

MCF (Maronite Christian Formation)
Classes are held every **Saturday at 3:30 pm.**
Please have your children attend weekly

PIONEERS OF MARY
Meetings will be held every Sunday at 5:30 PM.
Kids in grades 7 through 12 are invited to join.

MYA MEETING - will be held on May 3, 2015 at 7:30 PM at the Source in Allentown. Everyone ages 18 to 35 years old is invited to attend.

PARISH ORGANISTS: Patty Boulous, Paul Boulous PASTORAL COUNCIL: President: Naomi Karam-Koerwitz Vice-President: Maynard Melhem Secretary: Rhonda Elias George Baurkot, Esq. Roseann Joseph, Esq. Patty Boulous Alex Karam, Jr., Esq. Abe Kassis, Esq. <i>Heritage Day Chairperson:</i> Steve Koorie <i>Financial Controller:</i> Ferris Koorie	BINGO COMMITTEE	Eva Farhat, Patty Boulous, Anthony Koury, Jr
	MCF COORDINATOR	Deanna Baurkot
	ST. THERESA SODALITY	Rosemary Canone
	HOLY NAME SOCIETY	David Elias
	MYA	Leila Karam / Isaac Jabbour
	CHOIR DIRECTOR	Patty Boulous
	MYO/PIONEERS	Antoinette Elias
	ARABIC CLASSES	Yasmine Karam

CONFESSIONS: SUNDAY: 9:20 am to 9:45 am (before mass) SATURDAY: 4:00 pm to 4:40 pm (before mass) Also Available by Appointment	BAPTISMS: Please Call The Parish Rectory (non-parishioners sponsors must provide a certificate from their Catholic church)
OCTOBER TO MAY Arabic Classes: Friday 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Religious Education: Saturday 3:30 pm - 4:45 pm	MARRIAGES: Please Notify The Pastor At Least 6 Months Ahead of Time

Mission Statement Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church has been a fixture in the Easton, Pennsylvania community for over 75 years. Our parish is entrusted with the care and guardianship of all Maronite Catholics in the Lehigh Valley area, as well anyone who wishes to join our community. We are charged with the preservation of the faith, traditions and heritage of the Maronite Catholic Rite through the teachings of Jesus Christ and the doctrines of the Roman Catholic Church. As Maronite Catholics, our mission is to share the spirituality and Liturgy, the treasures of our Eastern heritage, our culture, family ethics and traditions, with all our brothers and sisters in the Lehigh Valley. While promoting the Christian faith, we are called to reach out with compassion to the less fortunate and the needy in our society, especially through our charitable work in the community. All are welcome to join us in worship and in our way of life, as humble servants seeking to glorify our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and live by his eternal life giving commandments.



Week 16 -18 2015

OUR LADY OF LEBANON MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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April 18 - May 3, 2015

THIRD SUNDAY OF RESURRECTION

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CLERGY

Father Simon El Hajj, Pastor
Deacon Anthony Koury

OFFICE VOLUNTEER:

Claire Willard

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM
No office hours or Liturgy on Fridays.

LITURGY: Saturdays: 5:00 PM
Sundays: 10:00 AM

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The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke 24:13-35.

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them,

‘What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?’ They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, ‘Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?’

He asked them, ‘What things?’ They replied, ‘The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him.

But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a

vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said;

but they did not see him.’ Then he said to them, ‘Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared!

Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?’ Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, ‘Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.’ So he went in to stay with them.

When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, ‘Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?’ That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together.

They were saying, ‘The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!’ Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

WEEKEND of APR 18 - APR 19 *3rd Sunday of Resurrection*****

Saturday, Apr 18 - 5:00 PM - George and John Boulos by Lorraine Boulos & Family

Sunday, Apr 19 - 10:00 AM - Toufic & Chafika Abou Jaoude, Sofia Azzi Abou Jaoude & all deceased members of the Abou Jaoude Family by The Family - Coffee & cake to follow

Monday	Apr 20	6:00 pm	Barbara Kassis by Charlene Loprete
Tuesday	Apr 21	6:00 pm	Cheffie Melhem by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Russack
Wednesday	Apr 22	6:00 pm	Georgette Ciambrone by Mr. & Mrs. Greg Piagesi & Son
Thursday	Apr 23	6:00 pm	Edward Geosits by Aline Saba

WEEKEND of APR 25 - APR 26 *4th Sunday of Resurrection*****

Saturday, Apr 25 - 5:00 PM - Anthony Symia (Anniversary) by Children & Grandchildren

Sunday, Apr 26 - 10:00 AM - Doura Anthony (1st Anniversary) by Canon Anthony & Family. Coffee & cake to follow

Sunday, Apr 26 - 6:00 PM - Antonios Samia by Daoun Boulos & Family. Coffee and cake to follow.


2nd COLLECTION APRIL 26, 2015 - CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Monday	Apr 27	6:00 pm	Mike Stevens by Dr. & Mrs. Elias Isaac (rescheduled)
Tuesday	Apr 28	6:00 pm	John Boulos by Mr. & Mrs. George Baurkot
Wednesday	Apr 29	6:00 pm	George Jabbour by Mrs. Joan Daniel
Thursday	Apr 30	6:00 pm	Joey Jabeir by Mr. & Mrs. Donald Solomon

WEEKEND of May 2 - May 3 *5th Sunday of Resurrection* - Our Lady of Lebanon*****

Saturday, May 2 - 5:00 PM Mary Simon (1st Anniversary) by the Family

Sunday, May 3 - 10:00 AM - First Holy Communicants



On Sunday, May 3rd at 10:00 am, our children will receive their First Communion in OLOL church.
A coffee hour will take place after the Mass to honor all the First Communion children.


LECTORS	
Saturday, Apr 18	Boulos Family
Sunday, Apr 19	Abou Jaoude Family
Saturday, Apr 25	Symia Family
Sunday, Apr 26	Anthony Family
Saturday, May 2	Simon Family
Sunday, May 3	First Holy Communion Class

SCRIPTURE READINGS

3rd Sunday of Resurrection
2 Tim 2:8-13 / Lk 24:13-35

4th Sunday of Resurrection
Heb 13:18-25 / Jn 21:1-14

5th Sunday of Resurrection
Eph 2:1-10 / Jn 21:15-19



2015 SCHOLARSHIPS

ST. THERESA SODALITY - Available to college & high school students


HOLY NAME - Available to High School Students only

VICTOR M. & ADELINE T. KARAM SCHOLARSHIP - Available to high school students only - please go online for requirements.

High School seniors and full time College students are eligible to apply for these scholarships. The requirements to be considered are as follows:

- A. Scholarship application.
- B. An official document or transcript showing most recent GPA and/or class rank.
- C. A copy of an acceptance letter from a college or documentation (bills, grades, etc) from college that you are currently attending
- D. A personal statement.

Scholarship recipients will be chosen by grades, financial need and parish participation. Applications can be found online at oleleaston.org.
Deadline for submission is June 1, 2015. Please contact officers with any questions.






SAVE THE DATES! Mark your calendars! This year's Vacation Bible School (VBS) Program will be held **July 20 - 24, 2015.**

We hope to see you there!

HOUSE OF GOD


When attending the Liturgy please respect God who created your body.



MONTH OF MAY


We will be honoring the Blessed Mother during the entire month of May by praying the Rosary 20 minutes before each Liturgy, and Benediction of the Blessed Mother will take place immediately following each Liturgy.

Please join us in praying to Our Lady for peace everywhere.



Mark your calendars for the 52nd Annual Maronite Convention on July 1st through July 5th in Cleveland, OH.

Go online at www.namnews.org for deadlines and registration details.

	BINGO	FLOOR	KITCHEN
	Apr 21	Rosie Canone, Marta Gabriel, Sharon John	Naomi Shiner, Noelle Richardson
	Apr 28	Labeebe Buesing, Dee Dee Ellwood	Jawhara Karam, Rosann Constantine
	May 5	Mike Boulos	Violine Karam

CONDOLENCES



Our heartfelt sympathy to the families of

Jamel DeRaymond
Virginia Solomon (Providence)
Antonios Samia (Lebanon)

May their souls rest in eternal peace.

St. Maron's Hafli

Will be held at our Lady of Lebanon Church Hall on

Saturday, April 25, 2015

Doors will open at 6:30 PM.

Appetizers will be available from 6:30 pm to 7:15 pm.

A short program will begin at 7:15 followed by a dinner buffet.

Entertainment will be provided by

Ayad Attallah

LEBANESE CITIZENSHIP REGISTRY

Please contact the parish office for information on registering in Lebanon at 610-252-5275

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Did you know...

...Maronite men in the East can marry before they become priest?