

#### 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, Dec 9 -<br/>Sunday, Dec 10 -<br/>Nov Online -\$277.00<br/>\$856.00<br/>\$1,340.00Total -\$2,473.00

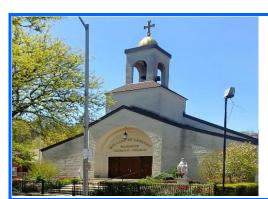
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The address is **@ololchurch-easton**.

Please be sure to specify for what your contribution is intended.

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, 2024 at 11:00 AM			
Feast of the Glorious Epiphany	Vigil Mass - Saturday, January 6 <sup>th</sup> & Sunday, January 7th			

BAPTISM  Preregistration for Baptism is required. Catholic sponsor certificates must by 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.	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 412-583-5702.	BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINE  Changes or additions to the bulletin must be submitted no later than Tuesdays at 5:00 PM.



# OUR LADY OF LEBANON MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Dec 16 - Dec 31, 2023

# Revelation to Joseph



#### 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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# The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew 1:18-25

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit.

Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.'

All this took place to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: 'Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel', which means, 'God is with us.'

When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

### Letter to the Ephesians 3:1-13

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ.

In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power.

Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places.

This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him. I pray therefore that you may not lose heart over my sufferings for you; they are your glory.

#### \*\*\*Revelation to Joseph\*\*\*

Saturday Dec 16 - 5:00 PM - ANTHONY HANNI by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Mangino & Daughters

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

Monday	Dec 18	7:00 PM	CHRISTMAS NOVENA - RIMAH MELHEM by Deacon Anthony, Cheffie & Anthony Koury, Jr.
Tuesday	Dec 19	7:00 PM	CHRISTMAS NOVENA - HABOUK SHUMAR by Robert & Evelyn Hanni
Wednesday	Dec 20	7:00 PM	CHRISTMAS NOVENA - GEORGE KOORIE by Mr. & Mrs. Sam Issac
Thursday	Dec 21	7:00 PM	CHRISTMAS NOVENA - FRANCES MELHEM by Claire Willard & Family
Friday	Dec 22	7:00 PM	CHRISTMAS NOVENA - QUEENIE JABBOUR by David Prestipino

## \*\*\*Genealogy Sunday\*\*\*

Saturday Dec 23 - 5:00 PM - JOSEPH ASSISE (Birthday Remembrance) by the Family

Sunday, Dec 24- 10:00 AM - YOUSSEF, GHOUSEN & MAROUN BADWI by Mr. & Mrs. Badwi Jacob & Family

# \*\*\* The Glorious Birth of Our Lord \*\*\*

Sunday, Dec 24 - 5:00 PM - CHRISTMAS EVE - FOR ALL THE CHILDREN IN THE PARISH by Fr. Youssef

Sunday Dec 24 - 11:00 PM - CHRISTMAS EVE - FOR ALL LIVING & DECEASED PARISHIONERS by Fr. Youssef

Monday, Dec 25 - 10:00 AM - CHRISTMAS DAY - FOR ALL LIVING & DECEASED PARISHIONERS by Fr. Youssef

Tuesday	Dec 26	10·00 AN	FELICITATIONS TO THE VIRGIN MARY PETER KASSIS by Journana Melhem & Family
Wednesday	Dec 27	9:00 AM	JOSEPH CANONE by Keene Jabbour & Son
Thursday	Dec 28	9:00 AM	GLORIA BAURKOT by Rosann Constantine
Friday	Dec 29	9:00 AM	MILO ELIAS by Marlene Bedway

# \*\*\*The Finding of Our Lord in the Temple\*\*

Saturday Dec 30 - 5:00 PM - ANTOINE RAHME & DAUGHTER, MARIE RAHME by Marie Joseph & Family

Sunday, Dec 31 - 10:00 AM - RENEE BASSIL by Anthony Franchini

# SCRIPTURE READINGS

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

Genealogy Sunday
Rom 1:-12 / Mt 1:1-17

The Glorious Birth of Our Lord Heb 1:1-12 / Lk 2:1-20

# HAPPY 65 BIRTHDAY

Please join us this Sunday, December 17th in the church hall to wish Fr. Youssef a very happy and blessed birthday!

May God shower Fr. Youssef with many blessings on his birthday and may God's love and peace be with him always.







Date: Sunday, 12/17/2023

Time: 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Place: OLOL Church Hall

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