



Volunteers Needed!

The Project Hope Christmas dinner will be held on Sunday, December 10th in our church hall. Project Hope is asking for volunteers, 16 years* and older to help out. There will be 4 shifts that you can choose from or you may volunteer for more than one shift.

Please email Judy Walker at judithwlkr@gmail.com to sign up!

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
12:00 PM - 3:00 PM
3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

*This is good opportunity for students to obtain their community service hours.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary candle for December is donated as a birthday remembrance for **LAUREN BADER SESTITO** by Mr. & Mrs. William Bader, Jr. & Family

PASTOR CONTACT

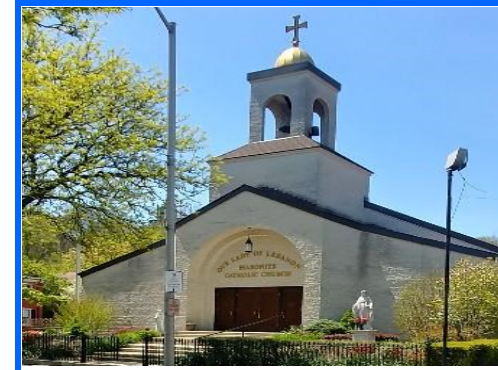
In case of any needed pastoral assistance, we ask that only the family contact Fr. Youssef on his cell phone at **412-583-5702**.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Saturday, Nov 25 - \$245.00
Sunday, Nov 26 - \$763.00
Total - \$1,008.00

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The address is **@ololchurch-easton**. Please be sure to specify for what your contribution is intended.



OUR LADY OF LEBANON MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Easton, PA 18042
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Week 48 - Week 50 Email: abouna@ololeaston.org Website: ololeaston.org Dec 3 - Dec 17, 2023

Visitation of the Virgin to Elizabeth



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

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.

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

Letter to the Ephesians 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, To the saints who are in Ephesus and are faithful in Christ Jesus: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love.

He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory.

In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

2023 Christmas Schedule

Christmas Novena:	Friday December 15th through Friday, December 22nd Mass will be held at 7:00 PM each night of the Novena
Confession:	Saturday, December 23rd from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Christmas Eve Liturgy	Sunday, December 24th at 5:00 PM & 11:00 PM
Christmas Day Liturgy	Monday, December 25th at 10:00 AM
Felicitations to the Virgin Mary	Tuesday, December 26th at 10:00 AM
New Year's Day Liturgy:	Monday, January 1, 2023 at 11:00 AM
Feast of the Glorious Epiphany	Vigil Mass - Saturday, January 6th & Sunday, January 7th

BAPTISM Preregistration for Baptism is required. Catholic sponsor certificates must be received by the parish before the Baptism is scheduled.	CONFESSION Saturday: 4:30- 4:50 PM, Sunday, 9:30 - 9:50 AM Also available by appointment.
1ST HOLY COMMUNION & MARONITE CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES October through April, Saturdays 3:45- 4:45. Parents of children must be registered in parish.	MARRIAGE Please notify the pastor at least one year prior to wedding date. Engaged couples need to register as parishioners and take required marriage classes.
ANOINTING OF THE SICK Please inform us of the sick and shut-ins at	BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINE Changes or additions to the bulletin must be

CLERGY

Fr. Youssef Keikati. Pastor
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

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****Visitation of the Virgin to Elizabeth****

Saturday Dec 2 - 5:00 PM - NICK CIAMBRONE (Anniversary) by Nick & Ronnie Ciambrone

Sunday, Dec 3 10:00 AM - JOHN THOMAS (40 Day Mass) by the Family. Coffee hour to follow.

Tuesday	Dec 5	9:00 AM	ISAAC JABBOUR by Sharon John & Family
Wednesday	Dec 6	9:00 AM	JOYCE BOULOS by Rosann Constantine
Thursday	Dec 7	7:00 PM	THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - VIGIL MASS - HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION ANTHONY HANNI by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Mangino & Daughters
Friday	Dec 8	9:00 AM	THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION PATRICE BAURKOT by Marlene Bedway

****Birth of John the Baptist****

Saturday Dec 9 - 5:00 PM - JUDGE JAMES HOGAN (Memorial Mass) by Frank, Naomi & Jake Koerwitz

Sunday, Dec 10- 10:00 AM - SOUBHI & LILLIAN CONSTANTINE (Birthday Remembrance), THEIR PARENTS AND SIBLINGS by the Family

Tuesday	Dec 12	9:00 AM	HAIFA BEDWAY by her daughter, Marlene Bedway
Wednesday	Dec 13	9:00 AM	DAOUN BOULOS by John J. Melhem
Thursday	Dec 14	9:00 AM	LAURI JABBOUR by Josephine Lenzo
Friday	Dec 15	7:00 PM	CHRISTMAS NOVENA BEGINS LAUREN BADER SESTITO (Birthday Remembrance) by the Family

****Revelation to Joseph****

Saturday Dec 16 - 5:00 PM - Available

Sunday, Dec 17- 10:00 AM - GEORGE M. JABBOUR (Anniversary) by the Family

HOLY NAME / ST THERESA MEETING



The next joint meeting of the St. Theresa Sodality and Holy Name Society will take place this Sunday, Dec. 3rd with prayers beginning at 6:00 PM in the church. The meeting will then follow in the church hall. We invite any interested parishioner to join our newly formed group to help in our work to alleviate need in Lebanon, here at home and anywhere around the world.



SCRIPTURE READINGS

Visitation of the Virgin to Elizabeth
Eph 1:1-14 / Lk 1:39-45

Birth of John the Baptist
Gal 4:21-5:1 / Lk 1:57-66

Revelation to Joseph
Eph 3:1-13 / Mt 1:18-25



If you would like to participate in our Tree of Giving project, please . [Click here](#) to be directed to SignUpGenius and pick a child to buy a gift for them as if they were your own family member. All wrapped gifts must be **returned to the church**, not the church hall, on Sunday, December 10th by 11:30 AM.

On a piece of paper print the number located before the child's name, the child's name, your name and phone number and attach it to the gift. We will then match it to the child you have chosen and attach the gift tags we received from Northampton County.

Those without computer access may call the rectory (no later than Wednesday, Dec 6) at 610-252-5275 and we'll let you choose from names that are still available. Thank you for your kindness to those in need.

Maronite Faith Formation Classes

Dear Parents of Elementary School-Aged Children:

It has been several years since we last had a dynamic religious education program in our church, other than for children receiving their First Holy Communion. We believe this has been a missed opportunity to engage our young parishioners in the study of Christianity and the Maronite Faith. Therefore, we would like to revive the religious education program and include all children in our Parish from Kindergarten to 6th Grade. And while we understand the challenges of a busy family life, we would hope that you will see this as a necessary and vital part of your children's spiritual growth.

To gauge interest for this program, please click [here](#) to let us know if you are committed to participating with your children. We will keep everyone updated on the results of our survey.

What you do and say as Maronite Catholic parents is far more important and will teach your children far more than we can in a short hour of class. Your example and your attitude toward their faith instruction speaks volumes. Please allow us to enhance that instruction with focused lessons on the church and the Gospels and the impact of having Christ in their young lives.

Please email Jennie Melhem at j_melly@hotmail.com regarding volunteer opportunities and for more information.

*Train children in the right way,
and when old, they will not stray.*

Proverbs 22:6

JOIN US FOR OUR LADY OF LEBANON PARISH

NYE Party

DOORS OPEN @8PM
BRING YOUR OWN FAVORITE FOOD & DRINKS!
KITCHEN WILL NOT BE OPEN FOR USE!

\$75 PER TABLE ✨
EACH TABLE HOLDS 8 PEOPLE

SALE OF TABLES IS AVAILABLE TO PARISHIONERS ON A FIRST COME, FIRST PAY BASIS.

DJ & PARTY SWAG INCLUDED

RSVP: VICTORIA HAWACH (610) 462-7546

You're Invited!

A Night of Christmas

Saturday, December 16th | 6:00 PM

It's a night of Christmas! Our youth will perform in our Christmas Pageant, followed by a Christmas Party in the Church Hall

Any youth who would like to participate in the Christmas pageant should complete [this form](#).

All parishioners are welcome to attend!