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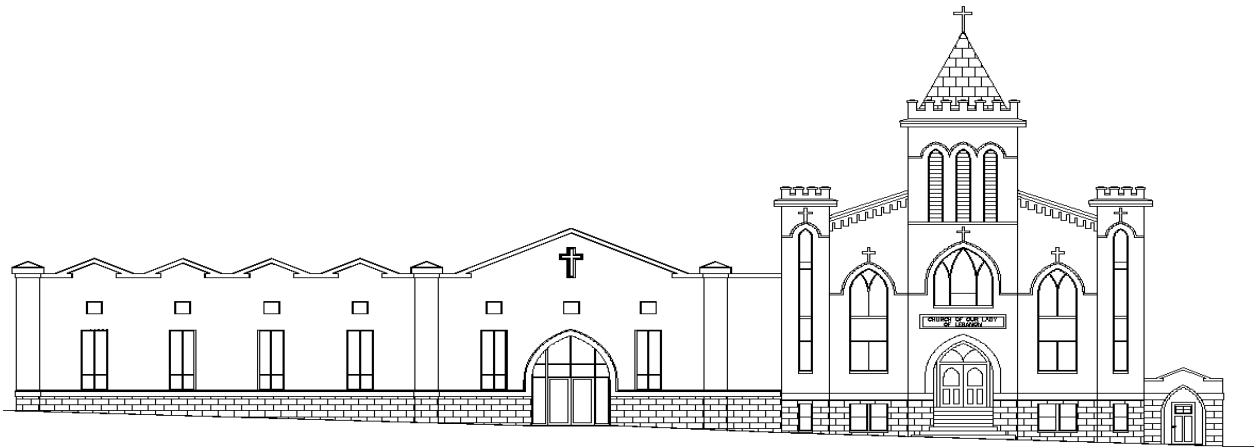
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5th Sunday of Pentecost Schedule of Divine Liturgies

- ***Weekend Masses:** Saturday evening at 4:00 p.m. [*Rosary & Litany start 20 minutes before Mass*]
Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. [*Rosary & Litany start 20 minutes before Mass*]
- ***Weekday Masses:** Tuesday to Thursday at 12:05 p.m. [*Rosary & Litany start 20 minutes before Mass*]
Monday & Friday No Mass
- ***Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament:** First Saturday of the month at 3:30 p.m.
First Sunday of the month after 10:30 a.m. Mass
- ***Confession:** Saturday: 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. or any other time by appointment
- ***Baptism:** Please call the Pastor as soon as baby is born; at least one Godparent must be Catholic
- ***Weddings:** Please make arrangements at least **six** months in advance before any other plans are made
- ***Sick Calls & Anointing of the Sick:** Please notify the Pastor at 304-233-1688
- ***Parish Council:** Lou Khourey, Carol Dougherty, Tom George, Mike Linton, Rita Strawn, P.J. Lenz, Mary Stees
- ***Choir Members:** Earl Duffy, George Thomas, Lou Khourey, Robert Harris, Shelly Hancher
- ***Bulletin Coordinator:** Thomasina Geimer
- ***Altar Server:** Mike Linton
- ***Altar Boys:** Dalton Haas, Shaun Hancher & Luke Lenz
- ***Cedar Club:** Linda Duffy, President 304-242-6853
- ***Women's Society:** Sandra Dusick, President 304-232-7395



- ***Bulletin Announcements:** Submit all Bulletin Information by Noon on Tuesday every week
- ***New Parishioners:** We welcome you with great joy & invite you to officially register as one of our parishioners
- ***Cedar Hall Rental Fees:** Call the Church Office at 304-233-1688 or 304-639-1372
- ***Parking:** Saturday & Sunday parishioners may park in both lots; Monday-Friday park **ONLY** in 3 Alley spaces
- *Remember the Church in your Last Will & Testament – Her prayers will accompany you to heaven

Gospel Reflection: 5th Sunday of Pentecost

Readings: Phil 3:7-14 and Mt 10:1-7

Jesus said: *“As you go, proclaim the good news, the kingdom of heaven has come near”.*

This is the commission: we are to proclaim that “the kingdom of heaven has come near.” As we go about our everyday tasks, we proclaim this even more by who we are and what we do than by what we say. We spend some time sitting with the Lord in the Gospels each day because we are disciples of the Master, the Lord Jesus, our God. The kingdom of heaven is that near. And when we hear the Word and act on it, we bring the kingdom into all the places we go. Through us the kingdom of heaven has an opportunity to touch intimately the lives of many who might otherwise never be touched by it at all. Sometimes words are called for, and are called forth from us. But usually this happens only after a person has sensed that the kingdom of heaven has drawn near and experienced the love of God in the love in us.

Jesus has said that the kingdom of heaven is within. If it is truly within us, it will shine out through kindly eyes, it will be felt through helpful hands, and it will be heard in words of kindness, encouragement and affirmation. Beginning at home with our own family, we are meant to be sacraments of the presence of the kingdom of God, a kingdom of love, joy, peace, kindness, long-suffering, and profound respect for others.

Divine Liturgy Schedule

This Week and the following weekdays, June 20-25: 5th Sunday of Pentecost

Father’s Day Masses *(From Saturday, June 20 until Thursday, June 25th)*

Special Remembrances during the Week of the Fathers:

June 20th: Cathy Sharp Howard (Anniversary) by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt

June 24th: Helen Fielding (Anniversary of her death) by her husband Don Fielding (FL)

June 25th: John T. John (Birthday) by Maryann Carl & children

Deceased Fathers & Grandfathers:

† Dale Seidler Sr., by his wife Nettie & Family

† Holly Bine by his son Ken Bine

† Herman E. Conti, Jr.,(husband) by Rosalie Conti

† Arthur Long (Anniversary) by his wife Sylvia Long

† Eugene Blum by Mary Margaret Blum & daughters

† Habib Khourey, Louis Khourey, Sr., & Nassif Nader by Lou & Charlotte Khourey & Family

† Charles “Pud” Howard, Bruce Cody Riggs & Franklin Howard by Lou & Charlotte Khourey & family

† Samuel Gaudio by his daughter Shirley Bine

† William Fitzgerald by Rosemary & Dick Coury

† Elias Frenn by Dr. Adel, Diane, Andreah & Justin Frenn

† Tim Shia & Tom Jochum by the Jochum Family

† Abdoo Saseen by Jim & Pat Connell

† Robert Glaser & Albert Boehm by Mark & Cathy Boehm

† William Josephs & his son Michael by Shawn & Cyndi Tobias (MN)

† Grandfather of Patti Hirsh

† George Joseph, Elias Joseph & Lawrence Ferrera by Becky & Larry Ferrera

† Ed Coram & Charles Coram by Ed Coram Jr.

† John Stanley Springfield by his daughter Pamela Lantz

† Deceased fathers & grandfathers of the Chidiac Family by Msgr. Bakhos

† Constantine Shia by his Family

† Joseph Linton by his sons Steve & Mike

- ✠ George Fadoul & Joseph Duffy by Mickey & Linda Duffy
- ✠ Anthony Condelli by his daughter Sylvia Long
- ✠ Harold Riggs Strawn & James V. Dellget & John J. Thomas by Rex & Rita Strawn
- ✠ Kenneth William DeMuth Sr., by his children
- ✠ John Dusick (father) & John Jacobs (grandfather) by Sandra Dusick
- ✠ Joseph John, John Keegan & Louis John by the John Family
- ✠ Robert Glaser by the Gotses Family
- ✠ Steve Schlog & Shikrey Saseen by Bob & Fran Saseen
- ✠ Elmer E. & brother Rodney M. Albaugh by Denny Albaugh
- ✠ Our fathers & grandfathers by Bill & Carol Dougherty
- ✠ George Popovich by Nikki & Joe Popovich
- ✠ Augie Montalbano by Nikki & Joe Popovich
- ✠ Eskey Yost by Kay Garvey
- ✠ James Garvey by Kay Garvey
- ✠ Matt Simonetti (father) by his daughter Mary & Richard Ryncarz
- ✠ Thomas Ryncarz (father) by his son Richard & Mary Ryncarz
- ✠ Marion Simonetti (brother) by his sister Mary Ryncarz
- ✠ Wm Bentz, George Fadoul, Ray Cooper, Jerry Werner & Ira Sengewalt by Millet & Susie Fadoul
- ✠ Greg Cornish by mother Josephine Brownfield & wife Rosemary
- ✠ Andrew Demsko Jr. and Sr. by Roemary Cornish
- ✠ Nimon Joseph, Maroon Habeb & Joseph George by the Weisner & Joseph Families
- ✠ Father & grandparents by Julia Tappe

Living Fathers and grandfathers:

- ✠ Dr. Adel Frenn & Jim Thomas by Diane, Andreah & Justin Frenn
- ✠ Louis H. Khourey by his children Emmalena & Louie
- ✠ Joseph John II, Louis John II & Ed Beabout by the John Family
- ✠ Intentions of Msgr. Bakhos for his tireless devotion to all parishioners by a friend
- ✠ Don Fielding by Nikki & Joe Popovich
- ✠ Joe Popovich & P.J. Lenz by by Nikki Popovich
- ✠ Richard Ryncarz by his children
- ✠ Millet L. Fadoul & Mark K. Wilson by Susie, Janet, Millet & Jonathan

Next Week, June 27-28: 6th Sunday of Pentecost
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Saturday, June 27 at 4:00 p.m.:

- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Will
- ✠ Ann Lewis by Cindy & Dave Reasbeck

Sunday, June 28 at 10:30 a.m.:

- ✠ Kenny DeMuth by Lou & Charlotte Khourey & Family
- ✠ Patty McNeil by Richard & Betty Blum & Family

Calendar of Parish Events at a Glimpse

Hall Rental	<i>Saturday, July 18</i>
NAM Convention	<i>June 29 thru July 3rd (No Daily Masses)</i>
Hall Rental	<i>Sunday, August 16</i>
Hall Rental	<i>Saturday, August 29 (tentative)</i>
Mahrajan: Sunday, August 9	<i>Outdoor Mass at 10:30 a.m.; Booths open from Noon to 7:00 p.m. Lebanese Food, Live Entertainment, Cash Raffle, Games, Inflatables, etc.</i>

No Daily Masses June 29th-July 3rd

Because Msgr. Bakhos will be attending the NAM Convention in Cleveland, there will be no daily Masses from Monday, June 29 until Thursday, July 3rd. Masses will resume on Saturday, July 4th.

Please Pray for Those on Our Prayer List

Please Remember Those Hospitalized Recently in Your Prayers

Lucille Gibbons, Lois Nickerson,

Also Please Pray for Those Who Asked Us to Pray for Them

Rex Strawn, Rizo Palotay, Patty Porchiran, Jim George Sr., Mary Margaret Blum, Luann Truelove, Jim Thomas (father of Diane Frenn), Patty Fahey, Tom George, Joe & Mike McCutcheon, Marianne Jerome (niece of Emily Vince), Carrie Jane (Powell) Parodi (daughter of Eva Lee Powell), Robert & Bobby Kupchak, Zaylee Thomas (daughter of Steve & Ivy Thomas), Elizabeth Turak, Charles & Robert Gibbons, Barb Sobota,

Happy Birthday

June 23:	Mary Beth Weisner, Dave Laughlin
June 27:	Lindsay Lenz, Peggy Justice, Seth George, Jodi Deeb
June 29:	Phyllis Lewandowski
July 3:	Larry Ferrera
July 5:	Bill Committee
July 11:	Justin Wilson
July 12:	Shaun Hancher
July 14:	Chloe Imer
July 15:	Denny Albaugh

Your Church Support Last Week

\$1,210.00	Collection
77.00	Candles
1,090.00	Mahrajan
30.00	Parking
1,000.00	Donation toward the Memorial Stone Project
20.00	Utilities
\$3,427.00	Total Deposits: <i>May God reward you abundantly for supporting your spiritual home!</i>

Whats New?

Condolences: Pearl Shutler

The pastor and the parishioners of Our Lady of Lebanon Church, Wheeling, offer their heartfelt sympathy to the Shutler family on the loss of their beloved Pearl who passed away in Wheeling this past week. Pearl was the mother of our beloved parishioner Janet who is very supportive of our church. Msgr. Bakhos concelebrated the Funeral Mass at Our Lady of the Peace on Wednesday, June 14.

May the Almighty God grant repose of the soul to His handmaid and we extend the parish's condolences to her Family in their time of sorrow.

Thank You

To our parish family and many friends for their treasures to our successful rummage sale. Many working hands were involved which included Msgr. Bakhos, Nini Miller, Sr. Mary DiDomenico, Luane Frazier, Thomasina Geimer, Mike Linton, Shirley Bine, Rex & Rita Strawn, Allison Duffy, George & Mary Thomas, Susie Fadoul, Libby Magnone, Ray Young, Lou Anne & Bill Blazier, Bill & Mary Stees, Linda & Mickey Duffy & our anonymous helper.

Merchandise donations were made to 1) YSS Services/Winter Program, 2) A young house fire victim, 3) Canonsburgh Residential Treatment Facility, 4) Elm Grove Elementary School, 5) Elm Grove Stone Presbyterian Church, 6) Bethlehem Elementary School, 7) Triadelphia Middle School, 8) AARP Local Chapter, 9) Scrappy Pappy's Recycling.

God has blessed us...so we help each other in many ways. Total profit was \$1,864.11.

Thank You One and All.

Linda & Luane

Thanks to Shish Kabob Helpers

Thanks to all the parishioners and friends who came together on Saturday, June 20th, to help clean, cut, skewer, package & freeze the Shish Kaobs in preparation for our 82nd Annual Mahrajan. Each of you deserves a BIG Thank You for taking time to help with this essential project.

Memorial Stone Project Starting Soon

His Excellency our Bishop Elias Zaidan approved the Memorial Stone Project designed by our Architect Larry Siebieda upon the recommendation of our parish council and Msgr. Bakhos. This project is meant to honor our parishioners who shed their blood to protect our freedom during WWII and the Korean War, and to honor all living parishioners who served in the armed forces all over the world.

Walters Construction of Wheeling will start the construction after June 7th and will finish this project by the end of this summer. This project will improve the side entrance of the church that leads to the old basement by adding an arch that matches the two other arches of the church façade. The existing narrow door of the old basement will be replaced by a 42-inch wide door stained to match the current front door. The existing Memorial Stone, where the names of the martyrs are engraved, will be mounted inside a beautiful arch facing the parking lot and lit at night.

The project costs \$70,000.00. Donors' names will be engraved on a plaque to be mounted inside the side entrance. A detailed drawing and a fundraising letter will be mailed to all parishioners and friends at the beginning of June. Please be generous and keep alive the memory of those who honored our church with their sacrifices to protect our freedom. —Msgr. Bakhos

Reflection

The Power of Attitude

Our emotions are powerful motivators, and more than almost anything else in our lives they will drive our behavior. Sometimes our greatest challenge is to get inside our own heads to understand what makes us tick. Why do we feel and behave the way we do?

Highly motivated, positive people are focused. The mind is clear, and energy levels are high. Also, many things can hold you back and prevent you from becoming all you can be. One of those things is ... Emotional Baggage.

I know two family members who were best friends, but several years ago, one reminded the other of something that had happened thirty years earlier. One thing led to another and, you know what, they haven't spoken since.

Anger or resentment is like a cancer, and when you let it go untreated, it will put an invisible ceiling on your future. You don't know it ... but it does. William Ward identified the cure when he said, "Forgiveness is the key that unlocks the handcuffs of hate."

Those are powerful words, and I know from personal experience ... forgiveness works. A few times in my life I've been greatly wronged and taken advantage of. My first reaction, of course, was anger and resentment. I held it for awhile and felt my stomach tie up in knots, my appetite wane, and the joy slip out of my life. The quote from Ward provided the wake-up call I needed to forgive the person who had wronged me. It was like I had been playing the first half of a basketball game with three-pound steel shoes, and in the locker room the coach said, "Mac, try these new Nikes in the second half." Multiply that by ten and you'll understand how great it feels to unload your "emotional baggage" through the power of forgiveness.

Spirituality

The principal cause of all unhappiness is unregulated desire -wanting more than is needed or wanting what is harmful to the spirit. The modern world is geared to increase our desires and our wants by its advertising, but it can never satisfy them. Our desires are infinite; the supply of any good on earth is finite. Hence our unhappiness and anxieties, our disappointments and our sadness. The only exit from this state is by control of the senses through mortification. This is what Our Lord meant when He said: ***“And if your hand, or your foot scandalize you, cut it off, and cast it from you. And if your eye scandalizes you, pluck it out, and cast it from you”*** (Mt. 18:8-9). Because, in our modern civilization, the biological is divorced from the spiritual, because freedom is isolated from dependence on God like a pendulum cut off from a clock, because liberty is interpreted only as freedom *from* something and not as freedom *for* something, it is especially necessary to revive the Christian practice of self-discipline.

--Bishop Fulton Sheen, Peace of Soul, 1949, p.183.

Wisdom: Interview with God

"Come in," God said, "So, you would like to interview Me?" "If you have the time," I said. God smiled and said: "My time is eternity and is enough to do everything; what questions do you have in mind to ask me?"

"What surprises You most about mankind?" I asked.

God answered: "That they get bored of being children, are in a rush to grow up, and then long to be children again. That they lose their health to make money and then lose their money to restore their health. That by thinking anxiously about the future, they forget the present, such that they live neither for the present nor the future. That they live as if they will never die, and they die as if they had never lived . . ."

God's hands took mine and we were silent for a while and then I asked . . . "As a parent, what are some of life's lessons you want your children to learn?"

God replied with a smile:

--"To learn that they cannot make anyone love them. What they can do is to let themselves be loved.

--To learn that what is most valuable is not what they have in their lives, but who they have in their lives.

--To learn that it is not good to compare themselves to others. All will be judged individually on their own merits, not as a group on a comparison basis!

--To learn that a rich person is not the one who has the most, but is one who needs the least.

--To learn that it only takes a few seconds to open profound wounds in persons we love, and that it takes many years to heal them.

--To learn to forgive by practicing forgiveness.

--To learn that there are persons that love dearly, but simply do not know how to express or show their feelings.

--To learn that money can buy everything but happiness.

--To learn that two peoples can look at the same thing and see it totally different.

--To learn that a true friend is someone who knows everything about them . . . and likes them anyway.

--To learn that it is not always enough that they be forgiven by others, but that they have to forgive themselves."

--I sat there for a while enjoying the moment. I thanked Him for his time and for all that He has done for me and my family, and He replied, "Anytime. I'm here 24 hours a day. All you have to do is ask for me, and I'll answer."

Story: God Exists

This is a true story of something that happened just a few years ago at USC.

There was a professor of philosophy there who was a deeply committed atheist. His primary goal for one required class was to spend the entire semester to prove that God couldn't exist. His students were always afraid to argue with him because of his impeccable logic. For twenty years, he had taught this class and no one had ever had the courage to go against him. Sure, some had argued in class at times, but no one had ever really gone against him because of his reputation.

At the end of every semester on the last day, he would say to his class of 300 students, "If there is anyone here who still believes in Jesus, stand up!" In twenty years, no one had ever stood up. They knew what he was going to do next. He would say, "Because anyone who believes in God is a fool". If God existed, he could stop this piece of chalk from hitting the ground and breaking. Such a simple task to prove that He is God, and yet He can't do it." And every year, he would drop the chalk onto the tile floor of the classroom and it would shatter into a hundred pieces. All of the students would do nothing but stop and stare. Most of the students thought that God couldn't exist. Certainly, a number of Christians had slipped through, but for 20 years, they had been too afraid to stand up.

Well, a few years ago there was a freshman who happened to enroll. He was a Christian, and had heard the stories about his professor. He was required to take the class for his major, and he was afraid. But for three months that semester, he prayed every morning that he would have the courage to stand up no matter what the professor said, or what the class thought. Nothing they said could ever shatter his faith...he hoped.

Finally, the day came. The professor said, "If there is anyone here who still believes in God, stand up!" The professor and the class of 300 people looked at him, shocked, as he stood up at the back of the classroom.

The professor shouted, "You FOOL!!! If God existed, he would keep this piece of chalk from breaking when it hit the ground!" He proceeded to drop the chalk, but as he did, it slipped out of his fingers, off his shirt cuff, onto the pleat of his pants, down his leg, and off his shoe. As it hit the ground, it simply rolled away unbroken. The professor's jaw dropped as he stared at the chalk. He looked up at the young man, and then ran out of the lecture hall.

The young man who had stood, proceeded to walk to the front of the room and shared his faith in Jesus for the next half hour. Three hundred students stayed and listened as he told of God's love for them and of His power through Jesus.

A Time to Laugh (587)

30 Years' Difference

What a difference 30 years makes. Do you remember...?

1972: Long hair

2002: Longing for hair

1972: Acid Rock

2002: Acid Reflux

1972: Moving to California because it's cool

2002: Moving to California because it's warm

1972: Going to a new, hip joint

2002: Receiving a new hip joint

1972: Rolling Stones

2002: Kidney Stones

Elderly

While working for an organization that delivers lunches to elderly shut-ins, I used to take my four-year-old daughter on my afternoon rounds. She was unfailingly intrigued by the various appliances of old age, particularly the canes, walkers and wheelchairs. One day I found her staring at a pair of false teeth soaking in a glass. As I braced myself for the inevitable barrage of questions, she merely turned and whispered, "*The tooth fairy will never believe this!*"