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CLERGY
Father Simon El Hajj, Pastor
Mr. Joe Chebli, Deacon

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:
Tuesday through Thursday
10:00 AM to 4:00 PM
No office hours on Fridays.

LITURGY:
Saturdays: 5:00 PM
Sundays: 11:00 AM

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Church number: (732) 828-2055
Priest phone: (412) 973-1763

CONFESSIONS:
Sunday: 10:15 am to 10:50 am (before mass)
Saturday: 4:15 pm to 4:50 pm (before mass)
Also Available by Appointment

BAPTISMS:
Please Call The Parish Rectory (non-parishioners sponsors must provide a certificate from their Catholic church)

MARRIAGES:
Please Notify The Pastor At Least 6 Months earlier.
MCF (Maronite Christian faith)
October 5, 2019 to May 2, 2020
Saturdays 3:30 pm - 4:45 pm

Communion for the homebound & Anointing of the sick

Please notify the pastor or the parish office to make arrangements of any hospital or homebound visitation and/or any anointing of the sick to receive the Holy Communion.

Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke 1,57-66.

Now the time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son.

Her neighbours and relatives heard that the Lord had shown his great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her.

On the eighth day they came to circumcise the child, and they were going to name him Zechariah after his father.

But his mother said, 'No; he is to be called John.'

They said to her, 'None of your relatives has this name.'

Then they began motioning to his father to find out what name he wanted to give him. He asked for a writing-tablet and wrote, 'His name is John.'

And all of them were amazed.

Immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue freed, and he began to speak, praising God.

Fear came over all their neighbours, and all these things were talked about throughout the entire hill country of Judea.

All who heard them pondered them and said, 'What then will this child become?' For, indeed, the hand of the Lord was with him.

إنجيل القديس لوقا 66-57:1

تَمَّ زَمَانُ الْيَصَابَاتِ لِتَلِدَ، فَوَلَدَتْ ابْنًا.

وَسَمِعَ جِيرَانُهَا وَأَقَارِبُهَا أَنَّ الرَّبَّ قَدْ عَظَّمَ رَحْمَتَهُ لَهَا، فَفَرِحُوا مَعَهَا.

وَفِي الْيَوْمِ الثَّامِنِ جَاءُوا لِيُخْتِنُوا الصَّبِيَّ، وَسَمَّوْهُ بِاسْمِ أَبِيهِ زَكَرِيَّا.

فَأَجَابَتْ أُمُّهُ وَقَالَتْ: «لَا! بَلْ يُسَمَّى يُوْحَنَّا!»

فَقَالُوا لَهَا: «لَا أَحَدٌ فِي قَرَابَتِكَ يُدْعَى بِهَذَا الْأَسْمِ.»

وَأَشَارُوا إِلَى أَبِيهِ مَاذَا يُرِيدُ أَنْ يُسَمِّيَهُ.

فَطَلَبَ لَوْحًا وَكَتَبَ: «إِسْمُهُ يُوْحَنَّا!» فَتَعَجَّبُوا جَمِيعُهُمْ.

وَأُنْفَتِحَ فَمَّ زَكَرِيَّا، وَأَنْطَلَقَ لِسَانُهُ، وَجَعَلَ يَتَكَلَّمُ وَيُبَارِكُ اللَّهَ، فَاسْتَوْلَى الْخَوْفُ عَلَى جَمِيعِ جِيرَانِهِمْ، وَتَحَدَّثَتِ النَّاسُ بِكُلِّ هَذِهِ الْأُمُورِ فِي كُلِّ جَبَلِ الْيَهُودِيَّةِ.

وَكَانَ كُلُّ مَنْ سَمِعَ بِذَلِكَ يَحْفَظُهُ فِي قَلْبِهِ قَائِلًا: «مَا عَسَى هَذَا الطِّفْلُ أَنْ يَكُونَ؟» وَكَانَتْ يَدُ الرَّبِّ حَقًّا مَعَهُ.

*****Birth of John the Baptist *****
Saturday, December 07 - 5:00 PM-
 In memory of Joseph & Eugenie Hbeich
 Req by the family
Sunday, December 08 -11:00 AM-
 In memory of Amira George Michael Ajouri & Manuel Apolonia
 Req by Nadia & Ted Apolonia

*****Revelation to Joseph*****
Saturday, December 14- 5:00 PM-
 In memory of Assaad & Emily Choueiry & Joseph Rizk
 Requested by Yvon Choueiry
Sunday, December 15 -11:00 AM-
 In memory of Afaf Abu Assi Tabet (40 Day Mass)
 Req by Mr & Mrs Naji Tabet

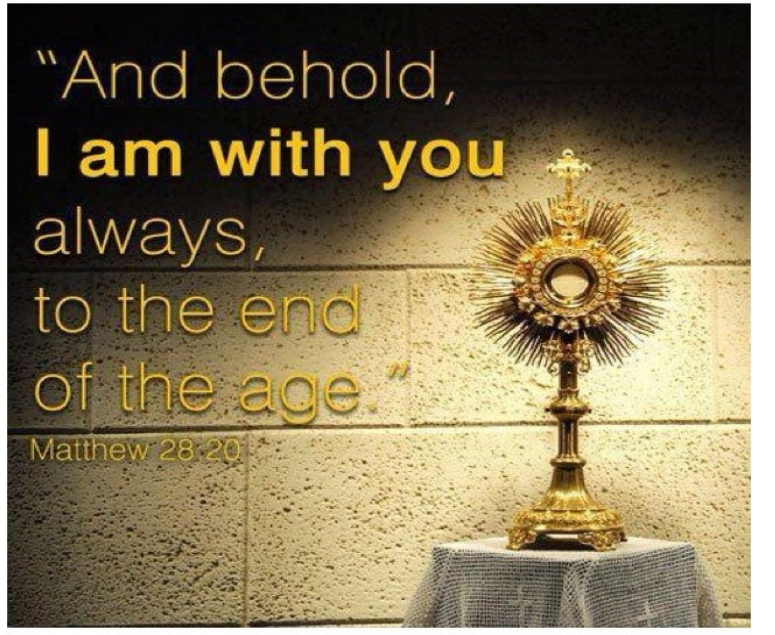
*****Genealogy Sunday*****
Saturday, December 21- 5:00 PM-
 Available
Sunday, December 22 -11:00 AM-
 In memory of Wife Anong & Son Jeffrey Wakin
 Req by Ibrahim Wakim

*****Sunday after the Birth of Our Lord*****
Saturday, December 28 - 5:00 PM-
 Available
Sunday, December 29-11:00 AM-
 In memory of Lawrence Fattal
 Req by Lawand Family

*****The Finding of Our Lord in the Temple*****
Saturday, January 04 - 5:00 PM-
 Available
Sunday, January 05 -11:00 AM-
 Available

Weekly Collection: Saturday & Sunday
 For November, 2019 - **\$12,171.00**
Total Weekly Collection and assessments of 2019
\$111,571.00

Donation In Memory of ...
 Candles, Hosts, and wine are in memory of Georges Haddad, Adib & Mary Asmar, & Samir Tabet
 offered by Mr & Mrs Louis Asmar.



Eucharistic adoration takes place in the Church
Thursday December 12, 2019
for ONE HOUR from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

Arabic Classes	Joumana/Samira
Imaculate Conception SODALITY	Gretta Attal
Accountant	Rita Guirguis
Knights of Saint Sharbel	Charbel Ojeil
PARISH ORGANIST	Roukos Jacob/ Rita Chamoun
MYO/PIONEERS	Tony Richa
Religious Education/MCF	Deacon Joe Chebli
Knights of Mary	Samia Sassine
Choir	Nassif Maroun
MYA	Julia Abboud

Christmas & New Year Liturgy Schedule
Christmas Eve Liturgy
 Tuesday December 24 @ 5:00 PM & 11:00 PM
Christmas Day Liturgy
 Wednesday December 25 @ 12:00 PM
New Year's Eve Liturgy
 Tuesday December 31 @ 4:30 PM



Christmas Novena & confessions
 Christmas Novena Begins Monday December 16, 2019 through Monday December 23 @ 7:00 PM
 Confessions begins @ 6:30 PM

Bishop's Pastoral Visit
 Join us Sunday December 22, 2019 to celebrate 11:00 am Liturgy with our Bishop Gregory Mansour followed by coffee hour.
Welcome Sayedna

Knights of Mary
Motto: Think of others
 All children Grade 3 to 7 are invited to meet
When: Friday January 10, 2020 at 6:30 PM
Where: in the church hall.
 Knights of Mary organization will help your children to
 • mature in human life through the interaction with others,
 • develop their personalities;
 • Help deepen their faith through living and sharing with others;
 • Form them as disciples of Jesus Christ in their society by helping others.



Immaculate Conception Meeting
 All ladies are invited to ladies sodality meeting
When: Friday January 24, 2020 at 7:00 PM
Where: in the church hall.
 All ladies are encouraged to attend to learn more about their faith and socialize.



Knights of Saint Sharbel Christmas Party
 All men are invited to a Christmas Party
When: Saturday December 07, 2019 at 6:30 PM
Where: in the church hall.
Join us for a fun evening!

MYA Retreat & Christmas Party
 All young adults between the ages 18 & 35 are invited to a Retreat
When: Saturday December 21, 2019 from 10:00 am - 5:00 PM
Followed by a Christmas Party

MYO/Pioneers of Mary
All Grades 8-12 are invited to a Christmas Dinner Party
When: Monday December 23, 2019 from 4:00 PM -7:00 PM
Where: in the church hall



Saturday December 14, 2019
1:00 - 4:00 pm
Sponsored by the Ladies Sodality

SCRIPTURE READINGS

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
Genealogy Sunday
Rom 1:1-12/ Mt 1:1-17
Sunday after the Birth of Our Lord
Heb 11:23-31/ Mt 2:13-18
The Finding of Our Lord in the Temple
Heb 7:11-19/ Lk 2:41-52

