

OUR LADY OF LEBANON CHURCH  
**trunk or treat**



**oct 20** 55 S 4TH ST, EASTON, PA 18042 **3pm**  
PLEASE CONTACT DIANA 484-908-8083 OR RHONDA 610-905-0050 TO SIGN UP FOR A SPOT!  
DRINKS PROVIDED BY SAINT THERESA & HOLY NAME.  
CAR OWNERS RESPONSIBLE FOR DECORATING CARS AND BRINGING SWEETS!

**SANCTUARY CANDLE**

The Sanctuary candle for October is donated in loving memory of **Izzat & Helen Melhem** by Bill and Sia Bader

**PASTOR CONTACT**

In case of any needed pastoral assistance, we ask that only the family contact Fr. Kamil on his cell phone at **610-739-8586**.

Fr. Kamil's email is [clergy95@gmail.com](mailto:clergy95@gmail.com)

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

Saturday, Oct 12-	\$925.00
Sunday, Oct 13 -	\$848.00
Mail-in -	\$655.00
Total -	\$2,428.00

**Eucharistic Procession**

The Angelic Sisters of St. Paul invite you to a Eucharistic procession on Sunday, October 27th at 3:30 PM. Their convent is located at 3724 Knollcroft Avenue, in Palmer Township.



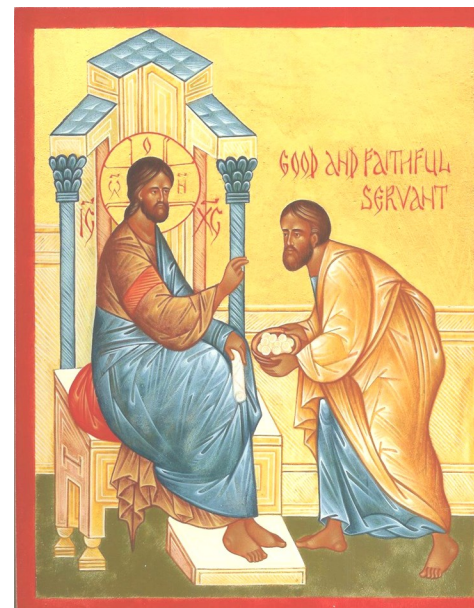
**OUR LADY OF LEBANON MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

55 South 4th Street  
Easton, PA 18042  
610-252-5275



Week 42 - Week 44 Email: [ololchurch@yahoo.com](mailto:ololchurch@yahoo.com) Website: [oleeaston.org](http://oleeaston.org) Oct 19 - Nov 3, 2024

**6th Sunday after Holy Cross**



**The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew 25:14-30**

'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away.

The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money.

After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master."

And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master."

Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away.

As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

**CLERGY:**  
Fr. Kamil Al-Chouefati, Pastor  
**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**  
Monday through Thursday  
10:00 AM to 2:00 PM  
Closed on Fridays  
**RECTORY & MAILING ADDRESS:**  
54 South 4th Street  
Easton, PA 18042  
**LITURGIES:**  
Saturday: 5:00 PM  
Sunday: 10:00 AM  
Weekdays: Tues - Fri 9:00 AM  
Weekday Holy Days of Obligation: 7:00 PM  
The Rosary will be said 30 minutes before each Mass. Confession will be available one hour before each Mass or by appointment.

**BAPTISM**

Preregistration for Baptism is required. Catholic sponsor certificates must be received by the parish before the Baptism is scheduled.

**CONFESSION**

One hour before each Liturgy  
Also available by appointment

**MARRIAGE**

Please notify the pastor at least one year prior to date. Engaged couples need to register as parishioners and take required marriage classes.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

Please inform us of the sick and shut-ins at  
610-739-8586

**1ST HOLY COMMUNION & MARONITE CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES**

October through April; Saturdays 3:45- 4:45

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINE**

Changes or additions to the bulletin must be submitted no later than Tuesdays at 5:00 PM.  
Thank you for your cooperation.

**\*\*\*6th Sunday after Holy Cross\*\*\***

Saturday, Oct 19 - 5:00 PM - JOYCE BOULOS (Anniversary) by the Family

Sunday, Oct 20 - 10:00 AM - DEACON ANTHONY KOURY by Joseph & Minerva Jacob & Family

**2ND COLLECTION - WORLD MISSION SUNDAY - OCTOBER 19 & 20TH**

*(As per the norms established by the USCCB, 91% of this collection goes to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, and 9% to the Catholic Near East Welfare Association [CNEWA]).*

Tuesday	Oct 22	9:00 AM	DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE BADWAY FAMILY by James Badway
Wednesday	Oct 23	9:00 AM	JOHN THOMAS by Mr. & Mrs. William Joseph
Thursday	Oct 24	9:00 AM	DAOUN BOULOS by Mary Sue Tumminello & Family
Friday	Oct 25	9:00 AM	HABOUK SHUMAR by Rae Durnin

**\*\*\*Sunday of Christ the King\*\*\***

Saturday, Oct 26 - 5:00 PM - MRS. EVA FARHAT by the Family

Sunday, Oct 27 - 10:00 AM - MICHAEL J. KOURY SR. (Anniversary) by Judge & Mrs. Michael Koury

Tuesday	Oct 29	9:00 AM	LAURI JABBOUR by Robert & Betsy Walker
Wednesday	Oct 30	9:00 AM	PATRICE BAURKOT by Marta & Camille Gabriel
Thursday	Oct 31	9:00 AM	BERLIN KASSIS by Edward Melhem & Family
Friday	Nov 1	7:00 PM	ALL SAINTS (Holy Day of Obligation) MARY JABBOUR by Colleen & Mark Ziegenhorn

**\*\*\*Beginning of the Liturgical Year-Consecration of the Church\*\*\***

Saturday, Nov 2 - 5:00 PM - COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED ANTHONY HANNI (2nd Anniversary) by the Family

Sunday, Nov 3 - 10:00 AM - LILA RIZK HAYEK (40 Day Mass) by the Family

**2ND COLLECTION - MARONITE PATRIARCHAL CHARITIES - NOVEMBER 2ND & 3RD**

(All Proceeds from this collection are sent directly to our Patriarch for his charitable works.)

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

6th Sunday after Holy Cross  
*Gal 6:1-10 / Mt 25:14-30*

Sunday of Christ the King  
*Rom 12:9-21 / Mt 25:31-46*

CONSECRATION OF THE CHURCH  
*Heb 9:1-12 / Mt 16:13-20*



**PRAYERS FOR LEBANON**

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held every Thursday from 7:00 to 8:00 PM.



**RECITATION OF THE ROSARY**

Join us in praying the Rosary every Tues thru Fri at 7:00 PM throughout October, and 30 minutes

**CANONIZATION OF THE MASSABKI BROTHERS**

This Sunday, October 20th, at 4:30 am eastern time, Pope Francis will canonize 15 new saints. The largest group of new Saints were martyred in Damascus, Syria, in 1860 and are known as the "Martyrs of Damascus." They include Fr. Manuel Ruiz López, OFM, his 7 companions, and the brothers Abdul-Moati, Francis, and Raphael Massabki, three Maronite laymen. All 11 were killed in hatred of the faith during the 1860 Syrian Civil War, which saw thousands of Christians killed in Ottoman Syria by Muslim militiamen.

The martyrdom of the three Massabki brothers came to be by the Ottoman authorities in Damascus on the nights of July 9 and 10, 1860, referred to as "The Two Days of Blood." Due to the increasing unrest in Damascus, and in the wake of the attacks on Christians (Latin, Orthodox, Byzantine and Maronite) by extremists who wanted to kill them, a number of them sought refuge and protection in the Franciscan monastery in the neighborhood of Bab Touma.

At 8 p.m. on the night of Monday, July 9, 1860, Francis and his brothers Raphael and Abdul-Moati joined the monastery near their home. At 11 p.m., the doors of the monastery were closed and everyone entered the church. They confessed their sins, received the Holy Eucharist, and recited in their hearts the Psalm "The LORD is my light and my salvation— Whom shall I fear? ..."

At 1:00 a.m. on Tuesday, the heavily armed attackers infiltrated the monastery, broke into the congregation, and killed eight Franciscan monks, together with three laymen who worked at the monastery. Then the armed men began shouting, "Where is Francis Massabki?" while he knelt in prayer before the statue of the Virgin Mary. Francis got up and fearlessly approached them saying, "I am Francis Massabki, what do you seek?" They replied, "The Governor sent us to save you, your brothers, your families, and everyone who joins you, and to give you back your money, provided that you deny your faith and convert to Islam, otherwise you will all perish." This offer came from the Governor because he had borrowed a large sum of money from Francis.

Francis answered them: "The governor can take my money, but my faith nobody can take away from me... We are not afraid of those who kill the body... We are Christians and in the religion of Christ we shall die. We Christians do not fear those who kill the body, as the Lord Jesus said. We have but one soul, and we shall not lose it." Then, he turned to his brothers and said to them, "Take courage and stay strong in your faith, for the crown of victory is prepared in heaven for those who persevere to the end."

They immediately professed their faith in the Lord Jesus with these words: "We are Christians and we want to live and die as Christians." Then, Francis returned to his prayer. The attackers stormed them, striking with their sticks, daggers and axes, at the foot of the altar, and so they surrendered their pure souls into the hand of God, preferring death to disbelief, and thus received the crown of martyrdom. It happened on the dawn of July 10, 1860.

Live streaming on YouTube, Facebook, VaticanNews, EWTN and encore at 12 Noon, eastern time, on EWTN



Bishop Gregory John Mansour  
and the  
Eparchy of Saint Maron  
Cordially invite you to

**The Fifteenth Annual Benefit Dinner  
Celebrating Our Maronite Spirituality**

Thursday, October 24, 2024  
The Union League Club  
38 East 37th St. (at Park Ave), New York City

Cocktail Reception 6:00 PM - Dinner 7:30

Silent Auction throughout the evening  
Business Attire

Please RSVP with the enclosed reply card  
or online at [stmaron.org/eparchial-benefit](http://stmaron.org/eparchial-benefit)  
at New York Benefit Dinner  
NO LATER than October 20, 2024

We look forward to your attendance!

**PRAYER CONSECRATING 2024 ELECTION  
TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

Mary Immaculate, living tabernacle of the Divinity, where the eternal Wisdom lies hidden to be adored and served by angels and men; Queen of heaven and of earth, beneath whose sway are subject all things that are lower than God; Patroness of the United States of America, sorrowful and mindful of our own sinfulness and the sins of our nation, we come to thee, our refuge and hope.

Knowing that our country cannot be saved by our own works, and mindful of how much our nation has departed from the ways of thy Son, we humbly ask that thou wouldst turn thine eyes upon our country to bring about its conversion.

We consecrate to thee the integrity of the upcoming election and its outcome, so that what is spiritually and morally best for the citizens of our country may be accomplished, and that all of those who are elected would govern according to the spiritual and moral principles which will bring our nation into conformity with the teachings of thy Son.

Give grace to the citizens of this land so that they will choose leaders according to the Sacred Heart of thy Son, that His glory may be made manifest, lest we be given the leaders we deserve.

Trusting in the providential care of God the Father and thy maternal care, we have perfect confidence that thou wilt take care of us and will not leave us forsaken. O Mary Immaculate, pray for us. Amen.