

**Maronite Christian Formation  
(MCF)**

MCF classes are held every Saturday at **3:45PM** in the church hall.

All second grade students who have not made their First Communion are asked to attend every week in order to prepare for their First Communion in Spring 2017. Parents please make it a priority to help your children by ensuring students are present for all classes.



**St. Theresa Sodality Meeting**

The Sodality's monthly meeting will be held on Monday, April 3rd after the 6:00 P:M Liturgy.

**PIONEERS OF MARY**

Meetings will be held every Sunday in the hall at 6:00 PM.

**MYA MEETING**

The last MYA meeting before summer break will be held on Sunday, April 9th at 7:30 PM in the church hall.

**MYO RETREAT**

This year's annual retreat will be held at St. Maron's Church in Minneapolis, MN, from July 3 - 8, 2017 The retreat is open to current Pioneer members 13 - 17 years old. Parents - please confirm with Father Simon if your children will be attending this year. Travel arrangements need to be made as soon as possible.

**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.*

<b>BINGO COMMITTEE</b>	Eva Farhat, Patty Boulous, Anthony Koury, Jr.
<b>MCF COORDINATOR</b>	Deanna Baurkot
<b>ST. THERESA SODALITY</b>	Rosie Touma
<b>FINANCIAL AUDITOR</b>	Ferris Koorie
<b>HOLY NAME SOCIETY</b>	Leonard Symia
<b>HERITAGE DAY CHAIRPERSON</b>	Steve Koorie
<b>MYA</b>	Selana Koorie
<b>PARISH ORGANIST</b>	Patty Boulous
<b>MYO/PIONEERS</b>	Alexa Koorie
<b>ARABIC CLASS COORDINATOR</b>	Rita Bassil

**CONFESSIONS:**

**SUNDAY: 9:30 am to 9:50 am (before mass)**

**SATURDAY: 4:30 pm to 4:50 pm (before mass)**

**Also Available by Appointment**

**OCTOBER TO MAY**

**Religious Education: Saturday 3:45 pm - 4:45 pm**

**BAPTISMS:**

*Please Call The Parish Rectory*

*(non-parishioners sponsors must*

*provide a certificate from their Catholic church)*

**MARRIAGES:**

**Please Notify The Pastor**

**At Least 6 Months Ahead of Time**

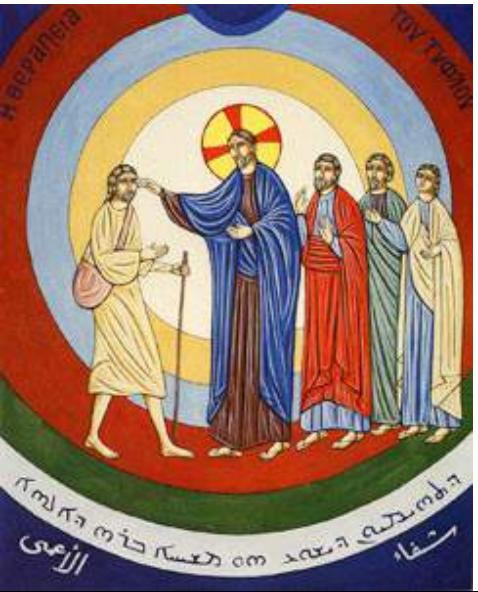


Week 13- 15 Email: [abouna@ololeaston.org](mailto:abouna@ololeaston.org)

Website: [ololeaston.org](http://ololeaston.org)

Apr 1- Apr 16, 2017

**Sixth Sunday of Great Lent**  
**Sunday of the Healing of the Blind Man**



**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 and 12 Noon

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**The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ  
according to Saint Mark 10:46-52**

They came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' Jesus stood still and said, 'Call him here.' And they called the blind man, saying to him, 'Take heart; get up, he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, 'What do you want me to do for you?' The blind man said to him, 'My teacher, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has made you well.' Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

**Parish Lenten Dinner for the Needy - April 7, 2017**

A Lenten dinner will be hosted for the areas needy on Friday, April 7, 2017 from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM in the Church Hall. This is an inaugural event and arrangements will be made to serve a traditional Lenten meatless dinner to 400 of the Areas Needy. Volunteers and accepting donations. Please contact the parish office or any member of the Out-reach team - Michael Karam, Sam Elias, or Peter Melan for additional information.



**VBS 2017**

Registration is NOW open!  
Join us from **June 26-30, 2017** for

**HERO CENTRAL**

Discover Your Strength in God!

To register your child\* or to become a volunteer, visit:  
[www.cokesburyvbs.com/olleaston](http://www.cokesburyvbs.com/olleaston)

If you have any questions, please call  
Antoinette Bader at 610-703-9724.

\*Children must be at least 3 years old and potty trained to participate.



<b>WEEKEND of Apr 1- Apr 2</b>		<b>*** 6th Sunday of Lent - Healing of the Blind Man***</b>	
Saturday, Apr 1 - 5:00 PM -		MERHEJ & ANNA BOULOS by Grandchildren	
Sunday, Apr 2 - 10:00 AM -		DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE BAURKOT, HADDAD & NEHME FAMILIES	
		by the Family. Coffee Hour to Follow	
Sunday, Apr 2 - 12 Noon -		Available	

Monday	Apr 3	6:00 PM	FATHER NORMAN S. PETER (Anniversary) by Deacon & Mrs. Anthony Koury & Family (Rescheduled)
Tuesday	Apr 4	6:00 PM	ROSE SYMIA by Sanna Baurkot
Wednesday	Apr 5	6:00 PM	MARY SIMON by Mr. & Mrs. Peter Shaheen & Family
Thursday	Apr 6	6:00 PM	BECHARA LAHOUD (40 Day Mass) by Mr. & Mrs. Pierre Bohemond & Don & Pierrette Lock
Friday	Apr 7	7:00 PM	STATIONS OF THE CROSS


<b>WEEKEND of Apr 8 - Apr 9</b>		<b>***Hosanna Sunday (Palm Sunday)***</b>	
Saturday, Apr 8 - 5:00 PM -		EVA & GEORGE OLIVER by Mr. & Mrs. Greg Piagesi &Son	
Sunday, Apr 9 - 10 AM & 12 PM -		FOR ALL LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH	
		BLESSING OF THE PALMS AND PROCESSION	
		Coffee hour is sponsored by the St. Theresa Sodality	



Monday	Apr 10	7:00 PM	LILLIAN ISAAC by Mr. & Mrs. Donald Solomon
Tuesday	Apr 11	7:00 PM	MICHAEL JABBOUR by Duane & Diane Volk
Wednesday	Apr 12	7:00 PM	See Easter Week Schedule on page 3
Thursday	Apr 13	7:00 PM	See Easter Week Schedule on page 3
Friday	Apr 14	3:00 & 7:00 PM	See Easter Week Schedule on page 3

<b>WEEKEND of Apr 15 - Apr 16</b>		<b>***The Glorious Resurrection**</b>	
Saturday, Apr 15 - 8:00 PM & 11:00 PM		FOR ALL LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH	
Sunday, Apr 16 - 10:00 AM & 12 Noon -		FOR ALL LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH	
		Coffee hour is sponsored by the Holy Name Society	



<b>BANNS OF MARRIAGE</b>	
<div>  </div> 2nd Banns of marriage is announced for Sheb Shumar and Emily Vankuren. If anyone has a reason why this couple should not be united in Holy Matrimony speak now, only to the Pastor, or forever hold your peace.	

LECTORS	
Saturday, Apr 1	Family
Sunday, Apr 2	Family
Saturday, Apr 8	Family
Sunday, April 9	Josie Koury
Saturday, April 15	TBD
Sunday, April 16	TBD

SCRIPTURE READINGS	
	6th Sunday: Healing of the Blind Man <i>Cor 10:1-7 / Mk 10:46-52</i>
	Hosanna Sunday <i>Phil 1:1-13 / Jn 12:12-22</i>
	The Glorious Resurrection <i>1 Cor 15:12-26 / Mk 16:1-8</i>
	

2017 EASTER WEEK SCHEDULE		
HOSANNA SUNDAY, APRIL 9	10:00 AM & 12 Noon	Blessing of the Palms with procession to follow.
MON APR 10 & TUES APR 11	7:00 PM	Liturgy followed by Benediction of the Cross
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12	7:00 PM	<u>Rite of the Lamp Liturgy:</u> For the Sick in the parish. Liturgy with the Rite of Blessing of the oil and anointing of all those who are present in the church.
HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 13	7:00 PM	<u>Washing of the Feet &amp; Liturgy</u> خميس الأسرار - قداس ورتبة الغسل Liturgy followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 12AM. يلي القداس والرتبة سجود متواصل أمام القربان حتى الساعة الثانية عشرة ليلا
GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 14	3:00 PM & 7:00 PM	Good Friday Service - Burial Service / Procession الجمعة العظيمة - رتبة الصלב والدفن والزياح - يلي الزياح تقبيل الصليب المقدس
SATURDAY OF THE LIGHT, APRIL 15	9:00 AM to 12 PM 8:00 & 11:00 PM	Confessions- Fr Robert George & Fr. Robert Kosek /Fr. Awtel-Arabic Easter Liturgy
EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 16TH THE GLORIOUS RESURRECTION	10 AM & 12 PM	Easter Liturgy


OUR LADY OF LEBANON CHURCH  
**THIRD ANNUAL**  
**SPRING** *Hayfli*

Saturday, April 29, 2017  
Our Lady of Lebanon Church Hall  
55 S. Fourth St.  
Easton, Pennsylvania

Featuring  
**Shadi Naddaf**


Lebanese Mezza and Full Dinner Buffet  
BYOB  
Doors open at 6:30 p.m.  
Adults: \$50.00  
17 and under: \$25.00  
For tickets please contact:  
Norma Bassil: 908-329-5317  
Elaine Koury: 610-905-0476  
Minerva Jacob: 610-653-7640

 Our Lady of Lebanon Church, Easton, PA /www.ololcaston.org

**MONK'S SOUP SALE**


The annual Monk's Soup sale will take place on Friday, April 14, 2017 beginning at 11:00 AM in the church hall. Please bring your own container for take-out orders. Volunteers are needed beginning at 7:00 AM .

**VISIT TO SEVEN CHURCHES**

Thursday of the Holy Mysteries is April 13, 2017. Following the liturgy we will visit seven area churches. The bus will leave OLOL parking lot 15 minutes after the conclusion of services. A signup sheet is available at both entrances of the church. We will take the first 35 people who signup.


**Easter Flowers**

Anyone who would like to offer a donation for Easter Flowers is asked to place your contribution in the envelopes marked "Easter Flowers" and place envelope in collection basket.

**TWELVE APOSTLES**

Young men who are in high school or in college are encouraged to participate in the washing of the feet ceremony. Contact Fr. Simon or Deacon Anthony.

**CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES - RICE BOWL**

Please return Rice Bowl donation to Father Simon if you have not already done so. Thank you for your generosity.



BINGO	FLOOR - 7:00 PM START TIME	KITCHEN - 5:30 PM START TIME
Apr 4	Peter Melan, Mike Boulos	Noelle Richardson, Naomi Shiner
Apr 11	No Bingo	No Bingo