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Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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4th Sunday of the Resurrection

- ***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:** Monday No Mass
Tuesday to Friday at 12:05 p.m. [*Rosary & Litany start 20 minutes before 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, Mike Linton, Rita Strawn, P.J. Lenz, Mary Stees
- ***Choir Members:** Earl Duffy, George Thomas, Lou Khourey, Robert Harris, Shelly Hancher, Ted Olinski
- ***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 to Msgr. Bakhos 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 the 3 Alley spaces
- ***Remember the Church in your Last Will & Testament:** Her prayers will accompany you to heaven

Gospel Reflection: 4th Sunday of the Resurrection

Readings: Heb 13: 18-25 and Jn 21:1-14

When we do not experience Jesus in our midst, we get discouraged. We want to return to our former way of life. *"We're with you,"* others are quick to say. But we soon learn that we cannot make it without Jesus. Our self-guided enterprises are doomed to failure. Then in the darkness of our confusion and disbelief, we hear a familiar voice. *"It is the Lord,"* we cry. We immerse ourselves in Christ's radiant light. *"Come and eat your meal,"* Jesus invites us. In the breaking of the bread, we recognize the risen Lord once again. Jesus does not chide us. He simply asks, "Do you love me?" If we answer, *"YES,"* we must be Christ's presence in the world by loving and feeding his flock.

It is hard work to speak about Christ in a dark and disbelieving world. Many voices order us to be silent. We have no choice but to obey -not human authority but God's. Filled with the Spirit, we stand before judge and jury. Boldly we proclaim Jesus' message of repentance and forgiveness. When we speak in his name we discover that we are not alone. We are surrounded by a myriad of witnesses. Countless voices proclaim: *"Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!"* For a Christian, death is not defeat but victory. All who believe share in Christ's honor, glory and praise. With all of creation we cry: *"Amen !"*

Divine Liturgy Schedule

This Weekend, April 16-17: 4th Sunday of the Resurrection

Saturday, April 16 at 4:00 p.m.:

✠ Kay Garvey by Shirley Bine

✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Last Will

Sunday, April 17, at 10:30 a.m.:

✠ Patricia McNeil (Anniversary) by her mother Mary Margaret Blum

✠ Mary K. Ferris (Birthday) by Tom & Denise Ferris

Weekday Masses

Monday, April 18: No Mass. Msgr. Bakhos Day off.

Tuesday, April 19 at 12:05 p.m.:

✠ Rose Barkovich by Bob Tomlinson

✠ Clarence Pagendarm by Karen Blevins

Wednesday, April 20 at 12:05 p.m.:

✠ Kay Garvey by Bill & Carol Dougherty

✠ Fr. Eugene Jacobs by John & Mary Pifko (PA)

Thursday, April 21 at 12:05 p.m.:

✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Last Will

✠ Kay Garvey by Maureen & Bob Hill

Friday, April 22 at 12:05 p.m.:

✠ Helen Fielding by her husband Don Fielding (FL) & his special intentions

✠ Rose Barkovich by Bob Tomlinson

Next Weekend, April 23-24: 5th Sunday of the Resurrection

Saturday, April 23 at 4:00 p.m.:

✠ John F. Kukula (Birthday) by his wife Mary Rose Kukula

✠ Special Intention

Sunday, April 24, at 10:30 a.m.:

✠ Clara Sinila, Yvonne Truelove and Edwina Sinila Condatore (Birthday) by Mary Lish & Family

✠ Kenny DeMuth Jr., (1st Anniversary) by his wife Sandra DeMuth & Family

Calendar of Parish Events at a Glimpse

Hall Rental	<i>Saturday, April 16</i>
Cedar Club Bingo	<i>Sunday, April 24, in the Cedar Hall after Sunday Mass –Noon to 3:00 p.m.</i>
Women’s Society Meeting	<i>Sunday, May 1, in the Cedar Hall following 10:30 a.m. Mass</i>
May Crowning	<i>Sunday, May 8 – May Queen will be Mariana AlKhouri</i>
Cedar Club Rummage Sale	<i>Saturday, June 11, 8:00 a.m.to 2:30 p.m. Old Basement Hall. Start saving!</i>
Mahrajan (Festival)	<i>Sunday, August 14 (Mass at 10:30 a.m.; Booths Open at Noon)</i>
Hall Rental	<i>Saturday, October 8</i>

Cedar Club Bingo (*Sunday, April 24 in the Cedar Hall after Sunday Mass*)

Bingo sponsored by the Cedar Club will be held on Sunday, April 24, in the Cedar Hall after Mass from Noon to 3:00 p.m. There will be 20 games, coverall, guaranteed cookie jar. Concession stand will be open.

Women’s Society Meeting (*Sunday, May 1, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass*)

The next Women’s Society Meeting will be held in the Cedar Hall Sunday, May 1, following Mass. All are asked to attend to discuss upcoming events for May. This will be the last meeting until September.

May Flowers for the Blessed Mother (*Sunday, May 1 thru May 29*)

Flowers for the May Procession and for the Blessed Mother in May will be sponsored as follows:

Sunday, May 1	<i>Flowers for the Blessed Mother:</i> Mary Thomas in memory of son Jason
Sunday, May 8	Rita Strawn & Thomasina Geimer
Sunday, May 15	Sandra Dusick & Sandra DeMuth
Sunday, May 22	Nettie Seidler & Mary Lish
Sunday, May 29	Charlotte Khourey & Mary Stees

May Queen and First Communion (*Sunday, May 8th during Mass*)

Our 2016 May Queen will be Marianna Al-Khouri. The girls and boys serving as Flower Attendants are: Christopher & Isabella Alkouri; Ava, Eden and Rosella DeMuth, Addy Dierkes; Sophie Imer; Ava Murad; Gavin Hancher; Austin, Riley and Riyanna Robbins; Zao and Elsy Ashby; Lyiah, Rayden, Aiden & Tyler Howarth; and Alexia Millard; ...

The First Communion class: Anthony Ashby, Austin Robbins, Lyiah Millard, Rayden Millard and Gavin Hancher will receive their first Communion and they will participate in the procession.

All children and grandchildren of the parish are invited to be part of the procession. Please call Charlotte ASAP at 304-639-1372 so that we can order the appropriate number of flower bouquets for the attendants to carry to the Blessed Mother. A reception for the May Queen and her attendants and the First Communion Class will take place in the Cedar Hall after Mass.

Mother’s Day Masses (*Saturday, May 7, to Friday, May 13*)

6 Masses for the Repose of the Souls of Our Deceased Mothers & Grandmothers:

- ✠ *Sadie Chidiac by her son Msgr. Bakhos*
- ✠ *Siham Frenn, LaVerne Thomas & Evelyn Hall by Dr. Adel, Diane, Andreah & Justin Frenn*
- ✠ *Louise N. Khourey & Gladys Howard by children Lou & Charlotte & grandchildren Emmalena & Louie*
- ✠ *Emma Nader & Nabiha “Lena” Khourey by Lou, Charlotte, Emmalena & Louie Khourey*
- ✠ *Minnie Church Riggs & Cassandra “Cassie” Howard by Lou, Charlotte, Emmalena & Louie Khourey*
- ✠ *Helen Fielding by her husband Don Fielding (FL)*
- ✠ *Rosella Saseen & her parents Nancepe & Helen & her grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen*

✠ *Julian McGlumphy (Anniversary) by Jerry McGlumphy & Children*
 ✠ *Elizabeth Gaudio by her daughter Shirley Bine*
 ✠ *Mary J. Shipley by her daughter Thomasina Geimer*
 ✠ *Garcia Condelli by daughter Sylvia Long*
 ✠ *Frances Linton by her sons Steve and Mike*
 ✠ *Our mothers and grandmothers by Bill & Carol Dougherty*
 ✠ *Sally Malatinski and Shirley Dietz by Sandra Dusick*
 ✠ *Anna and Ginny Shia and Emily Vince by the Family*
 ✠ *Catherine Coyne Yost by Mary Margaret Blum*
 ✠ *Kay Garvey by Sue Flading*

6 Masses for the Intentions of Our Living Mothers & Grandmothers:

✠ *Intentions of Charlotte Khourey by Emmalena & Louie*
 ✠ *Intentions of Diane Frenn by her children Andreah & Justin*
 ✠ *Intentions of Shirley Bine by her son Ken*

Please Pray for Those on Our Prayer List

Please Remember Those Hospitalized Recently in Your Prayers

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

George Fahey, Peggy Justice, George Thomas, Spc. John Niebergall Williams (son of Peggy Nierbergall), Gene Howard (brother of Charlotte Khourey), Barb Sobota, Mary Ryncarz, Dolores Oser, Jonas George, Lucille Gibbons, Nick Bedway, Paige McCoy (niece of Millet, Gina & Linda), Mary Margaret Blum, Jim Thomas (father of Diane Frenn), Carrie Jane (Powell) Parodi (daughter of Eva Lee Powell), ...

Happy Birthday

April 20: Angela Petros, Craig Haas
 April 28: Ann Marie Weisner Serafin
 April 29: Linda Hostutler, Jeannette Wakim
 May 1: Ashley Musilli
 May 3: Nicholas John
 May 4: John Weisner
 May 5: Mark Thomas, Eden DeMuth
 May 6: Nikki Lenz
 May 7: Laura Lee Hunter
 May 9: Mark Thomas, Debra Laughlin
 May 10: Anna Musap

Your Church Support Last Week

\$1,348.00	Sunday Collection
25.00	Candles
100.00	Donation
1,250.00	Mahrajan (Ad Book)
185.00	Parking
30.00	Donation to Poor Families
\$2,938.00	Total Deposits: May God reward you abundantly for supporting your spiritual home!

Around Us

Catholic Charities Spaghetti Dinner

Where : 125-18th Street, Wheeling, WV

When: Sunday, April 24th, 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Cost: Adults: \$8.00 – Children under 12: \$4.00

Tickets available at the door or call (304)232-7157. Take-outs available

Reflection

But You Didn't

I looked at you and smiled the other day, I thought you'd see me but you didn't.

I said, "I love you" and waited for what you would say, I thought you'd hear me but you didn't.

I asked you to come outside and play ball with me, I thought you'd follow me but you didn't.

I drew a picture just for you to see, I thought you'd save it but you didn't.

I made a fort for us back in the woods, I thought you'd camp with me but you didn't.

I found some worms 'n such for fishing if we could, I thought you'd want to go but you didn't.

I needed you just to talk to, my thoughts to share, I thought you'd want to but you didn't.

I told you about the game hoping you'd be there, I thought you'd surely come but you didn't.

I asked you to share my youth with me, I thought you'd want to but you couldn't.

My country called me to war, you asked me, to come home safely but I didn't.

Spirituality

Nasty people may come to happiness this side of Heaven, too; their humility makes it possible. Many who come to the fullness of Christ, when asked why they embraced the Church, answer: "*I joined the Church in order to get rid of my sins.*" Those who refuse to admit their sins, who deny that they are sinners, will find this very difficult to understand. Indeed, it is difficult for the nice people to understand, for they fail to realize there are two very devastating things that happen to those who come into contact with Our Lord: an overwhelming sense of shame, and a glorious feeling of liberation.

No one who denies personal guilt is happy, but there is not a person who has admitted it, and been forgiven, and lives in the love of God, who is unhappy. A sense of moral unworthiness has never saddened a soul, but many souls are made sad and frustrated by their own self-love. The greater the consciousness of our own misery, the greater our confidence in the goodness and mercy of God. God could not show the attribute of mercy unless there was misery. God would have been Infinite Goodness if He had never made the world; but unless nasty persons had existed, He never could have shown His sweet Mercy for our sins.

Bishop Fulton Sheen, Peace of Soul, p.83.

Wisdom

Although things are not perfect, Because of trial or pain;

Continue in thanksgiving, Do not begin to blame.

Even when the times are hard, Fierce winds are bound to blow;

God is forever able, Hold on to what you know.

Imagine life without His love, Joy would cease to be;

Keep thanking Him for all the things, Love imparts to thee.

Move out of "Camp Complaining", No weapon that is known;

On earth can yield the power, Praise can do alone.

Quit looking at the future, Redeem the time at hand;

Start every day with worship, To "thank" is a command.

A Time to Laugh (293)

Lebanese Hell

A man dies and goes to hell. There he finds that there is a different hell for each country. He goes first to the German hell and asks: "What do they do here?" He is told "First they put you in an electric chair for an hour. Then they lay you on a bed of nails for another hour.

Then the German devil comes in and whips you for the rest of the day."

The man does not like the sound of that at all, so he moves on. He checks out the USA hell as well as the Russian hell and many more. He discovers that they are all more or less the same as the German hell.

Then he comes to the Lebanese hell and finds that there is a very long line of people waiting to get in. Amazed he asks, "What do they do here?" He is told, "First they put you in an electric chair for an hour. Then they lay you on a bed of nails for another hour. Then the Lebanese devil comes in and whips you for the rest of the day."

"But that is exactly the same as all the other hells, why are there so many people waiting to get in?" "Because there is never any electricity, so the electric chair does not work, someone stole all the nails, and the devil used to be a government employee, so he comes in, punches his time-card and then goes back home..."

Two Blonde Jokes

There was a blonde woman who was having financial troubles so she decided to kidnap a child and demand a ransom. She went to a local park, grabbed a little boy, took him behind a tree and wrote this note: "I have kidnapped your child. Leave \$10,000 in a plain brown bag behind the big oak tree in the park tomorrow at 7 am. Signed, The Blonde."

She pinned the note inside the little boy's jacket and told him to go straight home. The next morning, she returned to the park to find the \$10,000 in a brown bag behind the big oak tree, just as she had instructed. Inside the bag was the following note.... "Here is your money. I cannot believe that one blonde would do this to another!"

Stupidity

Q: Why did the idiot stare at frozen orange juice can for 2 hours?

A: Because it said "concentrate."

Q: How do you keep an idiot busy?

A: Write 'Please turn over' on both sides of a piece of paper.

Q: Why can't idiots make ice cubes?

A: They always forget the recipe.

May Your Rain Come!

A country town was hit by a bad draught it hasn't rained for over four months. The priest asks the people of his parish to come to the church at nine o'clock to pray to GOD to send them rain. Every one of them rushed to the church on time but the priest didn't start the prayer, ten past the hour ...twenty past...half past, and yet he has not started praying. The people ask him why he hasn't started yet he said to them I am waiting for someone who has faith, they replied: "*if we don't have faith we wouldn't have come.*" Father said: "*If you have faith at least one of you would have brought with him an umbrella!!!!*" (Oooooops!)

Stupidity

Q: How did the idiot try to kill the bird?

A: He threw it off a cliff.