

# **Our Lady of Victory Maronite Catholic Parish**

At Saint Pamphilus 1000 Tropical Avenue Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15216

# APRIL 28-MAY 5,2024 FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

## How many times did Jesus ask Peter if he loved Him?



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# OFFICE HOURS: TUESDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 10:00AM to 4:00PM

#### **Parish Pastoral Council Members**

- Rosy Habib David Joseph Frank Mecca Nick Kassouf Ken Krauss Michelle Cindrich Alexis Joseph George Jabra
- Christina Irani Joe Ayoob Hoda Bassil Marwan Sadaka Joe Barack Tamara Alchoufete Joe Zischkau

#### **Parish Finance Council Members**

Richard Kail Nicholas Romah Joseph Habib Adam Kassab Anne Ayoob Danny Chahine Dima Fares-Ayoob



BAPTISM & CHRISMATION: Arrangements for these Mysteries may be preceded by instructional classes for Parents & Sponsors. Both sponsors <u>must be Catholic</u> and <u>must be 18</u> years of age or older. Sponsorship Forms are required for sponsors.

MARRIAGES: The couple should contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance and <u>before</u> any other arrangements or commitments are made.

FUNERALS: Please contact the Pastor or Parish Office before making any arrangements. The pastor must be consulted to set times for Prayer Services and Funeral Liturgies. We will celebrate ALL Funeral Liturgies here at the Church.

# Liturgy Times & Intentions: April 28-May 5, 2024

Sat	Apr 27	4:00PM Simon	Souls of Tom & Aneesa Ferris	Family		
Sun	Apr 28	8:30AM Jason	Souls of Rose & John Thomas	Rita Sassano		
	-	11:00AM	Soul of Ofelia Achkar	Said & Eva Nehme		
Mon	Apr 29	5:30PM	Rosary			
	-	6:00PM Catherine	Ernst Family	The Pastor		
Tues	Apr 30	5:30PM	Rosary			
		6:00PM James	Good Health for Fedex David	The Pastor		
Weds	May 1	5:30PM	Rosary			
		6:00PM Jeremiah	Shaftic Family	The Pastor		
Thurs	May 2	5:00PM	Rosary			
		5:30PM Athanasius	Basil Family	The Pastor		
Fri	May 3	5:30PM	Rosary			
		6:00PM Timothy	Sarkis & Thomas Families	Sadie Thomas		
<u>6th Su</u>	nday of th	e Resurrection				
Sat	May 4	4:00PM Monica	Souls of Mitchell & Cecelia Ashear	Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Reilly		
Sun	May 5	8:30AM Irene	Soul of Anthony Perry	Judi Perry		
		11:00AM	Soul of Tony Primiero	Theresa Basil & Family		
			Souls of George Sachde,	Neeran George		
			Harriet Yacoub Petros &	-		
			Asperans George Sachde			

Weekday liturgies will be held at 11:00AM at the Saint Sharbel Spiritual Life Center. The Children's Liturgy will be the third Sunday of each month at 11AM.

If you would like to schedule a liturgy intention, please call the office (412-278-0841). To schedule a liturgy at the St. Sharbel Spiritual Life Center, please call 800-473-7559 or

Please note our collections are as follows:	April 2024	7-Apr	14-Apr	21-Apr	Total
April 27 & 28, 2024-Weekly Church Offering & Catholic Home Missions May 4 & 5, 2024-Weekly Church Offering, Monthly Church Fund & National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon	Collection Mail Collection Online Giving Eparchial Charities Ap-	\$1,738 \$225 \$165	\$3,431 \$545 \$175	\$145 \$95	\$915 \$435
	peal	\$100	\$0		
SATURDAY SPEAKER SERIES at the Saint Sharbel <u>Center May</u> 4, 2024	Catholic Home Missions Help for Lebanon	\$0 \$0	\$20 \$205		
"Women and Children First: How Christianity Trans-	Candles	\$26	\$92	\$41	\$159
formed the Family" with guest speaker Mike Aqui-	Hall Rental	\$2,150	\$500	\$0	\$2,650
lina, Executive Vice President of The Saint Paul Cen- ter for Biblical Theology, Catholic Author and Lec-	Sancutuary Lamps	\$0	\$0	\$25	
turer	Church Fund	\$245	\$65	\$0	\$310
10am Divine Liturgy 11am Guest speaker Mike Aquilina followed by	Total	\$4,649	\$5,033	\$1,246	\$10,903
light lunch. Open to the public! No charge. Donations accepted!	Expenses	-\$8,085	-\$1,374	-\$22,824	-\$32,284
	Balance	-\$3,436	\$3,659	-\$21,578	-\$21,381

# In Our Thoughts & Prayers

### Please keep in your prayers:

Maxine Schoen, Chuck Borik, Martha Kail, Peter DeSando, Angie Joseph, Michael Rattie, Alicia Hruby, Helen McGoun, Dr. Adnan Abla, Ashley Ayoob, Frances Barack, David Ingrid Franklin, Donald Kovanis, Faten Fatfat, Sr., Mary Ann Karas, Franice Pattinato, Helen Mierski, Rebecca Rodgers, Rina Molinaro, Patty Doerzbacker, Anna Marie Mecca, Ken Kovach, Frank Joseph, Alex Joseph, Rosemary Thomas Hartman, Celeste Cancilla, Stephanie Vail, John Abbas (Youngstown), James Brocato, Dalal Romah, Isaac Simon, Sue Cravens, Kim B., Chrissy Coury, Logan Gump, Darius Xavier Collins, Melissa Rodriguez, Amanda Marie, Matthew James Rendell, Jadon Michael, Jean Westerman, Attila Shumaker, Timmy Droege, Denise Mytiva Mastro, Kate Jacobs, Vincent Scully, Valerie Bonner, John Kavulic, Jaime Perrucci, Kattie Fitzpatrick, and Lyuva Lazovski.

 Scripture Readings

 5th Sunday of the Resurrection

 (Apr 27th & 28th)

 Ezek 34:11-16, 23-25a

 Eph 2:1-10
 Jn 21:15-19

 6th Sunday of the Resurrection

 (May 4th & 5th)

 Deut 31:1-3, 6-9

 Rom 10:1-13
 Lk 24:36-48

All Scripture Readings are taken from the Revised Edition of the New American Bible

Saint Sharbel Liturgy: Every 22nd of the month we will celebrate the Liturgy of Saint Sharbel at the St. Sharbel Spiritual Life Center. The liturgy will be offered for the intentions of our parishioners, relatives, and friends in need of our prayers.

CONGRATULATIONS TO Sophia Lynn Catherine Capan And Maci Rae Olivia Prokop Who are being confirmed April 28, 2024 at Our Lady of Victory

#### MYSTERY OF RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION Confession is available before and after Liturgies on Saturday and Sunday, and by appointment during the week.

## Month of April 2024

Altar Bread and Wine In loving memory of Henry, Dorothy & Jude Berrick requested by Judi Perry Sanctuary Lamps In loving memory of Anthony & Elizabeth Mowod requested by the Mowod Family

## Month of May 2024

<u>Sanctuary Lamps</u> In loving memory of Anthony Perry requested by Judi Perry

Altar Bread & Wine or Sanctuary Lamps can be sponsored for a donation of \$25.



### NAM Announcements

NAM 59th Annual Convention:

This year's convention is hosted by St. Sharbel Church in Detroit, Michigan July 4-7, 2024. To register visit: <u>www.namnews.org</u> or call 914-964-3070. The deadline is June 1st. See the bulletin board for additional details. NAM Scholarship Program:

Every year NAM offers several scholarships for High School and College students. If interested, talk to Father Samir and apply online at: <u>www.namnews.org</u>. The deadline is May 31st.

Renew your membership or register to become a NAM member prior to the Convention date to receive discounts. NAM delegates, Marie and Marwan Sadaka will be available on Sunday April 14th after the 11 am liturgy to help you with registration and information.



With prayerful consideration and working together as a team, the OLoV pastoral council has created a new Vision Statement to encapsulate what we are striving to be as parish and a new Mission Statement to guide our steps to achieve our goals. We are happy to present them both here.

Vision: Growing closer to God as a family in a Maronite Catholic Church that is alive, welcoming, rooted in tradition, and devoted to our Blessed Mother.

Mission: The Mission of Our Lady of Victory Maronite Catholic parish is to...

- 1. Serve, worship, and glorify God through active participation in the Sacraments.
- Bring people closer to God and their Faith by embodying Jesus Christ and His teachings, offering robust spiritual and liturgical engagement, and nurturing our devotion to Mary, our Blessed Mother.
- Welcome and serve our parishioners and neighbors by creating a safe, joyful atmosphere in a nourishing and inspiring church.
- 4. Share our long-standing Maronite Heritage and Faith with our children and those currently outside of our parish to preserve our traditions, culture, and community.
- Stoke the fire of stewardship of our church in everyone, so we may all take an active role in preserving and growing our parish for generations to come.

#### **Opportunities for Action**

Prayers Requested: Please pray for our priests, deacons, council members, and all parishioners who engage in the ministries of our church. May their efforts be guided by God in joyful service to our parish and people.

## Our Lady of Victory Maronite Church Tentative 2024 Parish Activities Schedule

Car Show First Eucharist Annual Golf Outing Beirut Vibes Fri & Sat Annual Lebanese Festival Community Picnic Cash Bash Craft Show Veteran's Day Liturgy & Dinner Annual Cookie Walk Family Christmas Party May 18, 2024 (Saturday)/Sunday rain date May 26, 2024 July 26, 2024 (Friday) May through August, 2024 September 6, 7, & 8, 2024 September 21, 2024 October 12, 2024 November (TBD) November 9, 2024 December 14, 2024

We need volunteers and gift basket donations for the Car Show (lottery tickets, gift cards, and wine would be wonderful!). Please call the office to let us know how you can help!

