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Weekly Bulletin

Sunday October 30, 2011– Sunday November 6, 2011

FORGIVE THEM

Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."
Luke 23:34



Freedom to Forgive

"Forgive and forget" may be a time-honored cliché, but the idea of truly forgiving and forgetting a hurt is largely unrealistic, says Sandra Lamb, in Family Circle magazine.

Experts she consulted said true forgiveness requires an enormous amount of patience as well as a commitment to resolve the conflict or issue. It does not require excusing or condoning offensive behavior, nor does it indicate weakness.

On the contrary, Dr. Robert Enright, an educational psychologist at the University of Wisconsin, calls forgiveness a great act of courage.

Interestingly, Lamb notes that it is possible to resolve grudges even if the offender does not acknowledge the offenses. She points out that the act of forgiveness itself benefits both the person who is forgiven and the person who forgives

Choose to forgive and ask to be forgiven.

Holy Spirit, help me not to waste time and energy brooding over offenses.

Submitted by Deacon Marty

Clergy

Rev. Paul Tarabay
Deacon Martin Rachid
Subdeacon Earl Matte

Parish Leaders

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

Parish Staff

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

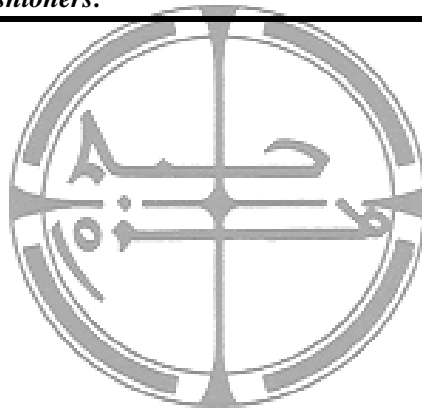
Our Lady of Lebanon Office Hours

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

Please pray for our sick and homebound Parishioners:



Hector & Rose Khoury
Delore Shaker
Ann David
Helen Azzarello
Wanda Maroun
Fayez Zerka
Bruce Lindhurst
Eve Maroun
Nina Rachid
Agnes Torok
Ophelia Polovina
Ronda Kaufman
Fouzi Zerka
Patsy Joseph
Dorothy Mattar
Hanneh Chammas
Sue Stubbett
Joe Faris
Ann Faris
Helen Zerka
Nadia Sob
Patti Pollack
Aryielle Dyer-Stone



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 October 30th: Sunday of Christ the King

10A.M.: (Rom 12:9-21, Mt 25:31-46) Elias Chammas

- Rep. Josie Knight by Duane & Dee Gardner
- Rep. Violette Naffah by George & Virginia Rizk
- Rep. Bishop George Kwaitey by Francis & Salwa Haddad

MONDAY 31: St. Wolfgang

- Rep. Louise Macksood by Chuck Solomon

TUESDAY November 1: All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation) Mass 9:00 am & 6:00 pm

- Int. Fayez Zerka Yakooop & Nahla Easi

WEDNESDAY 2: All Souls Day

- Deceased Members of the Zogheib & Hayek families by the family

THURSDAY 3: St. Risha, Confessor

No Mass

FRIDAY 4: St. Charles Borromeo

- Rep. Mark Grab by Pat & Vikki Haley

SATURDAY 5: St. Asia the Righteous, Confessor

- Rep. Jean Rossie by Fouzi Zerka & Family

SUNDAY November 6th: Consecration of the Church

10A.M.: (Heb 9:1-12, Mt 16:13-20) MYO

- Rep. Msgr. Beshara by Altar Society
- Rep. Violette Naffah by Frances & Salwa Haddad
- Int. Nina Rachid by Choir

SUNDAY November 13th: Announcement to Zechariah

10A.M.: (Rom 4:13-25, Lk 1:1-25) Ferris Anthony

- Rep. Violette Naffah by Fouzi & Eliane Zerka
- Int. Sue Rasak by Choir
- Rep. Esther Blahed (1yr) Yakooop & Nahla Easi



To my dearest friends and family at Our Lady of Lebanon Church:

Words cannot express my emotions on receiving your outpouring of cards, gifts and best wishes last Sunday. I am deeply touched by your kindness and generosity. As I leave for Lebanon, I truly feel I am leaving behind a part of my life and a family that I have shared that life with for the last three years. I hope that each of you will keep me in your hearts and prayers in the years to come. You know that I will have you in mine daily.

I hope to be able to return and visit you soon if God is willing. I also hope that all of you will work together to continue the goals we have set for our parish and will support your new pastor Father Paul in all that he works to accomplish just as you supported me and Father Jihad before me.

May God Bless you and Keep You.

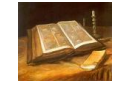
God Loves You and So Do I.
Abouna Hanna

Announcements:



Masses

This Tuesday is the Feast of All Saints. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be held at 9:00 am & 6:00 pm.



Bible Study Classes

Please join us in our next Announcement Season Bible Study class. This will be held Tuesday, Nov. 1st after mass. The classes are held in the library. The reading for this coming Tuesday is **John 2:1-11**.

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



Altar Society

The Altar Society will meet Wednesday November 2nd at 6:00 pm.



Stewardship/Parish Council Meetings

As next Monday is October 31st and Halloween, November's Stewardship Committee Meeting will be held on Monday November 7th and the Parish Council Meeting will be held Tuesday November 8th



Corrected Address for Fr. Tayar

Fr. Hanna TAYAR
Monastery N.D. Louaize
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Zouk-Mosbeh, Lebanon

Or email him at: abounapilot@hotmail.com



Condolences

we wish to extend our condolences to Hikmat and Deborah Karyakose on the death of Hikmat's aunt, Sandra Robinson of Swartz Creek, MI. Sandra passed away Monday, October 24th. Please keep the Karyakose family in your thoughts and prayers

You have pain now; but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you. John 16.22

Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?" Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy times seven.

Mat 18:21-22

Altar Servers Schedule:

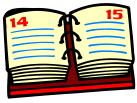
November 6: Team 1
November 13: Team 2

Ushers Schedules

November 6: Team 3/MYO
November 13: Team 1

Church Cleaning October:

Eva Massoud



Mark Your Calendar

November:

Nov. 1 : Bible Study (After Mass)

December:

Dec. 4: Organizational Christmas Party

Dec. 31: New Year's Party



Welcome to Abouna Paul & Farewell to Abouna Hanna



Thank you to all of our parishioners and parish friends who came out to say farewell to Father Hanna and welcome Father Paul last Sunday. We would like to thank the members of the parish council who worked so hard organizing the evening. We also wish to thank the ladies of the parish who provided desserts, salads and horderves and spent Sunday afternoon decorating the hall.



All Saints Day - November 1st

Christians have been honoring their saints and martyrs since at least the second century AD. Every day in the Church calendar has a saint day, but the Solemnity of All Saints is when the Church honors all saints, known and unknown. This is much like the American holidays Veterans Day and Presidents Day, where many people are honored on one day.

While we have information about many saints, and we honor them on specific days, there are many unknown or unsung saints, who may have been forgotten, or never been specifically honored. On All Saints Day, we celebrate these saints of the Lord, and ask for their prayers and intercessions.

The whole concept of All Saints Day is tied in with the concept of the Communion of Saints. This is the belief that all of God's people, on heaven, earth, and in the state of purification (called *Purgatory* in the West), are connected in a communion. In other words, Catholic and Orthodox Christians believe that the saints of God are just as alive as you and I, and are constantly interceding on our behalf. Remember, our connection with the saints in heaven is one grounded in a tight-knit *communion*.

The saints are not divine, nor omnipresent or omniscient. However, because of our common communion with and through Jesus Christ, our prayers are joined with the heavenly community of Christians.

<http://www.churchyear.net/allsaints.html>

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Stewardship

Weekend Oct. 22 – Oct. 23, 2011

Weekly Envelopes

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| Distributed | 170 |
| Received | 81 |
| Weekly envelopes | \$ 2,334.00 |
| Online Donations | \$ 275.00 |
| Loose | <u>\$ 123.00</u> |
| Total Sunday Collection | \$ 2,732.00 |

Second Collection

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| World Mission Sunday | \$ 10.00 |
| Budgeted for October | \$ 16,000 .00 |
| Amount needed for Oct. | (\$4,259.00) |



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