

MARCH 16, 2014

HEALING OF THE HEMORRHAGING WOMAN

LITURGY INTENTIONS

<u>DATE AND TIME</u>			<u>IN LOVING MEMORY OF</u>	<u>REQUESTED BY</u>
Saturday	Mar. 15	5:00 pm	Peter P. Arida Carlton McGuire (1 Year Anniversary) Gerald Keeton Patricia Bousader	Reggie Joseph Mae McGuire & Family Renee & Phyllis Keeton Mom, Dad & Sisters
Sunday	Mar. 16	10:00 am	<i>MYO Mass</i> Michael Nowak Ibrahim & Saussan Hanna Majid & Badwih Mansour	M/M John Farah M/M Tony Ibrahim The Family
		12:15 pm	Mouroan Barakat Fr. Najib Aboujaoude Therese, Victoria, Hind & Nakhle Chbat Maurice Y. Aboujaoude	Samir & Katia Mansour M/M Kamal Jaoude Marie & Yacoub Chbat M/M Kamal Jaoude
Tuesday	Mar. 18	12:00 pm	Arthur Zohab	Abouna
Wednesday	Mar. 19	12:00 pm	Ghassan & Linda Kairouz	The Family
Thursday	Mar. 20	12:00 pm	Rev. Boutros Kairouz	The Family
Friday	Mar. 21	12:00 pm	Rose M. Kairouz	The Family
Saturday	Mar. 22	5:00 pm	Donald Murphy Mkheiber & Zahibeh Zayrouk	Abouna Mrs. Asma Gerges
Sunday	Mar. 23	10:00 am	Hassebeh Elias Mansour (Anniversary) Antonios & Zalfa Shady Majid & Badwih Mansour	Amal Mansour M/M Tony Ibrahim The Family
		12:15 pm	Genevieve & Hawa Elias & Souls in Purgatory Georgette Nasr	Mrs. Marie Moussa Georgina & Tony Moussa

The Altar Bread for March is in loving memory of Elias & Rose Attea by Pat & Rita MacDiarmid

The Altar Wine for March is in loving memory of Elias & Rose Attea by Pat & Rita MacDiarmid

The Sanctuary Lamp for March is in loving memory of Elias & Rose Attea by Pat & Rita MacDiarmid

****KEEP THE LEGACY ALIVE****
****PLEASE REMEMBER ST. JOHN MARON PARISH IN YOUR ESTATE PLANNING****

This Weekend's Sacred Scriptures: Epistle: 2 Cor 7:4-11 ~ **Gospel:** Lk 8:40-56

Next Weekend's Sacred Scriptures: Epistle: 2 Cor 13:5-13 ~ **Gospel:** Lk 15:11-32

PARISH STEWARDSHIP (MAR 9, 2014)

Regular Tithes:

5 pm & 10 am: \$1,234.00
 12:15 pm: \$ 296.00
TOTAL: \$1,530.00

PLEASE CONTINUE TO USE YOUR ENVELOPES.
 OUR GRATITUDE TO ALL WHO ARE SUPPORTING ST. JOHN MARON CHURCH.
YOUR GENEROSITY IS A BLESSING.

THE SECOND COLLECTION FOR THIS WEEK IS FOR FUEL AND UPKEEP.
THE SECOND COLLECTION FOR NEXT WEEK IS FOR THE ASSESSMENT/BISHOP'S APPEAL .

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| *ALTAR SERVERS: | Sat. 5:00 pm: | | *LECTORS: | Sat. 5:00 pm | Regina Joseph |
| | Sun. 10:00 am: | Jonathon Mansour | | Sun. 10:00 am | Brandon Khoury Sabon |
| | | Elias Mansour | | Sun. 12:15 pm | Rita Hayek |
| | Sun. 12:15 pm: | John Shelby | *DEACONS: | Sat. 5:00 pm | Bob DiSibio |
| | | Michael Hayek | | Sun. 10:00 am | Nila Khoury |
| | | | | Sun. 12:15 pm | Albert Farah |
- *PEACE BEARERS: Sun. 10:00 am:** Cory Badawy, Steven Khoury
- *GIFT BEARERS: Sun. 10:00 am:** Mary Bitar, Andrea Khoury
- *INTERCESSIONS: Sun. 10:00 am:** Anthony Atallah, Maggie Moran, Georgio Khoury Sabon, Matthew Saleh

2014 ASSESSMENT/BISHOP'S APPEAL

Letters and pledge/donation cards have been mailed to every parish family. As Christians, it is our responsibility to make the commitment and help others in need. Please find it in your hearts to be generous with your donations to the Assessment/Bishop's Charity Appeal. Every parish family is kindly asked to do its share so that our St. John Maron Parish will be able to meet its goal, which is (\$32,000).

CAR RAFFLE

We're bringing it back.....the ever popular CAR RAFFLE! We will be selling raffle tickets for a **2014 Toyota Camry and additional cash prizes of \$1000, \$500, \$300, and \$200.**

This raffle, which will benefit *Our Children's Scholarship Fund and Activities*, will take place on **Saturday, May 17, 2014 in the Cedars Banquet Facility.** Tickets are \$100 each. Complimentary coffee and desserts will be served.

We're counting on you to support the Church and this fundraiser by purchasing tickets from one of the captains, who will be contacting you. For further information, please call Fouad Hage (631-1301), Bob DiSibio (632-7895), or the parish office.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent at 7:00 p.m.

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ANESE FESTIVAL 2014

THE DATE IS SET FOR OUR LEBANESE FESTIVAL: **July 25, 26, and 27.** Please mark your calendar.

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Sadie Joseph, Raghad Dabbikeh Schroeder, Nelly Anthony, Norma Kamp, Fahed Kairouz, Michael Abraham, Angele Boujaoude, Myrna Haeick & Mona Arida



MASS BOOK FOR 2014

The 2014 Mass Book is now open for anyone who wishes to schedule Masses in ADVANCE.

2013 RECORD OF CONTRIBUTIONS

The record of contributions for your 2013 tax statement can be available *upon your request.* If you need a statement please contact our parish office.

ARE YOU INTERESTED?.....

St. John Maron is in need of a secretary for the Parish Office. This is a part-time paid position. If you are interested or know of anyone who may be interested, please call the Parish Office (634-0669). Thank you.

CARMELITE ANNUAL NOVENA

The Annual Novena in honor of St. Joseph will be held at the Carmelite Monastery, 75 Carmel Road, Buffalo. It will begin on Tuesday, March 11, and close on St. Joseph's Feast Day, Wednesday, March 19. Services each evening of the Novena will begin with the Rosary @ 7:00, followed by Mass. (There will be no Benediction services on the afternoon of Sunday, March 16.)

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

We are to forgive and sacrifice instead of trying to get even.

ST. JOHN MARON THANKS

THE ORIGINAL PANCAKE HOUSE

5479 Main St., Williamsville ~ 2075 Niagara Falls Blvd., Amherst ~ 3019 Union Rd., O.P.

Please support and acknowledge them when needed as a "thank you" for advertising at St. John Maron.

LENTEN GUIDANCE

Good Friday (April 18), and ALL Fridays of Lent are days of Fast & Abstinence. Abstinence from meat, and fasting binds all physically capable Catholics, Eastern and Western, who are 14 years old and older. Fasting in the Catholic Church involves no eating or drinking (except water and medicine) from midnight until noon, and doing works of charity. The rest of the day's normal meals can be taken but without meat.

PARISH RETREAT

Our Parish Retreat will be held on **March 17 through March 19, 2014 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** Please plan on attending. The Theme for the Retreat is:

“Our Parish: A Holy Place where Our Family Encounters the Lord.”

Our Guest Speaker for Monday, March 17, is Homilist & Musician, Rev. William Quinlivan, *Pastor of Blessed Sacrament Church, Tonawanda.* For Tuesday, March 18, the Homilist will be our pastor, Abouna Elie. On Wednesday, March 19, there will be a Parish Penance Service with Priests. After the service, please plan on attending the **St. Joseph's Day dinner**, immediately following the service. Bring your family and a Lenten meatless dish to share. If you are planning to attend the St. Joseph's Day Dinner, please contact Dolores Sapienza at 633-7236.

ST. JOHN MARON PARISH SCHOLARSHIP

Are you a high school senior? Are you looking for a chance to receive a scholarship? This scholarship was established to recognize a high school senior who is a member of St. John Maron Maronite Church, has been actively involved in parish activities, and has demonstrated participation in community services. A scholarship flyer, with detailed information, is available at the entrances to the Church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mar. 16 & 23, 2014: Regular Classes

Mar. 30, 2014: Regular Class

Apr. 6, 2014: Regular Class
Gr. 4, 5, 6: Movie
Gr. 3: Movie & Last Supper

All children are encouraged to participate in the NAM Poster Contest by creating a “grade-themed” poster or essay. Flyers are available from the teachers. Posterboard available from the 3rd Gr. Classroom. NAM Scholarship applications are available online at www.namnews.org. The deadline is May 15, 2014.

CCD COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE



Mar. 16, 2014: Odeale & Jim Frank

Mar. 23, 2014: Patricia & David Bittar

Mar. 30, 2014: Jeanne & Bill Krier

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

The Altar & Rosary Society will be holding a *Spring Arts & Craft Show* on **Saturday, April 26, 2014, from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.** This event will be in the Cedars Banquet Facility. There will be a variety of crafters. We invite you and your friends to come, enjoy and peruse the many items for purchase. Proceeds from this event will benefit St. John Maron Church.

Split Club Winners:

March: Theresa Akiki; Georges Atallah; Sadie Joseph

Altar cleaners for March: Laura Mansour and Silvana Badawy.

NAM CONVENTION 2014

SAVE THE DATE: Our Lady of Victory Maronite Catholic Church, Pittsburgh, PA, will be hosting the NAM (National Apostolate of Maronites) Convention, which will be held from Wednesday, July 2 through Sunday, July 6, 2014. Please visit the NAM website at www.namnews.org, or contact Colette Jowdy at (716) 706-0505, or her email: cjowdy@yahoo.com for further information. Please note: hotel reservations should be made as soon as possible at the Wyndham Grand Hotel, downtown Pittsburgh, as a limited number of rooms have been set aside for NAM guests.

ST. JOHN MARON CHURCH MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone: _____

CHECK ONE:

- New Registration**
- Change of Address**
- Moving Out Of Parish**
- Want Envelopes**