The Shrine Messenger

October 2026

BASILICA & NATIONAL SHRINE
of Our Lady of Lebanon



From the Rector's Desk

Every year, the Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon is blessed to welcome the deacons and subdeacons of the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon for their annual retreat. We are deepy grateful for the presence of our shepherd, Bishop Elias Zaidan, along with Fr. Jad Chlouk, Director of the Office of Ministries, and all the deacons, subdeacons, candidates, and their wives who join us.

This special weekend is a cherished time of spiritual renewal, fraternity, and joyful fellowship under the loving mantle of our Blessed Mother. Throughout the eparchy, our deacons and subdeacons dedicate their lives to serving at the altar, enriching our parish communities beyond measure. As an integral part of our Church, they faithfully guide us in prayer - most especially during the Divine Liturgy.

Through the intercession of Our Lady of Lebanon, may our Lord abundantly bless our deacons and subdeacons during this retreat, hold their families in His care, and continue to grace our eparchy with holy servants who love Him and His Church.

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday	5:00 pm
Sunday	10:00 am
	5:00 pm
Monday	5:30 pm
Tuesday	5:30 pm
Wednesday	5:30 pm
Thursday	5:30 pm
Friday	No Liturgy (Will Resume in November)

Devotion Schedule

Rosary	9:30 Sunday
Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction	Will Resume in November
Confession	1/2 Hr. Before Liturgy or By Appointment

DAYS OF PLENARY INDULGENCE

A plenary indulgence is given to the faithful when they visit the Basilica & National Shrine on the following days and fulfill the following conditions:

- Have a complete detachment from sin, even venial
- Sacramental confession, 20 days before or after
- Receive Holy Communion, 20 days before or after
- Prayers for the intentions of the Pope — an Our Father & Hail Mary are suggested

- The Ascension (40 days after Easter)
- The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Aug. 15)
- Christmas (Dec. 25)
- Easter
- Epiphany (Jan. 6)
- Feast of the Annunciation (March 25)
- Feast of the Chair of St. Peter (Feb. 22)
- Solemnity of Christ the King (last Sunday of the liturgical year Roman calendar)

- Solemnity of the Holy Apostles Peter & Paul (June 29)
- Feast of the Most Holy Rosary (1st Sunday in October)
- Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (Dec. 8)
- Feast of the Maternity of the BVM (2nd Sunday in October)
- Feast of Our Lady of Lebanon (1st Sunday in May)
- Feast of the Purification (Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple; Candlemas Feb. 2)
- Anniversary of the Papal Election of Pope Leo XIV (May 8)

Feast of the Holy Rosary



Sunday, October 4

Pray the Rosary
9:30 a.m.

Divine Liturgy
10:00 a.m.

Day of Plenary Indulgence for the Shrine

Welcome Fr. Tony

His Excellency Bishop A. Elias Zaidan has appointed Very Rev. Tony Massad the Rector of the Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon effective October 1, 2026. We look forward to welcoming Fr. Tony to the Basilica as Rector, who will remain the already beloved pastor of Saint Maron in Youngstown.

Thank You Fr. Michael

We are grateful to Very Rev. Michael Shami for filling the position of Rector Pro Tempore during this period of transition at the Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon. May the Lord protect you and bless you.

Liturgy Intentions

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Mon., Oct. 5
No Liturgy

Tues., Oct. 6
No Liturgy

Wed., Oct. 7
No Liturgy

Thurs., Oct. 8
No Liturgy

Fri., Oct. 9
No Liturgy

Fri., Oct. 16
No Liturgy

Fri., Oct. 23
No Liturgy

Fri. Oct. 30
No Liturgy

Thur 1 **St. Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin Religious, Doctor of the Church**
6 p.m. +Catherine Mines By John Novak
+Raffaele & Carmine DePasquale By Maria DePasquale & Family
+Gloria Thomas By Marie Dippolito

Fri 2 **First Friday, Deacon & Subdeacon Retreat**
12 noon Intentions for Vocations

Sat 3 **St. Dionysius the Areopagite, St. Mother Theodore Guerin - USA**
5 p.m. Divine Liturgy with Bishop A. Elias Zaidan
+Sally Pauline Grabovic By Patricia Smith
Int: Warren Kline By Mary Gallo

Sun 4 **Third Sunday after Holy Cross**
Feast of the Holy Rosary Plenary Indulgence
10 a.m. +Josephine Ronyak By Jen Worley
Int: In Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, the Immaculate Heart of Mary & the Chaste Heart of St. Joseph By Tom & Beth Ann Moran
5 p.m. +Souls in Purgatory By George & Elizabeth Cackovic

Mon 5 **St. Paul the Simple, Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos - USA**
No Liturgy

Tues 6 **St. Thomas the Apostle**
No Liturgy

Wed 7 **Sts. Sarkis (Sergius) & Bacchus, Martyrs**
No Liturgy

Thur 8 **St. Pelagia of Antioch**
No Liturgy

Fri 9 **St. James, Brother of the Lord, Apostle**
No Liturgy

Sat 10 **St. Eulampius & His Sister Eulampia, & Their Companions, Martyrs**
Int: L/D Millcreek Metroparks & Employees By Kevin Wegendt
+Varghese Pallippattu By Pallippattu

Sun 11 **Fourth Sunday after Holy Cross**
St. Philip the Deacon, Pope St. John XXIII (1963), First Council of Nicaea (323)
10 a.m. Fr. Andrew Kolitsos By Kolitsos Family
Special Intention By Rose Byers
5 p.m. +Steve Medovich By John Novak
Special Intention By Kristie Miller

Mon 12 **St, Edno, Martyr, St. Carlo Acutis**
+Kathryn Marceau & the L/D Members of the Moretto Family By Dawnya Marceau
Special Intentions

Tues 13 **Sts. Carpus & Papylus & Their Companions, Martyrs**
+Teresa Jozwiak By Kathleen Jozwiak
Int: L/D Millcreek Metroparks & Employees By Kevin Wegendt

Wed 14 **St. Isaiah the Monk**
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+Kenneth Weger By Paula Mines
+Lee & Michael Byers By Genevieve Gabriel

Thur 15 **St. Teresa of Avila, Virgin Religious, Doctor of the Church**
+Charlotte Rockar By Kirk & Paula Mines
+Rosemary Ossman By Angela Bayda
+Steve Medovich By John Novak

Fri 16 **St. Longinus the Centurion, Martyr**
No Liturgy

Sat 17 **Sts. Cosmos & Damian, Martyrs**
+Steve Varga By Children
+Mike Bajnok By Rod Trafan
+Thomas Hudzik By Beth Ann & Tom Moran

Sun 18 **Fifth Sunday After Holy Cross**
St. Luke the Evangelist
10 a.m. +Gerry Kopp - Birthday By John Kopp & Family
+Harry Smith By Patricia Smith
5 p.m. Int: L/D Members of the Julian Family By Kathy Kolitsos
+Angelo & Florine Medure By Genevieve & Lil

Mon 19 **St. Aaron of Antioch, Martyr**
Int: L/D Millcreek Metroparks & Employees By Kevin Wegendt
+Howard Spencer By John Novak

Tues 20 **St. Shallita (Artemis), Martyr**
+Ivan Savric Jr. By Savric Family
Special Intention

Wed 21 **St. Hilarion of Tabatha**
Intentions of Basilica Shrine Benfactors
Special Intention By Roger MacZura
+William & Irene Bryer By Donald Suchora

Thur 22 **Pope St. John Paul II**
+Elias Family By Genevieve Gabriel & Family
+Bernadette ElKhoury By Ken & Elaine Pitzer

Fri 23 **St. Ignatius, Patriarch of Constantinople**
No Liturgy

Sat 24 **St. Areyhas (Hares) & His Companions, Martyrs**
+Bill & Marge Spletzer By Charlie & Jenifer Worley
+Special Intentions

Sun 25 **Feast of Christ the King**
10 a.m. +Thomas Kovalchik - Birthday By Caroline Martuccio & Family
+Steve Medovich By John Novak
5 p.m. +Erma Mitolo - Grandmother By Chelsey Santucci

Mon 26 **St. Demetrius, Martyr**
+Joanne & Armand Vennitti & Peter Polito By Joe & Rosa Calabria
Jim & Lisa Mines By Kirk & Paula Mines

Tues 27 **Sts. Capitolina & Eroteis of Cappadocia, Martyrs**
+Souls in Purgatory By George & Elizabeth Cackovic
+Delores Marsh By Sam Micco
+Rosemary Mackey By Kathy Kolitsos

Wed 28 **St. Terence & His Companions, Martyrs**
Intentions of Basilica Shrine Benefactors

Thur 29 **St. Anastasia of Rome, Virgin, Martyr**
+Special Intentions for Deceased By Roger MacZura
Special Intentions
Int: L/D Millcreek Metroparks & Employees By Kevin Wegendt

Fri 30 **St. Macarius, Bishop of Jerusalem**
No Liturgy

Sat 31 **St. Epimachus, Martyr**
+Msgr. Sylvester Hladky & Fr. Richard Whetstone By Fr. David Misbrener

PLEASE NOTE

Changes to the October Liturgy schedule
are temporary during this time of transition.
Check the October Newletter or call the Shrine if you are uncertain
as to when your intention will be said.
We appreciate your patience.

The Sunday 5 p.m. Liturgy will resume on October 4th.

The Feast of All Saints

will be celebrated on Sunday, November 1st
at the 10 a.m. Liturgy.
It is a Holy Day of Obligation



Shrine Hours

Monday - Saturday
9 am - 5 pm
Sunday
10 am - 5 pm

Gift Shop Hours

Monday
Closed
Tuesday - Saturday
10 am - 5 pm
Sunday
11 am - 5 pm

Office Hours

Monday
Closed
Tuesday - Friday
9 am - 1 pm



Have a Candle Lit at Our Lady's Feet

We invite you to have a candle lit with your special intention before Our Lady's statue. It will remain lit for the duration of your choosing. Your name and/or intentions will be attached to the candle which will burn at Mary's feet.

A CANDLE IS $10 PER WEEK.

Please note: All candles purchased Wednesday - Sunday will be lit and posted the following Tuesday.

Candle Request Form

Burn a Candle for:

☐ One Week - $10 ☐ One Month - $40

Name: _____

Address:_____

_____

Telephone:_____

Email:_____

Cash Check Credit Card

Your Intention:_____

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