

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

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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 15-17 2015

OUR LADY OF LEBANON MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

54 South 4th Street, Easton, PA 18042

PH: 610-252-5275



April 11- April 26

NEW SUNDAY DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Email: abouna@ololeaston.org

Website: ololeaston.org



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 John 20:26-31.

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.'

Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.'

Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!'

Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book.

But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

HOLY NAME/ST. THERESA SODALITY SCHOLARSHIPS

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

- Scholarship application.
- An official high school document or transcript showing most recent GPA and/or class rank.
- A copy of an acceptance letter from a college or university
- A personal statement.

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



WEEKEND of APR 11 - APR 12 *NEW SUNDAY (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)*****

Saturday, Apr 11 - 5:00 PM - Elias & Anna Shumar by Maureen Geosits & Renee Carrigan
Joey Jabeir (2nd Anniversary) by the Family

Sunday, Apr 12 - 10:00 AM - Amira Moussa (Anniversary) by the Family - Coffee and cake to follow.

Monday	Apr 13	6:00 pm	Edward Joseph by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Jabbour
Tuesday	Apr 14	6:00 pm	Peter Karam by Dr. Joseph Schiavone
Wednesday	Apr 15	6:00 pm	Jamel DeRaymond by the St. Theresa Sodality
Thursday	Apr 16	6:00 pm	Louis Joseph by Canon Anthony & Family

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 - Available


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 Ciambone 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

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



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 1st Communion children.


LECTORS	
Saturday, Apr 11	Family
Sunday, Apr 12	Moussa Family
Saturday, Apr 18	Boulos Family
Sunday, Apr 19	TBD
Saturday, Apr 25	Symia Family
Sunday, Apr 26	Anthony Family

SCRIPTURE READINGS

New Sunday
2 Cor 5:11-21 / Jn 20:26-31

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



Annual Lenten Appeal

The Annual Lenten Appeal for the Eparchy of St. Maron Brooklyn is now complete.
Your offerings totaled **\$2,867.00**
Thank you for your generosity!
Fr. Simon

NAM AWARENESS - will take place on Sunday, April 12th in the church hall after Mass. Membership is the "life blood" of NAM. A significant portion of NAM's budget comes from membership dues, so your official membership is crucial to NAM's service to the Maronite Church. In addition to the financial assistance it offers, your personal commitment to our service is an affirming sign of support and acknowledgment of the significance and importance of the apostolate's work. This is your apostolate and it serves as your LINK to the greater Maronite Church of the USA from cities & parishes all over the country .

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

MONK SOUP SALE

Thank you to everyone who purchased, donated or helped in any way to make this year's Monk Soup Sale a success. Thanks to your generosity we were able to donate **\$1,039** toward First Holy Communion class expenses.

LEBANESE CITIZENSHIP REGISTRY

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

VESTMENTS

Thank you to Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Moussa for their generous contribution of new white and gold vestments for the Season of Resurrection. They were donated in memory of Yasmine Moussa & Kamel Melhem. May God reward your generosity!



Vacation Bible School (VBS) a planning meeting will take place on Tuesday, April 14, at 6:30 pm in the church hall. Anyone interested in helping to plan this event is encouraged to attend. Contact Antoinette Elias for more information: 610-703-9724.

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!

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Did you know...
...the Maronites have always been a Marian Church? Maronites have a special donation which is most evident in our Liturgical celebrations, to our Blessed Mother?

ST THERESA SODALITY MEETING
Wednesday, April 15th after 6:00 PM Liturgy. Call 610-905-6209 for transportation.

2015 Easter Lilies - Thank You! (Additional Contributors)

Joseph Melhem & Myriam El Kaddis	Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Melhem
All our Beloved Deceased	Deacon & Mrs. Anthony Koury
Manor & Josephine Melhem, Andrew & Mary Baka	John & Frances Melhem
For private intention	Fadi & Asmahan El Helou

BINGO	FLOOR	KITCHEN
Apr 14	Volunteers	Susie Karam
Apr 21	Rosie Canone, Marta Gabriel, Sharon John	Naomi Shiner, Noelle Richardson
Apr 28	Labeebe Buesing, Dee Dee Ellwood	Jawhara Karam, Rosann Constantine