Thank you to the choir and organists for their dedication throughout the Lenten Season.

Invitation

Imad and Nancy El Khoury graciously invite all parishioners to join them in celebrating their Son,

Caesar El Khoury's

First Holy Communion on Sunday, April 30, 2023 after the 11:00 AM Mass at their home on 5 Barron Hill Road, Easton, PA 18042.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary candle for April is donated in loving memory of **AMIN NEHME**

by his mother and sisters.

Weekly Collection

Saturday, Apr 8 5:00 PM -\$865.00 Saturday, Apr 8 11:00 PM - \$333.00 Sunday, Apr 9 -\$1,519.00 \$2.717.00 Total -

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.

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The address is @ololchurch-easton. Please make sure to identify what your contribution is for.

Thank You to everyone who helped, donated or purchased for the Monk Soup Sale. \$802.00 was raised and donated to the church on behalf of the sick of the parish.

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

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.



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Week 15- Week 17

Email: abouna@ololeaston.org Website: ololeaston.org

April 15 - April 30, 2023

New Sunday - Divine Mercy Sunday



CLERGY

Fr. Youssef Keikati. Administrator **Deacon Anthony Koury**

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday through Thursday 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Closed on Fridays

RECTORY & MAILING ADDRESS:

54 South 4th Street, Easton, PA 18042

LITURGY:

Saturday: 5:00 PM Sunday: 10:00 AM

Week day Holy Days of Obligation:

7:00 PM.

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The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Saint John 20:26-31

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.'

Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

You're Invited

Our2nd grade Maronite Christian Formation class will receive their First Holy Communion on Sunday, April 30th at the 11:00 AM Liturgy Everyone is invited to celebrate this very special occasion! A coffee reception will follow.

The Names of communicates are listed below:

Antoine Atallah Samir Boatwright Leonardo Da Re Caesar El Khoury

New Sunday - Divine Mercy Sunday

Saturday April 15 - 5:00 PM - DEACON JOHN HANNI (40 Day Mass) by the Family

Sunday, April 16 - 10:00 AM - MILAD HAYEK by Mr. & Mrs. Rafih Hayek & Family

Tuesday	Apr 18	9:00 AM	FR. RAYMOND ELHAJJ by Fr. Youssef
Wednesday	Apr 19		No Mass
Thursday	Apr 20		No Mass
Friday	Apr 21		No Mass

3rd Sunday of the Resurrection

Saturday April 22 - 5:00 PM - ANTHONY SYMIA (Anniversary) by Children and Grandchildren

Sunday, April 23 - 10:00 AM - AMIN NEHME (2nd Anniversary) by Jackie Nehme & Family. Coffee hour by Friends

2nd Collection - Catholic Home Missions Appeal - April 23, 2023

This second collection is used for Missions in the USA. Our Eparchy has received large grants from the USCCB (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops) from this collection for several years.

Tuesday	Apr 25	9:00 AM	ANTHONY HANNI by Mary Ellen Dantine
Wednesday	Apr 26	9:00 AM	GLORIA BAURKOT by Dalal Amer
Thursday	Apr 27	9:00 AM	GEORGE KOORIE by Sam Canone
Friday	Apr 28	9:00 AM	LOUIS HANNI by Deacon Anthony, Cheffie & Anthony Koury, Jr.

4th Sunday of the Resurrection

Saturday April 29 - 5:00 PM - DR. ELIAS ISAAC AND DR. KATHRYN ISAAC (Anniversary) by the Family

Sunday, April 30 - 11:00 AM - FIRST COMMUNION CLASS by Fr. Youssef. Coffee reception to follow.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

New Sunday - Divine Mercy Sunday 2 Cor 5:11-21 / Jn 20:26-31

3rd Sunday of the Resurrection 2 Tim 2:8-13 / Lk 24:13-35

4th Sunday of the Resurrection Heb 13:18-25 / John 21:1-14



Please return your CRS Rice Bowl contribution by the final deadline of April 16. May God bless you for helping those in need.

Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed"



The disciples' weakness was so unsteady that, not content with seeing the risen Lord, they still wanted to touch him if they were to believe in him. It wasn't enough for them to see him with their eyes, they wanted to put out their hands to his limbs and touch the marks of his recent wounds. It was after he had touched and acknowledged his scars that the unbelieving disciple cried out: "My Lord and my God!" Those scars revealed the one who, where other people were concerned, healed every wound. Could the Lord not have risen without scars? Yet he saw within his disciples' hearts wounds that those scars he had preserved in his body would heal.

And what does the Lord answer that confession of faith of his disciple, who says: "My Lord and my God"? "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." Who is he talking about, my friends, if not of us? And not just of us but of those, too, who will follow us. For shortly afterwards, when he had disappeared from mortal sight so as to strengthen faith in the heart, all those who became believers believed without seeing and their faith had great merit. To acquire it they reached out to him, not a hand with which to touch him, but only a loving heart.



