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Bulletin #34

Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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15th 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 9:05 a.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

15th Sunday of Pentecost

Readings: 1Thess 1:1-10 and Lk 7:36-50

Where hearts are in their degree renewed after Christ's image, there, under his grace, gratitude to him will increase our love of him, and we shall rejoice in that goodness which has been so good to us. Here, again, self-discipline will be necessary. It makes the heart tender as well as reverent. Christ showed his love in deed, not in word, and you will be touched by the thought of his cross far more by bearing it after him, than by glowing accounts of it. All the modes by which you bring it before you must be simple and severe; 'excellency of speech,' or 'enticing words,' to use St Paul's language, is the worst way of any. Think of the cross when you rise and when you lie down, when you go out and when you come in, when you eat and when you walk and when you converse, when you buy and when you sell, when you labor and when you rest, consecrating and sealing all your doings with this one mental action, the thought of the crucified. Do not talk of it to others; be silent, like the penitent woman, who showed her love in deep subdued acts. She 'stood at his feet behind him weeping, and began to wash his feet with tears, and did wipe them with the hairs of her head, and kissed his feet, and anointed them with the ointment'. And Christ said of her, 'Her sins, which are many, are forgiven her, for she loved much; but to whom little is forgiven, the same loveth little.'

(J.H. Newman, Parochial and Plain Sermons, V, 23)

Divine Liturgy Schedule

This Weekend, August 20-21: 15th Sunday of Pentecost

Saturday, August 20 at 4:00 p.m.:

- † Special Intention
- † Holly Bine by his wife Shirley & Family

Sunday, August 21, at 10:30 a.m.:

- † Deceased of the Habdo & Dougherty Families by Bill & Carol Dougherty
- † Deceased Members of the Nimon & Mariam Joseph Family by the Weisner, Joseph & children & grandchildren.

Weekday Masses

Monday, August 22 to Friday, August 26: No daily Mass. Clergy Retreat

Next Weekend, August 27-28: 16th Sunday of Pentecost

Saturday, August 27 at 4:00 p.m.:

- † George Lewis by Mary A.S.Lish and Family
- † Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Will

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

- † Kay Garvey by Mary Lish
- † Gloria George Sterling by her sister Nettie Seidler and Family

Calendar of Parish Events at a Glimpse

Hall Rental	<i>Saturday, October 8th</i>
Riyanna Robbins Fundraising	<i>Saturday, October 8th, 5-11:00 p.m. at Elm Grove Civics, 21 Sycamore Avenue</i>
Fall Spaghetti Dinner	<i>Sunday, October 23rd from 11:30a.m.-4:30 p.m. – in the Cedar Hall</i>
Christmas Party	<i>Sunday, December 4th with John Mensore and pianist</i>

Fundraising for Baby Girl Riyanna (*Saturday, October 8th, from 5 to 11 p.m.*)

A Fundraiser for Riyanna Robbins, daughter of parishioners Tony & Amanda Ashby, granddaughter of Mark & Cindy Thomas and great granddaughter of Rita & Rex Strawn. She fell into a fire and suffered 3rd

degree burns in May just a couple days before we celebrated First Communion for her sister and father at our church. A Steak Fry fundraising event will take place to help her family with the mounting expenses of her continued treatments on Saturday, October 8th, from 5 to 11 p.m. at the Elm Grove Civics, 21 Sycamore Avenue. The menu will include: Rib Eye Steak, Baked Potato, Salad, and Roll. Door prizes, a 50/50 Raffle, and a Chinese Auction will be included. A DJ will provide entertainment. Cost is \$20.00 each. For more details call Cindy at 304-281-4400.

Fall Spaghetti Dinner (Sunday, October 23rd, from 11:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.)

IMPORTANT: Please adjust your calendar date for Our Lady of Lebanon Church's fall Spaghetti Dinner. Some of our supervising volunteers for the Kitchen were unable for the previous date planned. **It will now be scheduled for Sunday, October 23, from 11:30 a.m. through 4:30 p.m.**

Invite your friends and neighbors to join you for our delicious Italian-style spaghetti dinner with meatballs or marinara sauce, tossed salad, Italian bread, dessert and beverage.

Full-Price Tickets will be available at the door for \$8.00 Adult; \$5.00 Child (under 12.)

You may choose to ***pay in advance and save!*** **Discounted Tickets** will be **available until Sunday, October 16th**, priced at **\$7.00 Adult; \$4.00 Child** (under 12.) For tickets or more information call the church at 304-233-1688. Tickets will be available after the Spaghetti Dinner Mailing is sent later this month.

You may want to bring address labels to complete your Door Prize Ticket Stubs at the event and for the 50/50 Raffle Cash Raffle and the Gift Basket Raffle sponsored by Our Lady of Lebanon Women's Society that features many wonderful items.

A Bake Sale of many scrumptious, homemade baked goods will also be held throughout the day. Please note: All parishioners are asked to bake some delicious items to be included at our Bake Sale Table. Bring your donations to the Cedar Hall before Mass either Saturday or Sunday, October 22nd or 23rd. A baking date for our take-out dessert will be listed in a future bulletin. Please plan to come and help on that date.

We will also need **volunteers** to work in the **Cedar Hall** and in the **Kitchen**.

Please Pray for Those on Our Prayer List

Please Remember Those Hospitalized Recently in Your Prayers

Bill Daniel

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

Ann Lee Baudin, Mary Margaret Blum, Bassam Deeb, Virginia and Dolores Joseph, Riyanna Robbins, Jim Dellget, Barb Sobota, Betty Shia, Linda Duffy, Sandra Dusick, , Jim George Sr., Peggy Justice, Jim Thomas (father of Diane Frenn), Carrie Jane (Powell) Parodi,

Your Church Support Last Week

\$1,467.00	Sunday Collection
\$10.00	Bake sale
42.00	Candles
30.00	Parking
675.00	Mahrajan (Ad Book, Raffle Tickets, Table Reservations, etc.)
5.00	Utilities
30.00	Donation to Poor Families of the Church
\$2,259.00	Total Deposits: <i>May God reward you abundantly for supporting your spiritual home!</i>

What's New?

Mahrajan Raffle Prize winners

--\$1,000.00 First prize was won by Louis G. Rusiecki of St. Clairsville, Ohio

--\$500.00 was won by Ruth Byers of Gold, Khourey and Turak, Moundsville

--\$250.00 was won by Karen Shipley of Wheeling

Many Thanks

--To all chairpersons and volunteers and generous benefactors who contributed to the success of the Mahrajan. Without you this wonderful tradition will wither and die. Our community is aging but it is still kicking. We are all tired and we need new blood and new young generation to take over and continue what our ancestors started 83 years ago. The Mahrajan Committee believe that young men or women with new fresh ideas should keep the torch of the Mahrajan lit and alive.

Help the less fortunate in Lebanon

--Please read the attached letter of our bishop Elias Zaidan. If anyone wants to join Msgr Bakhos to donate toward this cause, please call the church office at 304-233-1688 or put your donation in the collection with Memo: "Ascauvel Lebanon"

Spirituality

I wanted a car....not a Bible!

A young man was getting ready to graduate from college. For many months he had admired a beautiful sports car in a dealers showroom, and knowing his father could well afford it, he told him that was all he wanted.

As Graduation Day approached, the young man awaited signs that his father had purchased the car. Finally, on the morning of his graduation, his father called him into his private study, told him how proud he was to have such a fine son, and how much he loved him. He handed him a beautifully wrapped gift box.

Curious, but somewhat disappointed, the young man opened the box and found a lovely, leather-bound Bible, with his name embossed in gold.

Angrily, he raised his voice to his father and said, "With all your money you give me a Bible?" He stormed out of the house, leaving the Bible behind.

Many years passed and the young man was very successful in business. He had a beautiful home and wonderful family, but realized his father was very old. He thought perhaps he should go to him. He had not seen him since that graduation day. But before he could make arrangements, he received a telegram telling him his father had passed away, and willed all of his possessions to him. He needed to come home immediately and take care of things.

When he arrived at his father's house, sadness and regret filled his heart. He began to search through his father's important documents and saw the Bible, new, just as he had left it years ago. With tears, he opened the Bible and began to turn the pages. His father had carefully underlined a verse, Matt 7:11, "And if you, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more shall your Heavenly Father which is in Heaven, give to those who ask Him?"

As he read those words, a car key dropped from the back of the Bible. It had a tag with the dealer's name, the same dealer who had the sports car he had desired. On the tag was the date of his graduation, and the words... PAID IN FULL.

How many times do we miss God's blessings because they are not packaged as we expected?

A Time to Laugh (584)

Hunters

President Theodore Roosevelt had a passion for big-game hunting. When he heard that a famous British hunter was visiting the States he invited the man to the White House in the hope of getting some pointers from him. After a two-hour meeting at which the two of them were closeted together and left undisturbed, the Englishman emerged looking somewhat dazed.

"What did you tell the President?" a reporter asked.

"I told him my name," said the worn-out visitor.

