



# Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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**Weekly Bulletin**

**Sunday December 11, 2011– Sunday December 17, 2011**



## Talking to Your Children

Of course you talk to your children. But are they listening? And do you listen to them?

Tips to help parents improve communication with their children:

1. When they're little, do something with them daily. For older children, be available for conversation.
2. Asking, "Tell me something interesting you learned today" requires more than a one-word answer.
3. Teach respect. For instance, show them how to disagree without being verbally abusive.
4. Pay attention to their conversation. Make their friends welcome in your home.
5. Communicate with your son or daughter based on their interests and gifts.
6. Be encouraging. Stay positive and supportive. Building a happy home takes daily work.

May we always keep open the lines of communication, God, between ourselves and our children.

*Submitted by Deacon Marty*

### Clergy

Rev. Paul Tarabay, O.M.M.  
Deacon Martin Rachid  
Subdeacon Earl Matte  
The Maronite Order of the Blessed Virgin Mary

### Parish Leaders

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

### Parish Staff

Michelle Tennis - Secretary  
Pat Haley – Caterer  
Dan Bartos - Custodian

### Our Lady of Lebanon Office Hours

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

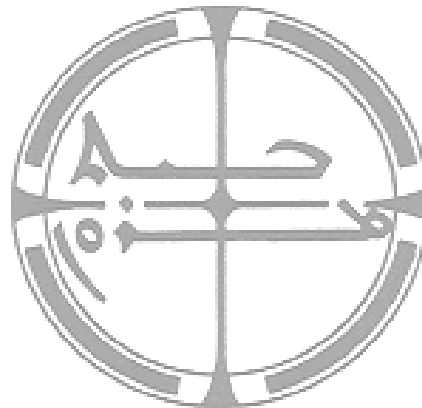
*Please pray for our sick and homebound Parishioners:*

Wanda Maroun



Dorothy Mattar  
Hanneh Chammas  
Sue Stubbert  
Joe Faris  
Ann Faris  
Helen Zerka  
Nadia Sob  
Patti Pollack  
Ron Delling

Anthony Mansour  
Hector & Rose Khoury  
Delore Shaker  
Ann David  
Helen Azzarello  
Patsy Joseph  
Fayez Zerka  
Bruce Lindhurst  
Eve Maroun  
Nina Rachid  
Agnes Torok  
Ophelia Polovina  
Ronda Kaufman  
Fouzi Zerka  
Zeidan Zerka



### Liturgy Schedule

Mon. – Wed. 9a.m.  
Friday 12noon  
Saturday 5p.m.  
Sunday 10a.m.

### Adoration and Rosary

Friday 11:00a.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 December 11<sup>th</sup>: Revelation to Joseph

**10A.M.:** (Eph 3:1-13, Mt 1:18-25) Erik Lindhurst

- Rep. Norm Weissert by Yvonne & Family
- Rep. Nouhad Badr by Jason & Joumana Klanseck
- Rep. Yakoop Disho & Shmoni Poulis by Sam & Samira Kalo

### MONDAY 12: St. Spyridon the Wonderworker, Confessor

- Int. Nina Rachid by Robert & Nawal Gebrael

### TUESDAY 13: St. Lucy

- Rep. Josie Knight by John and Helen Williams

### WEDNESDAY 14: St. Nemtallah El-Hardini, Confessor

- Rep. Thomas Alex by Yvonne Weissert

### THURSDAY 15: St. Mary Di Rosa

NO MASS

### FRIDAY 16: St. Ado of Vienne

- Deceased members of the James & Terese Manoharan Family by James & Terese Manoharan

### SATURDAY 17: St. Olympias

**1:00P.M. MASS**

- Rep. Nouhad Badr (40 day) by Family

**5:00P.M. MASS**

- Rep. Nejme Tanious Deek by Hector & Rose Khoury

### SUNDAY December 18<sup>th</sup>: Genealogy Sunday

**10A.M.:** (Rom 1-12, Mt. 1:1-17) Diane Massad

- Rep. Nouhad Badr by Josef & Mona Massoud
- Rep. Samir Deeb (40 day) by Family
- Rep. Violette Naffah by Najib & Sirham Massaad

### SATURDAY: December 24<sup>th</sup>: Christmas Eve 6:00 PM

- Int. of all Parishioners

### SUNDAY December 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day 12 MIDNIGHT:

**10A.M.:** (Rom 1:1-12, Mt 1:1-17) Clergy

- Int. of all Parishioners



### Condolences

We wish to extend our condolences to the following parishioners and their families who recently lost loved ones.

**Imad & Fatin Dakki:** Fatin's aunt, Sister Moubaraka Sleiman Beto : passed away Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup> in Iraq.

**Blanche Alex:** Blanche's brother Ralph Albert passed away Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> in Oklahoma.

**Jeana Rossie-Miller and Marcus Rossie:** whose aunt, Yvonne Hamilton passed away Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>.

Please keep all of the departed and their families in your thoughts and prayers. May their families take comfort in the fact that those who die still live in God's presence, and that their lives change but do not end.

*May God have mercy on all of our dearly departed and may He bring them to rejoice with Him in everlasting life.*

## Announcements:



### Christmas Decoration Collection

The Altar Society will be taking up collections for holiday decorations after liturgy this weekend. Anyone wishing to make donations outside of this collection can contact Cindy Shaheen or Sharon Griffiths.



### Lectors Needed

We are looking for volunteers to read the Epistles in Arabic at Sunday Masses. If you would be interested in helping out with this, please contact the parish office at 732-2370.



### MYO Parent Meeting

Johnny Solomon, Noha Zerka and Father Paul have scheduled a meeting for Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM for **all parents** of members of our MYO. Please put this date on your calendar and be sure to attend.



### Cancellation Church Cleaning

As several people have come in to clean the church this past week, the Altar Society will not need to come in and clean the church next Saturday.



### Christmas Novena

The Christmas Novena will begin on Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 6PM. Confessions will be heard for ½ hour before and after the 6:00PM service. Please take advantage of this opportunity to prepare your souls for the coming of Jesus.



### 40 Day Mass

Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00PM there will be a 40 day mass for Nouhad Badr, the mother of John Badr. Any parishioners wishing to attend this service, are welcome.



### Blessing of Homes

Fr. Paul will be blessing homes after the feast of the Epiphany from Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> to Jan. 16<sup>th</sup> There is a list of parish household outside the church. Be sure to check your name if you would like Abouna to come and bless your home. Also, please provide the best day and the daytime phone number where you can be reached.



### Thanks

We would like to thank all of our family and friends at Our Lady of Lebanon Church for your prayers, cards, masses and support after Fouzi's accident this fall. Fouzi is improving but is still experiencing difficulty sitting. We appreciate all you have done and hope you will continue to keep us in your prayers.

*Fouzi & Eliane Zerka*



### Adult Conversion Classes

We will be offering classes for anyone wishing to become a Maronite Catholic starting in of January 2012. These classes would last approximately six weeks. Anyone interested in attending should contact Deacon Marty. If we get enough candidates, we can set the time and date the classes will start



### New Year's

Plans are underway for this year's New Year's Eve Party. Colette Rizk, Shouky Zerka, and Jason Klanseck will be handling details for the event. If you would like more information concerning this party, please contact one of these individuals.



**Don't forget!!** Our Lady of Lebanon Church will be hosting Breakfast with Santa after 10:00AM mass Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>.

Santa will be here to have breakfast with the children

and have his picture taken with them.

We will be selling fresh made Zaatar, Cheese Bread and Knafeh for breakfast that morning as well.

If you would like to buy extra Zaatar or Cheese Bread to take home, you can order it in advance by calling Ahlam Solomon at 659-6797 or 449-1504.



## 2011-2012 Parish Council Elections

Parish Council Elections were held last weekend to fill four vacancies on our Parish Council. We would like to congratulate the following individuals who were elected to the council.

Vikki Bayeh-Haley  
Elias Chammas  
Erik Lindhurt  
Lily Pavlovich

The above members will begin their terms on the Parish Council at our first meeting in January. I would like to thank everyone who ran for office this year as well as all of our council members for their hard work and dedication to our parish. I especially wish to thank our outgoing members, Joan Armbruster, Colette Rizk and Lewis Walterhouse for their dedication and service.

*Abouna Paul*

### MYA Holiday Food Drive



Thank you to everyone who has donated food and cash to support our holiday gift giving efforts.

Ursula Kadadu and the MYA of Our Lady of Lebanon will be filling twenty Christmas baskets for children of the Greater Boys and Girls Club of Flint.

These baskets will be delivered the week before Christmas. Deacon Marty will be delivering food and gift certificates to an additional four families with children in the Hurley Hospital Cancer Ward at the same time.

Ursula is still working on completing her baskets. She is looking for gloves, hats and mittens for both adults and children that can be added to the baskets as well as any non-perishable items you have available. These can be dropped off at the church office or left in the box in the Narthex.

*"We make a living by what we get; we make a life by what we give."*

-Winston Churchill-

### Holiday Devotion Schedule



#### Christmas Novena

Thursday Dec. 15-through Friday Dec. 23:  
6:00PM Devotions  
(Confession 1/2 hour before and after services)

#### Christmas

Saturday Dec. 24: Mass 6:00PM  
Mass 12:00 Midni

Sunday Dec. 25: Mass 10:00AM

#### New Year's

Saturday Dec. 31: Mass 6:00PM  
Sunday Jan. 1: Mass 12:00 Noon

#### Epiphany

(Holy Day of Obligation)

Thursday Jan 5: Mass 6:00PM  
Friday Jan 6: Masses 9:00AM & 6:00PM



### Mark Your Calendar

#### December:

Dec. 13: MYO Parent Meeting  
Dec. 15: Christmas Novena  
Dec. 18: Breakfast with Santa  
Dec. 31: New Year's Party



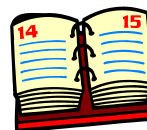
### Altar Servers Schedule

December 18: Team 1  
December 25: All Servers

### Ushers Schedules

December 18: Team 3  
December 25: Team 1

**Church Cleaning**  
**December: Sawson Kalo**





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## Stewardship

*Weekend Dec.3 – Dec. 4, 2011*

### Weekly Envelopes

Distributed	170
Received	75
Weekly envelopes	\$ 1,918.00
Online Donations	\$ 105.00
Fuel	\$ 215.00
Loose	\$ 86.00
<b>Total Sunday Collection</b>	<b>\$ 2,324.00</b>

### Second Collection

Christmas Appeal	\$ 285.00
Budgeted for December	\$ 15,000.00

**Amount needed for Dec. (\$12,676.00)**



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