



# Our Lady of Lebanon

*Season of Glorious Birth of Our Lord*

Waterbury, Connecticut

From Father Joe's Desk: See insert

December, 2016

## Clergy/Parish Staff

### ⊕ Pastor

Rev. Joseph I. Khoueir

### ⊕ Subdeacons

Camille Atallah  
Dean Tarsi

### Administrative Secretary:

Deana Testa

### Cedars Hall:

Elie Taweh (Manager)

### Religious Education Coordinator:

Marisa Shaker

## ⊕ Note ⊕

Our Maronite Catholic tradition encourages the offering of liturgy for all our faithful departed. Please schedule or confirm your liturgy intentions for the upcoming year.

When offering liturgy at Our Lady of Lebanon, remember to include a stipend to the celebrant of the liturgy for the departed.

### Contact Information:

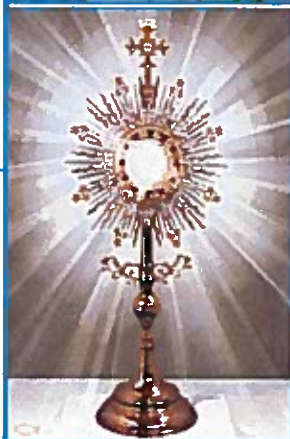
Our Lady of Lebanon

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## Blessed Sacrament Sanctuary

If you would like to sponsor the Sanctuary Perpetual, Candle to burn next to the Real Presence of Christ in loving memory of your beloved ones.....Please speak with Father Joe.

Thank you.

## **Weekday Masses & Christmas Novena 2016**

Thursday December 8, 2016 @ 6:00 PM:	Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)
Thursday December 15, 2016 @ 6:00 PM :	Christmas Novena (Day 1)
Friday December 16, 2016 @ 6:00 PM:	Christmas Novena (Day 2)
Saturday December 17, 2016 Following 5 PM Liturgy:	Christmas Novena (Day 3)
Sunday December 18, 2016 Following 10 AM Liturgy:	Christmas Novena (Day 4)
Monday December 19, 2016 @ 6:00 PM:	Christmas Novena (Day 5)
Tuesday December 20, 2016 @ 6:00 PM:	Christmas Novena (Day 6)
Wednesday December 21, 2016 @ 6:00 PM:	Christmas Novena (Day 7)
Thursday December 22, 2016 @ 6:00 PM:	Christmas Novena (Day 8)
Friday December 23, 2016 @ 6:00 PM:	Christmas Novena (Day 9)
Saturday December 24, 2016 @ 5:00 PM:	Christmas Eve Mass
<b>NO MIDNIGHT MASS</b>	
Sunday December 25, 2016 @ 10:00 AM:	Christmas Day Mass
Thursday January 5, 2017 @ 6:00 PM:	Vigil of the Glorious Epiphany
Friday January 6, 2017 @ 6:00 PM:	Feast of the Glorious Epiphany **Distribution of Holy Water (already Blessed on January 5th during the Vigil Mass for the Epiphany).

January 9–13, 2017: Clergy Annual Retreat



The appointments for Parish Council, Finance Committee, Board of Consultants, MYO, MYA, NAM, Altar Server Coordinator, IT Tech and Webmaster will end on December 31, 2016. Father Joseph is in the process of appointing new members for the upcoming year, 2017.

Fr. Joseph will consult with the Ladies Society members to discuss the future of this organization.

We thank all members for their dedication and commitment to these organizations.

**Saints & Feast Days**

- Dec. 3: St. Francis Xavier, C
- Dec. 4: Birth of John the Baptist  
St. Barbara, M
- Dec. 5: St. Saba the Hermit, C
- Dec. 6: St. Nicholas (Zakhia), C
- Dec. 7: St. Ambrose, Doctor of the Church, C
- Dec. 8: The Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)
- Dec. 12: St. Spiridion the Wonderworker, C  
Our Lady of Guadalupe (USA)
- Dec. 14: St. Nemtallah El-Hardini, C
- Dec. 18: Daniel the Prophet and His 3 Young Companions, C
- Dec. 20: St. Ignatius of Antioch, M
- Dec. 24: Vigil of the Glorious Birth
- Dec. 25: The Glorious Birth of Our Lord
- Dec. 26: Felicitations to the Virgin Mary
- Dec. 27: St. Stephen the First Martyr, M
- Dec. 28: The Adoration of the Magi
- Dec. 29: Flight into Egypt and the Killing of the Holy Innocents
- Dec. 30: The Return fro Egypt to Nazareth

*Thank You*

Thank you to Dana Atallah for her donation to our Nativity Scene in memory of her husband Fahed Atallah

We encourage all parishioners to use their weekly budget envelopes. If you did not have them last year, please contact the Church office or Father Joseph. Thank you.



**MEETING NOTICE!**

Thursday December 1, 2016:

***Knights of Columbus @ 7:00 PM***

Thursday December 1, 2016:

***Peanut Butter & Jelly @ 7:00 PM***

Sunday December 4, 2016:

***Holy Name Society @ 12:00 Noon***



**Month of November**

Collections—Envelopes/Loose ...	\$ 6,887.00
Hall Rental Income .....	...\$3030.00
Candle Income .....	...\$218.00
Church Luncheon Income.....	...\$238.00
Total .....	<b><u>\$10,373.00</u></b>
Monthly Expenses .....	...\$17,867.00
Profit or (loss).....	<b><u>(\$7,494.00)</u></b>



**Sunday, December 4, 2016**

**Following the 10 AM Liturgy**

To honor Sub-Deacon Dean Tarsi and his wife, Phyllis who are moving to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

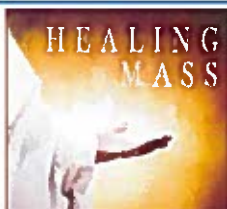
Join us in wishing them the best of luck in their new adventures!

***Each family is asked to bring a dish.***

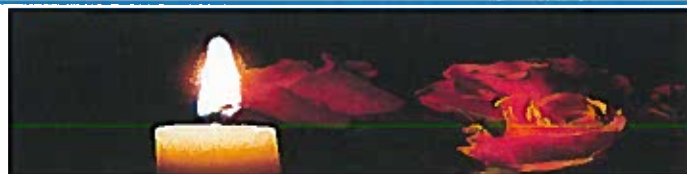
**Thank you.**

## December Mass Intentions

<b>Saturday, Dec. 3, 2016 @ 5:00 PM:</b>	Mass for the Reposal Soul of Wadad Ishac. Requested by Evelyn Carrah.
<b>Sunday, Dec 4, 2016 @ 10:00 AM:</b>	Memorial Mass for the Reposal Soul of Robert A. Jaoude. Requested by his wife, Lilly and her family. Followed by a coffee hour sponsored by the family.
<b>Saturday, Dec. 10, 2016 @ 5:00 PM:</b>	Mass for the Reposal Soul of Angelo Zappone. Requested by Tammy (Jarjura) Zappone.
<b>Sunday, Dec. 11, 2016 @ 10:00 AM:</b>	1 Year Memorial Mass for the Reposal Soul of Georgette Zoghbi. Requested by Attorney Maroun & Barbara his wife Zoghbi. Followed by a coffee hour.
<b>Sunday, Dec. 11, 2016 @ 3:30 PM:</b>	Wedding of Marwan & Kelly Khoury
<b>Saturday, Dec. 17, 2016 @ 5:00 PM:</b>	+Mass for the Reposal Souls of Fred & Jennie Shaheen. Requested by Janet and Fred Shaheen and Family. +Mass for the Reposal Soul of Mark Meuser. Requested by Joseph & Meaghan Macary
<b>Sunday, Dec. 18, 2016 @ 10:00 AM:</b>	40 Day Memorial Mass for the Reposal Soul of Miladee Sakr followed by the Prayer of Incense (Ginnaz). Requested by her husband Mounir, her 2 sons Toni & Assad & their families, her daughter Nancy & her husband Fares Hayek & their family. Followed by a Mercy Meal in Cedars Hall.
<b>Saturday, Dec. 24, 2016 @ 5:00 PM:</b>	Mass for the Reposal Soul of Fahed Atallah. Requested by his wife Dana Atallah
<b>Sunday, Dec. 25, 2016 @ 10:00 AM:</b>	<b>Christmas Day</b>
<b>Saturday, Dec. 31, 2016 @ 5:00 PM:</b>	Mass for the Reposal Soul of Lucy Dorsey. Requested by Joseph & Meaghan Macary.



Healing Mass of St. Sharbel  
Will Resume  
Sunday  
**January 22, 2017 @ 6 PM**



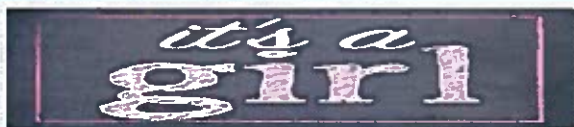
### *Miladee Sakr*

Passed away in Beirut Lebanon on Saturday, November 5, 2016

Our condolences to her family here in the USA.

Her daughter Nancy & her husband Fares Hayek. Her sons Assaad & Tony Sakr and their families.

May she Rest in Peace.



### ***Sarra Miladee Sakr***

**Congratulations to:**

**Assaad & Victoria Sakr on the birth of their new baby girl!**



### **Knights of Columbus ~ Saint Maron Council #42**

Get your "Keep Christ in Christmas" pin following Mass on Saturday,  
December 17, 2016 and Sunday, December 18, 2016

## Cenacle of Our Lady of Fatima

### "Our Lady of Lebanon Chapter"

Come and join us to Pray for the Most Holy Virgin, Our Lady of Fatima, who has come to Fatima to reveal to the three little shepherds the treasures and graces hidden in reciting the Rosary, inspire our hearts with a sincere love of this devotion, so that meditating on the mysteries of our redemption that are recalled in it, we may gather as a prayer group the fruits and obtain the conversion of sinners in this valley of tears.

Every Sunday Morning @ 9:15 AM, before the 10 AM Mass

Pray the Rosary and recite the Divine Office of Our Lady of Fatima. All are welcome!

Our Lady of Lebanon Church.

Please Note: Day & Time Change



## Pray for the Sick of Our Community



Therese Atallah  
Lorraine Barbieri  
Joseph & Joan Carrah  
Sadie Carrah  
Rosalie Cantone  
Emiline Geagea Czarnecke  
Joseph & Dolores Gustin  
Antoinette Gucciardi  
Fred Haddad  
Julie Hani  
Nathan Hedrick  
Wadad Khachkachian  
Shirley Macary  
Todd McKnight  
Jackie Mowad  
Nadia Taweh  
Bebe Shaker  
Stephen Sujecki  
Bendi Zaatini



## LADIES GUILD MEETINGS & EVENTS

**December, 2016—May 8, 2017**

- 12/12/16—Zlabee with Syrup/Men's Breakfast
- 2/13/17—St. Maron's Feast Day
- 2/27/17—Ash Monday
- 3/13/17—Kaack Sale (Start 3/5/17)
- 4/9/17— Palm Sunday
- 4/16/17— Easter Sunday
- 5/1/16—Crown Blessed Mother



We would appreciate it if you could send in your Christmas Flower Contribution envelopes as soon as you can. Please be very specific to list name(s) if you would like them in memory of your beloved ones. Thank you!

Reminder: As of **October 1, 2016**, our Church Secretary, Deana will be scheduling the Masses. (No Masses will be celebrated without the completed form (see insert) to be filled out by the person/family requesting the mass.) All stipend checks are to be made payable in the name of the Priest celebrating the Mass on the day of the Intention - please do not make it out to the Church. Extra Mass forms will be located on the table in the Church lobby. Please make sure to print clearly so we can avoid any misspellings. Any questions, please feel free to contact the Church office.

Thank you, Fr. Joseph



**Ring in the New Year.....**

**Join us for our**

**New Year's Eve Party!**

**Date: Saturday December 31, 2016**

**Time: 7 PM**

**Location: Cedars Hall**

**8 East Mountain Road ~ Waterbury, CT 06705**

**Lebanese & American Food, Champagne, Raffle, Live DJ**

**Admission: \$65 Per Ticket (Dinner & Champagne Toast)**

**\$20 Ages 6-12**

**Free for Children 5 & Under**

**Alcohol is welcome, but it is BYOB (Bring Your Own Bottle)**

**Reserve Now!!**

**Call Elias Taweh @ (203)525-5254 for reservations.**



Requesting a Divine Liturgy

Our Lady of Lebanon Catholic Church - Maronite Rite

Liturgies are offered for the living or departed as a means of help to their souls. If possible, liturgies are scheduled on the date you request, otherwise the nearest date that is open. The following dates are reserved for the whole parish: **Feast Day of Our Lady of Lebanon/Hosanna Sunday/Holy Thursday/Easter Sunday/First Communion/Mother's Day/Father's Day and Christmas.** People usually give a free-will offering called "**STIPENDS**" that go to the priest's charity.

*May the Lord grant rest to your faithful departed & protect your living.*

**Liturgy Request**

Please schedule a Liturgy for: \_\_\_\_\_

Check one:             Deceased                             Living

Mass Time:             5:00 PM Saturday             10:00 AM Sunday  Weekday

Sponsoring Coffee Hour following 10 AM Liturgy:  Yes             No

If possible, schedule the Liturgy on (Date): \_\_\_\_\_

Offered by: \_\_\_\_\_

Offering: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Comments/Suggestions: \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out and return this form to the church: 8 East Mountain Road, Waterbury, CT 06706 or place in collection basket (Attn: Deana Testa). Please print clearly to avoid misspelled names.

Thank you.