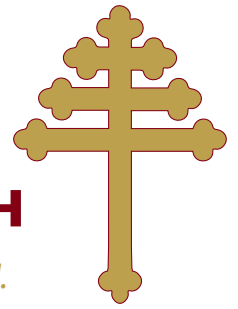




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A prayer to begin every day: *Good morning my good and my beloved Lord.*

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SAINTS FOR THIS WEEK

- 3 Our Lady of Lebanon
Bl. Stephen Doueihi, Maronite Patriarch, C
St. Timothy and His Wife St. Maura, M
- 4 St. Monica, Mother of St. Augustine, C
- 5 St. Irene, V, M
- 6 St. Dominic Savio, C
- 7 St. Antoninus, Bishop of Florence, C
- 8 St. John the Evangelist, Ap
- 9 Isaiah the Prophet

FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

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SATURDAY, MAY 2

Adoration 4:00 p.m.; Liturgy at 4:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 3

Rosary at 9:30 a.m.; 10:00a.m.

GOSPEL

JOHN 21:15-19



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." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." He then said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was distressed that he had said to him a 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. Amen, amen, I say to you, when you were younger, you used to dress yourself and go where you wanted; but when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go." He said this signifying by what kind of death he would glorify God. And when he had said this, he said to him, "Follow me." This is the Truth. Peace be with you.



FEED MY SHEEP

The Maronite Icons: Modern Sacred Art.
Dar Sader Publishers: Beirut 1999.
Via Maronite Heritage.com/icons

Jesus restores Saint Peter after his denial. He asks him about his love. Every time we fall, the Lord gives us a new chance: "Do you love me?" Love becomes service, and service becomes the path to holiness, even when it leads us to the cross.

Father will pray the
THE ANAPHORA OF THE TWELVE APOSTLES
beginning on page 754

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 2 at 4:30 p.m..

For the repose of the soul of John Nejaime
Requested by his sisters Dulce, Lili and Jemeli

Sunday, May 3 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the soul of Antoine Abou Arrage
First anniversary memorial
Requested by his wife, Rosita and children

Saturday, May 9 at 4:30 p.m..

For the repose of the souls of Tania & Maurice Barakat
Requested by their family

Sunday, May 10 at 10:00 a.m.

For all the Mothers in our parish.
May God bless them abundantly

Saturday, May 16 at 4:30 p.m..

Available

Sunday, May 17 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the souls of Xander Kazanowski
and Nic Crews
Requested by Renee and Deacon Steven Marcus

Saturday, May 23 at 4:30 p.m..

Available

Sunday, May 24 at 10:00 a.m.

Available

Saturday, May 30 at 4:30 p.m..

For the repose of the soul of Dona Spino
Requested by her husband Nicholas

Sunday, May 31 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the soul of Mary J. Slaiiby
Requested by Jane and Sam Slaiiby

CHURCH SUPPORT

Weekend of April 25/26

Saturday Offering

1st Collection **\$162.00**

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Sunday Offering

1st Collection **\$727.00**

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Thank You!

The second collection on May 3 is for the National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon in North Jackson Ohio.



**ST MARON OF TORRINGTON
PARISH BREAKFAST ON SUNDAY JUNE 28**

More details to come soon.

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN MAY IS THE FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LEBANON

O Mary, you who are called the Cedar of Lebanon,
look down upon your children who today and always beg your guiding hand.

Grant us the faith to withstand the sweeping blows of life
as the cedar stands strong against the wind.
Develop in us the hope of the resurrection.

Dear Mother, increase our love:
the love we should have for the Blessed Trinity,
our filial love for you, and the love for our neighbor:
not in theory, but in solid prayer and practice.

We now kneel at your feet, dear Lady, begging for your blessing
and beseeching your intercession to your Divine Son
for all our church and government authorities,
for ourselves, all our relatives and friends,
and especially for (request).

Our Lady, Queen of Lebanon, America, and the Universe, pray for us.



EPISTLE

EPHESIANS 2:1-10

You were dead in your transgressions and sins in which you once lived following the age of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the desires of our flesh, following the wishes of the flesh and the impulses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like the rest. But God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ (by grace you have been saved), raised us up with him, and seated us with him in the heavens in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God; it is not from works, so no one may boast. For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them. Praise be to God always.



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OUR PARISH PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF MAY IS THE VALUE OF PRAYER IN OUR DAILY LIFE

Heavenly Father
Teach us the value of prayer in our daily lives.
Help us to turn to You in every moment,
in our joy, in our work, and in our struggles.
Remind us that prayer is our strength, our peace, and our light.
Draw our hearts closer to You each day, so that,
we may trust in Your presence
and walk with faith and love.
Amen.



The Pastor's Corner

SHORT ARTICLES AND NOTES

My Dear Friends:

In the Book of Revelation, Chapter 9, terrifying visions unfold as trumpets are sounded and divine judgment is revealed. Strange locusts rise from the abyss, bringing suffering upon those who do not belong to God, and a great army brings further destruction. Yet, even in the midst of these warnings, many do not turn back to God.

The message is a call to repentance, reminding us that God's justice is real, but His desire is always to lead hearts back to Him.

I hope you have a blessed and lovely spring week ahead.

Fr. Fadi

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THE OLD TESTAMENT: JUDITH

Judith is a widow of great faith and courage. She trusted in God when her people were in danger. While others were afraid, she prayed deeply and acted wisely. With humility and strength, she went to the enemy's camp and, by God's help, defeated Holofernes, who was the general and commander-in-chief of the enemy armies. Through her bravery, God saved Israel, showing that He can work through those who rely completely on Him.

WISDOM FROM THE SAINTS

(Advice given by a bishop to Saint Monica about her son, the future St. Augustine)

Keep praying, for it is impossible for a child of so many tears to be lost.

-- St. Monica, Patron of Christian Mothers (Feast Day May 4)

Fr. Fadi will be celebrating a Mass for elderly



at Wolcott Hall on Friday, May 1 at 11 a.m.
and
at Litchfield Woods on Saturday May 9 at 10:30 a.m.

You are invited to join him and spend some heartwarming time with our elderly who would be so appreciative of your presence.

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