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Weekly Bulletin

Sunday March 27, 2011– Sunday April 3, 2011



Attitude Adjustments

A person's attitude is not set; it's a choice. The way we think determines our attitudes, and that a daily evaluation of one's thinking and overall attitude is in order.

If you take responsibility for your attitude – recognizing that it can change how you live, managing it every day, and cultivating and developing positive thoughts and habits, then you can make your attitude your greatest asset.

It can become the difference maker in your life, opening doors and helping you overcome great obstacles.

So every day, in every way, think – and you'll be – **POSITIVE**.

“God chose to make known ... the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. (Colossians 2:27)

Fill me with hope, Lord, that I may live joyfully.

Submitted by Deacon Marty

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.
Cindy Shaheen – Altar Society
Jeanette Walterhouse –
Morningstar Society

Our Lady of Lebanon Office Hours

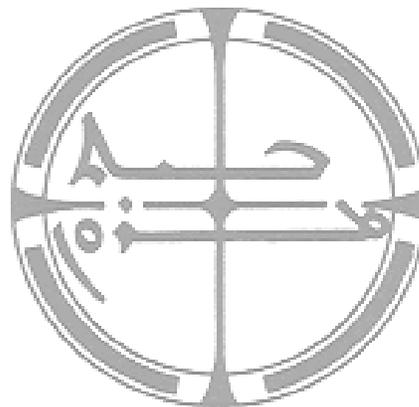
Monday thru Friday
10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Please pray for our sick and homebound Parishioners:



Michelle Garey
Albert Karram
Hanneh Chammas
Duane Gardner
Joe Faris
Ann Faris
Helen Zerka
Nadia Sob
Wanda Maroun
Sue Stubbert

Eliane Zerka
Hector & Rose Khoury
Delore Shaker
Amy Burke
Helen Azzarello
Patsy Joseph
Fayez Zerka
Bruce Lindhurst
Eve Maroun
Michel Farah
Agnes Torok
Ophelia Polovina
Ann David
Dorothy Mattar



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 March 27th: The Parable of the Prodigal Son

- 10A.M: (2Cor:13:5-13, Lk 15:11-32) David Allen
- Rep. Paul (Hap) Maroun by Yvonne Weissert
 - Int. Albert Karram by Choir
 - Khaled, Geryes, Elias, Moussa, Helwa, Badiah, Julia, Haleneh, & Raffleh by Jamil Sahouri & Family

MONDAY 28: St. Venturino of Bergamo

- Int. Eliane Zerka by Bob & Sharon Griffiths

TUESDAY 29: St. Cyril of Baalbek, Martyr

Mass 6:00PM

- Rep. Linda Macksood by Phil & Marie Faris

WEDNESDAY 30: St. John Climacus, Confessor

- Reprs. Adam Russell & Eugene Fodor by Dennis Ferrara

THURSDAY 31: St. Benjamin

- No Mass

FRIDAY April 1: St. Mary the Egyptian

Mass 5:30 PM

- Rep. Jann Alex by Lewis & Jeanette Walterhouse

SATURDAY 2: St. Francis of Paola

- Rep. Margaret Okal by Michael & Mary Szedlak

SUNDAY April 3rd: Healing of the Paralytic

- 10A.M: (1Tim 5:24-6:5, Mk 2:1:12) MYO
- Rep. Peter Joubran by Family
 - Int. Father Hanna Tayar by Choir
 - Reprs. Hawa & Dahous Elbayeh by Jamil Hasna Ghantous

SUNDAY April 10th: Healing of the Blind Man

- 10A.M: (2Cor 10:1-7, Mk 10:46-52) Daniel Allen
- Rep. Adam by Aziz & Diane Massad
 - Int. Duane Gardner by Choir
 - Rep. Hanna Rizk by Jeanette Raad

Altar Servers Schedule:

April 3: Team 2
April 10: Team 3

Ushers Schedules

April 3: Team 2
April 10: Team 3

Church Cleaning April Aida Hayek

Coffee & Donuts March

Coffee: Mon Shaheen
Donut Pick-up: Najib Massaad



Attitudes are contagious. Are yours worth catching?

~Dennis and Wendy Mannering

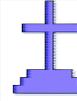
Announcements:



Bible Study

Please join us for **Mass at 6:00pm on Tuesdays** to be followed by our weekly **Bible Study** classes at **7:00pm**. This schedule will continue throughout Lent. The theme for Tuesday, March 22nd is "Dependence on Providence" and the reading for the evening is **Luke 12:22-34**.

Scripture is the lens through which we see all of life!



Adoration of the Cross

Mass will be held at **5:30 pm on Fridays** followed by **Adoration of the Cross at 6:00 pm** during Lent. Please come and take advantage of this opportunity to worship. Note that there will be no morning adoration or Mass on Fridays until after Lent. Services will be followed by family dinner provided by the parishioners.

On Friday, April 8th, the MYO will provide a pasta dinner prepared by the youths



MYO

The MYO will meet Friday, April 1st at 6:00pm.



Easter Food Drive

We are still in need of donations for to our food pantry. Easter is fast approaching, and the shelves in our food pantry are not yet full. Please deposit non-perishable food items in the collection box in the Narthex. Let's share what we are giving up for Lent with others!



Annual Eparchial Appeal.

Envelopes went out this week to all parishioners for the annual Eparchial Appeal. As stated in the letter from the Eparchy, this collection helps to fund many of the Eparchy's special needs such as missions, the seminary and educational materials. There has been some question about the difference between the **Annual Eparchial Appeal** envelopes and quarterly envelopes for the **Eparchial Assessment**. Each year, the Eparchy assesses our parish \$16,000 to help pay the operating costs of the Eparchy. Your quarterly donation for the **Eparchial Assessment** is used by our church to cover a portion of this assessment. The funds for the **Annual Eparchial Appeal** go directly to the Eparchy for their use.



Congratulations

Congratulations to Michael & Nada Tiong on the birth of their son, Noah Michael Tiong, Friday, March 4th. Our best wishes and prayers are with the family on this joyous occasion.

MYO Friday Dinner



The youths of the MYO from Our Lady of Lebanon provided the parish with a falafel dinner Friday, March 18th. The young people helped in preparing and serving the food as well as taking care of the clean up. The MYO will be providing a pasta dinner on Friday, April 8th after Mass and Adoration of the Cross. We hope that as many parishioners as possible will come that evening and support these young people in their fundraising efforts.



Every thought is a seed. If you plant crab apples, don't count on harvesting Golden Delicious.
~Bill Meyer



St. John Climacus

(John of the Ladder)

Feastday: March 30

St. John Climacus, also known as John of the Ladder was born in Syria, about 525; and died on Mount Sinai on March 30th, probably in 605 or 606. Although his education and learning fitted him to live in an intellectual environment, he chose, while still young, to abandon the world for a life of solitude. The region of Mount Sinai was then celebrated for the holiness of the monks who inhabited it; he went there and trained himself to the practice of the Christian virtues under the direction of a monk named Martyrius. After the death of Martyrius, John withdrew to a hermitage at the foot of the mountain. He lived in isolation for some twenty years, constantly studying the lives of the saints and thus becoming one of the most learned doctors of the Church.

In 600, when he was about seventy-five years of age, the monks of Sinai persuaded him to put himself at their head. As abbot he showed great wisdom, and his reputation spread so far that the Pope St. Gregory the Great wrote to recommend himself to his prayers, and sent him a sum of money for the hospital of Sinai, where the pilgrims went to lodge. Four years later he resigned his charge and returned to his hermitage to prepare for death.

John received his nickname from his writing "The *Ladder*" which describes how to raise one's soul and body to God through the acquisition of ascetic virtues. He uses the analogy of Jacob's Ladder as the framework for his spiritual teaching. Each chapter is referred to as a "step", and deals with a separate spiritual subject. There are thirty Steps of the ladder, which correspond to the age of Jesus at his baptism and the beginning of his earthly ministry. The first seven Steps concern general virtues necessary for the ascetic life, while the next nineteen give instruction on overcoming vices and building their corresponding virtues. The final four Steps concern the higher virtues toward which the ascetic life aims. The final rung of the ladder - is love. Originally written simply for the monks of a neighboring monastery, the *Ladder* swiftly became one of the most widely read and much-beloved books of Byzantine spirituality. This book is one of the most widely-read among Orthodox Christians, especially during the season of Great Lent

<http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/08457a.htm>

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_Climacus



Lenten Prayer for Spiritual Renewal

God, heavenly Father, look upon me and hear my prayer during this holy Season of Lent. By the good works You inspire, help me to discipline my body and to be renewed in spirit. Nourish me with Your Word of life and make me one with You in love and prayer.

Amen

Mark Your Calendar

April

- Apr. 13 & 16: Altar Society Bake Sale
- Apr. 16: Church Cleaning
- Apr. 17: Palm Sunday
- Apr. 24: Easter



Excellence is not a skill. It is an attitude!



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Stewardship

Weekend March 19-20, 2011

Envelopes Distributed	170
Weekly Envelopes received	87
Weekly envelopes	\$ 2,451.00
Fuel	\$ 55.00
Eparchial Assessment	\$ 50.00
Online Donation	\$ 275.00
Loose	\$ 224.00
Total Sunday Collection	\$ 3,055.00
Second Collection	\$ -0-
Budgeted for March	\$ 18,000.00
Amount needed to meet March Budget	(\$ 9,119.00)



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