

MARONITE CHRISTIAN FORMATION (MCF)
Saturdays at 4:00 PM
Parents please support your children in attending weekly classes.

PIONEERS OF MARY
Meetings will take place on Sunday nights 6:00 PM in the church hall. All parishioners grades 7 through 12 are encouraged to join.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
Pastoral council meetings will be held the third Sunday of each month, in the church hall at 7:00 pm

ST. THERESA SODALITY MEETING
The next St. Theresa Sodality meeting will take place on Sunday, March 6th at 3:00 pm in the church hall. Call 610-905-6209 if you are in need of transportation.

2016 PASTORAL COUNCIL
Abraham Kassis, Esq., President
Samuel Elias, Vice-President
Rosie Touma - Secretary
Patrice Boulous, Liturgy & Sacraments Leader
Michael Karam, Pastoral Outreach Leader
Naomi Koerwitz, Parish Life Leader
Dr. Charlene Symia, Formation Leader
George Daniel, Esq.
David Elias
Keene Jabbour, Esq.
Peter Melan

2016 STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL
Nehme Nehme, President
Mary Sue Tumminello, Secretary
Martha Badway
Owtill J. Koury
Maynard Melhem
Schawki Milan
Joseph Moussa

HOLY NAME SOCIETY (Election of Officers)
The Holy Name Society will hold a meeting at 7:00 pm, Thursday, Feb 25th in the church hall. All members and any men who would like to join are asked to attend since election of officers will take place.

MYA MEETING
The next MYA meeting will be held Sun, Feb 28 at 7:00 pm in the hall.

PARISH MISSION:
To live our Antiochene Catholic faith and nurture our Maronite heritage in order to grow and flourish as a family of Christ in the local community.

BINGO COMMITTEE	Eva Farhat, Patty Boulous, Anthony Koury, Jr.
MCF COORDINATOR	Deanna Baurkot
ST. THERESA SODALITY	Rosie Touma
FINANCIAL AUDITOR	Ferris Koorie
HOLY NAME SOCIETY	David Elias
HERITAGE DAY CHAIRPERSON	Steve Koorie
MYA	Leila Karam / Isaac Jabbour
PARISH ORGANISTS	Patty Boulous / Paul Boulous
MYO/PIONEERS	Antoinette Bader/ Morena Koorie
ARABIC CLASS COORDINATOR	Yasmine Karam

<u>CONFESSIONS:</u> SUNDAY: 9:30 am to 9:50 am (before mass) SATURDAY: 4:30 pm to 4:50 pm (before mass) Also Available by Appointment	<u>BAPTISMS:</u> <i>Please Call The Parish Rectory</i> (non-parishioners sponsors must provide a certificate from their Catholic church)
<u>OCTOBER TO MAY</u> Arabic Classes: Saturday 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm for children Sundays 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm for youth & adults. Religious Education: Saturday 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm	<u>MARRIAGES:</u> Please Notify The Pastor At Least 6 Months Ahead of Time



OUR LADY OF LEBANON MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH



54 South 4th Street, Easton, PA 18042

Week 8 - Week 10, 2016

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Feb 20 - Mar 6, 2016

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3RD SUNDAY OF LENT HEALING OF THE HEMORRHAGING WOMAN



The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke 8:40-56

When Jesus returned, the crowd welcomed him, for they were all waiting for him. Just then there came a man named Jairus, a leader of the synagogue. He fell at Jesus' feet and begged him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years old, who was dying. As he went, the crowds pressed in on him.

Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years; and though she had spent all she had on physicians, no one could cure her. She came up behind him and touched the fringe of his clothes, and immediately her hemorrhage stopped.

Then Jesus asked, 'Who touched me?' When all denied it, Peter said, 'Master, the crowds surround you and press in on you.' But Jesus said, 'Someone touched me; for I noticed that power had gone out from me.'

When the woman saw that she could not remain hidden, she came trembling; and falling down before him, she declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed.

He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace.' While he was still speaking, someone came from the leader's house to say, 'Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the teacher any longer.'

When Jesus heard this, he replied, 'Do not fear. Only believe, and she will be saved.' When he came to the house, he did not allow anyone to enter with him, except Peter, John, and James, and the child's father and mother.

They were all weeping and wailing for her; but he said, 'Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping.'

And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead.

But he took her by the hand and called out, 'Child, get up!'

Her spirit returned, and she got up at once. Then he directed them to give her something to eat. Her parents were astounded; but he ordered them to tell no one what had happened.

CLERGY

Father Simon El Hajj, Pastor
Deacon Anthony Koury

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday through 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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BIBLE STUDY CLASS

Father Simon will be teaching Bible Study class ever Wednesday during Lent. Classes are held in the church hall from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. Bibles are not needed. Please use this occasion to strengthen your understanding of the scriptures.

WEEKEND of Feb 20 - Feb 21
Saturday, Feb 20 - 5:00 PM
Sunday Feb 21 - 10:00 AM

*****Healing of the Hemorrhaging Woman*****
GEORGETTE BOULOS CIAMBRONE (3rd Anniversary) by the Family
DECEASED PRIESTS OF KFARSGHAB, LEBANON, DECEASED MEMBERS OF SHEIK ESTEPHEN FAMILY & ALL THE DECEASED WHO HAVE NO ONE TO PRAY FOR THEM by a Friend. Coffee hour to follow

Monday	Feb 22	6:00 PM	OSCAR CANONE by Marlene Bedway
Tuesday	Feb 23	6:00 PM	CHEFFIE MELHEM by Helen Jabour
Wednesday	Feb 24	6:00 PM	EDWARD GEOSITS by Teresa Canone
Thursday	Feb 25	6:00 PM	UNIS BAURKOT by The Hon. and Mrs. Robert Ellwood
Friday	Feb 26	7:00 pm	STATIONS OF THE CROSS & BENEDICTION, CONFESSIONS FROM 6:15 TO 6:45

WEEKEND of Feb 27 - Feb 28
Saturday, Feb 27 - 5:00 PM
Sunday Feb 28 - 10:00 AM

*****Parable of the Prodigal Son*****
Available
LOUISE JOSEPH (10th Anniversary) by daughters Roseann & Charlene & Families. Coffee hour to follow.

Monday	Feb 29	6:00 PM	SAL RIZZO by James Canone
Tuesday	Mar 1	6:00 PM	MARIE HANNI by Mary Judith Chaponis
Wednesday	Mar 2	6:00 PM	ST. JOHN MARON Feast Day - DIMITRA GIAMCOUMOPOULOS ACHI by Bessie Moseille & Family
Thursday	Mar 3	6:00 PM	MICHAEL STEVENS by George & Kathy Baurkot
Friday	Mar 4	7:00 pm	STATIONS OF THE CROSS & BENEDICTION, CONFESSIONS FROM 6:15 TO 6:45


WEEKEND of Mar 5- Mar 6
Saturday, Mar 5 - 5:00 PM
Sunday, Mar 6 - 11:00 AM

*****Healing of the Paralytic*****
MANOR & JOSEPHINE MELHEM by Mr. & Mrs. John Melhem & Family
ROSE SYMIA (Birthday Remembrance) by Children & Grandchildren
ROUMANOS & YVONE LAHOUD BOUTROS by Lahoud Boutros & Family
Coffee hour to follow.

Lenten Guidelines
Fasting: All the faithful who are physically capable are to fast everyday during Lent. Fasting involves no eating and drinking at all, (except water and medicine) **from 12 Midnight until 12 Noon.** We urge those who are not capable to make a good effort on Ash Monday and all Fridays during Lent.
Abstinence: No meat throughout Lent. We encourage you to at least abstain on Ash Monday and all Fridays during Lent.

LECTORS	
Saturday, Feb 20	Boulos Family
Sunday, Feb 21	TBD
Saturday, Feb 27	TBD
Sunday, Feb 28	Joseph Family
Saturday, Mar 5	Melhem Family
Sunday, Mar 6	Tatiana Lahoud Boutros

SCRIPTURE READINGS
Healing of the Hemorrhaging Woman
2 Cor 7:4-11 / Lk 8:40-56
Parable of the Prodigal Son
2 Cor 13:5-13 / Lk 15:11-32
Healing of the Paralytic
1 Tim 5:24-6:5 / Mk 2:1-12



Annual Lenten Appeal
Dear Beloved Parishioners,
The Annual Lenten Appeal for the Eparchy of St. Maron Brooklyn is now taking place. The Bishop relies upon you to help him serve our Maronite parishes, open new missions, train our future Maronite priests, and support our retired priests.
We have been asked to contribute \$6,500 as a parish. Every family is asked to participate in the Appeal at a level which is meaningful for them, and to be as generous as possible. An envelope is included in your weekly offering packet for your convenience. Our church will have to pay the balance In the event that adequate funds are not raised. The Appeal ends Easter Sunday, March 27th. Please give what God has put in your heart to give.
Thank you for your generosity!
Father Simon

MAR CHARBEL RELICS
We are happy to announce that St. Charbel’s Relics from Lebanon will be at our church on Wednesday, March 9th and Thursday, March 10th. Veneration and Liturgy schedule will follow in upcoming bulletins.

**MAR CHARBEL MOVIE**
Please join us on Saturday, February 27th at 7:30 PM in the church hall for a movie on the life of one of our greatest saints, Mar Charbel.
The movie will be approximately 90 minutes long. We hope you will attend this spiritual event in preparation for the relics of Mar Charbel visit.


Holy Name Society
MEATLESS DINNER
Friday, March 4, 2016
12:00 Noon to 6:00 PM
\$5 per Entrée
Menu
Fish & Chips
Baked White Macaroni
Lentils & Rice
Salad is included with above items
Falafel Sandwich - \$5
2 Slices of Pizza - \$5
Whole Pizza - \$18 (Must be pre-ordered)
Tickets will be available after each Liturgy or by contacting any member



EPISTLE READINGS
All girls, 12 years and older, are invited to sign up to read the Epistle during the Liturgy on both Saturday and Sunday beginning March 5th, 2016. There will be a signup sheet in the front and back of the church.

THANK YOU!!
A very special thank you to
Nick & Susan Giamcoumopoulos & Family
for their generous donation of
Ambry (Repository for sacred oils)
Reliquary for Holy Relics
Gospel Stand
May God reward them for their very charity.

SPRING HAFLI - APRIL 16, 2016
Featuring REMON MAMARI & BAND
TICKETS - \$50 Adults , \$20 Children 4 -18, Free for children 3 and under. For tickets please contact:
Minerva (610-653-7640) Peter (610-905-7067) Elaine (610-905-0476).

 Volunteers Needed !!	BINGO	FLOOR	KITCHEN
	Feb 23	Volunteers	Naomi Shiner, Noelle Richardson
	Mar 1	Mike Boulos	Rosann Constantine, Jawhara Karam