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Fourth Sunday of the Resurrection: Sunday, April 25, 2021

Sunday, April 25, 2021 at 11:00 o'clock

Michel Abi Najm

Joseph Elhallah

Saturday, May 1, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Nassif El-Haber (Memorial Liturgy)

Sunday, May 2, 2021 at 11:00 o'clock

For the Parish

Sunday, May 9, 2021 at 11:00 o'clock

First Communion

Thursday, May 13, 2021 (Ascension Thursday) at 7:30 p.m.

Chebel Farid Azar

Sunday, May 16, 2021 at 11:00 o'clock

Youssef El-Khoury (40 Day Anniversary)

Sunday, May 23, 2021 at 11:00 o'clock

Joseph Sandroussi (40 Day Anniversary)

Sunday, May 30, 2021 at 11:00 o'clock

Reconciliation (Confession) is available every Sunday between 10:15 and 10:45 a.m. before the Divine Liturgy.

The last Sunday of every month, a Holy Hour of Adoration will take place after the 11:00 a.m. Liturgy.

Let us Pray the Rosary

Please join fellow parishioners as we pray the Holy Rosary every **Sunday at 10:15 a.m.** in preparation for the Divine Liturgy and in honor of our Blessed Mother, Mary.

Thank you for your generosity

Summary of the Collection for **Sunday, April 18, 2021**

Regular Sunday Collection \$ 1115

Pledges \$ 500

Contribution from individuals \$ 125

Second Collection \$ 200

Thank you for your generosity and may God bless you all.

Second Collections

Sunday, May 2, 2021, a second collection will be taken for The National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon in North Jackson, Ohio. Thank you for your generosity and cooperation.

May 23, 2021 Catholic Communications Campaign: Following the norms established by the USCCB, 50% of this collection is sent to them for national Catholic television, radio and other media, and 50% is retained by our Eparchy for the Maronite Voice and any other communication needs the Eparchy may have.

Marriage Banns

The Marriage Banns are announced for the second time between **Rami EL-Hasrouni** and **Patricia Georges Khoury**. Anyone knowing why they should not be joined in the Mystery of Holy Matrimony is bound in conscience to make it known to the priest. Thank you.

First Holy Communion

Alexander Barakat, Jay Chebli, Veronica Chahine, Gabriel El-Sayed and **Luna Philippe** will receive their First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 9, 2021. We wish them God's blessings as they prepare to receive the Lord for the first time.

Food For Thought

The Lord of life wants us to be full of life, and He tells us the secret of life; we come to possess it only by giving it away.

Pope Francis, April 23, 2021.

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Our Lady of Lebanon



The first Sunday in May we celebrated the memorial of Our Virgin Mother under the title of “Our Lady of Lebanon.” The Maronite Church has always had a special devotion to the Virgin, as is evidenced by the great number of churches which are dedicated to her both in Lebanon and in our own country. Mary, moreover, plays a special role in the Church’s liturgy: There are numerous *hoosoyeh* dedicated to her, *qoley* and hymns which extol her virtues, and constant petitions which beg her intercession. And yet, Mary is always seen in the Maronite liturgy as the Mother of the Lord, the *Theotokos*, in whose womb the Word took flesh:

Hail Mary! In your virginity, you became the mother of the mighty One who fills heaven and earth.

Hail Mary! In your virginity, you became the mother of the ancient One whose name was before the sun was created.

Hail Mary! In your virginity, you became the mother of the Creator who formed Eve and gave her to Adam.

Blessed are you, Mary, in whose womb dwelled in holiness the only begotten Son who is one in nature and in Splendor with the Father.

It is because of Mary’s unique position as Mother of the Lord that the Church knows that it can turn to her and seek her intercession with her Son:

O Mother of the Life, petition your divine Son
to Keep away from us all the effects of evil,
to preserve us from all animosity
and to strengthen us on our way.

As we honor the Virgin Mother of the Lord under her title of “Our Lady of Lebanon,” we pray for the land of our ancestors in the faith, for the whole Maronite Church, and for those parishes which are dedicated under her patronage. May Our Lady of Lebanon assist us by her prayers. Amen

(Maronite Prayer of the Faithful)

Scripture Readings

Sunday, May 2, 2021, 5th Sunday of Easter and Feast of Our Lady of Lebanon

Eph 2:1-10; Jn 21:15-19

Sunday, May 9, 2021, 6th Sunday of Easter

Rom 10:1-13; Lk 24:36-48

Sunday, May 16, 2021, 7th Sunday of Easter

Eph 1:15-23; Jn 13:31-35

