

Office of Family and Sanctity of Life for the Eparchy of St. Maron

Weekly Message

End of Life Decisions

The measure to love is to love without measure. This can be very challenging, especially when your loved ones are facing terminal illnesses and you wonder if ending their suffering is the loving thing to do. To learn more about end of life issues, to make the right and loving decisions, check out the booklet "Now and at the Hour of Our Death" on our [end of life webpage](http://www.familyandsanctityoflife.org) @www.familyandsanctityoflife.org..

HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING

The next Holy Name Society meeting will take place on **Thursday, December 26th at 7:00 PM** in the church hall.

Please make every effort to attend as plans for the breakfast fundraiser will be finalized.

AWAMAT SALE

(Lebanese Donuts)



Awamat will be available for sale after the 10:00 AM Liturgy on **Sunday, January 5th**. Volunteers are asked to arrive by 7:30 AM. Proceeds will benefit Catholic School Education.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Saturday, Dec 14, 2019 - \$543.00

Sunday, Dec 15, 2019 - \$649.00

Total Collection - \$1,192.00

EMERGENCY CONTACT

In case of **emergency** please contact Fr. Youssef directly on his cell phone **(412-583-5702)**.

2019 PASTORAL COUNCIL

Michael Karam, President

Judge, Michael Koury, Vice-President

Jody Pagesi, Secretary

Patrice Boulous

Rose Canone

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Leonard Symia

2019 FINANCE COUNCIL

Nehme Nehme, President

Martha Badway

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Maynard Melhem

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BINGO COMMITTEE	Eva Farhat, Patty Boulous, Anthony Koury, Jr.
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FINANCIAL AUDITOR	Ferris Koorie
HOLY NAME SOCIETY	Leonard Symia
HERITAGE DAY CHAIRPERSON	Steve Koorie
PARISH ORGANIST	Patty Boulous / Paul Boulous
MYA	Jennie Melhem
MYO/PIONEERS	Katerina Nehme

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

BAPTISMS:

Please Call The Parish Rectory

(non-parishioners sponsors must provide a certificate from their Catholic church)

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS

October through May -Saturday 3:45 pm - 4:45 pm

MARRIAGES:

Please Notify The Pastor At Least 6 Months Ahead of Time

Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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Week 51 - Week 1

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Dec 21 - Jan 5, 2020

Genealogy Sunday



The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew 1:1-17

An account of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham.

Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Aram, and Aram the father of Aminadab, and Aminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon, and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab, and Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse, and Jesse the father of King David. And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah, and Solomon the father of Rehoboam, and Rehoboam the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father of Asaph, and Asaph the father of Jehoshaphat, and Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of Uzziah, and Uzziah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah, and Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, and Manasseh the father of Amos, and Amos the father of Josiah, and Josiah the father of Jechoniah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon.

And after the deportation to Babylon: Jechoniah was the father of Salathiel, and Salathiel the father of Zerubbabel, and Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, and Abiud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of Azor, and Azor the father of Zadok, and Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eliud, and Eliud the father of Eleazar, and Eleazar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called the Messiah.

So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; and from David to the deportation to Babylon, fourteen generations; and from the deportation to Babylon to the Messiah, fourteen generations.

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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WEEKEND of Dec 21 - Dec 22

****Genealogy Sunday****

Saturday, Dec 21 - 5:00 PM -

MARY JABBOUR (Anniversary) by the Family

Sunday, Dec 22 - 10:00 AM -

LOUIS AND SOUAD HADDAD by the Family. Coffee Hour to follow.

GIFTS FOR THE PASTOR SHOULD BE PLACED IN THE FIRST COLLECTION BASKET.
THERE WILL BE NO SECOND COLLECTION FOR CHRISTMAS LITURGIES

Monday	Dec 23	6:00 PM	ZIAD ZOGHBY by Fr. Youssef CHRISTMAS NOVENA TO FOLLOW LITURGY
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****The Glorious Birth of Our Lord****

Tues., Dec 24 - 5:00 PM -


CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS FOR ALL PARISH CHILDREN by Fr. Youssef

Tues., Dec 24 - 11:00 PM -

CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS FOR ALL LIVING & DECEASED PARISHIONERS by Fr. Youssef

Wed., Dec 25 - 10:00 AM -

CHRISTMAS DAY FOR ALL LIVING & DECEASED PARISHIONERS by Fr. Youssef



Thursday	Dec 26	9:00 AM	FELICITATIONS TO THE VIRGIN MARY / GEORGE KOORIE by John Melhem
Friday	Dec 27	9:00 AM	MARIA SANTIRZO by son, Juan Bilbatua

WEEKEND of Dec 28- 29

****Sunday after the Birth of Our Lord****

Saturday, Dec 28 - 5:00 PM -

DONNA JABEIR by Mrs. Maryann Isaac

Sunday, Dec 29 - 10:00 AM -

RIZK, AUROR & SON VICTOR by Mr. & Mrs. Tony Rizk & Family.
Coffee hour to follow

Tuesday	Dec 31	5:00 PM	THE CIRCUMCISION OF JESUS (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION) VIGIL MASS VALERIE SAAD by Greg, Jody & Nico Piagesi
Wednesday	Jan 1	11:00 AM	THE CIRCUMCISION OF JESUS (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION) VIGIL MASS JOAN DANIEL by Donald & Maryann Solomon & Family
Thursday	Jan 2	9:00 AM	MARION ESTEPHAN by Mr. & Mrs. James Dale
Friday	Jan 3	9:00 AM	NAOMI STAHL by The Mosellie Family

WEEKEND of Jan 4 - 5

****The Finding of Our Lord in the Temple****

Saturday, Jan 4 - 5:00 PM -

Available

Sunday, Jan 5 - 10:00 AM -

JOSEPH MELHEM (2nd Anniversary) by wife, Joumana Melhem & Children
Coffee hour to follow

BINGO	FLOOR - 7:00 PM START TIME	KITCHEN - 5:30 PM START TIME
Dec 24	No Bingo	No Bingo
Dec 31	No Bingo	No Bingo

LECTORS

Saturday, Dec 21	Family
Sunday, Dec 22	Family
Saturday, Dec 28	Family
Sunday, Dec 29	Family
Saturday, Jan 4	TBD
Sunday, Jan 5	Family

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Genealogy Sunday



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

Sunday after the Birth of Our Lord

Heb 11:23-31 / Mt 2:13-18

The Finding of Our Lord in the Temple

Heb 7:11-19 / Lk 2:41-52



NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY!

Our Lady of Lebanon Church's MYO (Maronite Youth Organization) is hosting a New Year's Eve Party in our church hall.

Come and join us to bid farewell to the old year and welcome in the New Year with family and friends.

Music by DeeJay Sharbel Koorie

Date: Tuesday, December 31, 2019

Doors open: 8:00 PM. BYOB

Ticket: \$35 includes appetizers & dinner

Free for children 5 and under

Raffle tickets will be sold for a chance to win a painting by Fr. Youssef

Contact MYO members for tickets

Proceeds benefit MYO activities

Please contact Fr. Youssef or Nehme Nehme if you would like to volunteer to help decorate and or with food preparation.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT



This year's Christmas Pageant will be held on Sunday, December 22nd after the 10:00 AM Liturgy.

THE HOLY NAME SOCIETY ANNUAL BREAKFAST

The Holy Name's annual breakfast fundraiser will be held on Sunday, January 12, 2020 after the 10:00 AM Liturgy.

Tickets: \$5 a person

Free for kids under 3 years old.

Tickets will be available after weekend masses or by contacting a HNS member. Please try and purchase your tickets prior to the event so that an ample supply of food is available.

Thank you in advance for your support!



2019 Christmas Schedule	
Christmas Novena:	Monday Dec 16th through Monday, Dec 23rd at 6:30 PM Mass will be held at 6:00 PM each night of the Novena
Confession:	Saturday, December 21st from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Children's Christmas Pageant:	Sunday, December 22nd after 10:00 AM Liturgy
Christmas Eve Liturgy:	Tuesday, December 24th at 5:00 PM & 11:00 PM
Christmas Day Liturgy:	Wednesday, December 25th at 10:00 AM
Felicitations to the Virgin Mary:	Thursday, December 26th at 9:00 AM
New Year's Eve Hafli:	Tuesday, December 31st at 8:00 PM
New Year's Eve Liturgy:	Tuesday, December 31st at 5:00 PM Vigil Mass Circumcision of Jesus (Holy Day of Obligation)
New Year's Day Liturgy:	Wednesday, January 1, 2020 at 11:00 AM Circumcision of Jesus (Holy Day of Obligation)
Feast of the Glorious Epiphany & Awamat Sale:	Sunday, January 5, 2019