

Westchester Maronite Catholic Mission

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Sunday March 2^{sd} 2008

Healing of the Paralytic

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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- Holy Week Events:

- **Palm Sunday:** our mass will start at 3:00 PM (instead of 4:00 PM), we are honored to have our beloved Bishop Gregory visiting us on that day and celebrating the Eucharist. Don't forget to order your decorated candles from the MYA by contacting Dana or Hayat Barakat 914-273-4129 or Tony Hokayem 203-536-5163

- **Holy Thursday:** mass at 8:00 PM with the washing of the feet ceremony (no coffee hour)

- **Great Friday:** Burial of Our Lord liturgy at 8:00 PM followed by a Lenten dinner. Red roses will be distributed at the entrance by the ushers. If you are able to donate roses for the Great Friday liturgy (~200 needed), please get in touch with me ASAP.

- **Easter Sunday:** mass at 4:00 PM (no coffee hour) followed by an Easter egg hunt for our children organized by the MYA.

Please get in touch with Hayat Barakat (914-273-4129), Leila Kalache (914-835-1117) or Lina Nakhleh (914-961-3676) to let them know if and what you can bring to the dinner. The **deadline for indicating your participation is this Monday March 3rd.**

2- NEED YOUR HELP- Lenten Dinner on Great Friday:

As it is the tradition in Christian villages in Lebanon, we are planning to organize a Lenten Dinner (only food adequate for Lent will be served) after the Liturgy on Friday March 21st. Our Hospitality Committee is requesting all families to participate by bringing Lenten food (mjaddarah, mdardarah, manakiche, fattouche, labneh, olives...). Please get in touch with Hayat Barakat (914-273-4129), Leila Kalache (914-835-1117) or Lina Nakhleh (914-961-3676) to let them know if and what you can bring to the dinner. The **deadline for indicating your participation is this Monday March 3rd.**

3- Bishop's annual charity appeal during Lent – Thank you!

Thank you for your generosity during the second collection at our last Mass. We collected \$ 554.00 which will go towards the bishop's charity activities during the Lent season. Fr Jean will send a check to his Excellency in the name of all the community.

4- First Communion:

The heritage Program is planning to celebrate the first communion for our mission on Sunday May 4th 2008 at 4:00 pm. I would like to ask the parents to register the names of their children during this week for more information please call: **Fadia Nassar the director of the religious education 914-835-4403 (fadia_roger@yahoo.com)**

5- Mission Advisory Council & Stewardship Advisory Council March 13th 2008:

The next meeting of the Mission Advisory Council will be on Thursday March 13th 2008 at 7:30 to 9:30 pm. Location: 50 Broadway- Hawthorne, NY 10532 (914-741-2222). All members and Moderators must be in attendance. Thank you to Sami Khoueiri for hosting the 8th meeting at his office. The Stewardship Advisory Council will meet before the Mission Advisory Council at 6:30 pm.

6- MYA (age 18 and above) Meeting Sunday April 13th 2008:

I am happy to inform you that the next MYA meeting will be at 3:00 PM on Sunday April 13th. More information is coming soon.

7- Mass Intentions:

- Sunday March 2nd 2008: No intention at this time
- Sunday March 23rd 2008: John Stephen Jr (1st Anniversary) requested by John and Anna Stephens

8- The Voice of Liturgy - Scripture Readings:

Sunday, March 2:
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Reading: 1Tim 5:24-6:5
Gospel: Mk 2:1-12

Sunday, March 16th
Palm Sunday

Reading: Phil1:1-13
Gospel: John: 12:12-22

9- Mediterranean Festival:

Our MYA organization is planning to organize a Mediterranean festival in June. We are asking everyone to help to make this event successful for our community. Work on the festival has already started. If you would like to be involved, please contact Dana Barakat 914-273-4129 or Roger Abi-Habib 914-967-8367



Financial Report

INFLOW:

- Collection on Sunday 2/17/08	\$1,115.00
- Special Second collection for bishop's appeal	\$554.00
- Donation	\$50.00

Total Inflows

\$1,719.00

OUTFLOW:

None

Operating Bank Accounts Balance as of 02/27/08

Savings

\$48,184.61

Checking

\$19,219.00

**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 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)

Sunday September 21, 2008 (4:00 PM)