SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary candle for August is donated in memory of PETER HADDAD. forever in our hearts.

PASTOR CONTACT

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

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Saturday, Aug 12 \$637 Sunday, Aug 13 \$540 Mail in \$500 \$1677 Total -

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

CHURCH HALL RENTAL

\$300 for one (1) day rental (A day is one calendar date, not hours from two different days

\$450 for two (2) day rental.

\$1,000 for non-parishioners.

No charge for mercy meals or condolences, however donations will be accepted in these cases.

Non-profits will be treated as parishioners. Pastor will have discretion related to these requests.

Anyone using the hall will be responsible for leaving it in good condition. At the very least, the same way they found it.

Renters are responsible for disposing of all trash, food, disposable plates, utensils, etc.

Renters are also responsible for bringing their own consumable/disposable items which include, but are not limited to: Paper towels, dish soap, hand soap, aluminum foil, saran wrap, baggies, garbage bags, containers for leftover food, disposable plates, cups, utensils, napkins, etc.

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.



OUR LADY OF LEBANON MARONITE CATHOLIC **CHURCH**

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Week 32 - Week 34

Email: abouna@ololeaston.org Website: ololeaston.org Aug 19 - Sept 3, 2023

13th Sunday of Pentecost



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

Weekday Holy Days of Obligation:

7:00 PM

The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke 8:1-15

Jesus went on through cities and villages, proclaiming and bringing the good news of the kingdom of God. The twelve were with him, as well as some women who had been cured of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out, and Joanna, the wife of Herod's steward Chuza, and Susanna, and many others, who provided for them out of their resources.

When a great crowd gathered and people from town after town came to him, he said in a parable: 'A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell on the path and was trampled on, and the birds of the air ate it up.

Some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered for lack of moisture. Some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew with it and choked it. Some fell into good soil, and when it grew, it produced a hundredfold.' As he said this, he called out, 'Let anyone with ears to hear

'Then his disciples asked him what this parable meant. He said, 'To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but to others I speak in parables, so that "looking they may not perceive, and listening they may not understand." 'Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.

The ones on the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved.

The ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe only for a while and in a time of testing fall away.

As for what fell among the thorns, these are the ones who hear; but as they go on their way, they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature.

But as for that in the good soil, these are the ones who, when they hear the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patient endurance.

13th Sunday of Pentecost

Saturday Aug 19 - 5:00 PM - ISAAC JABBOUR by James Canone & Family

Sunday, Aug 20 - 10:00 AM - Michael Joseph Salim Moses by Mr. & Mrs. Joe Moussa & Family/ Coffee Hour

Tuesday	Aug 22	9:00 AM	NO MASS
Wednesday	Aug 23	9:00 AM	NO MASS
Thursday	Aug 24	9:00 AM	BERLIN KASSIS by Mrs. Mary Isaac
Friday	Aug 25	9:00 AM	LAURI JABBOUR by Bill & Jeanie Joseph

14th Sunday of Pentecost

Saturday Aug 26 - 5:00 PM - MANSOUR AND EVA FARHAT by the Family

Sunday, Aug 27 - 10:00 AM - FEAST OF MAR AWTEL - FOR ALL THE PEOPLE OF KFARSGHAB by Fr. Youssef

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Tuesday	Aug 29	9:00 AM	JOE CANONE by Imad & Nancy El Khoury
Wednesday	Aug 30	9:00 AM	PETER KASSIS by Deacon Anthony, Cheffie & Anthony Koury, Jr.
Thursday	Aug 31	9:00 AM	MILO ELIAS by Joe Jabeir
Friday	Sept 1	9:00 AM	GLORIA BAURKOT by Earl & Bernadette Metzgar

15th Sunday of Pentecost

Saturday Sept 2 - 5:00 PM - Available

Sunday, Sept 3- 10:00 AM - Deceased members of the Badway Family by James Badway

2ND COLLECTION - CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICAN & MARONITE SEMINARY - SEPT 10

25% OF THIS COLLECTION IS FOR FUNDING ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP AT CUA, 75% IS FOR OUR MARONITE SEMINARY OF OUR LADY OF LEBANON IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

13th Sunday of Pentecost 1 Cor 3:1-11 / Lk 8:1-15

14th Sunday of Pentecost 1 Thes 2:1-13 / Lk 10:38-42 15th Sunday of Pentecost 1 Thes 1: 1-10/ Lk 7:36-50



THE FEAST OF MAR AWTEL

The traditional Harisseh sale will be held on

Sunday, August 27th after the 10:00 AM Liturgy and Ziyah to honor Mar Awtel, the patron saint of Kfarsghab.

The Harisseh meal is offered on behalf of all the sick in the parish.

Volunteers are needed on Sunday, August 27th at 7:00 AM



Registration is open and ready for your region's 2023 Eparchial Retreat! This retreat is open to all parishes in our New England, Mid-Atlantic East, and Mid-Atlantic West regions. We are opening registration early to allow you the summer months to fundraise and gather registrations!

Registration will close on September 22nd!

Saint Awtel, also known as Mar Awtel, Mar Awtilios, Saint Aoutel, Saint Awtel is a monk of the 1st centuries of Christianity venerated in the Middle East. He is celebrated on 3 November (by Maronites particularly), and on 9 October. A church is dedicated to him in the village of Kfarsghab in North-Lebanon where his feast day is celebrated on 3 June and 27 August.

Mar Awtel was born in the mid-3rd century. As a youth he was converted to Christianity and baptized. He pledged his virginity to God, but his father wanted him to marry and thereby break his pledge of celibacy. To escape he left for the city Byzantium.

While travelling on route in a boat he encountered a severe storm endangering the boat and all on board. He prayed for deliverance and the boat was saved and as a consequence those on board were converted to Christianity and baptized.

He remained for 20 years in Byzantium until his father died, whereupon he returned to his home and became a monk. He performed many miracles, one of which was the cure of a pagan man. This cure was the reason for the conversion and baptism of ten thousand pagans. After being a monk for 12 years he became a hermit until he died in 327.