### MCF CLASS

The next MCF class will be held on Saturday, December 15th at 3:45 PM in the church hall. All children in grades 1, 3, 4 & 5 are asked to participate in these classes that are intended to give them the opportunity to experience God's love.

## **Altar Boys Pizza Party**

Altar boys and their parents are invited to a pizza party on Friday, December 28, 20178 at 1:00 PM in the church hall. Please RSVP to **Father Youssef or Deacon Anthony by** Wednesday, December 26th.

### **WEEKLY COLLECTION**

Saturday, Dec 1, 2018 \$706.00 Sunday, Dec 2, 2018 \$869.00

Total - \$1,575.00







## **EMERGENCY CONTACT**

In case of emergency please contact Father Youssef directly on his cell phone (412-583-5702). Do not leave a message on the rectory phone.

BINGO COMMITTEE	Eva Farhat, Patty Boulous, Anthony Koury, Jr.
ST. THERESA SODALITY	Rose Canone
FINANCIAL AUDITOR	Ferris Koorie
HOLY NAME SOCIETY	Leonard Symia
HERITAGE DAY CHAIRPERSON	Steve Koorie
PARISH ORGANIST	Patty Boulous / Paul Boulous
МҮА	Jennie Melhem
MYO/PIONEERS	Victor Karam

### **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** 

### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS**

October through May -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



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Dec 8 - Dec 23 2018

# Birth of John the Baptist



### CLERGY

Fr. Youssef Keikati, Administrator Deacon Anthony Koury

### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday through Thursday 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM No office hours 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 1:57-66

Now the time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son.

Her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had shown his great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her.

On the eighth day they came to circumcise the child, and they were going to name him Zechariah after his father. But his mother said, 'No; he is to be called John.'

They said to her, 'None of your relatives has this name.' Then they began motioning to his father to find out what name he wanted to give him. He asked for a writing-tablet and wrote, 'His name is John.' And all of them were amazed.

Immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue freed, and he began to speak, praising God. Fear came over all their neighbors, and all these things were talked about throughout the entire hill country of Judea.

All who heard them pondered them and said, 'What then will this child become?' For, indeed, the hand of the Lord was with him.

# Christmas Novena

This year's Christmas Novena will begin on Monday, December 17th through Friday, December 21st after the Liturgy which will take place at 6:30 PM (time change for week of Dec 17 - 21st only). Please take this opportunity to prepare for the birth of Our Lord!

# **CHRISTMAS CONFESSION**

Saturday, Dec. 22nd from 9:00 AM to 12.00 Noon

### WEEKEND of Dec 8 - Dec 9

## \*\*\*Birth of John the Baptist\*\*\*

Saturday, Dec 8 - 5:00 PM -

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (Holy Day of Obligation)

HABIB NEHME (2nd Anniversary) by the Family

Sunday, Dec 9- 10:00 AM -

**AOUTEL KARAM (1st Anniversary)** by the Family. Coffee hour to follow.

Tuesday	Dec 11	6:00 PM	ELIZABETH BOUDAHER by Hon. Judge & Mrs. Robert Ellwood
Wednesday	Dec 12	9:00 AM	JOHN SHAHEEN by Sharon John & Family
Thursday	Dec 13	9:00 AM	MICHAEL JABBOUR by Dr. & Mrs. Elias Isaac & Family
Friday	Dec 14	9:00 AM	MARY SHUMAR by Donna & Mike Merring

## WEEKEND of Dec 15 - Dec 16

## \*\*\*Revelation to Joseph\*\*\*

Saturday, Dec 15 - 5:00 PM - ROSE SYMIA (Anniversary) by Children & Grandchildren

Sunday, Dec 16 - 10:00 AM - ELIAS & SOUAD HADDAD by the Family

Monday	Dec 17	6:30 PM	NORA DANIEL by Mr. & Mrs. George Baurkot - Christmas Novena follows.	
Tuesday	Dec 18	6:30 PM	JOANNA JOSEPH by Deacon & Mrs. Anthony Koury-Christmas Novena follows	
Wednesday	Dec 19	6:30 PM	JOE ELIAS by Mr. & Mrs. Badwi Jacob - Christmas Novena follows.	
Thursday	Dec 20	6:30 PM	JOSEPH MELHEM by The Boudaher Family - Christmas Novena follows.	
Friday	Dec 21	6:30 PM	NAOMI STAHL by Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Karam. Christmas Novena follows.	

### WEEKEND of Dec 22 - Dec 23

## \*\*\*Genealogy Sunday\*\*\*

Saturday, Dec 22 - 5:00 PM - BETTY KARAM BHUIYAN (1st Anniversary) by Jacqueline Nehme & Family

Sunday, Dec 23- 10:00 AM - MARY JABBOUR (1st Anniversary) by the Family. Coffee hour to follow.

## 2nd Collection Reminder - Pastor's Collection - December 25, 2018

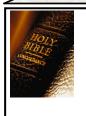
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	BINGO	FLOOR - 7:00 PM START TIME	KITCHEN - 5:30 PM START TIME
N. N.	Dec 11	Evelyn Hanni	Volunteer
	Dec 18	Pete Melan	Norma Bassil

### **LECTORS**

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

Saturday, Dec 8	Family
Sunday, Dec 9	Family
Saturday, Dec 15	Family
Sunday, Dec 16	Family
Saturday, Dec 22	Family
Sunday, Dec 23	Family



Birth of John the Baptist *Gal 4:21 - 5:1 / Lk 1:57-66* 

Revelation to Joseph Eph 3:1-13 / Mt 1:18-25

Genealogy Sunday
Rom 1:1-12 / Mt 1:1-17





Thanks to everyone who participated in the giving tree project. We are happy to inform you that all names were chosen.

Please remember to wrap and return all gifts to the church hall no later than 12:00 pm on Sunday, December 9th.

Thank you for your generosity!

## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT



This year's Christmas Pageant will be held on Sunday, December 23rd after the 10:00 AM Liturgy.

Practice will be held Wednesdays & Fridays at 6:30PM and Sundays after the 10:00 AM Liturgy.

## **2018 CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE**

**Project Hope Christmas Dinner:** 

Sunday, December 16th. Seatings at 12:00 & 3:00 PM

**Christmas Novena:** 

Monday Dec 17<sup>th</sup> through Friday, Dec 21st at 7:00 PM

Children's Christmas Pageant:

Sunday, December 23rd after 10:00 AM Liturgy

Confession:

Saturday, December 22nd from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

**Christmas Eve Liturgy:** 

Monday December 24th at 5:00 PM & 11:00 PM

**Christmas Day Liturgy:** 

Tuesday, December 25th at 10:00 AM

**Felicitations to the Virgin Mary** 

Wednesday, December 26th at 7:00 PM

Altar Boy Pizza Party:

Friday, December 28th at 1:00 PM in the church hall

New Year's Eve Mass

Monday, December 31st at 5:00 PM - Vigil Mass - Circumcision of Jesus (Holy Day of Obligation)

New Year's Eve Hafli:

Monday, December 31st at 8:00 PM

New Year's Day Liturgy:

Tuesday, January 1, 2019 at 12 Noon - Circumcision of Jesus (Holy Day of Obligation)

Feast of the Glorious Epiphany & Awamat Sale

Sunday, January 6, 2019

# **CHRISTMAS FLOWERS**

Anyone who wishes to donate money toward the purchase of Poinsettias to decorate the altar should use the envelope provided for you in your weekly offering package.

Please make certain to note if the donation is in memory or in honor of someone. Otherwise only the name of the donor will appear in the bulletin.