

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 6 - 7, 2014

- 1. Monday, December 8th, is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and a Holy Day of Obligation for Maronite Catholics, who are obliged to attend the Divine Liturgy or Holy Mass on the Feast under pain of mortal sin. For the convenience of working parishioners, the Holy Day Mass will be celebrated at 6:00 P.M.**
- 2. Congratulations to the ladies of Our Lady Queen of Peace Sodality, who had a very successful Fall Rummage and Bake Sale on Saturday, November 22nd. Thanks to everyone who donated to or purchased at the Rummage/Bake Sale, and special thanks to Anne Hazzouri McAndrew, Mary Theresa Mackarey Fielding, Mary Ann Siconolfi and Michele Wilk.**
- 3. Please return your gifts for the Giving Tree as soon as possible and place them under or around the tree in the rear of the Church.**
- 4. The Annual Children's Christmas Party will be held on Sunday, December 21st at 12:30 PM in the Church Hall. The party is sponsored by Jim and Mary Ellen Nasser in memory of James and Eleanore Peters Nasser; and all the children of the parish are cordially invited to attend and meet Santa Claus.**
- 5. The Holy Name Society Father/Son/Friend Christmas Party will be held on Sunday, December 21st from 5:00 to 8:00 at the City Café. Traditional Lebanese buffet will be served. Admission is \$25.00 per person. Please let Cy Douaihy or Doumiet Saadi know that you are coming so we can prepare enough food.**
- 6. The annual Holy Name Society NFL Play-Off Party will be held in our Church Hall on Sunday, January 18th, 2015 beginning at 3:00 PM. Details to follow, but keep the date open for a great time.**
- 7. The Holy Name Society's famous \$5,000 Raffle is now underway. Only 200-tickets are available. There are \$250 Prizes for the 1st, 50th, 100th and 150th tickets drawn, and a grand prize of \$4,000 for the last ticket. Tickets are \$50 each and include admission to the Play-Off Party. See John Mackarey, Albert Mackarey, Cy Douaihy or Father Francis for tickets.**
- 8. Our parish now offers the opportunity to donate and make regular parish offerings electronically. To sign up, go to the parish website: www.saintannmaronite.com And click on the "Donate" button. The Parish Stewardship Committee expects that those members of the parish who are not able to attend Mass regularly will utilize this option to fulfill their duty to regularly support the parish.**
- 9. The Parish Bulletin of December 22nd will be the last bulletin which will be mailed out to parishioners. Starting in 2015, the Bulletin will be sent out only by email and posted on the parish website. Hard copies will be available to take after all weekend Masses. Anyone not already receiving the parish bulletin by email should provide an email address to the Church Office before the end of the year.**