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Sunday, May 1, 2022, 3rd Sunday of the Resurrection and Feast of Our Lady of Lebanon:

Sunday, May 1, 2022 (Feast of Our Lady of Lebanon) at 11:00
For the Parish

Sunday, May 8, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock
First Communion children and for all mothers living and deceased

Sunday, May 15, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock
Lilian Khoury
Eugenie Joubran (40 Day Anniversary)

Sunday, May 22, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock
Hafez Sakr (40 Day Anniversary)

Sunday, May 29, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock
Private Intention

Sunday, June 5, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock
Joseph Fahed (40 Day Anniversary)

Sunday, June 12, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock
Philip and Georgette Issa and Ramez Sarkis

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

Ushers for Sunday, May 8, 2022

Roger Abou Jaoude, Elie Malkoun, Kevin Pitzer and George Choueiry

Altar Servers for Sunday, May 1, 2022

Jason Pitzer and Peter ElKhoueiry

Thank you for your generosity

Summary of the Collection for **Sunday, April 24, 2022**

Regular Collection (Easter Sunday) \$ 1408

Pledge and donation by mail \$ 1400

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

Second Collections

Sunday, May 1, 2022, 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 29, 2022, 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.

Feast of Our Lady of Lebanon

Please join us as we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Lebanon, Patroness of our parish, on **Sunday, May 1, 2022**. A light reception will follow in the Social Hall.

Scripture Readings

Sunday, May 1, 2022 (Feast of Our Lady of Lebanon)

2 Tim 2:8-13; Lk 24:13-35

Sunday, May 8, 2022 (4th Sunday of the Resurrection)

Heb 13: 18-25; Jn 21:1-14

Sunday, May 15, 2022 (5th Sunday of the Resurrection)

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

Meeting

Thursday, May 5, 2022, there will be a meeting for the Pastoral Council at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish's office.

Attention All Young Adults (MYA)

The World Youth Day (WYD) will be held in Lisbon, Portugal August 1 - 6, 2023. The Eparchy of Saint Maron is planning a pilgrimage package for 9 days, 8 nights (July 29 - August 7) sleeping at Hotel Roma in Lisbon. The trip includes the whole World Youth Day package along with a trip to Fatima for the Maronite group with a guide. This pilgrimage is for our young adults (**ages 18-35**). The cost is \$2,999 which includes airfare. **Space is limited.** If you are interested please sign up early. A \$300 deposit for all who would like to attend is required by **May 20, 2022**. Here is the registration link to sign up:

<https://forms.gle/kUMpDYwgdxa2phnAA>.

If you are interested in joining the pilgrimage or have any questions, please contact **Sr. Therese Maria Touma @** 508-965-6945 or email srtherese2010@gmail.com.

Congratulations and Blessings

Clara Abou Jaoude, Helana Aziz, Lea Rita Elkhoeiry, Wassek Fallouh, Ghady Peter Hokayem, Rita Ibrahim, Lauren Kheir, Georges Karroum, Francesca Mannato, Georgette John Richey and Bella Sarfean will receive their First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 8, 2022. May God through the intercession of Our Lady of Lebanon bless them and guide them always.

Family Rosary

Angry? Need A Weapon? Pray the Rosary

Join us as we pray the Rosary every **2nd Monday of the month at 8 pm ET**, to build a culture of life and to overcome evil in the world. Led by Bishop Elias Zaidan, Bishop Gregory Mansour or their representative. The kick-off will be on **Monday, May 9, 2022**. Zoom link: tinyurl.com/ofslmonthlyrosary.

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)

