

Consecration of the Church
Westchester Maronite Catholic Mission

Bulletin 17

Sunday November 25th 2007

THE ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE VIRGIN MARY

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General Informations

Mysteries of Initiation (Baptism / Confirmation)

Parents & Godparents should meet with the pastor (4) weeks before the baptism to make arrangements, which include parental instructions

Mystery of Reconciliation (Confession)

Before and after Liturgies,
or by appointment

New Parishioners

Welcome to Westchester Maronite Catholic Mission. Please notify the pastor for registration or address and phone change by visiting our website

Mystery of Crowning (Marriage)

Contact the pastor (6) six months prior to any wedding date

Anointing of the Sick

Please notify the Pastor for hospital visitation and communion

Members of the Mission

All members are expected to serve their Mission according to their offerings of time, talent, and money.

Application Form

New members, please fill out the application form to receive all emails, correspondence and updates on all the events. Current Members, please see Antoine Najjar to review your current information. Again, you can fill out the application form online by visiting our website.

Mailing List

Dear Parishioners, PLEASE DO NOT use the mission mailing list for your personal advertisements. The mission mailing list is used for community announcements from the priest. Thank you for your understanding.

Announcements

1- Thank you all: Christmas Gifts' Clothes/Toys drive

A special thanks for everyone who donated clothes and toys and to people who organized this event and who opened their house and who are helping to ship these gifts to Lebanon.

2- Mission Advisory Council & Stewardship Advisory Council December 12th

The next meeting of the Mission Advisory Council will be on Wednesday December 12th 2007 at 7:30 PM. Location: 312 West Street Harrison NY 10528. All members and Moderators must be in attendance. Thank you for Ziad and Diana Fadel for hosting the fifth meeting at their house. The stewardship Advisory Council will meet before the Mission Advisory Council at 6:30 pm

3- Thank you MYO for your event "I love Lebanon"

Thank you for the MYO and their moderators for their effort to support the mission by organized event fundraising like "I love Lebanon". The MYO raised \$ 502.00. God Bless you and we are waiting for more events.

5- Mass Intentions

- **Sunday 25th 2007:**
 - Robert Elias Sherman (40 days) requested by Bob Sherman
 - Minister Pierre Gemayel (1st Anniversary) requested by Rida Abi Habib
 - Mr. Antoine Ghanem (40 days) requested by Rida Abi Habib
 - Nicolas Rousse (1st Anniversary) requested by Sami and Lina Nakhle
- **Sunday 9th December 2007:**
 - Wadih and Marie Chbat requested by Nick Chbat and Hayat Brakat
- **Sunday 23rd December 2007:**
 - Hanneh Shikhani (1st anniversary) requested by Father Jean Younes

6- The Voice of Liturgy - Scripture Readings:

Sunday, November 25th

The Announcement to the Virgin

Reading: Gal 3:15-22

Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

Sunday, December 9th:

Birth of John the Baptist

Reading: Gal 4:21-5:1

Gospel: Luke 1:57-66

7- Family Visits

Abouna would like to thank the families who welcomed him in their homes during his pastoral visits, especially, Joe and Millia Makhrraz. Abouna is looking to reach out to every parishioner and visit every family that gives him the opportunity to connect and to minister to everyone in a deeper and solid way. Please contact him, at your convenience at 718-344-2744, to schedule a pastoral visit.

8- Many Thanks

I would like to extend my gratitude for Monir and Hayat Barakat and their family for hosting our Advisory Council meeting, Wednesday November 7th 2007 and to Tarek and Marina Fadel and their family for hosting our Fundraising committee meeting, Monday November 19th, 2007. Excellent attendance, great food and warm hosts!!! Thank you!!!

9- Christmas Party Sunday December 23rd 2007

You are all invited to attend our mass on Sunday December 23rd at 4:00 pm and after that mass the children will sing some Xmas hymns led by Diana Fadel. Also the hospitality committee invites everyone and especially the children to a special dinner (Santa Claus will be visiting us). Please register your name after the mass or contact Abouna Jean at abounajeanyounes@hotmail.com or Hayat Barakat at (914) 273-4129 to confirm your presence. For this dinner, we will ask everyone to bring food, more details to come...

10- Kids/Teens Xmas Recital:

We plan to organize a recital of Xmas Carols after our Mass on Sunday Dec 23rd. If any of your teens & kids is interested to participate, 30-minute rehearsals will take place after our Masses on Nov. 25 and Dec. 9 during which the children will learn 2 Xmas carols. Another rehearsal is planned at 3:30 PM before the Dec 23rd Mass. Please send the name and age of the Teens & kids who want to participate to our Choir Director Diana Fadel at diana_ziad@yahoo.com.

11- MYO Meeting December 9th

Our next MYO meeting is scheduled for Sunday December 9th at 2:15 PM before our scheduled Mass at the Sisters of Divine Compassion Good Counsel Campus. We will meet in one of the classrooms.

I am happy to inform you that the next MYA meeting will be held at Dave & Busters in West Nyack, NY at 3:00 PM on December 16th. The address and phone for the restaurant is below. We will be ordering off the menus. The location is very convenient for people in New Jersey, New York, and Connecticut:

Dave and Buster's
4661 Palisades Center Drive
West Nyack , NY 10994
(845) 353-1555

At the meeting, it will be good to see everyone again so we can go over the calendar for the next year. We will also discuss what we can do to be more active in working with the other groups in the Mission. Please call or email Tony Hokayem at (203) 536-5163 or tony.hokayem@nationalcity.com to reserve your spot so he can finalize the reservations.

Financial Report

Starting Balance 11/04/07

\$38,434.92

INFLOW:

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| - Collection on Sunday 11/04/07 | \$927.00 |
| - MYO "I Love Lebanon" : | \$502.00 |
| - pre paid family Dinner seat 30 th 11: | \$1450.00 |
| - Donation: Eparch of Saint Maron: | \$4500.00 |

Total Inflows:

\$7379.00

OUTFLOW:

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| -Health Insurance Fr. Younes November 07 | (Chk# 1028): \$675.00 |
| -Retirement & disability Fr. Younes November 07 | (Chk# 1029) \$100.00 |
| -Church +Hall+Classrooms November 4th & 25 th 07 | (Chk# 1030): \$1000.00 |
| -Repair navigator plug/power Fr Younes car | (Chk# 1031): \$65.00 |
| -Priest transportation gas November 07 | (Chk# 1032): \$198.00 |

Total Outflows:

\$2038.00

Ending Balance 11/25/07

\$43775.92

**Divine Liturgy Schedule
at Westchester Maronite Mission 2007 & 2008**

**Location: All Masses will be celebrated at
The Sisters of the Divine Compassion
@ Good Counsel Campus
52 North Broadway White Plains, NY 10603**

Sunday December 9, 2007 (4:00 PM)

Sunday December 23, 2007 (4:00 PM)

Sunday January 6, 2008 (Epiphany 4:00 PM)

Sunday January 20, 2008 (4:00 PM)

Sunday February 3, 2008 (4:00 PM)

Sunday February 17, 2008 (4:00 PM)

Sunday March 2, 2008 (4:00 PM)

Sunday March 16, 2008 (Palm Sunday 3:00 PM)

Thursday March 20, 2008 (Wash of the feet at 8:00 PM)

Friday March 21, 2008 (Great Friday at 8:00 PM)

Sunday March 23, 2008 (Easter Sunday at 4:00 PM)

Sunday April 6, 2008 (4:00 PM)

Sunday April 20, 2008 (4:00 PM)

Sunday May 4, 2008 (4:00 PM)

Sunday May 25, 2008 (4:00 PM)

Sunday June 1, 2008 (4:00 PM)

Sunday June 22, 2008 (4:00 PM)

Sunday July 6 or 20, 2008 (4:00 PM)

Sunday September 7, 2008 (4:00 PM)