### SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary candle for November is donated in loving memory of SFC, Jesse Dale by his parents James & Lila Dale and a birthday remembrance for Josephine & John Symia by their family.

### **PASTOR CONTACT**

In the case of any needed pastoral assistance, we ask that only the family contact Fr. Youssef on his cell phone at **412-583-5702** 

# venmo

We now have a church Venmo account that will make it easier for those who use Venmo to make payments. You may use it for contributions for memorial Masses, to contribute to fundraisers, etc. Please make sure to identify what your contribution is for. The address is...

#### @ololchurch-easton

Do not hesitate to contact the rectory with any questions.

### WEEKLY COLLECTION

Saturday Nov 19 -	\$247.00
Sunday, Nov 20 -	\$821.00
<u>Mail-In -</u>	\$600.00
Total - \$	5 1,668.00

#### BAPTISM

Preregistration for Baptism is required. Catholic sponsor certificates must by received by the parish before the Baptism is scheduled.

#### MARRIAGE

Please notify the pastor at least one year prior to date. Engaged couples need to register as parishioners and take required marriage classes.

### **1ST HOLY COMMUNION & MARONITE CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES**

October through April, Saturdays 3:45-4:45



# IS JESUS **CALLING YOU?**

Maronite Servants of Christ the Light

#### CONFESSION

Saturday: 4:30- 4:50 PM, Sunday, 9:30 - 9:50 AM

Also available by appointment

#### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

Please inform us of the sick and shut-ins at 412-583-5702

#### **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINE**

Changes or additions to the bulletin must be submitted no later than Tuesdays at 5:00 PM. Thank you for your cooperation.



## **OUR LADY OF LEBANON** MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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# **Visitation of the Virgin to Elizabeth**



Fr. Youssef Keikati. Administrator

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**Deacon Anthony Koury** 

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday through Thursday 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM No office hours on Fridays

CLERGY

LITURGY:

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

for joy.

And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

If you would like participate in the annual Tree of Giving project,

Saturday: 5:00 PM Sunday: 10:00 AM Week day Holy Days of Obligation: 7:00 PM.

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Call the rectory at 610-252-5275 if you do not have access to a computer and we will help you select a child in need. Please buy for these children as if you were buying for your own child.

Your generosity will be greatly appreciated by the child who receives your gift on Christmas morning!



Nov 26 - Dec 11, 2022

## The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke 1:39-45

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt



sign-ups are now available on SignUpGenius at:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D45A5AF2FA1FCC61-tree

Please review children's gift requests and click on the button to sign up. All wrapped gifts must be returned by Sunday, December 11th at 11:30 AM.

Place a piece of paper with your name, phone number and the number next to your child's name on the Gift. We will then match it to the child you have chosen and attach the gift tags we received from Northampton County.

			**Visitation of the Virgin to Elizabeth***	
Saturday No	vember 2	.6 - 5:00 PM -	EVE FARHAT (1st Anniversary) by the Family	
Sunday Nove	ember 27	- 10:00 AM -	LAURI JABBOUR (Memorial Mass) by the Family. Coffee hour to follow	
Tuesday	Nov 29	9:00 AM	LILLIAN KARAM (Anniversary) by Jackie Nehme and Mr. & Mrs. Nick Giacoumopoulos	
Wednesday	Nov 30	9:00 AM	SISTER GLADYS EL-ASMAR by Fr. Youssef	
Thursday	Dec 1	9:00 AM	JENNIE MELHEM by Bradley & Emily John	
Friday	Dec 2	9:00 AM	DAOUN BOULOS by Marlene Bedway	
			***Birth of John the Baptist***	
Saturday December 3 - 5:00 PM - PETER MELAN (Birthday Remembrance) by the		PETER MELAN (Birthday Remembrance) by the Family		
Sunday December 4 - 10:00 AM -		10:00 AM -	FRANCES KOURY (3rd Anniversary) FRANK & CATHERINE KOURY by the Family. Coffee hour to follow.	
Tuesday	Dec 6	9:00 AM	ANTHONY HANNI (40 Day Mass) by the Family	
Wednesday	Dec 7	9:00 AM	MARY JABBOUR by Maryann Isaac & Family	
Thursday	Dec 8	7:00 PM	FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SISTER MONIQUE YAMMINE by Fr. Youssef	
Friday	Dec 9	9:00 AM	HABIB NEHME by Jackie Nehme and Mr. & Mrs. Nick Giacoumopoulos	
	Laura S		***Revelation to Joseph***	



# "Blessed is she who has believed"

Mary is blessed, as her cousin Elizabeth has said to her, not simply because God has looked on her, but because she believed. Her faith is the most beautiful of the fruits of divine goodness. But it required the inexpressible art of the Holy Spirit to take place in her if such greatness of soul was to be united to such humility in the intimacy of her virginal heart. Mary's humility and greatness of soul, like her virginity and fruitfulness, are like two stars shining on each other. For, in Mary, the depth of her humility does not in the least retract from the generosity of her soul, and vice versa. Even though Mary had so lowly an estimate of herself, she was no less generous in her faith in the promise made her by the angel because of it. She, who looked upon herself entirely as a poor and insignificant servant, in no way doubted herself to be called to this incomprehensible mystery, this tremendous union, this unfathomable secret. And she believed instantly that she was truly about to become the mother of God -made-man.

It is God's grace that produces this marvel in the hearts of the elect; humility does not make them fearful and timorous any more than their generosity of soul makes them proud. To the contrary, where the saints are concerned, these two virtues reinforce one another. Greatness of soul not only does not open the door to any pride, but it is this above all that allows it to penetrate the mystery of humility even further. Indeed, those who are the most generous in their service of God are also the most penetrated by the fear of the Lord and the most grateful for the gifts they have received. Similarly, when it is a question of humility, no trace of cowardice insinuates into the soul. The less someone is accustomed to presume on his own strength, even in the smallest things, the more he entrusts himself to the power of God, even in the greatest.

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Saint Bernard (1091-1153) Cistercian monk and doctor of the Church

## **2022 Christmas Schedule**

Dec 15th through Friday, Dec 23rd be held at 6:30 PM each night of the Novena

ecember 18th after 10:00 AM Liturgy

December 24th from 10:0 AM to 12:00 PM

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

ecember 25th at 10:00 AM

December 26th at 10:00 AM

December 31st at 5:00 PM

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