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Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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Pentecost Sunday

- ***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

Pentecost Sunday

Readings: Acts 2:1-21 and Jn 14:15-20

On the fiftieth day after Passover -in Greek, "Pentecost"- there was celebrated in Jerusalem the feast of the Gathering, and from all the corners of the globe Jews assembled in Pilgrimage, in memory of God's gift of the Law to Moses on Mount Sinai.

The Apostles, the Blessed Virgin Mary, a few relatives of the Lord, and a few women disciples were assembled in the upper room. Around nine o'clock in the morning, God appeared to them as He had appeared to Moses on Sinai, in the midst of a storm and with violent wind; His Holy Spirit settled upon them in the form of tongues of fire which rested on their heads. The Holy Spirit gave them the power to evangelize the world by means of the new Assembly of God's people, the Church. As a sign that God had now firmly established His Church, the gospel was understood by all who were present though they spoke different languages and came from different races and nations. This work of God's grace may be compared opposite to what happened to people of Babel, who spoke one common language and yet, because of their sin, were no longer able to understand each other.

At Pentecost, although the people spoke diverse languages, they each understood the single language of the apostles. This is clearly a symbol of God's call to all people to UNITY and MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING. That is why the feast of Pentecost and the season which follows it invites us to meditate on the "One Holy, Catholic and apostolic Church" which the Holy Spirit has sanctified and which Christ founded on the Apostles.

Let us ask the Lord to grant us the Holy Spirit and the gifts that come from Him, so that we may be true children of God and His Church, and zealous apostles willing to spread the Holy Gospel of Christ.

Season of Pentecost

The Season of Pentecost, the fifth liturgical season is made up of some eighteen weeks. Here the Church relives the ministry of Jesus Christ among God's people and invites the community to follow in the footsteps of the Master. On the Sunday after Pentecost, the Maronite calendar celebrates the Feast of the Preaching of the Apostles. "*The Lord chose twelve apostles to fill the earth with His good news. And they have gathered all nations to the true faith of His gospel.*" The fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost is dedicated to the prophets of the Old Testament. This one is one of the earliest commemorations in the Syriac Church. The themes are the power of the word of God and man's openness and response to the Word. "*The prophet's voice is like a lamp at midnight. His words rouse and awaken those who have grown drowsy and inattentive to the Lord.*"

This 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

Weekday Masses

Monday, June 5: No Mass Msgr. Bakhos day off

Tuesday, June 6 at 12:05 p.m.:

- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Will
- ✠ Al Weidman and Joe Elias and Lou & Mary Elias by Josephine Weidman and Debbie Kull

Wednesday, June 7 at 12:05 p.m.:

- ✠ Dr. Joe Palmer (Birthday) by his wife Jane and Family
- ✠ Ray Palotay by his Family

Thursday, June 8, at 12:05 p.m.:

- ✠ Al Weidman and Joe Elias and Lou & Mary Elias by Josephine Weidman and Debbie Kull
- ✠ Helen Fielding by her husband Don Fielding (FL) & his special intentions
- ✠ Gerard Joseph by aunt Teresa Regali

Friday, June 9: No Mass Msgr. Bakhos day off***Next Weekend, June 10-11: Sunday of the Holy Trinity*****Saturday, June 10 at 4:00 p.m.:**

- ✠ George Joseph (Anniversary) by Larry and Becky Ferrera
- ✠ Gerard Joseph by Susie and Millet Fadoul
- † Special Intention

Sunday, June 11 at 10:30 a.m.:

- ✠ Mimi Rohanna (Anniversary) by her daughter Mary Lish
- † Intentions of PJ Lenz (Birthday) by Dalton Haas

Calendar of Parish Events

Rummage Sale Drop-off Days	<i>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>
Mahrajan 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>

Note: After Mass Saturday & Sunday

After Mass come down to “The Rummage Sale Early Shopping” Today and Sunday for parishioners and friends.

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 **on Monday June 5, Tuesday, June 6 and Wednesday, June 7 from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m..** 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
- † Holly Bine and Samuel and Sam Gaudio by Shirley Bine

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 cash**. 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. Carol Dougherty is training the children (6-12) and Dalton Haas the young adults (13-20). We will provide Lebanese Folklore costumes and hats for everybody. If you have children or grandchildren willing to join the dance troupes 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

Dorothy Kupchak, Don Fielding (FL), Bob and Sally Sengewalt, Mary Blum, Rose Vargo, Peggy Justice, Diane Palotay, Virginia & Dolores Joseph, Jim Dellget, Betty Shia, Jim Thomas (father of Diane Frenn), Carrie Jane (Powell) Parodi, Mike O'Kane (brother-in-law of Nikki Popovich),

Your Church Support Last Week

\$1,097.00	Sunday Collection
10.00	Bake sale
49.00	candles
1,765.00	Mahrajan
382.07	Parking
612.00	Utilities
30.00	Donation to Poor Families
\$3,945.07	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?

Condolences: Jo Anne Reed

The pastor and the parishioners of Our Lady of Lebanon Church, Wheeling, offer their heartfelt sympathy to the Reed family on the loss of their beloved Jo Anne away this week. Jo Anne was the sister of our parishioners Roberta Henning and Sue Brubach. May the Almighty God grant repose of the soul to His handmaid and we extend the parish's condolences to her Family in their time of sorrow.

Mahrajan 50/50 Cash Prize up-to-date

We are updating you on the cash prize for the Festival 50/50 Raffle. If you help selling tickets the maximum prize will reach \$7,500.00. **By now the cash prize is \$1,140.00**

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.

Story

Years ago, a farmer owned land along the Atlantic seacoast. He constantly advertised for hired hands. Most people were reluctant to work on farms along the Atlantic. They dreaded the awful storms that raged across the Atlantic, wreaking havoc on the buildings and crops.

As the farmer interviewed applicants for the job, he received a steady stream of refusals.

Finally, a short, thin man, well past middle age, approached the farmer. "Are you a good farm hand?" the farmer asked him. "Well, I can sleep when the wind blows," answered the little man. Although puzzled by this answer, the farmer, desperate for help, hired him. The little man worked well around the farm, busy from dawn to dusk, and the farmer felt satisfied with the man's work.

Then one night the wind howled loudly in from offshore. Jumping out of bed, the farmer grabbed a lantern and rushed next door to the hired hand's sleeping quarters. He shook the little man and yelled, "Get up! A storm is coming! Tie things down before they blow away!"

The little man rolled over in bed and said firmly, "No sir. I told you, I can sleep when the wind blows." Enraged by the response, the farmer was tempted to fire him on the spot. Instead, he hurried outside to prepare for the storm. To his amazement, he discovered that all of the haystacks had been covered with tarpaulins. The cows were in the barn, the chickens were in the coops, and the doors were barred. The shutters were tightly secured. Everything was tied down. Nothing could blow away. The farmer then understood what his hired hand meant, so he returned to his bed to also sleep while the wind blew.

Moral of the story:

When you're prepared, spiritually, mentally, and physically, you have nothing to fear. Can you sleep when the wind blows through your life?

The hired hand in the story was able to sleep because he had secured the farm against the storm. We secure ourselves against the storms of life by grounding ourselves in the Word of God. We don't need to understand, we just need to hold His hand to have peace in the middle of storms.

