

**Birth of John the Baptizer
December 4, 2016**

SATURDAY 12/3/16 - 4:30 PM
+Alex & Zahia Hazzouri & daughter Dalal
 requested by Mrs. Adeb A. Hazzouri & Family
SUNDAY 12/4/16 - 11:00 AM
+Joan M. Abdo
 requested by Dr. Joseph & Judith Soma

9:00 AM Weekday Liturgies
Mon. 12/5: +23rd Anniv. Hind Mowad
 requested by the Family
Tues. 12/6: +Theresa Mancini
 requested by M/M Anthony Valunas
Wed. 12/7: +Mary S. Karam
 requested by John Buzad
Thurs. 12/8 @ 6:30 PM : (Holy Day)
Feast of the Immaculate Conception
 for the Parishioners
Fri. 12/9: NO LITURGY

Altar Servers

Sat. Dec. 3: Jude Wheeler
Sun. Dec. 4: Joseph Hazzouri

Lectors

Sat. Dec. 3: Robert Rade
Sun. Dec. 4: Ann Abbott Bryant

SANCTUARY EXPENSES

**are offered in December
 in loving memory of
 Alex & Zahia Hazzouri
 and daughter Dalal
 by Michael A. Hazzouri**

**Revelation to Joseph
December 11, 2016**

SATURDAY 12/10/16 - 4:30 PM
+Noble Dileo
 requested by Cheryl Dileo and Linda Cantrell
SUNDAY 12/11/16 - 11:00 AM
+Birthday Michael Bedway Mackarey
 requested by M/M Harold Fleischut

9:00 AM Weekday Liturgies
Mon. 12/12: NO LITURGY
Tues. 12/13: +Genevieve Gibbons
 req. by M/M John Cooper & Matt Cooper
Wed. 12/14: +Birthday Nancy Yamin
 requested by the Family
Thurs. 12/15: +Jesse Kane requested by
 Jane, Douglas & Subdeacon Cy Douaihy
Fri. 12/16: +James T. Mowad
 requested by the Family

Altar Servers

Sat. Dec. 10: Joseph Hazzouri
Sun. Dec. 11: Jude Wheeler

Lectors

Sat. Dec. 10: Steve Bartnicki
Sun. Dec. 11: Kathy Karam Cawley

WEEKLY COLLECTION 11/13/16

Collection	Fuel	Assessment	Total
\$1,236	\$130	\$70	\$1,436

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS 11/20/16

Collection	Fuel	Assessment	Total
\$910	\$5	\$130	\$1,045

The Blessed Virgin Candle burns in December in loving memory of Dr. William S. Peters
The Saint Joseph Candle burns in December for a Special Intention
The Infant of Prague Candle burns in December for a Special Intention
The St. Jude Candle burns in December in loving memory of the Deceased of the Mackarey Family
The Saint Maron Candle burns in December for a Special Intention of Johanna Maroon
The Saint Sharbel Candle burns in December in loving memory of Joseph A. Shahum

CHRISTMAS NOVENA: begins on **Thursday, December 15** and runs through **Friday, December 23**.
 The Novena will be prayed **after the weekend Masses on December 17 & 18** and **after the weekday Masses on December 15, 16 and 19-23**. The novena is the Maronite preparation for Christmas.

CONGRATULATIONS: to **Riddick Justus Artabane**, infant son of **Aziz Christian Artabane and Catherine Kavulich**, who was Baptized and Chrismated at our parish on Sunday, November 13th. Riddick is the grandson of **David Aziz Artabane and Angela Furiosi Artabane**.

HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE: The Sodality is sponsoring a food drive to benefit **Saint Patrick's Food Pantry**. Donations of canned and dry food items may be placed in the hamper in front of the Cry Room Window. The food drive will run until Christmas.

GIVING TREE: The Daughters of Saint Ann's annual Giving Tree is set up in the rear of the Church, and you may take a name from the tree, purchase the gift and place the unwrapped gift with the child's name attached under the Giving Tree and make a local child's wish for Christmas come true.

APPRECIATION PARTY: for everyone who worked on our successful 2016 Lebanese Festival will be held on **Wednesday evening, November 30th at 6:00 PM** in the Church Hall. Food and beverages will be provided, and a good time will be had by all.

MEETINGS: The December meetings of the **Pastoral Council** and **Sodality** are cancelled.

CHRISTMAS PARTIES: 1) The Sodality Christmas Party is **Sunday, December 4th, 2016 at 12:30 PM at the City Café** in downtown Scranton. The cost is **\$25.00 per person**. In lieu of gifts, members are asked to bring a donation of money or gift cards for the child victims of sexual abuse. Checks should be made payable to the Children's Advocacy Center of NEPA. 2017 Sodality dues of \$10.00 are payable at the party. Please reserve by calling Anne Hazzouri McAndrew 570-510-4997 so we will have a count for the restaurant. 2) The **Annual Children's Christmas Party is Sunday, December 18th, 2016 at 12:30 PM in the Church Hall**. All the children of the parish are cordially invited to attend this party and meet Santa Claus. 3) The **Holy Name Society Father/Son/Friend Christmas Party is Sunday, December 18th from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the City Café** in downtown Scranton. Traditional Lebanese buffet will be served. Admission is \$25.00 per person. Annual dues of \$10.00 are payable at the party. To reserve, contact Subdeacon Cy Douaihy, Eddie Deeb or Doumlet Saadi.

ENVELOPE USE: Nov. 13th, 2016: Regular 26=16%, Fuel 4=2%, Assessment 2=1%; Nov. 20th, 2016: Regular 31=20%, Fuel 1=.5%, Assessment 10=6%. 158 envelopes are out.

2016 PARISH BUDGET STATUS AS OF 11/20/16

	Collections	+	Fuel/Utilities	+	Assessment	=	Total
Budgeted:	\$65,095	+	\$9,917	+	\$9,024	=	\$84,036
Received:	\$53,256	+	\$2,967	+	\$2,740	=	\$58,963
	(\$11,839)	+	(\$6,950)	+	(\$6,284)	=	(\$25,073)