

Westchester Maronite Catholic Mission

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The Glorious birth of our Lord Jesus Christ

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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-Lebanese Registry

We urge all the Lebanese Born who have children born in the USA to register their birth at the Lebanese Consulate in New York City. We are fortunate to have the General Consul of Lebanon, Mr. Antoine Azzam, in our community and city to help facilitate this process. It is crucial that you do this in order to keep the balance of the population in Lebanon, as well as, for your children to receive the full citizenship of Lebanon and to possess a Lebanese passport. Please act upon this urgent matter soon as you can. To obtain registration forms, visit the Lebanese Consulate of New York at www.lebconsny.org

Address:

Consulate General

Nine E. 76th St., New York, NY 10021

Telephone: (212) 744-7905, -7906

Fax: (212) 794-1510

2-Family Visit

I would like to thank Noha Daher and Family & Richi and Hanadi Tavitian for their warm greetings and hospitality and I hope to visit more of our parish families in the near future. God Bless you.

3- New Birth

The Westchester Maronite Mission congratulates Brian and Alia Yeater for their first baby Max. . We pray that the Lord God may bless Max and grant him health and peace in his life.

4- Baptism

The Westchester Maronite Mission congratulates Rici and Hanadi Tavitian for the Baptism of their daughter Charlize. She became Christian on December 7th 2008. May God bless her to be an active member in our

5-Thank you

I would like to give a BIG thank you to all those who made our Christmas Party on December 20th , 2008 a success this past week-end despite inclement weather. In addition a big thank you for Janine Wakim and all the teachers of the heritage program for the Christmas booklet. Thank you for Diana Fadel, parents and all the kids for your wonderful music and songs on Christmas Evecommunity in the near future?

6- Casino Night January 24th, 2009

Casino Night hosted by the Westchester Maronite Mission at the Good Counsel Campus- 52 North Broadway White Plains, NY 10603 on Saturday January 24th 2008. **Please reserve the date.** For more information, you can contact Antoine Zihenni, Ghassan Bejjani, Ziad Fadel. Havat Barakat. or Liliane Abi Habib

7- Welcome to Westchester

We, at Westchester Catholic Mission welcome everyone to join us in worship as we give thanks for the gift of faith. Westchester Mission is an Eastern Rite Catholic Church located in the heart of Westchester County at White Plains 52 North Broadway. Our Divine Liturgies are celebrated in both English and Arabic. Westchester Mission has been a "home away from home" for many families that immigrated from Lebanon and the Middle East.

According to Mother Teresa, love is a fruit always in season. Let us more and more insist on raising funds of love, kindness, understanding, and peace.

8- The Voice of the Liturgy and Mass intentions



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*** Wednesday December 24th Christmas Eve at 4:00 pm : The Glorious birth of our Lord Jesus Christ**

Reading: Heb 1: 1-12

Gospel: Lk 2: 1-20

*** Mass Intentions:**

- For all the living and the departed of the parishioners of the Mission requested by Father Jean Younes
- For Hanneh Shikhani requested by her Daughters Marina Fadel and Joyce Bejjani

*** Sunday January 11th, 2009 First Sunday after Epiphany**

Reading: 2 Cor 10: 1-11

Gospel: Jn 1:29-34

9- Mission Advisory Council & Stewardship Advisory Council January 7th, 2009

The next meeting of the Mission Advisory Council will be on Wednesday January 7th 2009 at 8:00 pm Location: The Sisters of the divine Compassion 52 north Broadway, White Plains NY 10603. All members and Moderators must be in attendance. The stewardship Advisory Council will meet before the Mission Advisory Council at 7:00 pm

9-New Year's party at our lady of Lebanon Cathedral Hall in Brooklyn on December 31st 2008

Le Sajj Restaurant cordially invites you to attend a New Year Hafli, to be held at Our Lady of Lebanon Cathedral Hall on Wednesday, December 31st. Doors open at 9:00 pm. Two Singers will be performing with nice Arabic and American music.

Tickets: \$ 100.00 Adults and \$ 50.00 Children 10 years and under.

NB: Tickets must be purchased in advance by December 28th. Please contact Marwan at 917- 972-5609 for reservations.

10- Financial report

INFLOW:

<i>Collection of Sunday 12/14/08</i>	<i>1,135.00</i>
<i>Baptism Donation</i>	<i>150.00</i>
<i>Donation (collection outside mass)</i>	<i>40.00</i>
<i>Heritage Program (5 kids)</i>	<i>375.00</i>
<i>Christmas Party</i>	<i>2130.00</i>
<i>Christmas Booklet sale proceeds</i>	<i>1000.00</i>

Total Inflows: 4,830.00

OUTFLOW:

<i>Check 1077 Eparchy of St Maron (Retirement & Disability Ins. Dec 08)</i>	<i>100.00</i>
<i>Check 1078 GEICO (Car Insurance Fr Jean)</i>	<i>187.10</i>
<i>Check 1079 Eparchy of St Maron (Calendars)</i>	<i>125.00</i>
<i>Check 1080 Lina Abdo (Christmas gift for the sisters)</i>	<i>120.00</i>
<i>Check 1081 St Gregory the Enlightner(balance of Christmas Party)</i>	<i>650.00</i>
<i>Check 1082 Walid Semaan (DJ Christmas Party)</i>	<i>300.00</i>

Total Outflows: 1,482.10

Christmas Dinner report

Revenues:

Tickets (families & individuals including donations) 2,130.00

Total Revenues: 2,130.00\$

Expenses:

St Gregory the Enlightener	950.00\$
DJ	400.00\$
Assistant DJ	50.00\$

Total Expenses: 1,400.00\$

Net Income : 730\$

Operating Bank Accounts Balance as of 12/22/08

Extravantage for Business	1,860.79
Money Market Check Access	9,345.06
CMRI PROMO	25,780.88
CD	75,000.00
Total	111,986.73

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR