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Weekly Bulletin

Sunday June 27, 2010 – Sunday July 4, 2010

Priesthood

Every human being has a vocation from God, since each of us plays an essential part in God's plan. Christ's call to discipleship is extended to each baptized person, since each of us has a role in bringing about the Kingdom of God. Through baptism and confirmation we become a "priestly people", a "royal priesthood". The laity in the Church belong to the world of the sacred, not the secular, and have a priestly mission to perform. However, it is part of the plan of salvation that certain members of the Church be ordained to a special ministry of leadership, of sanctifying and of teaching. Thus Christ established the Mystery of Holy Orders which includes the offices of bishop, priest and deacon. In the Maronite tradition we also have the ministries of subdeacon, reader and cantor.

The Maronite tradition attributes many characteristics and roles to the Order of Priesthood. Two of the more prominent ones are the roles of mediator and steward. The priest has been given the keys to the treasure of the Kingdom so that he might distribute its riches to those who have need of it. Through offering the Holy Sacrifice, he opens the door of repentance, and thus obtains forgiveness for himself and for his flock. As the mediator between God and humanity, he is given the hidden mysteries and proclaims God's revelation.

Let us all take time during this happy occasion to reflect on our personal vocations from God. As Tony Massad goes forward with in his role as priest let each of us consider God's plan for our lives and our personal part in bringing about the Kingdom of God.

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:



Phil Adado
Joe Faris
Ann Faris
Helen Zerka
Jean Rossie
Aziz Massad
Sue Stubbert
Michelle Garey
Luba Elia
Elisabeth Fanderl

Hector & Rose Khoury
Delore Shaker
Amy Burke
Helen Azzarello
Sarah Marshall
Hanneh Chammas
Hap & Eve Maroun
Phil Shaker
Agnes Torok
Ophelia Polovina
Ann David
Dorothy Mattar
Wanda Maroun
Linda Macksood
Fayez Zerka
Bruce Lindhurst
Lori Meadows

Congratulations Father Tony

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 June 27: 6th Sunday of Pentecost

10A.M.: (1Cor 12:12-13, 27-30, Mat 10:16-25) Clergy

First Mass of Tony Massad

MONDAY 28: St. Irenaeus, Martyr

- Int. Angela Jason by James & Theresa Manoharan

TUESDAY 29: Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles

- Rep. Thelma B. Miller by James Wilfinger

WEDNESDAY 30: The Twelve Apostles

- Rep. Fran Adado by Chuck Solomon

THURSDAY July 1: Bl. Junipero Serra (USA)

Confessor

No Mass

FRIDAY 2: St. Bernardino Realino

- Rep. Dr. Joseph M. Manoharan by James & Theresa Manoharan

SATURDAY 3: St. Thomas

- Rep. Edward Khoury by Lewis & Jeanette Walterhouse

SUNDAY July 4th: 7th Sunday of Pentecost

10A.M.: (2 Cor 3:1-6, Lk 10:1-7) MYO

- Rep. Ray Faris by Phil & Marie Faris
- Rep. Edward Hanna by Aziz & Diane Massad
- Rep. Ghantous Tayar by Fouzi & Eliane Zerka

SUNDAY July 11th: 8th Sunday of Pentecost

10A.M.: (Rom. 8:1-11, Mt 12:14-21) Elias Chammas

- Rep. Michael Komanecky by George & Virginia Rizk
- Int. Hap & Eve Maroun by the Maroun Family
- Rep Edward Hanna by Fouzi & Eliane Zerka



As you are all probably aware, Abouna Hanna's father passed away early Tuesday morning. Father Hanna is now in New York with his family and deeply regrets not being able to share this occasion with all of you. The funeral was held on Friday, June 25th at St. Sharbel Church in Somerset, NJ. Father and his family wish to thank all of you for your condolences, prayers and love during this time of loss.

Altar Servers Schedule:

July 4: Team 1
July 11: Team 2



Ushers Schedule

July 4: Team 3/MYO
July 11: Team 1

Church Cleaning July

Eva Joubran & Linda Kouza

Announcements:



Festival Committee

The Festival committee will meet Thursday July 1st at 7:00 PM. in the library



MYO

The MYO will meet Friday July 2nd from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.



Mass Schedule

Father Tony has been kind enough to offer his services to the parish while Father Hanna is out of town. We will be celebrating our regular mass schedule next week. Please keep in mind that there is no mass on Thursday.

Festival Status

Help needed:

- The festival committee is asking that any additional volunteers turn in the volunteer sign-up sheet. We need 100% participation from the parish to make this festival a success!
- Please see Jason for any last minute sponsorships. We still have six spots to sell for the tray sponsorships.
- If you are able to help prepare the festival food, please contact Eliane Zerka @ 810.695.4254.
- We need help selling raffle tickets. Please see Johnny Solomon if you are able to assist with the raffle.
- Volunteers are needed to help sell raffle tickets and food at Sam's Club on July 2nd and 4th from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm. We need at least six people to help Johnny ensure that these pre-festival events are a success.

Schedule

- July 1st: Festival Committee Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- July 2nd: ABC 12 live noon interview
- July 2nd: Sell food and raffle tickets at Sam's Club
- July 4th: Sell food and raffle tickets at Sam's Club
- **July 7th: Volunteer Meeting @ 7:00 pm in the Hall**
- July 8th: Tent and site setup
- July 9th: ABC 12 live mug shot during the morning show
- July 9th: Festival Luncheon from 11:30 AM – 2:30 PM
- July 9th Festival 5:00 pm – midnight
- July 10th: Festival from 12:00 pm - midnight

Food:

If you are able to help prepare the festival food, please contact Eliane Zerka @ 810.695.4254.



What Does It Mean to be Ordained?

Q: What is the significance of the term “ordination”?

A: The catechism states that in Roman antiquity, order (ordo) was used to designate an established civil body. Ordination (ordinatio) then simply meant the incorporation of a person into a particular order.

In the church today, ordination is reserved for the sacramental act that integrates a man into one of three recognized “orders”: bishop (ordo episcoporum), presbyter or priest (ordo presbyterorum) and deacon (ordo diaconorum). The rite of ordination is not simply a rite of election, designation or institution by the community, rather, it confers a gift of the Holy Spirit upon the ordained. The gift permits the ordained to exercise a “sacred power” that comes only from Christ himself through the church.

Consecration (consecration) can also be applied to describe the rite of Ordination because it signifies a “setting apart” of the ordained for a special ministry within the church. This understanding of ordination may have its roots in Acts 13, where the Holy Spirit said, “Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul to the work which I have called them.”

Q: What happens at ordination?

A: The ordination of a bishop, priest or deacon takes place within the Eucharistic liturgy. Its essential rite consists of the laying on of hands by the bishop and of the consecratory prayer, which together constitute the visible sign of ordination.

Like baptism and confirmation, ordination imprints an “indelible sacramental character: upon the ordained that cannot be repeated or conferred temporarily. Through his ordination, the recipient is configured to Christ so that he may serve as Christ’s instrument for his church.

There are also additional rites that are part of ordination. Initial rites consist of the following: presentation and election of the ordained (the man being ordained), instruction by the bishop, examination of the candidate and the litany of the saints.

After the consecration, additional rites symbolically express and complete the mystery accomplished. For a priest, there is an anointing with holy chrism, plus the presentation to the priest of the paten and chalice, symbolizing “the offering of the holy people” which he is called to present to God. Finally, there is the giving of the book of the Gospels to the deacon who has just received the mission to proclaim the Gospel of Christ.

Q: What are the steps toward ordination?

A: As cantor, the seminarian has the duty to attend to the service of the altar and to assist the priest and any deacons in liturgical celebrations, especially leading the congregation in singing hymns during the celebration of Mass.

As a lector, the seminarian proclaims the readings at liturgy and is invited into a living loving relationship with sacred Scripture. In addition, as a sub-deacon the seminarian is welcomed into the sanctuary itself. He is to assist the priest and any deacons in the liturgical celebration, most notably by being able to recite petitions during the Intercessions within the Anaphora. The sub-deacon is also to administer communion to the faithful with the blessing of the Bishop of the Diocese.

Typically, in the last year of seminary training, a seminarian will be ordained to the diaconate, called by Catholics in recent times the “transitional diaconate” this is to distinguish candidates bound for priesthood, from those who have entered the “permanent diaconate” and do not intend to seek further ordination. Deacons of the Maronite Rite, whether transitional or permanent, are licensed to preach homilies and to assist at Mass, and give Communion but they are not able to consecrate the bread and wine. Additionally, they cannot they cannot baptize, preside over weddings, hear confessions nor anoint the sick. Normally, after six months or more as a transitional deacon, a man will be ordained to the priesthood.



St. Bernardino Realino: Feastday: July 2

St. Bernardino Realino was born into a noble family of Capri, Italy in 1530. He studied medicine at the University of Bologna, but switched to law. Word of his learning, dedication, and legal brilliance spread rapidly, and in 1554 he assumed the position of auditor and lieutenant general of Naples. Shortly afterward, this exemplary young man came to the realization that he had a religious vocation and he was ordained to the Society of Jesus in 1567. He labored unstintingly, devoting himself to the service of the poor and the youth. He was sent to Lecce where he remained for the last forty-two years of his life. He won widespread recognition as a result of his ceaseless apostolic labors. He was a model confessor, a powerful preacher, a diligent teacher of the Faith to the young, a dedicated shepherd of souls, as well as Rector of the Jesuit college in Lecce and Superior of the Community there. His charity to the poor and the sick knew no bounds. So greatly was this saint loved and appreciated by his people that in 1616, as he lay on his death bed the city's magistrates formally requested that he should take the city under his protection. Unable to speak, St. Bernardino bowed his head. He died with the names of Jesus and Mary on his lips. His feast day is July 2nd.

Mark Your Calendar

July:

July 7: Festival Volunteer Meeting
 July 9 & 10: Festival
 July 7-11 NAM Convention

August:

August 2-6 Summer Bible School



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Stewardship

Weekend of June 19-20, 2010

Registered Families	170
Envelopes received this week	77
Weekly envelopes	\$ 1,977.00
Fuel	\$ 10.00
Loose and visitors	\$ 321.00
Total Sunday Collection	\$ 2,308.00
Second Collection	
Peter's Pence	\$ 275.00
National Shrine	\$ 10.00
Budgeted for June	\$ 17,000.00
Amount needed to meet June Budget	(\$ 9,359.00)



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