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WEEKLY BULLETIN - 05/07/2023 Season of The Glorious Resurrection



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Piacentini
Men's Club

President: Amin Al Soueidy **Vice-President:** Samer Hourani

Feast of the Ascension

Thursday, May 18, 2023 7:00PM

2nd Collection

National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon May 6-7, 2023

5th Sunday of the Resurrection Feast of Our Lady of Lebanon

In the Catholic Church the month of May is set aside by the Church as a time of special devotion to Mary, the Mother of Jesus, the Mother of the Church and our mother, too. Mary's life speaks to us of faith, of hope, of obedience, of perfect co-operation with God, of perfect union with Christ.



By praying the Rosary and mediating on the events in the life of Christ, we remain close to the Virgin Mary and in so doing can only draw closer to her Divine Son.





A *special thank you* to the CCD Director and 2nd Grade Teacher. May God bless you today and always. I couldn't have done this without you. I appreciate your effort and I pray God shall bless you abundantly.

Congratulations to our First Communicants. May God, who brought you to this special day continue to direct your life in his perfect way.



Sanctuary Candle

The sanctuary candle is burning IMO Desiderio Arias

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading
Ephesians 2:1-10

Gospel Reading
John 21:15-19

DIVINE LITURGIES

Saturday, May 6, @ 6:00PM,

liturgy is offered IMO Desiderio Arias. May his soul rest in peace.

Sunday, May 7, @ 11:00AM, liturgy is offered for in memory of the deceased members of the Dahdah, Anderson, and Zadie families requested by Salema and Barbara Dahdah. May their souls rest in peace.

Saturday, May 13, @ 6:00PM,

liturgy is offered for a special intention.

Sunday, May 14, @ 11:00AM, liturgy is offered for in memory of Akram Ajina and the deceased members of the Ajina family requested by Philip and Vivian Rai. May their souls rest in peace.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

If you are sick and homebound and wish to receive communion at home, please contact: the Church Office at 215-389-2000 or Fr. Andrawos at 978-241-2977.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

April 29-30, 2023

Collection	\$	1,486.00
Fuel	\$	135.00
PayPal	\$	290.00
Coffee Hour	\$	27.00
Total	\$	1,938.00

BISHOP'S APPEAL

GOAL	\$ 3,500.00
Amount Received	\$ 2,410.00
Balance	\$ 1,090.00

EPARCHIAL LOAN

Loan Principal and Interest Owed: \$ 57.125.00

Total Amount Paid as of April 2023:

\$ 36,375.00

Remaining Loan Balance: \$ 20,750.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2022-2023 GRADUATES

We would like to acknowledge our graduates in the Weekly Bulletin and congratulate them for all their hard work and achievements.

Kindly, provide us with the following information:

8th Grade Graduates: Name of the Student, School he/she graduated from and Highschool he/she will be attending

Highschool Graduates: Name of the Student, Highschool he/she graduated from and College he/she will be attending

College Graduates: Name of the Student, College he/she graduated from and the degree he-she is receiving

We keep everyone in our prayers wishing them all the best and success.

FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS

Thank for everyone who filled out the form or contacted the office. There are some spots that need to be filled:

- Saj Stand
- Grill Stand
- Help in the kitchen

<u>Please Note:</u> at all times, volunteers are needed to help in the food preps when needed (vegetable washing and cutting, salads preps, grape leaves...)

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IN OUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers

Mary V. (Nelson) Scotti, Mike Devinney, Debbie Freedenberg, Allan Emilio Domingez, Rev. Subdeacon Dr. Mallard George, Landon Reid, Tamara Lewis, Michael Thomas, Barbara Impriano. Marv McKinney, Jessica McKinney, Angela McKinney, Skyla Simon, Peter Labaki, Nancy Murphy, Marentha Young-Heart, Allison Tretina, Stephanie Devinney, Angela Scorza Anderson, Robert Nigro, Thomas Jones, Raymond Fitzpatrick, Yeckes. Linda Frankie Olivieri, Richy Grande, Marie Eddis, Mia Andrilla, Ciancaglini, Ashley Natalie Iaconelli, Stephen Bressi, Elissar Ayoub, Joanne Simon-Turing, Suzanne Haney, Linda DiBernardo, Joan Speck, David Joseph Cook, Eddie Tayoun, Dennis Strelchuk, Gladys Dalcourt, Denise Furey, Mirta Ruiz, Rita Impo, Jade Kellam, Thomas Branca. Marion Francesca Impo, Lucy DiLuce, Laurent Chidiac, Tom Hart, John Hart, Fadi Jaber, Joseph Realdine, Lisa Alestra, John Nader, Joey Gdowick, Francis Joseph Kerns, Samer Chokeir, Kathy Newman, Rita Arrigale, Maryann Bratton, Renee Sahar, Sister Nahida Al-Sawa, James Cordisio, Stacey Fuentes, Noel Andjuhar, and Angel Salerno.

We ask Almighty God to bless them with good health so that they may join us in the Church and give glory and thanksgiving to God. Please notify the Church office of any family member who is ill so that we may remember them in our daily prayers and on our altar of intention.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Mon.

Tue.

23

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Kafta

1:00PM

IPREPS

FRIDAY, JUNE 2 5pm - 11pm

SATURDAY, JUNE 3 3pm - 11pm

SUNDAY, JUNE 4 1pm - 9pm



3:00 PM 11:00 AM Class of 2023

May 2023

Hashweh

2:00PM 18

Cookies

3:00PM

June 1 Festival

Set Up /

Preps

12 Kibbi

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2:00PM

Mamoul

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June 2

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June 2

Festival Festival Festival

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June 4

Wed.

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Chicken Kabob

High School Graduates

Juliana Abreu

Graduating from Ss. Neumann Goretti high school

May Sukkarieh

Graduating from Lenape high school, going to Rowan university

Joseph Sholy

Graduating from Hightstown high school, going to Florida Atlantic University

Elio Dib

Graduating from Ss. Neumann Goretti high school, going to Drexel university

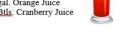
Joseph Salloum

Graduating from Lenape high school

college Graduates

Julia Stilwell

Graduated from Temple University with bachelors in Science, going to the University of Pennsylvania for her Masters Degree







UPCOMING EVENTS



Dabke Practices

Every Friday @ 6:00PM in the Church Hall



Pastoral Visit

Feast of Our Lady of Lebanon Sunday, May 7, 2023 @ 11:00AM



Kibbi for Festival

Hashweh: Thursday, May 11, 2023 @ 2:00PM **Kibbi:** Friday, May 12, 2023 @ 2:00PM



Feast of the Ascension

Thursday, May 18, 2023 @7:00PM



Festival Preps

Kafta: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 @ 1:00PM **Cookies:** Thursday, May 25, 2023 @ 3:00PM **Mamoul:** Friday, May 26, 2023 @ 2:00PM



Pentecost Sunday

Sunday, May 28, 2023 @ 11:00AM



Final Festival Preps

Starting Tuesday, May 30



Annual Festival

June 2-3-4, 2023

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with the Festival Preps. Your willingness to give your time and service is greatly appreciated. Your support allows us to continue to fulfill our mission and serve our community each year.

May God Bless You and Keep You Safe.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR FESTIVAL

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Like every year, we are relying on your generosity in donating the following items for the bar:

10	½ gal. Johnnie Walker Black	15	cs. Corona Beer in Bottles
2	½ gal. Dewars Scotch		
2	½ gal. Woodford Bourbon	4	Btls. Grapefruit Juice
3	750ml Jameson's Irish Whiskey	4	Blts. Pineapple Juice
7	750ml Tequila	2	lg. Btls. Grenadine
13	750ml Vodka		-
2	1.5L Tanqueray Gin	30	cs. Water
7	750ml Bacardi Rum	20	cs. Coke
4	750ml Dark Rum	6	cs. Diet Coke
2	750ml Coconut Malibu Rum	6	cs. Sprite
2	750ml Anisette		
9	1.5L Peach Schnapps	8	btls. Tonic Water
3	750ml Sambuca	5	btls. Club Soda
2	750ml Seagram's	4	1L Sprite
		6	1L. Gingerale
6	1.5L Red Wine (Merlot/Cabernet)	10	gal. Orange Juice
4	1.5L Chardonnay White Wine	6	Btls. Cranberry Juice
3	1.5L Blush Wine		

If anyone is able to help with any of the Items listed above, please don't hesitate to contact the Church Office at 215-389-2000 or office@saintmaron.org or contact me directly at 978-241-2977

Thank You in advance for your generosity Fr. Andrawos

2023 Annual Festival June 2,3 & 4, 2023 Volunteer List Overview

Chairmen Tony Frangie Money Col Billy Tayyoun Registers:

Money Collecting and Counting: Finance Committee

Parish Council and MYA

Setup Thursday, June 1, Starting 10:00 AM

Breakdown Sunday June 4, 2023 Starting 9:00 PM

Security: Day Police Department
Night 2 security personnel

Cleaning: JD Services
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2023 ANNUAL LEBANESE FESTIVAL

FRIDAY, JUNE 2 5pm - 11pm SATURDAY, JUNE 3 3pm - 11pm SUNDAY, JUNE 4 1pm - 9pm



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Dessert

Drinks



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May 6-7, 2023

First Reading

Ephesians 2:1-10

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians. Your blessing father...

Brothers and Sisters:

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ by grace you have been saved and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Praise be to God always.

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل أفسس

يا إِخوتِي، وأَنْتُم، فقد كُنْتُم أَمْوَاتًا بِرَلاَّتِكُم وخَطَايَاكُم، الَّتي سَلَكْتُم فيهَا مِنْ قَبْلُ بِحَسَبِ إِلهِ هذَا العَالَم، بِحَسَبِ مِلْطَانِ الجَوّ، أَي الرُّوحِ الَّذي يَعْمَلُ الآنَ في أَبْنَاءِ العُصْيَان؛ ومِنْهُم نَحْنُ أَيْضًا جَمِيعُنَا قَدْ سَلَكُنَا مِنْ قَبْلُ في شَهَواتِ إِنْسَانِنَا الجَسَدِيّ، عَامِلِينَ بِرَغَبَاتِهِ وأَفكَارِهِ، وكُنَّا بِالطَّبِيعَةِ أَولادَ الغَضَبِ كَالبَاقِين؛ لكِنَّ الله، وَهُوَ الغنِيُّ بِرَحْمَتِهِ، فَلِكَثْرةٍ مَحَبَّتِهِ الَّتي أَحَبَّنَا بِهَا، وقَدْ كُنَّا نَحْنُ أَيْضًا أَمْوَاتًا بِزَلاَّتِنَا، أَحْيَانَا معَ المَسِيح، وبِالنِّعْمَةِ أَنْتُم مُخَلَّصُون؛ ومَعَهُ أَقَامَنَا وَأَجْلَسَنَا في السَّمَاوَاتِ في المَسِيحِ يَسُوع، لِيُظْهِرَ في الأَجْيَالِ الآتِيةِ عِنَى نِعْمَتِهِ الفَائِقَة، بِلُطْفِهِ لَنَا في المَسِيحِ يَسُوع. فَبِالنِّعمَةِ أَنْتُمْ مُخَلَّصُونَ بِواسِطَةِ الإِيْمَان: وهذَا لَيْسَ مِنْكُم، وبِالنِّعْمَةِ الله فَو مِنَ الأَعْمَال، لِئَلاَّ يَفْتَخِرَ أَحَد؛ لأَنَّنَا نَحْنُ صُنْعُهُ، قَدْ خُلِقْنَا في المَسِيحِ يَسُوع لِلأَعْمَالِ النَّي الله فَا عَدَّهَا لِكَى نَسُكُ فيهَا. الله فَا عَدَّهَا لِكَى نَسُكُ فيهَا.

والتسبيح لله دائمًا.

Gospel Reading

Saint John 21:15-19

The Apostle Writes:

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' And he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.' (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, 'Follow me.' This is the truth. Peace be with you.

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حقًّا والأمان لجميعكم.