Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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Msgr. Bakhos Chidiac, Pastor Evelyn Ghaphery, Organist



Sunday of the Priests

*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 Thursday 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

*Sacristan: 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

Epiphany: Sunday of the Priests

Readings: 1 Tim 4:6-16 and Lk 12:42-48

The Whole Church is Priestly

Christ, the Sole Priest, has raised up a Church, an entire priestly people, as a sacrament for the salvation of the world.

She is a chosen nation, a royal palace, a priestly community, a holy nation, a people whom God has acquired for Himself.

The view of a wholly priestly Church is an essential aspect of Conchita's spiritual doctrine, fifty years before Vatican II.

Jesus said to Conchita:

There are souls who have been consecrated through priestly-unction, but there are likewise, in the world, priestly souls, who, although they have neither the dignity nor are consecrated as priests, have a priestly mission, and they offer themselves to the Father in union with Me, to immolate themselves as He desires. These souls mightily aid the Church on the spiritual plane.

"As for priests, they should be victims, transforming themselves into gifts, renouncing themselves and offering themselves to My Father in union with Me for the salvation of souls, as I do"

Spiritual Priesthood

There is but one priesthood, that of Christ, but everyone can participate in it for the spiritual priesthood is at the same time the characteristic and charism of the ecclesial community.

The ministerial Priesthood perpetuates Christ's oblation in bringing about the Eucharist in persona Christi, rendering possible for the whole Church the exercise of the spiritual priesthood, the offering of Christ really present among His people who offer themselves in union with Him.

"When I pronounced these words: 'Do this in memory of Me,' I was not addressing Myself only to priests. Of course, they alone have the power to change the substance of bread into My most holy Body and the substance of wine into My Blood. But the power to unite in one single oblation all oblations belongs to all Christians. It belongs to all Christians, members of one single Body, to become one with the Victim on the altar by faith and works, offering Me as Host in propriation to My eternal Father" (Diary, June 7, 1916).

This twofold participation in Christ's Priesthood constitutes the structure of the Church of the Cross, of the Church of Christ Priest and Victim.

(Conchita died in New Mexico in 1937)

Divine Liturgy Schedule

This Weekend, February 4-5: Sunday of the Priests

Saturday, February 4

At 3:30 p.m.: Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

at 4:00 p.m.:

- ♣ Doug Bentz by Ruth Werner
- † Frances Linton (10th Anniversary) by her sons Steve & Mike

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

- ‡ Living & Deceased members of the Nicholas & Nimnoom Ghaphery Family & the David Abraham Ghaphery Family
- 🕆 Steve & Margaret Schlog (Birthday) by Bob & Fran Saseen

Weekday Masses

Monday, February 6: No Daily Mass. Msgr. Bakhos' day off

Tuesday, February 7, at 12:05 p.m.:

₱ Josephine Ferris (Anniversary) by Mary Zaid Stees & Libby G. Magnone

Wednesday, February 8, at 12:05 p.m.:

Prosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Will

Thursday, February 9, at 12:05 p.m.:

- 🕆 Isabel Ferris Wolfe (Birthday) by Mary Zaid Stees & Libby G. Magnone
- Helen Fielding by her husband Don Fielding (FL) & his special intentions

Friday, February 10: No Daily Mass

Next Weekend, February 11-12: Sunday of the Righteous & Just

Saturday, February 11 at 4:00 p.m.:

♣ Doug Bentz by Lou & Charlotte Khourey

Sunday, February 12 at 10:30 a.m.:

- ♣ Agie Harb by Annette Togliatti
- ₱ Dale Seidler Sr., by his wife Nettie & Family

Masses for Our Faithful Departed (Saturday, February 18, thru Friday, February 24)

Before Great Lent, the church urges parishioners to remember their parents and beloved ones in the offering of the Mass which is the pleasing to God; it is the offering of love of the Son of God on the Cross.

Prayer For Departed Loved Ones

O Almighty God, Who by the love which You have for men, have willed to take our humanity, to live a life of hard work, to suffer a most cruel Passion, and finally to die on the Cross, I beseech You, by the infinite merits purchased for us with Your precious Blood, look mercifully on the suffering which is endured by the holy souls in Purgatory. Accept, O merciful God, the prayers which I offer for them, and call them to the glory of heaven. I recommend to You the souls of my relatives, friends and benefactors, and in a special manner of those to whom I may have been an occasion of sin by my bad example.

Most Holy Virgin, Mother of Mercy, Comforter of the Afflicted, intercede for those souls, that, by your powerful intercession, they may be admitted to enjoy that kingdom which is prepared for them. Amen.

6 Masses will be offered for the following Faithful Departed:

- # Emily Vince by her daughter Vicky and Family
- 🕏 Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen by her Will
- Proceased of the Khourey & Howard Families by Lou, Charlotte, Emmalena & Louie
- Deceased of the Thomas, Splatt & Nutter Families by John & Kathy Thomas (MN)
- Proceased of the Chidiac, Linton & Albaugh Families
- Paceased of the Bine & Gaudio & Paesani Families by Shirley Bine
- ₱ Robert L. Rose (Birthday) by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt
- ♣ Anna Marie McGlumphy (Anniversary) by Jerry McGlumphy & Children
- PSuzanne Linton by her husband Mike
- # Frances & Joseph Linton by sons Steve & Mike
- Adib & Sadie Chidiac (parents), Nadim (brother) & Mona (sister) by Steve & Mike Linton
- Proceased of our parish by Steve & Mike Linton
- # Ralph & Mary J. Shipley, Robby Hunter & Deceased Family by Thomasina Geimer
- *Deceased of the Fadoul & Duffy Families by Earl & Linda Duffy
- # George & Mary Popovich by Joe & Nikki Popovich
- Proposite Bonnie Shaw & Bud Behrens by Joe & Nikki Popovich
- ♣ Augie Montalbano & Helen Fielding by Joe & Nikki Popovich
- # The Jacob & Dusick Families by Sandra Dusick
- # The Habdo & Daugherty Families by Bill & Carol Daugherty
- The Fadoul, Duffy and Bentz Families by Millet & Susie Fadoul
- The Cybulski, Rinehart, Sengewalt, Werner, Tysk and Blake Families by Millet & Susie Fadoul

Mahrajan News

This year we are preparing the 84th Annual Festival. It will take place at Oglebay Park for two days: Saturday, August 12th from 4:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 13th from noon until 7:00 p.m. (outdoor Mass at 10:30 a.m.)

➤ All Mahrajan Sponsors will be listed in the bulletin and in the Ad Book at three levels: **Silver** (\$25 to \$49); **Gold** (\$50 to \$99); **Diamond** (\$100 and above). Please consider making a donation at one of these levels to support the Mahrajan, to help defray its expenses, and to insure its continuation for future generations.

➤ It is the dream of the Parish to have two dance troupes to perform at the Festival: one by the children (6-12) and by the young adults (13-20). We will provide Lebanese Folklore costumes and hats for everybody and two trainers to prepare the dancers around this time of the year so that they will be ready for the festival. If you have children or grandchildren please call Msgr. Bakhos at 304-233-1688. Thanks

Please Pray for Those on Our Prayer List

Please Remember Those Hospitalized Recently in Your Prayers

Mary Blum, Bernadine Elias, Joe Elias, Peggy Justice

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

John Shiben, Abbey Lattavo, Barb Sobota, Shirley and Jim George, Marge John, Diane Palotay, Virginia & Dolores Joseph, Jim Dellget, Betty Shia, Jim Thomas (father of Diane Frenn), Carrie Jane (Powell) Parodi

Your Church Support Last Week		
\$1,296.00	Sunday Collection	
100.00	St. Maron Dinner	
75.00	Mahrajan	
11.00	Candles	
452.00	Parking	
599.00	Utilities	
30.00	Donation to Poor Families	
\$2,563.00	Total Deposits: May God reward you abundantly for supporting your spiritual home!	

Calendar of Parish Events

Cedar Club Cupcakes for Fr.	Sunday, February 5 th , after Mass in the Cedar Hall
Bakhos	
Msgr. Bakhos Birthday	Thursday, February 9 th
Cedar Hall Meeing	Monday, February 13 th at 6:00 p.m.
Week of Faithful Departed Masses	Saturday, February 18 th thru Friday, February 24 th
Ash Monday	Monday, Februay 27 th
Ash Wednesday	Wednesday, March 1 st
St. Maron Dinner	Note: No work Monday, Thursday & Friday
Tuesday, March 7, at 9 a.m. $\rightarrow \rightarrow$	Bake Cookies; Cook & Shred Chicken; Brown Orzo; Prepare Onions
	Note: Workers please bring a covered dish
Wednesday, March 8, →→→→→	Make Kibbee; Set Up Hall for Dinner
Sunday, March 12 $\rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$	St. Maron Dinner served – 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 12 NOTE:	Daylight Savings Time Begins
Palm Sunday	The Passion of the Lord – Sunday, April 9
Easter Sunday	The Resurrection of the Lord – Sunday, April 16
Lebanese Bake Sale	-Sponsored by Women's Society
Sunday, April 23 $\rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$	Orders & Payment Due for Lebanese Bake Sale
Sunday, April 30 $\rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$	Spinach Preparation – starting after 10:30 a.m. Mass

Monday-Thursday, May 1 & 2 →→→	Baking Days – starting at 9 a.m. dough will be ready to shape & fill
Wednesday, May 3 $\rightarrow \rightarrow $	Order Pick-Up for Bake Sale – Wednesday, from 11:30 a.m5:30 p.m.
Thursday, May 4 $\rightarrow \rightarrow $	Order Pick-Up for Bake Sale – Thursday, from 11:30 a.m3:30 p.m.
May Crowining & First Communion	Sunday, May 7
Parish Rummage Sale	Saturday & Sunday, June 10 & 11 (see more info in future bulletins)
Cedar Hall Rental	Saturday, June 24
Cedar Hall Rental	Saturday, July 29 (tentatively)
Mahrajan New for 2017 - 2 day event	Saturday, August 12, & Sunday, August 13
New: Parish Ladies Kibbee Sale	During Week of September 10 th (see more info in future bulletins)

*Note: The Soup & Hoagie Sale will be postponed to a future date because of insufficient time and volunteers.

Join Cedar Club & Celebrate Fr. Bakhos Birthday (Sun., February 5)

The Cedar Club is bringing cupcakes to celebrate Msgr. Bakhos' birthday on Sunday, February 5th, following Mass. Please plan to come and offer him your personal birthday wishes.

Stations of the Cross & Light Dinner (All Fridays during Lent after 5:30 p.m. Mass)

Every Friday during Lent, we celebrate the Mass at 5:30 p.m. and Stations of the Cross at 6:00 p.m., followed by Benediction of the Cross. The "Stations of the Cross" is a devotion which consists of following the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ by recalling the fourteen prominent events that took place from the time of the trial under Pontius Pilate until His death and burial on Mount Calvary.

We thank the Cedar Club members who will sponsor the first Lenten Meal on Friday, March 3, and on Good Friday, April 14, after the Friday prayers. Also thanks to the generous families who will sponsor meals on other Fridays of Lent. If you can sponsor the meal on April 7, please call Fr. Bakhos at 304-233-1688.

Date:	Volunteers Who Sponsor the Light Meals on Fridays during Lent:
1 st Friday, March 3	Meal Sponsor: The Cedar Club
2 nd Friday, March 10	Meal Sponsors: Dr. Mary Ann Cater & Dr. Robert Vawter
3 rd Friday, March 17	Meal Sponsors: Available. Please call 304-233-1688 to schedule yourself for this date.
4 th Friday, March 24	Meal Sponsor: Shirley Bine, Kim Gibbons, Charlotte Khourey, Susan Saseen
5 th Friday, March 31	Meal Sponsors: Chris & Jeannette Wakim
6 th Friday, April 7	Meal Sponsor: Carol Dougherty, Mike Linton & Msgr. Bakhos
Good Friday, April 14	Meal Sponsor: The Cedar Club & Parishioners

What's New?

Bulletin Ad Space Available

If you or anyone you know would like to sponsor an ad (business, memorial of your loved one(s), or personal ad) at the back of our Weekly Bulletins, please call Msgr. Bakhos at 304-233-1688. Cost is \$120 for all year -52 weeks.

Choir Members Needed

Our choir needs more voices. Please see Lou, Robert, Shelly or Mickey if you can help. A special talents is not required, just a willingness to sing. Current choir members will help you as needed. By chanting the Mass we help the parishioners to pray twice.

Around Us

Meat Loaf Dinner (Sunday, February 12th)

The Apostleship Of Prayer of Our Lady Of Perpetual Help Ukrainian Catholic Church, 4136 Jacob St., Wheeling, WV will sponsor a Meat Loaf Dinner on Sunday, February 12, 2017. The time will be 11:00 am until 4:00 pm. The menu will consist of meat loaf, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable, cole slaw, dessert, and coffee and iced tea. The cost will be \$7.00 for Adults and \$3.50 for children ages 6 to 12 years, free under 6 years. It will be held in the Church Annex which is handicapped accessible. Carryout available. Telephone 304-232-1777. Everyone is welcome.