



### ST THERESA SODALITY MEETING

The next Sodality meeting will take place on Monday, February 3rd at 6:30 PM in the church hall.

| WEEKLY COLLECTION        |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Saturday, Jan 11, 2020 - | \$341.00   |
| Sunday, Jan 12, 2020 -   | \$890.00   |
| Yearly Dues -            | \$500.00   |
| Total Collection         | \$1,731.00 |

### EMERGENCY CONTACT

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

| 2019 PASTORAL COUNCIL                |
|--------------------------------------|
| Michael Karam, President             |
| Judge, Michael Koury, Vice-President |
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| Patrice Boulous                      |
| Rose Canone                          |
| Elias Chadd                          |
| Antonios Jabbour                     |
| Abe Kassis, Esq.                     |
| Steve Koorie                         |
| Dr. Charlene Symia                   |
| Leonard Symia                        |
| 2019 FINANCE COUNCIL                 |
| Nehme Nehme, President               |
| Martha Badway                        |
| Marta Gabriel                        |
| Maynard Melhem                       |
| Joseph Moussa                        |

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| <p><b>CONFESSIONS:</b></p> <p>Sunday: 9:30 am to 9:50 am (before mass)<br/>Saturday: 4:30 pm to 4:50 pm (before mass)<br/>Also Available by Appointment</p> | <p><b>BAPTISMS:</b></p> <p><i>Please Call The Parish Rectory</i><br/>(non-parishioners sponsors must provide a certificate from their Catholic church)</p> |
| <p><b>FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS</b></p> <p>October through May -Saturday 3:45 pm - 4:45 pm</p>   | <p><b>MARRIAGES:</b></p> <p>Please Notify The Pastor At Least 6 Months Ahead of Time</p>   |

### Calling all Couples!

Marriage is the foundation for the family, and so we work to help to build joyful marriages and strong families. In the area of Natural Family Planning (NFP) we hope to inspire and educate couples with NFP, which reclaims the dignity of women, strengthens marriages, and helps couples achieve personal happiness through a total gift of self.

In order to make sure that couples receive proper knowledge of Natural Family Planning, per the Statutes of the Eparchy (No. 71), couples are invited to attend a free online session of about 90 minutes to learn an overview of NFP methods and the introductory session to the Creighton Model FertilityCare System. The theology behind it will be covered briefly, but the focus will be on the scientific aspect of NFP.

We hope to give couples the opportunity to learn more about how they can really live the total gift of self within marriage and be open to God's gift of love and life.

The following are the dates and times to attend free online introductory session for Creighton Model FertilityCare System:

Saturday February 8th 2020 at 9:30 am  
Tuesday March 10, 2020 at 7:30pm  
Thursday April 30, 2020 at 7:30pm  
Tuesday May 19, 2020 at 7:30pm  
Monday June 8th, 2020 at 7:30pm

For more information and to sign up for one of the session please contact Marise Frangie at 914-393-8907 or sanctityof-life@live.com.

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| 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                  |
| MYA                      | Jennie Melhem                                 |
| MYO/PIONEERS             | Katerina Nehme                                |



### Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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Week 3 - Week 5

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

Jan 18 - Feb 2, 2020

## Second Sunday after Epiphany



### CLERGY

Fr. Youssef Keikati, Administrator  
Deacon Anthony Koury  
Deacon Adib Salameh

### 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 John 1:35-42

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, ‘‘Look, here is the Lamb of God! ’

The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, ‘What are you looking for?’ They said to him, ‘Rab-bi’ (which translated means Teacher), ‘where are you stay-ing?’

He said to them, ‘Come and see.’ They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon.

One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, ‘We have found the Messiah’ (which is translated Anointed).

He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, ‘You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas’ (which is translated Peter).

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

#### 2nd Sunday after Epiphany

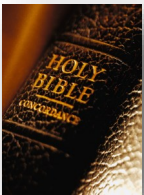
**2 Cor 4:5-15 / Jn 1:35-42**

#### 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

**Gal 3:23-29 / Jn 3:1-16**

#### Sunday of the Priests

**1 Tim 4:6-16 / Lk 12:42-48**





WEEKEND of Jan 18 - 19

\*\*\*2nd Sunday after Epiphany\*\*\*

Saturday, Jan 18 - 5:00 PM - ANTONINE SISTER ROSETTE BOUSAADE by Fr. Youssef

Sunday, Jan 19 - 10:00 AM - MELHEM MELHEM (1st Anniversary) by the Family. Coffee hour to follow.

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| Tuesday   | Jan 21 | 6:00 PM | DIMITRA GIACOUMOPOULOS ACHI by Jacqueline Nehme & Family  |
| Wednesday | Jan 22 | 9:00 AM | NAOMI SHINER by Mr. & Mrs. Keene Jabbour & Son            |
| Thursday  | Jan 23 | 9:00 AM | MICHAEL JABBOUR by the Family of George & Patrice Baurkot |
| Friday    | Jan 24 | 9:00 AM | NAOMI STAHL by the Mosellie Family                        |

WEEKEND of Jan 25 - 26

\*\*\*3rd Sunday after Epiphany\*\*\*

Saturday, Jan 25 - 5:00 PM - LORRAINE BOULOS by Marlene Bedway

Sunday, Jan 26 - 10:00 AM - FRANCES KOURY (40 Day Mass) by the Family. Coffee hour to follow.

2nd Collection - U.S. Catholic Bishops Worldwide Charities - Sunday, January 26, 2020

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|-----------|--------|---------|---|
| Tuesday   | Jan 28 | 6:00 PM | MAUREEN GEOSITS by Mike & Donna Merring       |
| Wednesday | Jan 29 | 9:00 AM | CANON ANTHONY by Jody Piagesi & Sandy Assise  |
| Thursday  | Jan 30 | 9:00 AM | AOUTEL KARAM by Tony & Mirelle Karam & Family |
| Friday    | Jan 31 | 9:00 AM | PHILIP JOSEPH by Joseph Jabeir                |

WEEKEND of Feb 1- 2

\*\*\*Sunday of the Priests \*\*\*

Saturday, Feb 1 - 5:00 PM - Available

Sunday, Feb 2 - 10:00 AM - DECEASED PRIESTS OF KFARSGHAB, LEBANON, DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE SHEIK ESTEPHEN FAMILY AND ALL THE DECEASED WHO HAVE NO ONE TO PRAY FOR THEM by a friend. Coffee hour to follow

BINGO VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED

Please consider volunteering at Bingo one day every few months. Everyone, 18 or older, would be most welcome. Profits from Bingo go a long way in helping us meet our financial obligations. Contact Fr. Youssef or Eva Farhat if you would like to help.



| BINGO  | FLOOR - 7:00 PM START TIME  | KITCHEN - 5:30 PM START TIME |
|--------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Jan 21 | Pete Melan                  | Jenny Vaccaro                |
| Jan 28 | Marta Gabriel, Jody Piagesi | Norma Bassil                 |

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

Dear Parishioners,

Bishop Gregory has asked that I appoint a married couple to work with Marise Frangie, the Director of the Office of Family and Sanctity of Life, to serve our parish better and more effectively in its different ministries.

The needs of parishes vary from one area to another, and thus the role this couple can play in the parish will be different from one place to another. It is my hope that Marise can assist this couple in helping me to strengthen families, and marriages and to uphold the dignity of every person through different programs or events based on the needs of our parish.

Please get in touch with me, at your earliest convenience, if you would like to volunteer your time and efforts in getting this program up and running. Strong faith and commitment to making our parish a better place for everyone are all the skills that are needed.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Youssef

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January 2, 2020

Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Church  
55 South Fourth St.  
Easton, Pa. 18042

Dear Parishioners:

The Holiday Committee of the Northampton County Department of Human Services would like to thank you for your involvement in our project this past holiday season. Due to your thoughtful generosity we were able to provide gifts for over 2,000 individuals. These individuals, particularly those without family of their own, are sincerely appreciative of your kindness.

I would especially like to thank you and your parishioners for adopting our children again this year. They really enjoyed their presents. The parents of the children were also very grateful and appreciative of all the presents that they received. Without your help, these children would not have had a "Merry Christmas." You made the holiday season a lot brighter for these children. As always you guys did a tremendous job.

Through the continued involvement from community members like you, we have been able to continue this yearly project and provide for many of our community's less fortunate individuals. We had a lot of people who could not help this year because of the economy, so we are extremely grateful that you were able to help out again this year.

Thank you again for your participation in the project and best wishes for a happy and healthy 2020.

Sincerely,  
  
Maryann Heck/Melissa Hoch  
Christmas Committee

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Maronite Youth Organization

St. John Paul !! In Sleep Hollow, NY will be hosting a Lenten Retreat Day on Saturday, March 7th from 11:00 AM to 8:00 PM. There will be two tracks. One for the MYO and a second for the MYA.

Bishop Gregory is planning on attending the retreat. Members who are interested in attending should contact Fr. Youssef or Katerina Nehme no later than Sun., Feb 23rd.

Condolences

On behalf of our Parishioners, we extend our sincere and heartfelt sympathy to Fr. Paul Damien on the death of his mother,

Saydeh Damien

who passed into her eternal reward on Tuesday, January 14, 2020. Father Paul arrived in Lebanon just in time to give her the last rites and presided at her funeral.

Condolences may be sent to Father Paul at:  
Saint Anthony & Saint George Church  
79 Loomis Street  
Wilkes Barre, PA 18702

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

ST. JOSEPH HAFLI

Our Sister Parish, Saint George Maronite Catholic Church of Cranston, Rhode Island is celebrating its 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Saint Joseph Hafli on Saturday, March 28, 2020.

As part of its celebration it is holding a Grand Raffle. The raffle ticket cost \$100 per ticket with 3 prizes of \$5,000, \$3,000 and \$2,000. The winner need not be present at the event.

If you are interested in supporting this annual event you may purchase a raffle ticket by contacting Roseann Constantine in person or by telephone at 610-253-2269.