

MCF Classes - Maronite Christian Formation
Have a blessed and fun filled summer.
See You in October!

PIONEERS OF MARY
Next Meeting - June 7th, 5:30 PM in the church hall.
MYO National Retreat- Contact Fr. Simon for details.

MYA MEETING will be held on Sunday June 7th at 7:30 pm in the church hall.
All parishioners 18 to 35 are invited to attend.

FESTIVAL

Taste of Lebanon - Our Lady of Lebanon Church in Waterbury, Ct is holding their Annual Festival on Friday, June 12 from 6:00 pm to midnight and Saturday, June 13th from 12:00 pm to midnight. Parishioners are invited to share their food, music and heritage. For details contact ourladywaterbury@gmail.com.

PARISH ORGANISTS:
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ST. THERESA SODALITY	Rosemary Canone
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MYA	Leila Karam / Isaac Jabbour
CHOIR DIRECTOR	Patty Boulous
MYO/PIONEERS	Antoinette Elias/Keene Jabbour
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 21 -23, 2015

OUR LADY OF LEBANON MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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May 23 - Jun 7, 2015

PENTECOST SUNDAY



CLERGY
Father Simon El Hajj, Pastor
Deacon Anthony Koury

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 14:15-20.**

‘If you love me, you will keep my commandments.
And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate,
to be with you for ever.
This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because
it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides
with you, and he will be in you.
‘I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you.
In a little while the world will no longer see me,
but you will see me; because I live, you also will live.
On that day you will know that I am in my Father,
and you in me, and I in you.

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Oh Holy Spirit, You are the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity. You are the Spirit of truth, love and holiness, proceeding from the Father and the Son, and equal to Them in all things. I adore You and love You with all my heart. Teach me to know and to seek God, by whom and for whom I was created. Fill my heart with a holy fear and a great love for Him. Give me compunction and patience, and do not let me fall into sin.

Increase faith, hope and charity in me and bring forth in me all the virtues proper to my state of life. Help me to grow in the four cardinal virtues, Your seven gifts and Your twelve fruits.

Make me a faithful follower of Jesus, an obedient child of the Church and a help to my neighbor. Give me the grace to keep the commandments and to receive the sacraments worthily. Raise me to holiness in the state of life to which You have called me, and lead me through a happy death to everlasting life. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Grant me also, O Holy Spirit, Giver of all good gifts, the special favor for which I ask {name special petition}, if it be for Your honor and glory and for my well being. Amen.

WEEKEND of May 23- May 24


****Pentecost Sunday****

Saturday, May 23 - 5:00 PM

Deceased Members of the Isaac Family by Rebecca Isaac & Family
Reception for Deacon Stephan Isaac to follow.

Sunday, May 24 - 10:00 AM

Youssef Milan by Shawki Milan & Vivianne Rizk



Monday	May 25	NO MASS	NO MASS
Tuesday	May 26	6:00 pm	Dr. Eddie Geosits by his mother Maureen Geosits
Wednesday	May 27	7:00 pm	Therese Moussa Melhem by family (followed by coffee hour).
Thursday	May 28	6:00 pm	Oscar Canone by Sharon John

WEEKEND of May 30- May 31

****Sunday of The Most Holy Trinity****

Saturday, May 30 - 5:00 PM

Barbara Jabeir (50th Anniversary) & husband Tannas, son Mitch, grandson Joey and daughter Yasmaine Shortell and her husband Tom by the Family.
Following the Liturgy there will be a procession and benediction to honor our Blessed Mother.

Sunday, May 31 - 10:00 AM

Available

Monday	Jun 1	6:00 pm	Mary Simon by Mrs. Helen Jabour
Tuesday	Jun 2	6:00 pm	Lillian Isaac by The Ciambrone Family
Wednesday	Jun 3	6:00 pm	Frances Rossi by the St. Theresa Sodality
Thursday	Jun 4	6:00 pm	<i>THURSDAY OF THE BODY OF CHRIST</i> Peter Karam by Mr. & Mrs. John Thomas

WEEKEND of June 6 - June 7

****3rd Sunday of Pentecost****

Saturday, June 6 - 5:00 PM

Dimitra Giacomopoulos Achi by Mr. & Mrs. Lazarus Melan

Sunday, June 7 - 10:00 AM

Available

LECTORS	
Saturday, May 23	Isaac Family
Sunday, May 24	Milan Family
Saturday, May 30	Jabeir Family
Sunday, May 31	TBA
Saturday, Jun 6	Giacomopoulos/Achi Family
Sunday, Jun 7	Joseph Family

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Pentecost Sunday


Acts 2:1-21 / Jn 14:15-20

Sunday of the Most Holy Trinity

Rom 11:25-36 / Mt 28:16-20

3rd Sunday of Pentecost


1 Cor 2:1-10 / Jn 14:21-27




2015 SCHOLARSHIPS

ST. THERESA SODALITY - (2) \$1,000 available to college & high school students
HOLY NAME SOCIETY - (2) \$1,000 available to High School Students only
VICTOR M. & ADELINE T. KARAM SCHOLARSHIP - (1) \$1,000 Available to high school students only - *please go online at ololeaston.org for requirements.*

High School seniors and full time College students (St. Theresa only) 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 the 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 ololeaston.org. Deadline for submission is **June 1, 2015**. Please contact officers with any questions.






The annual Knoebels bus trip is set for Wednesday, June 17th. All those planning on attending whether it be driving on own or riding the bus need to contact Rhonda Elias at 610-905-0050. This year there will be no coupons in the paper, however buy one get one free offer is still available online. Everyone must pre-buy their tickets online and print a voucher to be admitted. A bus needs to be booked and so does a pavilion; knowing the amount of people in advance helps us determine the amount of room we need. We will leave at 8am from the Park and Ride off 33 and arrive back at Park and Ride around 9 pm. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

GRADUATION PARTY INVITATION

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Melhem, Jr. cordially invite parishioners to attend a party in honor of their son Anthony's graduation from Notre Dame High School. The party will take place on Saturday, June 6, 2015 at 6:00 PM in the church hall.




Save the dates! This year's Vacation Bible School (VBS) Program will be held **July 20-24, 2015**. Registration will begin in June. More details to follow.

St Theresa Sodality's Potluck Dinner

will be held Wednesday, June 3 after 6:00 pm Liturgy. Please call 610-905-6209 if you are in need of transportation.




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 registration details. Deadline Is Monday, June 8, 2015



Retirement

Notre Dame High School is honoring their current principal, Joseph R. Kramer, Jr., who will be retiring at the end of this school year. A banquet will be held on Thursday, June 18th at Our Lady of Perpetual Help's Marian Inn beginning at 6:15 PM. This invitation is extended to all members of our parish family. Tickets are \$50 each. Please see Deacon Anthony by May 25, 2015 if you would like to attend.

	BINGO	FLOOR	KITCHEN
	May 26	Labebe Buesing, Dee Dee Ellwood	Susie Karam
	June 2	Mike Boulos	Naomi Shiner, Noelle Richardson
	June 9	Volunteers	Jawhara Karam, Rosann Constantine