

November 9, 10, 2013
Renewal of the Church Sunday
Alzheimer's Awareness Sunday



ST. ELIAS MARONITE CHURCH

Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles

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Liturgy Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am and 10:30 am

Daily 8:00 am Holy Days 7:00 pm (eve) and 8:00 am

Confessions: Saturday 4:00 pm or anytime upon request.

Saturday, November 9, 2013

5:00 pm

Joe Tanory and Jackson Wall (anniv.) req. by the Family

Sunday, November 10, 2013

8:00 am

Edward Terch (anniv.) req. by Barbara

10:30am

Deacon Joe Stephens (1st anniv.) req. by the Family

Liturgy Schedule and Intentions

(Daily Liturgy at 8:00 am)

Monday-For our Soldiers: **Veterans' Day**

Tuesday-Roger L. Saad. req. by the Family

Wednesday- Herbert Bolus, req. by the Family

Thursday -Peggy Antoun, req. Nasri Akl Family

Friday- Special sick intention

Saturday, November 16, 2013

5:00 pm

For all parishioners

Sunday, November 17, 2013

8:00 am

Joe G. Zyne (anniv.) req. by the Family

Sam and Lily Boackle req. by the Family

10:30 am

Saloie Wehby (40th day) req. by the Family

Today at St. Elias

9:00 MYO Breakfast; 9:15 MCF Classes

10:10am Rosary

SICK CORNER

Please pray for our parish sick: Carol & Cyril Bergeron, Stephen Dabney, George & June Gray, Eddie & Joyce Mizerany, Sierre Zaidan, Georgia Shalhoop, George & Ann Stephen, Hixie Stephens, Sheila Wadsworth, Ron Matthews, Leslie Smith, Zyne Family. St. Elias will NOT list the name of our parish sick unless it is specifically requested to be on the Sick List. Call 251-5057 to be on our list.

Join the **Prayer Shawl Ministry** group for knitting, crocheting, and praying. Planned meetings are the 1st Wednesday of the month after the Altar Society luncheon. Call Pat Numnum (408-7411) or Renee Ritchey (942-2202) for more info.

The Saint Elias Columbarium: The Niches in the Columbarium are for sale. If interested, please come to the Church Office or contact Louis Josof or Mary Milton. Trappist Monks urns are now for sale here.

The St. Elias Centennial Brick Walkway extends from the Northside parking lot to the Grotto. Purchase your brick today to be a lasting part of your Church. You can pick up your form in the church office. **See new Bricks that have been installed!**

The **bulletin and calendar** are back on the web in color! Go to www.stelias.org to see the new website. It is still a work in progress, but we think you will be pleased to see our new webpage.

Advent Retreat is being offered at Blessed Trinity Shrine Retreat on Dec. 2-5, 2013. For registration call 334 855-4474.

Holiday Memorial Service and Program A Holiday Memorial Service for all of our loved ones who have died will be held on **Tuesday, November 12, 2013 at 7:00 pm** in the church. Following the service, refreshments will be served in the classrooms. A discussion will be held with helpful tips on handling the holidays following the death of a loved one. All are welcome.

This week at St. Elias:

Tuesday: 5:30 pm Stewardship Committee; 7:00 pm Holiday Memorial Service

Wednesday: 5:30m pm Pastoral Council

Parish Thanksgiving Luncheon.....

Sunday, November 17, 2013

sponsored by the Ladies' Altar Society.

Mark your calendar for a simple

Thanksgiving Church Luncheon without a kitchen. All are invited!



Kitchen Renovation Update

1. Glass windows on the South extension have been installed with granite window sills.
2. The new glass door which is the entrance to the kitchen from the outside has been installed.
3. Painters are finishing up the kitchen interior and all of the outdoor painting on doors and porches.

Details will be forthcoming about the donations graciously given and the time for completion.

Pastor's Corner

All of the church lights have been replaced except for one large ceiling light, thanks to Canterbury Electric.

We have noticed a small leak above the ceiling near the choir loft that has come back and we are working on that so that it can be cleaned up for Christmas.

The rectory had a leak in its membrane roof and upon looking at the roof we have found that there was a bullet hole in the roof that was leaking into the rectory den. That too has been looked into and fixed, thanks to James Boohaker.

Nasri Akl has started to expand the bookholders in the church currently on the right side facing the altar. Anyone who would like to help, please contact Nasri. The new Book of Offering should fit in your pew soon.

Announcements

YOUTH CORNER: Check out our web site at www.maroniteyouth.com

Check out the Pope's website: Pope2you.net.

Jr. MYO: Sunday Nov. 17 4-6:30pm Angel Tree-.will need 5 parents. Please make every effort to attend.

MYO: Breakfast & Class; 3:00pm Ruffner Mtn.hike

MYA: Wrap up meeting + for the Atlanta Workshop- this Tuesday 7pm.

STEWARDSHIP

*"For where your treasure is,
there also will your heart be."* Luke 12:34

CONTRIBUTIONS:

November 3: \$3,715.25

Capital Campaign update: Pledges: \$2,970,371;
Received: \$2,609,463; Outstanding: \$360,908

School Subsidy Parents are reminded to finish their commitment for every child whose tuition has been subsidized by St. Elias for 2012-2013 school year.
You are now overdue because we are now paying for 2013-2014 year.

Remember your Church in your gift giving.

St. Elias already has an account set up to receive stock donations at Wells Fargo. Gifts of other appreciated assets such as land, antiques, and homes can be utilized as potential gifts with tax benefits. Consult your accountant to pursue these options.

St. Elias is still looking to obtain any property on 9th Avenue South that would benefit us in the future.

Bishop Shaheen created the **Legacy Society** to recognize individuals who name the Eparchy or a parish with Eparchy as a beneficiary in a will or estate plan. Please remember your Eparchy and parish.

Altar flowers may be donated by calling LaVonne Williamson. Altar flowers this weekend are donated in memory of Deacon Joe Stephens by his wife and children.

The new St. Elias parish directories are here! You may purchase them from the church office. Inserts only are \$5. A new binder with an insert is \$10. Please be sure to check all of your information to see if it is correct. Please call Mary Milton at 823-2022 for any changes or corrections. A big thanks to Mary for coordinating this project!

Altar Society Workday for Thanksgiving Sat.9:00am November 16

Altar Servers' Schedule

Saturday, November 16, 2013

5:00 pm Frank Money and Daniel Bolus

Sunday, November 17, 2013

8:00 am Daniel Boackle and John Resha

10:30 am Andrew Spray and Harris Bolus

Altar Servers' practice at 10:00 am Saturday

Pope Francis' November Prayer Intention:

Suffering Priests. That priests who experience difficulties may find comfort in their suffering, support in their doubts, and confirmation in their fidelity.

Check out our library: November: New Bishop's display and Alzheimer's Disease Month

There is a new **Maronite Online Radio Station** located at Our Lady Star of the East Maronite Mission in Pleasantville, NJ. Listen on your computer at www.staroftheeast.org or download application on Iphone or Ipad "Star of the East Radio App".

Alzheimer's Disease Month Prayer

adapted from Al Garfield

Dear Lord,

For the many persons who have died from Alzheimer's Disease, we pray that they are in the care of your loving arms.

For those who are now Alzheimer's Disease patients, we pray for their dignity and comfort.

For those who are caregivers, we pray for understanding, compassion, and patience.

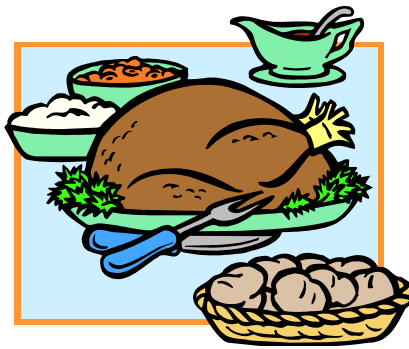
For families touched by Alzheimer's Disease, we pray for strength and courage.

For those who seek the cause, cure, prevention, and treatment of Alzheimer's Disease, we pray for you wisdom, guidance, and direction.

What a solace it is to know that You know our heartaches and our frustrations, our joys at those moments of clarity and recognition, and our anticipation of medical discoveries. But, most importantly, each of us receives peace from awareness that Your eye is on us and that it is Your hand that gently soothes us and is extended to uplift us.

For being our refuge and for the Hope You have given us...Our Thanks.

Amen.



St. Elias Parish Thanksgiving Luncheon

sponsored by the Ladies' Altar Society
(without a kitchen!)

Sunday, November 17, 2013

11:30 am

Salad

Turkey and Dressing

Sweet Potato Casserole

English peas

Cranberry sauce, Rolls

Drink

Dessert

\$8.00

All are invited!