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Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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10th 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: 10th Sunday of Pentecost

Readings: 1Cor 12:1-11 and Mt 12:22-32

‘Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.’ Blessed will they be then, and only they, who, with the apostle, have ever had on their lips, and in their hearts, the question, ‘Lord, what will you have me to do?’ whose soul ‘has broken out for the very fervent desire that it has always unto his judgments;’ who have ‘made haste and prolonged not the time to keep his commandments;’ who have not waited to be hired, nor run uncertainly, nor beaten the air, nor taken darkness for light, and light for darkness, nor contented themselves with knowing what is right, nor taken comfort in feeling what is good, nor prided themselves in their privileges, but set themselves vigorously to do God’s will.

Let us turn from shadows of all kinds, — shadows of sense, or shadows of argument and disputation, or shadows addressed to our imagination and tastes. Let us attempt, through God’s grace, to advance and sanctify the inward man. We cannot be wrong here. Whatever is right, whatever is wrong in this perplexing world, we must be right in ‘doing justly, in loving mercy, in walking humbly with our God;’ in denying our wills, in ruling our tongues, in softening and sweetening our tempers, in mortifying our lusts; in learning patience, meekness, purity, forgiveness of injuries, and continuance in well-doing. (J.H. Newman)

Divine Liturgy Schedule

This Weekend, July 16-17: 10th Sunday of Pentecost

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

- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Will
- ✠ Carola Joseph Gaddis by Janice Jones, Mike Lahood, Brenda Lahood & Patti Adam’s

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

- ✠ LaVerne Thomas (Anniversary) by Dr. Adel, Diane, Andreah & Justin Frenn
- ✠ 40-Day of Mary Daniel by her Family

Weekday Masses

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

Tuesday, July 19 at 9:05 a.m.:

- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Will
- ✠ Carola Joseph Gaddis by Janice Jones, Mike Lahood, Brenda Lahood & Patti Adam’s

Wednesday, July 20 at 9:05 a.m.:

- ✠ Carola Joseph Gaddis by Janice Jones, Mike Lahood, Brenda Lahood & Patti Adam’s
- ✠ George Lewis by Tom & Diana Olszowy

Thursday, July 21 at 9:05 a.m.:

- ✠ Carola Joseph Gaddis by Janice Jones, Mike Lahood, Brenda Lahood & Patti Adam’s
- ✠ George Lewis by Lou & Charlotte Khourey

Friday, July 22 at 9:05 a.m.:

- ✠ Helen Fielding by her husband Don Fielding (FL) & his special intentions
- ✠ Carola Joseph Gaddis by Janice Jones, Mike Lahood, Brenda Lahood & Patti Adam’s

Next Weekend, July 23-24: 11th Sunday of Pentecost

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

- ✠ George Lewis by Sue Shia Jochum
- ✠ Special Intention

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

- ✠ Sam Khoury (Anniversary) by his wife Esther Khoury
- ✠ Patricia Holmes by the Weisner Family

Calendar of Parish Events at a Glimpse

Mahrajan (Festival)	<i>Sunday, August 14 (Mass at 10:30 a.m.; Booths Open at Noon)</i>
Hall Rental	<i>Saturday, October 8th</i>

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

--**Mahrajan Eve Night Gathering:** Please join us for a pre Mahrajan gathering. All chairpersons, volunteers and parishioners are invited to join us for an evening of fun and friendship to kick off our 83rd. Mahrajan (festival). The event will take place on Saturday, August 13th at 6:00 p.m. Lebanese DJ music and dance. There will be a covered dish dinner and beverages will be provided. If you would like to donate a covered dish please contact Carol Dougherty at 740-782-0146 so that the food items can be coordinated. The items promised so far are the following: Msgr. Bakhos, fish, salad and pita bread, Carol Dougherty, Lebanese style rice, Rita Strawn, Lentils, Mary Thomas, green beans and Shirley George, cucumbers in sour cream. This is an opportunity to unwind, relax and have fun and enjoy each others company before the exciting day ahead. This is a long standing tradition in the Lebanese community so save the day and come and share the evening with us.

Silver Priesthood Jubilee

On December, 21st this year, Msgr. Bakhos will celebrate his 25th Anniversary to the priesthood. It is his silver jubilee. He was ordained in Sydney, Australia on December 21st, 1991. He started the building of Saint Joseph church in Sydney then moved to the United States in 1994. He served in Lawrence Massachusetts, started the church in Dayton, Ohio, Saint Paul Minnesota, and Wheeling West Virginia. He served Our Lady of Lebanon for the last 16 years and helped building the new addition and remodeling the old structure. He loves West Virginia and the many friendly people he met. He built his retirement home in Wheeling and he wants to be buried in Wheeling. As he loves and serves everyone, he only asks for your prayers.

Please Pray for Those on Our Prayer List

Please Remember Those Hospitalized Recently in Your Prayers

Diane Palotay, Assessor Cathy Hoffman, Great granddaughter of Rita Strawn, Jim Dellget, Sandra Dusick, Bill Daniel, Dolores Joseph, Barb Sobota, Betty Shia,

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

Virginia Joseph, 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), Patty Olinski and Abbey Woods, ...

Happy Birthday

July 17: Lucille Gibbons
 July 20: Shirley George
 July 22: Grace Klein, Mark Boehm
 July 26: Anna Marie Duymich
 July 30: Dee Shiben, Susan John Burns
 August 2: Douglas Bratton, Rosella C. DeMuth
 August 3: Jim George, Sr.
 August 7: Rita Strawn
 August 10: Kory Bratton, Thomasina Geimer
 August 14: Mary Thomas
 August 16: Tara George Musilli

Your Church Support Last Week

\$1,432.00	Sunday Collection
64.00	Refunds
1,000.00	Mahrajan (Ad Book, Raffle Tickets, Table Reservations, etc.)
10.00	Utilities
30.00	Donation to poor families of the church
\$2,536.00	Total Deposits: <i>May God reward you abundantly for supporting your spiritual home!</i>

Reflection

Know what it is to be a child, To see a world in a grain of sand
And a heaven in a wild flower Hold Infinity in the palm of your hand,
And Eternity in an hour. (William Blake)

Spirituality

The enemy in your mind says you don't have what it takes;
God says you do have what it takes. Whom are you going to believe?
The enemy says you're not able to succeed; God says you can do all things through Christ.
The enemy says you'll never get out of debt; God says not only are you going to get out of debt, you will lend and not borrow.
The enemy says you're never going to get well; God says He will restore your health.
The enemy says you'll never amount to anything; God says He will raise you up and make your life significant.
The enemy says your problems are too big, there's no hope; God says He will solve those problems; moreover, He will turn those problems around and use them for your good.
So, start believing what God says about you, and start thinking God's thoughts. God's thoughts will fill you with faith and hope and victory. God's thoughts will build you up and encourage you. They will give you the strength you need to keep on keeping on. God's thoughts will give you that can-do mentality.

Wisdom: American Pride

JFK'S

-Secretary of State, Dean Rusk, was in France in the early 60's when Charles de Gaulle decided to pull out of NATO de Gaulle said he wanted all US military out of France as soon as possible. Rusk responded "does that include those who are buried here?"

de Gaulle did not respond.

You could have heard a pin drop

-When in England, at a fairly large conference, Colin Powell was asked by the Archbishop of Canterbury if our plans for Iraq were just an example of empire building by George Bush.

He answered by saying, 'Over the years, the United States has sent many of its fine young men and women into great peril to fight for freedom beyond our borders. The only amount of land we have ever asked for in return is enough to bury those that did not return.'

You could have heard a pin drop.

-There was a conference in France where a number of international engineers were taking part, including French and American. During a break, one of the French engineers came back into the room saying 'Have you heard the latest dumb stunt Bush has done? He has sent an aircraft carrier to Indonesia to help the tsunami victims. What does he intend to do, bomb them?'

-A Boeing engineer stood up and replied quietly: 'Our carriers have three hospitals on board that can treat several hundred people; they are nuclear powered and can supply emergency electrical power to shore facilities; they have three cafeterias with the capacity to feed 3,000 people three meals a day, they can produce several thousand gallons of fresh water from sea water each day, and they carry half a dozen helicopters for use

in transporting victims and injured to and from their flight deck. We have eleven such ships; how many does France have?'

You could have heard a pin drop.

-A U.S. Navy Admiral was attending a naval conference that included Admirals from the U.S., English, Canadian, Australian and French Navies. At a cocktail reception, he found himself standing with a large group of Officers that included personnel from most of those countries. Everyone was chatting away in English as they sipped their drinks but a French admiral suddenly complained that, whereas Europeans learn many languages, Americans learn only English. He then asked, 'Why is it that we always have to speak English in these conferences rather than speaking French?'

Without hesitating, the American Admiral replied, 'Maybe it's because the Brit's, Canadians, Aussie's and Americans arranged it so you wouldn't have to speak German.'

You could have heard a pin drop.

-AND THIS STORY FITS RIGHT IN WITH THE ABOVE...

Robert Whiting, an elderly gentleman of 83, arrived in Paris by plane. At French Customs, he took a few minutes to locate his passport in his carry on.

"You have been to France before, monsieur?" the customs officer asked sarcastically.

Mr. Whiting admitted that he had been to France previously.

"Then you should know enough to have your passport ready."

The American said, "The last time I was here, I didn't have to show it."

"Impossible. Americans always have to show your passports on arrival in France!"

The American senior gave the Frenchman a long hard look. Then he quietly explained, "Well, when I came ashore at Omaha Beach on D-Day in 1944 to help liberate this country, I couldn't find a single Frenchmen to show a passport to."

You could have heard a pin drop.

I am proud to be of this land, AMERICA.

Story: Drive me nuts

One of the high-water marks in any parent's life is teaching their children how to drive. I'm hitting this high-water mark in my own life just now, and it's pretty much right up there with labor pains and parent-teacher conferences. In the week since my boy received his learner's permit, life has changed for me. I don't "drive" anywhere now. I "lurch." My boy and I have been lurching all over town together now for a week because, he says, there's something wrong with the car. "Something's wrong with this clutch," he tells me whenever we lurch to a stall, which is pretty much every time he tries to get the thing going.

On those occasions when he does get it going, he generally gets it as far as second gear and then quits bothering with the gearshift. "We're picking up some speed," I tell him. "It's time to shift to third." But he doesn't want to do that because it just means he'll eventually have to face the prospect of shifting back into second. "Something's wrong with third gear," he says. "I'm sticking with second." And so, when we've finally got the car lurching into motion, we maintain a steady pace by zooming around town in second gear. Teaching my boy to drive has made us much closer. There was a time before he got his learner's permit that he wasn't that keen on doing some types of things with me, such as going downtown together to buy a carton of milk. "Would you like to go downtown to buy a carton of milk with me?" I'd say, and he'd say, "Well, no. Actually I don't think that idea appeals to me at all." Getting a carton of milk with me just wasn't his cup of tea back then.

But now, when I try to sneak out of the house with my car keys, he can hear them jingle as well as the dogs can. And suddenly he's standing there in the driveway, anxious to spend some quality time with me going downtown to buy a carton of milk. And this means that we're going to be out in the car together for quite some time. That's because, not only do we have to go everywhere in second gear, we can't even get out of the driveway until he makes a number of time-consuming "adjustments." All student drivers need to make "adjustments" before they can "go."

They make elaborate adjustments to the seat, for example. Up. "Too close." Back. "Too far." Up. "Too close." Back. "Too far." They can spend a good two, three minutes going up and back, and it

never does "feel right." "Something's wrong with this seat," my boy tells me. And he spends an inordinate amount of time adjusting the rearview mirror. My boy's rearview mirror is adjusted to just exactly the precise specifications they should have been using when they adjusted the Hubble telescope for space launch. His rearview mirror is totally, totally adjusted.

Which is somewhat ironic because he never uses it. I've also been spending a lot of time riding around in reverse, which is in no way related to using the rearview mirror. Reverse is different than forward for my boy because, instead of lurching along, he launches away.

The first time he tried leaving our driveway in reverse, he went from zero to sixty in 2.5 seconds and never did stop until he ran into the basketball hoop. "Something's wrong with reverse," he told me. And I've learned to look at the roads around town with a new eye. I used to just take it for granted that all the roads were pretty much wide enough for two cars, coming and going. But, by watching my boy swerve onto the shoulder every time a car comes, I realize I've had a limited view of things. "Why did you drive off the road?" I asked him the first time I noted this habit. "Something's wrong with that driver," he told me. Last night my boy said he thinks he's ready for the highway. I told him I didn't think so, at least not until he was willing to use third and fourth gear. I just can't see how any good could come of zooming down the highway in second gear. He was disgusted with my fastidious concern about staying alive. "Something's wrong with you," he told me. He's certainly got that right.

(By Beth Mullally)

A Time to Laugh (307)

Number Five Idiot

A guy walked into a little corner store with a shotgun and demanded all of the cash from the cash drawer. After the cashier put the cash in a bag, the robber saw a bottle of Scotch that he wanted behind the counter on the shelf. He told the cashier to put it in the bag as well, but the cashier refused and said, "*Because I don't believe you are over 21.*" The robber said he was, but the clerk still refused to give it to him because he didn't believe him. At this point, the robber took his driver's license out of his wallet and gave it to the clerk. The clerk looked it over and agreed that the man was in fact over 21 and he put the Scotch in the bag. The robber then ran from the store with his loot. The cashier promptly called the police and gave the name and address of the robber that he got off the license. They arrested the robber two hours later. This guy definitely needs a sign!

Blonde's Joke

Three blondes (natural) died and found themselves standing before St. Peter.

He told them that before they could enter the Kingdom, they had to tell him what Easter was.

The first blonde said, "*Easter is a holiday where they have a big feast and we give thanks and eat turkey.*" St. Peter said, "*Noooooo,*" and he banished her to hell.

The second blonde said, "*Easter is when we celebrate Jesus' birth and exchange gifts.*" St. Peter said, "*Noooooo,*" and he banished her to hell.

The third blonde said, she knew what Easter is, and St. Peter said, "*So, tell me.*" She said, "*Easter is a Christian holiday that coincides with the Jewish festival of Passover. Jesus was having Passover feast with His disciples when he was betrayed by Judas, and the Romans arrested him. The Romans hung Him on the cross and eventually He died. Then they buried Him in a tomb behind a very large boulder ...*" St. Peter said, "*Verrrrrry good.*"

Then the blonde continued, "*Now every year the Jews roll away the boulder and Jesus comes out. If he sees his shadow, we have six more weeks of basketball.*" St. Peter fainted.

Christian One Liners

Some people are kind, polite, and sweet-spirited-until you try to sit in their pews.

Many folks want to serve God, but only as advisers.

It is easier to preach ten sermons than it is to live one.

The good Lord didn't create anything without a purpose, but mosquitoes come close.