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Bulletin #22

Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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7th 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 and Friday No Mass
Tuesday to Thursday at Noon. [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, Natalie Horner
- ***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

7th Sunday of the Resurrection

Readings: Eph 1:15-25 and Jn 13:31-35

On the night before he died, Jesus told his followers, “Where I am going, you cannot follow me now; but you will follow afterward” (in 13:36). In spite of the pain and agony of the cross, Jesus raises our eyes to the glories prepared for God’s faithful ones. With God’s promise to be with us, the trials of the present age vanish. “See, I am making all things new” (Rev 21:5a), God tells us as our tears are wiped away, and we catch a glimpse of a world in which “mourning and crying and pain will be no more” (V 4b).

As we persevere in following Christ, we undergo many trials before we can “enter the kingdom of God” (Acts 14:22b). Through Jesus’ own self-giving, we entrust ourselves “to the Lord in whom” we have “come to believe” (v 23b). He reminds us, “Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another” (Jn 13:34). When the world sees our compassionate care for others, it will truly be heaven on earth.

From the desk of the Pastor

Pastoral Visit

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

You are my extended family and you are my brothers and sisters in Christ here in Wheeling. I would like to visit you at your home when all the family is there together in order to know you better. You do not need to prepare anything for my visit. I would be happy to just visit with you for a short time. I have been here in Wheeling seventeen years; and trust me, I still don’t know where half of you live. Why? Because I had not been given the chance to visit you. I would feel honored if you would say to me, “Msgr., we would like you to visit us when you have time. The best day and time for our family are ... Please call us before you come.” Also call me if you need me to bring Communion to your sick family members. You may be sure that I will find time to visit you. –Msgr. Bakhos

This Weekend, May 27-28: 7th Sunday of the Resurrection

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

✠ Rev. Walter Backius, S.J., by Mark & Debbie & Markie Huffman

✠ Elaine Cybulski and Marthann Rinehart (Anniversary) by Susie & Millet Fadoul

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

✠ Gladys Howard by Lou & Charlotte Khourey & Emmalena and Louie

✠ Mimi, Clara, Yvonne by daughter & sister Mary Lish

Weekday Masses

Monday, May 29: No Mass Msgr. Bakhos day off

Tuesday, May 30 at 12:05 p.m.:

✠ Ray Palotay by his Family

✠ Al Weidman by his wife Josephine & Family

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

✠ Gerard Joseph by Mike Fahey

✠ Joe Elias by his sister Josephine & Family

Thursday, June 1, at 12:05 p.m.:

✠ Lou & Mary Elias by their daughter Debbie Kull and Family

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

Friday, June 2: No Mass Msgr. Bakhos day off

Next Weekend, June 3-4: Pentecost Sunday

Saturday, June 3

At 11:00 am: Funeral Mass for Sam Gaudio (brother of Shirley Bine)

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

at 4:00 p.m.:

✠ Richard Frazier (Anniversary) by his wife Luane & sons Richard, John & grandchildren Kyle, Logan & Landon

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

✠ Special Intention

Sunday, June 4 at 10:30 a.m.: Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament following Mass

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

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

Calendar of Parish Events

Rummage Sale Drop-off Days	<i>Tuesday, May 30 from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m and Wednesday, May 31 from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m and Thursday, June 1 from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m and Mon. Tue. Wed. June 5, 6, & 7 from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.</i>
Rummage Sale of the parish	<i>Saturday, June 10, 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sunday, June 11, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.</i>
Cedar Hall Rental	<i>Saturday, June 24</i>
Mahajan New for 2017 - 2 day event	<i>Saturday, August 12, and Sunday, August 13</i>
New: Parish Ladies Kibbee Sale	<i>During Week of September 10th (see more info in future bulletins)</i>
Christmas Party	<i>Sunday, December 3rd Entertainment by John Mensore</i>

Rummage Sale Information (Saturday, June 10 and Sunday June 11)

The Rummage sale sponsored by the Cedar Cub will be two days this year. **Saturday, June 10th from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., and on Sunday, June 11th from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** Sunday will be one-half price day and also the bag and box sale.

Drop-offs can be made on the following days at the basement hall from **1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 30, Wednesday, May 31, Thursday, June 1, and again on Monday June 5, Tuesday, June 6 and Wednesday, June 7.** We cannot accept television sets, computers or tires.

If any questions, call Linda at 304-242-6853 or Luane at 304-242-7437.

Father's Day Masses (From Saturday, June 17 until Thursday, June 22nd)

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:

✠ Alphonse Joseph by Vickie, Lauren & Michael

✠ Mike Joseph by Vickie, Lauren & Michael

✠ John E. Ritts by his son John & Opal Ritts

✠ Kenneth L. Coffield Sr., by Michael & Lindsey Coffield

✠ Augie Montalbano & George Popovich by Joe & Nikki Popovich

✠ Anthony Condelli by Sylvia Long

✠ Joseph Long by Sylvia Long

- † Anthony George (MN) by Margaret George
- † Sam George and Albert Stiles by Margaret George
- † Michael Josephs (MN) by Shawn & Cyndi Josephs-Tobias
- † William Josephs (MN) by Shawn & Cyndi Josephs-Tobias
- † Julian McGlumphy by Jerry McGlumphy & children
- † John T. John by his daughter Maryann Carl & Children
- † Elias Frenn by Dr. Adel, Diane, Andreah & Justin
- † William Fitzgerald by Dick & Rosemary Coury
- † Donald Vince by his children & grandchildren
- † Dr. Stephen Ward by Ingrid Hendrickson
- † Abdoo Saseen by Jim & pat Saseen Connell
- † Walter Elwartoski by his son Richard Elwartoski
- † Al Weidman by Debbie Kull & Family
- † Louis Elias by his daughter Debbie Kull
- † Steve Sofka by Mike & Judy Sofka
- † Tim Stanton and Bill Sayre by Mike & Judy Sofka
- † Edward Joseph by Stephanie, Tessa and Eli Joseph
- † Gerard H. Joseph by Stephanie Joseph & Family
- † Barkett Coury and Larry Gibbons Jr., by Lucille Gibbons
- † Louis and Charles Coury by Lucille Coury Gibbons
- † Edward Bentz Sr., & William Howard Bentz by Millet & Susie Fadoul
- † George Fadoul & Doug Bentz by Millet & Susie Fadoul
- † Joseph Linton by sons Steve & Mike
- † Deceased fathers & grandfathers of the Perilli Family by Paula Jo Perilli
- † Matt Simonetti by Richard & Mary Ryncarz
- † Thomas Ryncarz by Richard & Mary Ryncarz
- † Our fathers & grandfathers by Bill & Carol Dougherty
- † Elmer E. Albaugh (father) and Rodney M. Albaugh (brother) by Denny Albaugh (son and brother)
- † Bill Daniel Jr., Bill Daniel Sr., & Jim DiFabrizio by Rebecca (Daniel) & Mike DiFabrizio
- † John Jacob (grandfather) and John Dusick (father) by Sandra Dusick

Living Fathers and grandfathers:

- ‡ Michael Coffield by Lindsey Coffield
- ‡ PJ Lenz, Don Fielding by Joe & Nikki Popovich
- ‡ Joe Popovich by Nikki Popovich
- ‡ Keith Castle by Jerry McGlumphy
- ‡ Dr. Adel Frenn by his wife Diane & children Andreah & Justin
- ‡ James Thomas by Dr. Adel, Diane, Andreah & Justin
- ‡ Tom Ferris by his daughter Denise Ferris
- ‡ Jan Hendrickson by Josh & Ingrid Hendrickson
- ‡ Michael Sofka by Kevin, Sarah & Kelly Sofka
- ‡ Tom Ferris by his daughter Denise
- ‡ Eli Joseph and Justin Joseph by Stephanie Joseph
- ‡ Paul Hinton and Jeff Hinton by Stephanie Joseph
- ‡ Charles, Don & Ron Gibbons & my grandson by Lucille Gibbons
- ‡ Millet L. Fadoul by Janet Wilson, Millet C. & Jonathan Fadoul
- ‡ Living fathers & grandfathers of the Perilli Family by Paula Jo Perilli

Mahrajan News (Saturday and Sunday, August 12 and 13)

➤ **Date and Time:**

This year we are preparing the 84th Annual Festival at Oglebay Park for two days:

Saturday, August 12th from 4:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. (4:00 p.m. Mass at the church)

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

➤ **Mahrajan Committee Planners:**

Festival Chairperson: Liz Murad; Entertainment: Carol Dougherty and Dalton Haas; Ad Book, Table Reservation and 50/50 Raffle: Msgr Bakhos; Operation & Logistics: Lou Khourey; Security: Michelle Marinacci; Tent Schematic: Nick John; Finance: Liz Murad & Michelle Marinacci; Marketing: Susan John & Dalton Haas; Pastry: Maryann Carl; Food/Pitaland coordinator: Msgr Bakhos and ladies; Shish kabob: Nick John; Beer: Barry Carter; Games: Mark Thomas; Volunteers: Ryan Storm; Sledd coordinator: Chris George.

➤ **50/50 Raffle Tickets:**

Parishioners will receive by mail 50/50 raffle tickets. If all tickets are sold, the prize will be **\$7,500.00** Please share in the raffle and help defray the expenses of the festival. If you are able to sell 10 tickets to your family members and friends, please ask Msgr Bakhos who will give you an envelope of 10 tickets for \$5.00 each ticket. Thank you and good luck.

➤ **Sponsors honored:**

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.

➤ **Dance Groups:**

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

➤ **Pony Rides:**

There will be Pony Rides in both days of the Festival

➤ **Entertainment:**

--David Hakim and his ensemble (live music and dance)

--Tiffany Ahdia and her dancer group (dance shows)

--Inflatable will be there for two days

➤ **Message from the Volunteers Chairperson:**

Our 2017 Mahrajan is fast approaching. This year's 84th Annual Festival will mark a significant change in that it will be held over two days this year - Saturday, August 12th and Sunday,

August 13th. What has been critical to the success of prior Mahrajans is the support of its volunteers. We are once again asking the parishioners, family, and friends to donate their energy and time to help make the 2017 Mahrajan a successful, fun event. In the back of the Church are various sign-up time sheets in two hour blocks. We are asking for any and all volunteers to graciously donate their time. If you would like to sign up for more than 2 hours or volunteer at a different stand that would be terrific. Thank you! Ryan Storm, Volunteer Chairperson

Please Pray for Those on Our Prayer List

The Anointing of the Sick is one of the Seven Sacraments of the Church. It brings comfort, strength and peace to those who are being tested by illness. It is attested to by St. James who wrote: "Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders [presbyters] of the Church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven." (James 5: 14-15). James does not speak of those at the point of death, but simply those who are sick. This means that when any of the faithful begin to be in danger of death from sickness or old age, they may fittingly receive this sacrament from their pastor. According to HIPPA regulations, the names of those hospitalized must remain confidential. If you need to add or remove your names from our Prayer List, please call Msgr. Bakhos.

Please Pray for Those Who Asked Us to Pray for Them

Dorothy Kupchak, Don Fielding (FL), Lisa Breiding (mother of Dalton Haas), Debbie Hoffman, Bernadine Elias, Bob and Sally Sengewalt, Joe & Eileen Simon, Mary Blum, Rose Vargo, Peggy Justice, Abbey Lattavo, Diane Palotay, Virginia & Dolores Joseph, Jim Dellget, Betty Shia, Jim Thomas (father of Diane Frenn), Carrie Jane (Powell) Parodi, Jo Anne Reed (sister of Roberta Henning and Sue Brubach), Mike O’Kane (brother-in-law of Nikki Popovich),

Your Church Support Last Week

\$1,347.00	Sunday Collection
227.00	2 nd collection
60.00	Bulletin ad
39.00	candles
255.00	Refunds
140.00	Donation to the church (Memorials)
780.00	Mahrajan
95.00	Parking
30.00	Donation to Poor Families
\$2,973.00	Total Deposits: <i>May God reward you abundantly for supporting your spiritual home!</i> The Finance Committee: Lou & Charlotte Khourey, Linda Duffy and Mike Linton

What’s New?***Parish Condolences: Sam Gaudio***

The pastor and the parishioners of Our Lady of Lebanon Church, offer their heartfelt sympathy to the Gaudio Family on the loss of their beloved Sam who passed away in Weirton. Sam was the only brother of our parishioner Shirley Bine. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at our church on Saturday, June 3rd at 11:00 a.m. for the family and friends. May the Blessed Mother intercede for him and lead him to the light of Christ. We extend the parish’s condolences to his Family in their time of sorrow.

Congratulations

To Shaun Hancher on his high school graduation on May 23rd. Please join us for a graduation celebration on June 17th from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Riverview Park, 206 Riverview Road, McMechen, WV. And wish him the best at WVU School of Music.

Parish Pantry

Food donations for our Parish Pantry can be placed in the marked box, back of the church. Thank you for your soul of giving.

Prayer

When I give thanks to God above, I thank Him for His lasting love.
And all the gifts He’s given me, that fill my life unceasingly...
And then, I always say a prayer that God will keep you in His care.
For of all the blessings that there are you’re the greatest one by far!

Reflections

“I can never forget the experience I had in visiting a home [for the elderly]. I saw that in that home these old people had everything—good food, comfortable place, television, everything, but everyone was looking toward the door. And I did not see a single one with a smile on the face. I turned to Sister and I asked: “Why ... are they not smiling?” ... And Sister said: “... They are expecting, they are hoping that a son or daughter will come to visit them. They are hurt because they are forgotten.” (Mother Teresa of Calcutta)

“O beloved sick, how doubly you are to me, when you personify Christ and what a privilege is mine to be allowed to tend you.” (Mother Teresa of Calcutta)

