



Dear Friends of the Maronite Servants,

As you receive this letter, we are probably unpacking the moving truck into our new home in Dartmouth, Massachusetts. Thank God and thank you for supporting us in this big move. Our next newsletter in September will give more details, along with photos, about the wonderful monastery that we can now finally call our home.

Also, by then, we hope to have set a date for an Open House to officially welcome you to "Mary Mother of the Light Monastery." Look for an invitation in our next newsletter. This house belongs to us--the *Maronite Servants of Christ the Light*-- and along with being our home, we hope it will serve as a place to host retreats and other events that we support. Our prayer is to fill this house with many sisters so as to better serve our Maronite Church in the United States in this awesome vocation of spiritual motherhood.

I was overjoyed to celebrate my 25th Jubilee of religious consecration on May 28th, joined by many family, friends and parishioners. His Excellency, Bishop Gregory J. Mansour, head of the Eparchy of St. Maron, was the main celebrant of the Divine Liturgy held at Saint Anthony of the Desert Maronite Church in Fall River, MA. Several priests concelebrated, assisted by deacons and subdeacons. I am very grateful to Mrs. Therese Abouzied and Mrs. Roseanne Solomon who chaired this event. They orchestrated an amazing reception dinner and entertainment at the parish hall. Please see the photos, on page two, highlighting this beautiful celebration.



We look forward to seeing some of you over the summer. Sister Therese Maria

and I will attend the 48th Annual NAM Convention in Philadelphia, PA. Please stop by our display table, we would like to visit with you. In August, we also plan to participate in the Annual Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon in North Jackson, OH for the Feast of the Assumption.

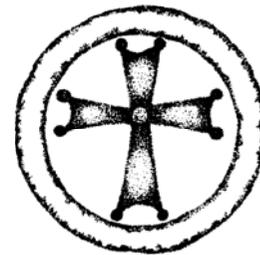
May you enjoy a restful and fruitful summer. If you are in the area, please give us a call and stop by for a visit. May Christ the Light bless you with his radiant love.

In Mary, Mother of the Light,

Sister Marla Marie

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The Maronite Cross of Rabboola

Illumine Your Soul

Sedro of Pentecost Sunday

O Christ our Lord, when you ascended in glory to your heavenly Father, you imposed your blessed hands on the heads of your holy apostles. You showered your blessings upon them, telling them to stay in Jerusalem and wait for the promise of the Father. On the fiftieth day, as they were gathered in one place, a voice from heaven was heard; the Spirit descended in the likeness of tongues of fire and overshadowed them. Thus, the simple started to speak the language of the wise, and fishermen began to teach the learned.

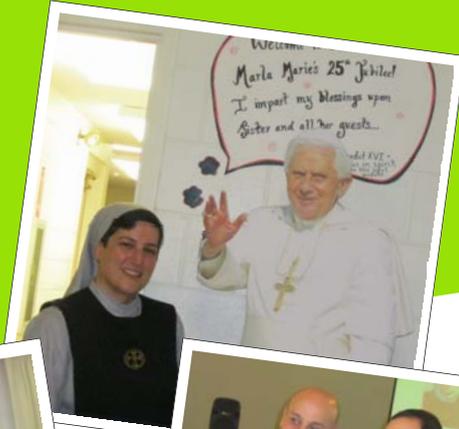
O Lord, we shout to you, as we stand in awe before this great mystery: We have seen God in our midst on earth.

Today, the Spirit appears in the likeness of tongues of fire, which devoured the thorns of rebellion. Today, the people of Galilee praised the Lord with fine melodies, and they were filled by the Holy Spirit. Today, the Lord Savior established his holy Church, replacing the old vineyard which only produced sour grapes.

We implore you, O Holy Spirit: descend upon us as you did upon the disciples and fill us with your gifts. Adorn your Church with the most exalted favors, so that she may be your people, your one flock. Shower the dew of your mercies upon our faithful departed who sleep hoping in new life.

Photo Gallery

Photos of Sister Marla Marie Lucas' 25th Jubilee celebration.



On the Web

Check our blog up-dated every Friday. Visit our website for a copy of this newsletter. Also, friend Sr. Marla Marie Lucas on FACEBOOK and LINKEDIN.

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