn 20:26-31) Arabic Mass

SUNDAY April 18: 3rd Sunday of the Resurrection

10A.M: (2 Tim 2:8-13, Lk 24:13-35) Mary Matte

- Rep. Thomas Alex Sr. (1 yr) by Family
- Reprs. Dr. & Mrs. A. Bouhasin & Dr. George Bouhasin by Tyl Rizik
- Rep. Michael B. Rizik Sr. by Tyl Rizik



Thank you to all of the dedicated parishioners and women of the Altar Society who donated their time and culinary talents for the Palm Sunday bake sale. Thanks to your hard work the bake sale was a great success!



"Now let the heavens be joyful,
Let earth her song begin:
Let the round world keep triumph,
And all that is within;
Invisible and visible,
Their notes let all things blend,
For Christ the Lord is risen
Our joy that has no end."

John of Damascus

Announcements :



The Stewardship committee will be meeting Monday April 5th at 7:00 PM. In the library



The Parish Council will be meeting Tuesday April 6th at 7:00 PM in the library.



The Altar Society will be meeting Wed, April 7th at 7:00 PM. Please **bring your pens** as we will be addressing postcards for the Salad Supper Bingo.



MYO

The MYO will meet Friday January 8th from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.



Office Closed

There will be no Mass Thursday, April 8th. The church office will also be closed this day.



Arabic Mass

A second Mass will be celebrated in Arabic on Sunday April 11 at 12:00 noon.



Annual Eparchial Appeal

We will be forwarding our collections for the Eparchial Appeal to the Eparchy shortly. We have collected \$1,920.00 of our \$6,500.00 goal. If you have not turned in your envelope, please try to get it in as soon as possible.



Salad Supper Bingo

The Altar Society would appreciate donations of canned pop and bottled water for their upcoming Salad Supper Bingo. These may be dropped off at the church office.

Mother's Day Hafli

The MYA will be hosting our annual Mother's Day Hafli. It will be held on Saturday, May 8th. Tickets will be available shortly. For more information please contact Nadeem Gabreal or Andre Zerka

He is Risen! He is not Here!

Mark 16:6

MYA of Our Lady of Lebanon Presents:

Mother's Day Hafli

featuring:
**Elias Haddad
& Band**

Saturday
May 8

Doors Open
at **6:30 PM**

Dinner at
7:00 PM

Tickets with Dinner: Adults \$25 • Children 12 and under \$10
Hafli Ticket at Door \$15

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For Tickets:
Andre Zerka 810-449-6955
Nadeem Gebrael 810-423-3718

Easter Prayer

*Lord, You have arisen forever
In my heart!
May the sunrise
Remind me to shine in Your light.
May the caress of a gentle breeze
Remind me of Your compassion.
May the fragrance of a flower
Remind me to blossom in Your love.
May the singing of birds
Bring a song of joy to my lips.
And in the closing of each day
May I remember to quietly pray.
Wherever I am, whatever I do
May my thoughts in joy return to You!*



Amen



Altar Servers Schedule:

April 11: Team 1

April 18: Team 2

Church Cleaning for April

Ahlam



Email Addresses Needed

We are currently in the process of creating a list of the email addresses of all of our parishioners. We would like to be able to email everyone announcements about upcoming events. If you have an email address and would like to receive announcements from the parish, please fill out one of the email address forms that the ushers will be passing out after church and drop it in the basket marked "Email Addresses" at the back of the church. You may also email your address to us at lol_flint@sbcglobal.net. We would like to have the addresses of all adult members of the parish, so if you and your spouse have different email addresses, please provide each separately.

A GOOD PRIEST

The young man wants to be a priest. So, let's examine his strengths and see whether he measures up.

He gets along well with people. That's good. He has strong moral character and he's smart. Also good. He has sound habits of prayer. OK, he checks out. We judge that the young man will make a fine priest.

But wait a minute. There is one more question we should ask: Is he **WEAK** enough to be a priest? What I mean is, does he live with enough failure, so that he feels what its like to be an average man?

There's a story of a woman who spent much of her night prayers complaining to God about the faults of her parish priest...oh, she had quite a list! God listened to her "prayer" and when she'd finished her assessment of father, the Lord spoke:

"My child, all the things you've said about this priest are true, and I could add others. But I cannot be angry with him."

"Why not?" the woman asked indignantly.

"Because he does one thing that makes up for all his faults. Because he is a weak man, he understands the weakness of others and...so...he is kind to My beloved sinners."

The strength of the priesthood lies precisely in the weakness of its individual priests who feel the anguish, darkness and struggle of their people who call for salvation.

So, the young man strives to be one of those priests. Well, if he's strong enough, he can be one. But only if he's **weak** enough can he be a **good** one.

Submitted by Subdeacon Earl Matte

Mark Your Calendar

May:

- May 2 First Holy Communion
- Feast of Our Lady of Lebanon
- May 8th Mother's Day Haftli
- May 9th Mother's Day Breakfast
- May 12 Salad Supper Bingo
- May 16 Altar Society Sunday



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Stewardship

Weekend of March 27-28, 2010

Registered Families	170
Envelopes received this week	120
Weekly envelopes	\$ 3,822.00
Fuel	\$ 55.00
Easter	\$ 100.00
Loose and visitors	\$ 310.00
Total Sunday Collection	\$ 4,287.00
Second Collection	
Eparchial Appeal	\$ 170.00
Holy Land	\$ 75.00
Caritas Lebanon	\$ 20.00
Budgeted for March	\$ 18,000.00
Amount needed to meet March Budget	(\$ 5,826.00)

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