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Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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3rd Sunday of Pentecost

***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: 3rd Sunday of Pentecost

Readings: 1 Cor 2:1-10 and Jn 14:21-27

John, at the time he was writing his Gospel, must have been one of the few survivors of those who had known Jesus. The first readers of the fourth Gospel therefore would have been in much the same situation that we are today, relying entirely on faith to sustain the conviction that the Risen Christ is present everywhere in the world, a presence in absence. Let's admit that we do find it difficult to adapt ourselves to this divine reticence: more or less consciously, we all carry somewhere within ourselves the old dream of a Kingdom that would be visible and easily distinguishable.

We must realize, however, that Christ's return to His Father has in no way diminished his activity here. His death did not prevent the world from being sown with the seed of his word. This work had hardly begun. But it was necessary for him to leave so that this word, freed from all limitations of time and space, might spread throughout the whole world, adapting itself to every land and that it might burgeon and bear fruit far beyond the country of its origin, in any and every place where it found a welcoming and fertile soil. A living word because from now on breathed by the Spirit who rouses and spurs on our efforts, and who urges us on not endless repetition but to unfold its meaning and to develop new and unrealized inferences. These make themselves apparent whenever we look to the Gospel to judge situations, to make the choices forced upon us, to guide our actions.

The time of presence through absence is also, therefore, the time of responsibility for us: without rigidly clinging to a position which was firmly established in the past, we undertake, in faith and hope, the risk of applying daring solutions to the successive problems which life forever places before us. The risk must be taken in the Spirit. What an extraordinary heady situation we find ourselves in! It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves. (Acts 15:28)

Divine Liturgy Schedule

This Weekend, May 28-29: 3rd Sunday of Pentecost

Saturday, May 28 at 4:00 p.m.:

- ✠ Special Intention
- ✠ Intentions of Jackie Petros by her brother Mike Fahey

Sunday, May 29, at 10:30 a.m.:

- ✠ Gloria Sterling by her sister Nettie Seidler
- ✠ Tom George by his auntie Nettie Seidler

Weekday Masses

Monday, May 30: No Mass. Msgr. Bakhos Day off

Tuesday, May 31 at 12:05 p.m.:

- ✠ Intentions of the benefactors of the church & Msgr. Bakhos

Wednesday, June 1 at 9:05 a.m. Rosary and Litany at 8:45 a.m.:

- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Last Will
- ✠ Intentions of the benefactors of the church & Msgr. Bakhos

Thursday, June 2 at 9:05 a.m. Rosary and Litany at 8:45 a.m.:

- ✠ Intentions of the benefactors of the & Msgr. Bakhos

Friday, June 3 at 9:05 a.m. Rosary and Litany at 8:45 a.m.:

- ✠ Helen Fielding by her husband Don Fielding (FL) & his special intentions
- ✠ Intentions of the benefactors of the church & Msgr. Bakhos

Next Weekend, June 4-5: 4th Sunday of Pentecost

Saturday, June 4

- At 3:30 p.m.: Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament**
- at 4:00 p.m.:**

✠ Emilia & Peter Misko by The Hostage Family

✠ Special Intention

Sunday, June 5, at 10:30 a.m.: Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass

✠ Living and Deceased members of the Nicholas and Nimnoom Ghaphery Family & the David Abraham Ghaphery Family

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

Calendar of Parish Events at a Glimpse

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| 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 8th</i> |

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:

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| Sunday, May 29 | Charlotte Khourey & Mary Stees |
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Rummage Sale (Saturday, June 11, 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Old Basement Hall)

The Rummage Sale sponsored by the Cedar Club will be on Saturday, June 11, 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Drop-Off Times will be 1:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., and include Tuesday, May 31, Wednesday, June 1, Thursday, June 2, and Monday, June 6, Tuesday, June 7, and Wednesday, June 8. We cannot accept: Television sets, computers or tires. If there are any questions, please call Linda at 304-242-6853.

Father's Day Masses (From Saturday, June 18 until Thursday, June 24th)

Special Remembrance during the Week of the fathers:

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

Deceased Fathers and Grandfathers:

✠ John Wilson by Vic Canestraro

✠ Eugene Blum by Mary Margaret Blum & daughters

✠ Arthur Long (Anniversary) by his wife Sylvia Long

✠ Tom Jochum and Tim Shia by the Family

✠ Michell R. Farrah by Emilie Kawas (FL)

✠ William Fitzgerald by Rosemary & Dick Coury

✠ 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

✠ Matt Simonetti and Thomas Ryncarz by Richard and Mary Ryncarz

✠ William and Michael Josephs (MN) by Shawn and Cyndi Josephs and Family

✠ Tony George and Sam George (MN) by Margaret George

✠ Holly Bine by his wife Shirley and his son Ken

✠ Samuel Gaudio by his daughter Shirley Bine

✠ Elias Frenn by children Dr. Adel, Diane and grandchildren Andreah & Justin

✠ Joseph Linton by his sons Steve and Mike

✠ For our fathers and grandfathers by Bill & Carol Dougherty

✠ Anthony Condelli by his daughter Sylvia Long

Living Fathers and grandfathers:

✠ Jan Hendrickson by Josh and Ingrid Hendrickson (PA)

✠ Paul J. Harris by Judy Harris and Family

✠ William Stees by Josie Fertig

✠ Dr. Adel Frenn by Andreah & Justin Frenn

✠ Jim Thomas by Diane, Adel, Andreah & Justin Frenn

✠ Lou H. Khourey by his children Emmalena & Louie

2016 Mahrajan News (Sunday, August 14 from noon to 7:00 p.m.)

- There will be a Pony Ride this year at the Festival,
- There will be a new dance group to replace Alhambra Troupe who retired
- Sponsor or sponsors for the Raffle Prizes of \$1,000, \$500 and \$250 are needed

Please Pray for Those on Our Prayer List**Please Remember Those Hospitalized Recently in Your Prayers**

Great granddaughter of Rita Strawn, Sandra Dusick, Bill and Mary Daniel, Barbara Sobota,

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

Mary Margaret Blum, Jim George Sr., Peggy Justice, Gene Howard (brother of Charlotte Khourey), Jim Thomas (father of Diane Frenn), Carrie Jane (Powell) Parodi (daughter of Eva Lee Powell), ...

Happy Birthday

- May 30: Josie Stees Fertig
- May 31: Bill Dougherty
- June 1: Billy Committee
- June 2: Debbie Sengewalt
- June 5: Earl "Mickey" Duffy, Mary Zaid Stees, Kenly George
- June 7: Jean Weisner
- June 8: Patty Olinski
- June 9: Ava DeMuth
- June 11: Allison Duffy
- June 14: P.J. Lenz, Kathy Boehm
- June 15: Becky Joseph Ferrera, Megan Hummel

Your Church Support Last Week

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| \$1,277.00 | Sunday Collection |
| 38.00 | Candles |
| 205.00 | Mahrajan (Ad Book, Raffle Tickets, Table Reservations, etc.) |
| 450.00 | Parking |
| 30.00 | Donation to Poor Families |
| \$2,000.00 | Total Deposits: <i>May God reward you abundantly for supporting your spiritual home!</i> |

What's New?***Summer Time Weekdays Masses***

Starting Wednesday, June 1, the summer time daily Mass will be at 9:05 a.m. instead of 12:05 p.m. Rosary and Litany start at 8:45 a.m.

Around Us***YWCA Seeks Help for Women Recovering from Drugs & Alcohol***

The YWCA is requesting supplies to help women who are recovering from drug and alcohol. Supplies needed include: deodorant, tampons/feminine hygiene supplies, powdered laundry soap, shampoo/conditioner, towels, wash cloths, body wash/bar soap, ibuprofen/acetaminophen, toothpaste, toothbrushes, dental floss, alcohol free mouthwash, finger nail clippers, razors, any size ladies underwear. Please place all donations to the project in the box at the church entrance.

Famous Quotes

- “If you were on trial for being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you’?”
- Church members are like automobiles—they start missing before they quit.
- The heart is happier when it beats for others.
- A Christian is one who does not have to consult his bank book to see how wealthy he really is.
- If you don't take care of your body, where else are you going to live? (Logans Ferry Messenger)
- It doesn't take much of a man to be a Christian –it takes all of him.
- The less real religion a church has, the more entertainment it takes to keep it going.

Reflection: Where is God?

He was just a little boy, On a week's first day,
wandering home from Bible school and dawdling on the way.
He scuffed his shoes into the grass; he even found a caterpillar;
he found a fluffy milkweed pod and blew out all the 'filler'.

A bird's nest in a tree overhead, so wisely placed up high,
Was just another wonder that caught his eager eye.

A neighbor watching his zig zag course hailed him from the lawn
and asked him where he'd been that day and what was going on.

'I've been to Bible School', he said and turned a piece of sod.
He picked up a wiggly worm replying, 'I've learned a lot about God.'

'M'm very fine way,' the neighbor said, 'for a boy to spend his time'.
'If you'll tell me where God is, I'll give you a brand new dime.'

Quick as a flash the answer came nor were his accents faint;
'I'll give you a dollar, Mister, If you can tell me where God ain't.'

Spirituality

- When I say, "I am a Christian", I'm not bragging of success, I'm admitting that I've failed, and cannot ever pay the debt.
- When I say, "I am a Christian", I don't think I know it all, I submit to my confusion, asking humbly to be taught.
- When I say, "I am a Christian", I'm not claiming to be perfect, my flaws are all too visible, but God believes I'm worth it.
- When I say, "I am a Christian", I still feel the sting of pain, I have my share of heartache, which is why I seek His name.
- When I say, "I am a Christian", I do not wish to judge, I have no authority... I only know I'm loved.

Wisdom: Are you on diet?

Deep Fryer Deep-Sixes Scot Diet

A man enters a chip shop on the outskirts of Glasgow. He orders a Mars bar. The cook unwraps it, dips it in butter, and drops it into the deep fryer. A few minutes later, the man is wolfing down a local delicacy.

This is no joke. Deep-fried chocolate bars are most popular in the chip shops of Scotland. The fad is a godsend for Scottish comedians but it has also helped focus minds on a more serious matter: The Scots are

eating themselves into an early grave with such alacrity that the state has launched a campaign to improve the country's notorious diet.

"The deep-fried Mars bar is a symptom of a wider crisis," says Ann Ralph, a nutritionist at the Rowett Research Institute in Aberdeen. "The Scottish diet is a disaster."

Medical statistics tell a grim tale. Scotland has the highest rates for heart disease, diet-related cancers and strokes in the Western world, and Scots are 34% more likely to die before the age of 65 than are the English or Welsh.

In the ubiquitous chip shops, often the final stop after a night on the town, everything from sausages and fish to chocolate and pizza is battered, deep-fried, and served with a pile of thick, limp chips.

A recent study suggests that nearly a fourth of Scottish men never eat green vegetables, and more than a third never touch fresh fruit.

Scottish towns and cities are still jammed with candy stores and bakeries, and the country's children consume more junk food than their peers elsewhere in Europe.

How did Scotland get into this mess? Rapid urbanization is often blamed for breaking the link with the countryside and for fostering a dependence on convenience food.

Earlier health campaigns have also run up against the belief that the death-wish diet is part of Scottish culture and thus beyond reproach. "We take a curious pride in this appalling diet of ours," says Mike Lean, professor of human nutrition at the University of Glasgow.

Even so, the country's nutritional reformers are far from defeatist. They are on a crusade. "We have no choice," says Lean. "We have to fight this battle for the sake of our children."

A Time to Laugh (301)

The Vet Bill

A woman brought a very limp parrot into a veterinary surgeon. As she lays her pet on the table, the vet pulled out his stethoscope and listened to the bird's chest.

After a moment or two, the vet shook his head sadly and said, *"I'm so sorry, Polly has passed away."*

The distressed owner wailed, *"Are you sure? I mean, you haven't done any testing on him or anything. He might just be in a coma or something."* The vet rolled his eyes, shrugged, turned and left the room, returning a few moments later with a beautiful black Labrador.

As the bird's owner looked on in amazement, the dog stood on his hind legs, put his front paws on the examination table and sniffed the dead parrot from top to bottom. He then looked at the vet with sad eyes and shook his head. The vet took the dog out, but returned a few moments later with a cat.

The cat jumped up and also sniffed delicately at the bird. The cat sat back, shook its head, meowed and ran out of the room. The vet looked at the woman and said, *"I'm sorry, but like I said, your parrot is most definitely 100% certifiably dead."* He then turned to his computer terminal, hit a few keys and produced a bill which he handed to the woman.

The parrot's owner, still in shock, took the bill. *"\$150! she cried, \$150 just to tell me my bird is dead!!"*

The vet shrugged. *"If you'd taken my word for it the bill would only have been \$20, but what with the Lab report and the Cat scan....."*

Bible Study Lesson

"If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale and gave all my money to the church, would that get me into Heaven?" I asked the children in my Bible Study class. *"NO!"* the children all answered.

"If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the yard, and kept everything neat and tidy, would that get me into Heaven?" Again, the answer was, *"NO!"*

"Well, then, if I was kind to animals and gave candy to all the children, and loved my wife, would that get me into Heaven?" I asked them again. Again, they all answered, *"NO!"*

"Well," I continued, *"then how can I get into Heaven?"* A five-year-old boy shouted out, *"YOU GOTTA BE DEAD."*