

**WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEKEND OF
1 & 2 APRIL 2017**

- 1. Lenten dietary regulations are as follows: Abstinence from meat & meat products is observed on all Fridays of Great Lent. Abstinence is binding on everyone over the age of 14 years. Fasting from food and drink (except water and medicine) is observed from Midnight until Noon on Ash Monday and Good Friday. Fasting is binding on everyone between the ages of 18 and 60 years. Those unable to fast due to ill health must perform other penances & works of charity; like attending daily Mass, Stations of the Cross, etc.**
- 2. The Annual Bishop's Appeal is nearing the end. If you have not yet sent in your contribution, please do so as soon as possible and not later than Easter.**
- 3. The ladies of the Sodality will be baking for our annual Palm Sunday Bake Sale on Wednesday, April 5, Thursday, April 6th, Friday, April 7th & Saturday April 8th. Baking starts at 9:00 AM each morning. Please help whenever you can—and bring a friend(s). If you cannot come to the Church to help with the baking, bake something delicious at home and send it in for the Bake Sale.**
- 4. Our famous Palm Sunday Bake Sale will take place after the Masses on Saturday, April 8th and Sunday, April 9th. Home-made Baklawa and other Lebanese pastries and home-made baked goods will be available, as well as Lebanese “thin” Bread, Zartar Bread and Spinach and Meat Pies. Stock up on your favorites for your Easter family dinner.**
- 5. Our Annual Children's Easter Party will take place on Palm Sunday, April 9th, 2017, in the Church Hall, immediately after the 11:00 AM Sunday Mass. All the children of the parish are cordially invited to attend and receive some Easter goodies from the Easter Bunny.**
- 6. The 2018 Mass Record Book has arrived, so anyone wishing to schedule Masses for 2018 may do so by contacting the Church Office. The preferred method of requesting dates for Masses is in writing by regular mail or email as there is less chance of errors occurring. If necessary, it may be done by telephone.**