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Bulletin #31

Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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9th 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 and Friday 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, 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

9th Sunday of Pentecost

Readings: 2Cor 5:20-6:10 and Lk 4:14-21

Though they differ from one another in essence and not only in degree, the common priesthood of the faithful and the ministerial or hierarchical priesthood are nonetheless interrelated. Each of them in its own special way is a participation in the one priesthood of Christ. The ministerial priest, by the sacred power he enjoys, moulds and rules the priestly people. Acting in the person of Christ, he brings about the eucharistic sacrifice, and offers it to God in the name of all the people. For their part, the faithful join in the offering of the Eucharist by virtue of their royal priesthood. They likewise exercise that priesthood by receiving the sacraments, by prayer and thanksgiving, by the witness of a holy life, and by self-denial and active charity.

It is through the sacraments and the exercise of the virtues that the sacred nature and organic structure of the priestly community is brought into operation. Incorporated into the Church through baptism, the faithful are consecrated by the baptismal character to the exercise of the cult of the Christian religion. Reborn as sons of God, they must confess before men the faith which they have received from God through the Church. Bound more intimately to the Church by the sacrament of confirmation, they are endowed by the Holy Spirit with special strength. Hence they are more strictly obliged to spread and defend the faith both by word and by deed as true witnesses of Christ.

Taking part in the Eucharistic sacrifice, which is the fount and apex of the whole Christian life, they offer the divine Victim to God, and offer themselves along with it. Thus, both by the act (if oblation and through holy communion, all perform their proper part in this liturgical service, not, indeed, all in the same way but each in that way which is appropriate to himself. Strengthened anew at the holy table by the Body of Christ, they manifest in a practical way that unity of God's People which is suitably signified and wondrously brought about by this most awesome sacrament.

(Vatican II, *Dogmatic Constitution on the Church*, nn 10,11)

Mass Schedule

This Weekend, July 29-30: 9th Sunday of Pentecost

Saturday, July 29 at 4:00 p.m.:

- ✠ Martha Shia by Lou & Charlotte Khourey & Family
- ✠ Shirley Nickerson by Bob & Fran Saseen
- ✠ Barb Hodulik by her sister Judy Wilson

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

- ✠ Eva Coury Moffat by Lou & Charlotte Khourey & Family
- ✠ Gerard Joseph by Mark & Barb McLaughlin

Weekday Masses

Monday, July 31: No Mass. Msgr. Bakhos day off

Tuesday, August 1 at 9:05 a.m.:

- ✠ Barb Sobota by Lou & Charlotte Khourey & Family
- ✠ Al Weidman & Joe Elias & Lou & Mary Elias by Josephine Weidman & Debbie Kull

Wednesday, August 2 at 9:05 a.m.:

- ✠ Gerard Joseph by Mark & Barb McLaughlin
- ✠ Deceased of the Thomas, Splatt & Nutter Families by John & Kathy Thomas (MN)

Thursday, August 3, at 9:05 a.m.:

- ✠ Helen Fielding (Date of Burial) by her husband Don (FL)
- ✠ Elias & Gabrielle George

Friday, August 4: No Mass. Msgr. Bakhos day off

Next Weekend, August 5-6: Transfiguration of the Lord

Saturday, August 5:

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

at 4:00 p.m.:

✠ Ray Palotay by Lou & Charlotte Kourey & Family

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

✠ Special Intention

Sunday, August 6 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

Calendar of Parish Events

Mahrajan Pastry Baking	<i>Tuesday, August 8 at 9:00 a.m.: Zaatar & Sesame bread</i> <i>Wednesday, August 9 at 9:00 a.m.: Mamoul</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>

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 & Dalton Haas; Ad Book, Table Reservation and 50/50 Raffle: Msgr. Bakhos; Operation & Logistics: Lou Kourey; 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 & ladies; Shish kabob: Nick John; Beer: Barry Carter; Games: Mark Thomas; Volunteers: Ryan Storm; Sledd coordinator: Chris George.

➤ **New Souvenir Booth Chairperson Needed:** If interested call Msgr. Bakhos at the church or Liz Murad 304-233- 7748.

➤ **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 buy or sell 10 tickets to your family members and friends, co-workers, etc. please ask Msgr. Bakhos for an envelope of 10 tickets. Cost is \$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 Youth Dance Group of children ages 6-12; and Dalton Haas is training the Young Adults Dance Group ages 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

Youth Dance Group schedule by Carol Dougherty:

Every Sunday after 10:30 a.m. Mass

Young Adult Dance Group schedule by Dalton Haas:

--In June: 25th (after Mass)

--In July: 3rd (6:30 p.m.); 6th (6:00 p.m.); 9th (after Mass); 13th and 20th (6:00 p.m.); 23rd (after Mass); 25th (6:15 p.m.)

--In August: 3rd (6:30 p.m.); 6th (after church); Friday 11th (at Oglebay)

--Performance: Saturday, August 12th & Sunday, August 13th

➤ **Pony Rides:**

There will be Pony Rides in both days of the Festival

➤ **Entertainment:**

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

--Tiffany Ahdia & her dance group "Bint il Nahar" (dance shows)

--Inflatables will be there for both Saturday & Sunday

➤ **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 for two days this year - Saturday, August 12th & 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 for Friday (to help move several items to Oglebay) as well as Saturday & Sunday. 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

(Note: Please call Msgr. Bakhos if you need your name added to our Prayer List. HIPPA regulation)

Rita Strawn, Mary Ryncarz, John Shiben, Harold Sleime, 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

\$1,597.00	Sunday Collection
22.00	Candles
100.00	Donation to church
310.00	Mahrajan
150.00	Parking
20.00	utilities
30.00	Donation to Poor Box
\$2,229.00	Total Deposits: <i>May God reward you abundantly for supporting your spiritual home!</i> The Finance Committee: Lou & Charlotte Khourey, Linda Duffy & Mike Linton

What's New?

Mahrajan Up-Date of 50/50 Cash Prize

We are updating you about the cash prize for the Festival 50/50 Raffle. If you help selling tickets the maximum prize will reach \$8,750.00. **As of now the cash prize is \$2,418.00**

Around Us

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Ukrainian Catholic Church, 4136 Jacob St., Wheeling, WV will have their annual Summer Festival on Aug. 4 & 5, 2017 from 7 p.m. until 11 p.m. There will be music provided by a DJ; a 50-50 Raffle; & other raffles; games for the children; bingo & other games of chance. Food will include cabbage and noodles, pirohi (pierogi), kielbasa, cabbage rolls, hot sausage, funnel cakes, pizza. Food in the inside kitchen will begin being served at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

Wheeling Symphony Auxiliary (Student Volunteer Program Training Notice)

The volunteer program is for students grades 9,10, 11 and 12.

To become a volunteer, students must attend the Mandatory Training Sessions.

Training will be held on Sunday, September 17, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. to approximately 8:00 p.m. at the Capitol Theatre. Reservations to attend the training are required and must be made to the following:

wsostudentvolunteer@wheelingsymphony.com

Students must include the following in their reservation:

Name (First and Last)

Grade

Email address

***Please note students are required to have their own email address to participate in the volunteer program.

We cannot accept family or parental email addresses.

Deadline for registration is September 12th.

A Time to Laugh (157)

Charity

An Arabian Caliph named Al-Mamun owned a beautiful Arabian horse. A tribesman called Omar was eager to buy the horse so he offered many camels in exchange for it, but Al-Mamun would not part with the animal. This so angered Omar that he decided to get the horse by trickery.

Knowing that Al-Mamun would ride his horse along a certain road, he lay down beside the road disguised as a beggar who was very ill. Now Al-Mamun

was a kind-hearted man so when he saw the beggar he felt sorry for him, dismounted and offered to carry him to a charitable place.

"Alas!" cried the beggar, "I have been without food for days and do not have the energy to rise." So Al-Mamun tenderly lifted the man on to his horse meaning to mount after him. No sooner was the disguised beggar in the saddle than he galloped away with Al-Mamun giving chase on foot, shouting to him to stop. After Omar had put a safe distance between his pursuer and himself he stopped and turned around.

"You have stolen my horse," shouted Al-Mamun. "I have one request to make of you." "What is it?"

Omar shouted back. "That you tell no one how you came into possession of the horse." "Why not?"

"Because some day a man who is really ill may be lying by the roadside and, if your trick is known, people will pass him by and fail to help him."

Business is Business

A woman at a bank asked the cashier to cash a check for her. Citing company policy the cashier asked her for identification. The woman gasped. Finally, she managed to say, *But Jonathan, I'm your mother!*"

In Slogans A religious group was in the habit of using, for its many conferences, a hotel whose motto was written in large words over the walls of the lobby: "**There are no problems. Only opportunities.**"

A man approached the hotel desk and said, "Excuse me, I have a problem." The desk clerk said, with a smile,

"We have no problems here, Sir, only opportunities." "Call it what you want," said the man impatiently.

"There's a woman in the room assigned to me."