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## ***Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church***

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**We celebrate Eucharist and evangelize via Catholic doctrine.**



### ***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 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 Kourey, Mike Linton, Rita Strawn, P.J. Lenz, Mary Stees
- \***Choir Members:** Earl Duffy, George Thomas, Lou Kourey, Robert Harris, Shelly Hancher, Ted Olinski, Natalie Horner
- \***Bulletin Coordinator:** Thomasina Geimer
- \***Sacristan:** Mike Linton
- \***Altar Boys:** Dalton Haas, Shaun Hancher, Christopher AlKhouri & 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 2 Alley spaces
- \***Remember the Church in your Last Will & Testament:** Her prayers will accompany you to heaven

## *Sunday of the Priests*

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

A priest celebrating his 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to the priesthood wrote:

I could enumerate all the people to whom I am so greatly indebted and all the things for which I am grateful. But you did not come to hear a litany of platitudes, however so deserved.

I first ministered in .... After six happy years, I enjoyed another six fulfilling years .... Then, I began a love affair of the heart with Charleston, our capital city, that has endured through 11 years at St. Agnes and 27 years, thus far, at Sacred Heart.

By virtue of our baptism, we all share the priesthood. Sacred Scripture and Catholic theology are clear: "You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people," and Catholic liturgy acknowledges this when the deacon will incense you along with the bishop and the ordained priests. The ordained priest is the servant of God and you, his people. Ordination does not separate us from you. We teach and firmly believe that the Catholic priest is chosen by the Church from among you and is anointed to praise and glorify God and intercede with God on your behalf. We do this by daily prayer and primarily and uniquely by offering the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

Ordination is a summons to service and under God; it is you we are ordained to serve. Not always easy because you are who you are and we are who we are. And we priests are not fabricated in the seminary. We are extroverts and introverts, thinkers and doers, spontaneous and deliberate. We share the faults of sinful humans and can be as small as the next man. We get discouraged when we do not live up to our own ideals and your expectations. We get frustrated when our plans do not materialize. We are saddened when our homilies leave you cold; we light up like a Christmas tree when we delight you.

We get lonely for friendship, for love and we find aging difficult to enjoy alone. While we feel a special relationship with God, we know, far better than you can ever appreciate, that we are men with feet of clay. As we have been painfully reminded in recent years, we too, are inherently flawed because of sin.

Counselors of priests can testify better than most, that the priest is not immune to spiritual illnesses and psychological problems, is not impervious to human struggles and destructive behaviors.

We, on our part, rely completely on the special grace God gives us to serve you, the people of God. We have been strengthened, too, by our faith that Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God, took on human flesh and became divinely human. And as it was the humanity of Jesus that attracted people to Him, so it is with priests. You identify with our vulnerable humanity as servant-priests.

Dear people of God, you know that priests are not beyond human problems, but don't presume, as some do, that the celibate, male, Catholic priest is defective and abnormal, or sad and dejected. Take to heart the words of Pope John Paul II spoken to the bishops of Boston and Hartford (Conn.): "In a particular way I would ask you to be strongly supportive of your brother priests, many of whom have suffered deeply because of the much-publicized failings of some of the Church's ministers. I would ask you also to convey my personal gratitude for the generous and selfless service which marks the lives of so many American priests, as well as my deep appreciation of their daily efforts to be models of holiness and pastoral charity in the Christian communities entrusted to their care. In a very real way, the renewal of the Church is linked to the renewal of the priesthood."

Certainly, you believe and expect priests to have a unique relationship with God. Otherwise, why else do you ask us day after day, "Father, please pray for me"? Know for sure, this daily prayer is one of the most important things we do, day after day. In return, we rejoice that you treat us as members of your extended families, symbols of the compassionate God you want in your life. So we continue to reach out to all of you ... Would we choose the priesthood again? Speaking, I know, for us in the sanctuary, I say, "Yes, definitely, yes." The priesthood for us has been like a treasure buried in a field. We found it, excitedly sold all we had and bought that field. We have received so much more by exchanging our small human sacrifice for a life of by that we had never dare hope for. We have been blessed by God and by you. I gratefully say, "thank you" and humbly say, "God bless you." --Mgrs. Edward Sadie, Charleston, WV July 2007

## ***This Weekend, January 20-21: Sunday of the Priests***

### **Saturday, January 20 at 4:00 p.m.:**

- ✠ Sylvia Long by Shirley Bine
- ✠ Bob Sengewalt by Steve & Mike Linton
- ✠ Betty Blum (Wed. Ann.) by her husband Richard & daughter Debie
- ✠ Special Intention

### **Sunday, January 21 at 10:30 a.m.:**

- ✠ Bob Saseen by Nettie Seidler
- ✠ George Fahey by Josephine Weidman
- ✠ Lisa Breiding (Birthday) by her son Dalton

### **Weekday Masses**

#### **Monday, January 22: No Mass. Pastor's Day Off**

#### **Tuesday, January 23 at 9:05 a.m.:**

- ✠ Elizabeth A. Magnone (Anniversary) by Mary Zaid Stees & Libby G. Magnone
- ✠ George Fahey by Jim Pastorius
- ✠ Thanksgiving Mass for Mary Rose Kukula

#### **Wednesday, January 24 at 9:05 a.m.:**

- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her last will
- ✠ Bob Sengewalt by Steve & Mike Linton
- ✠ George Thomas by the Cedar Club of OLOL

#### **Thursday, January 25 at 12:05 p.m.:**

- ✠ Sylvia Long, her husband Arthur, & her son Mark by her last will
- ✠ George Fahey by John Stasky
- ✠ Bob Sengewalt by Jack & Jean Sengewalt

#### **Friday, January 26: No Mass. Pastor's Day Off**

## ***Next Weekend, January 27-28: Sunday of the Righteous & Just***

### **Saturday, January 27 at 4:00 p.m.:**

- ✠ Virginia & Anton Matesic by Rosalie Conti
- ✠ Betty Blum (Birthday) by her husband Richard & daughter Debra
- ✠ Special Intention

### **Sunday, January 28 at 10:30 a.m.:**

- ✠ Ida Shia Lewis (Anniversary) by Cynthia & David Reasbeck
- ✠ John, Don, Patty, Shirley, John Jr., by Sandra Dusick
- ✠ Special intention of Nikki Popovich (Birthday) by Dalton Haas

## ***Calendar of Parish Events***

<b>Women's Society Meeting</b>	<i>Sunday, January 21st, in the Cedar Hall Following Mass</i>
<b>Kibbee Sale</b> (info in future bulletins)	<i>Orders Due Jan. 28, 2018; Order Pick Up February 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018</i>
<b>Faithful Departed Masses</b>	<i>From Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> until Friday, February 9th</i>
<b>St. Maron Dinner</b>	<i>Sunday, March 18, 2018 (look for more info in future bulletins)</i>
<b>Lebanese Bake Sale-more info later</b>	<i>Orders Due Easter Sun., April 1, 2018; Order Pick Up April 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup></i>

## ***Masses for Our Faithful Departed*** (Saturday, February 3, thru Friday, February 9)

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:**

Special Remembrance on special days:

**Sunday, February 4:**

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

✠ **Steve & Margaret Schlog (Birthday & Anniversary) by Fran Saseen**

✠ **Frances Linton (Anniversary) by her sons Steve & Mike**

**Wednesday, February 7: ✠ Josephine Ferris (Anniversary) by Mary Zaid Stees and Libby G. Magnone**

**Thursday, February 8: ✠ Isabel Ferris Wolfe (Anniversary) by Mary Zaid Stees and Libby G. Magnone**

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

✠ *Deceased of the Khourey & Howard Families by Lou, Charlotte, Emmalena & Louie*

✠ *Deceased of the Thomas, Splatt & Nutter Families by John & Kathy Thomas (MN)*

✠ *Deceased of the Chidiac, Linton & Albaugh Families*

✠ *Deceased of the Bine & Gaudio & Paesani Families by Shirley Bine*

✠ *Bob Saseen by Wheeling firefighters Local 12*

✠ *Anna Marie McGlumphy (Anniversary) by Jerry McGlumphy & Children*

✠ *Suzanne Linton by her husband Mike*

✠ *Frances & Joseph Linton by sons Steve & Mike*

✠ *Adib & Sadie Chidiac (parents), Nadim (brother) & Mona (sister) by Steve & Mike Linton*

✠ *Deceased of our parish by Steve & Mike Linton*

✠ *Catherine Arthur by her daughter Carol Burkhart*

✠ *George & Mary Popovich and Tom Dytko by Joe & Nikki Popovich*

✠ *Helen Fielding and Augie Montalbano by Joe & Nikki Popovich*

✠ *Deceased of the Habdo & Dougherty Families by Bill & Carol Dougherty*

✠ *Robert Sengewalt by the Sengewalt Family*

✠ *George Thomas by Jack & Katie Fahey*

✠ *George Fahey by Joseph Fahey Family*

✠ *John and Sadie George & Freda Josephs (MN) by Larry Josephs (MN)*

✠ *Jim Dellget by his sister Rita Strawn & her husband Rex*

## ***Please Pray for Those on Our Prayer List***

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

George & Patty Fahey, Sandra Dusick, Bernadine Elias, John Shiben, Diane Palotay, Virginia & Dolores Joseph, Betty Shia, Jim Thomas (father of Diane Frenn), Carrie Jane (Powell) Parodi, Mike O'Kane (brother-in-law of Nikki Popovich),

<b><i>Your Church Support Last Week</i></b>	
\$973.00	Sunday Collection
120.00	Bulletin ad
18.00	Candles
21.00	Coffee hour
125.00	Kibbee sale

250.00	Donation to Mercy Meal
475.00	Donation to the church
180.00	Parking
30.00	Donation to Poor Box
\$2192.00	<b>Total Deposits:</b> <i>May God reward you abundantly for supporting your spiritual home!</i> The Finance Committee: Lou Khourey, Linda Duffy & Mike Linton

## *What's New*

### ***Work Schedule for Kibbee (All Help is Needed !)***

--Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, both days starting at 9:00 a.m.

Pick-up for orders will be:

--Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

--Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup> from 12 Noon to 7:00 p.m.

Please bring your special covered dish to share at lunch time.

### ***First Communion & Confirmation Classes***

Dear Parents,

First Communion classes for children age 7 and older and Confirmation classes for young adults ages 12 to 13 and up will start soon. Please call Msgr. Bakhos to register your children and grandchildren.

### ***Defibrillator for the Church Needed***

It is time that OLOL Church has its own defibrillator and catches up with all the other Catholic Churches across the country. Defibrillator saves life when someone has a heart attack while help is on the way. Two doctors from the church will train a team how to use it. If you are fortunate at this time of year and can support this project, please choose an amount you can afford & mail your donation to: Our Lady of Lebanon Church, 2216 Eoff Street, Wheeling, WV 26003. On the memo line please write "defibrillator". Please consider donating \$20, \$25, \$50, \$75, \$100, \$125, 150, \$200 . . . We estimate that the total cost will be between \$1,200 and \$1,500.

#### **Donations received:**

--\$100.00 from Myron & Cynthia Law, Senecaville, Ohio

--\$50.00 from an anonymous generous parishioner

--\$300.00 from anonymous donor

--\$100.00 in Memory of Bob Sengewalt by his Family

--\$100.00 from Kenny & Nancy Joseph

--\$25.00 from Denny Albaugh

## *Around Us*

### ***Infant of Prague Novena*** (Starting on Monday February 5<sup>th</sup>)

When: Starting every Monday, February 5 until April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

Where: Our Lady of the Peace, Mozart. Information: 304-242-6579

### ***Saint Maron Dinner and Party*** (Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>)

Sponsored by Our Lady of Victory Maronite church, Pittsburgh

When: Saturday, February 10 from 6:00 p.m. until midnight

Where: LeMont Restaurant, Pittsburgh. Information: 412-278-0841

## *A Time to Laugh (342)*

### *Moses And The Lord*

"Excuse me, Sir." "Is that you again, Moses?" "I'm afraid it is, Sir."

"What is it this time, Moses; more computer problems?"

"How did you guess?" "I don't have to guess, Moses. Remember?"

"Oh, yes; I forgot." "Tell me what you want, Moses." "But you already know, Sir. Remember?" "Moses!"

"Sorry, Sir."

"Well, go ahead, Moses; spit it out." "Well, I have a question, Sir.

You know those ten 'things' you sent me via e-mail?"

"You mean the Ten Commandments, Moses?" "That's it.

I was wondering if they are important." "What do you mean 'if they are important,' Moses? Of course, they are important. Otherwise, I would not have sent them to you."

"Well, sorry, Sir, but I lost them. I could say the dog ate them; but, of course, you would see right through that."

"What do you mean you 'lost them'? Are you trying to tell me you didn't save them, Moses?" "No, Sir; I forgot." "You should always save, Moses." "Yes, I know. You told me that before. I was going to save them, but I forgot. I did forward them to some people before I lost them though." "And did you hear back from any of them?" "You already know I did. There was the one guy who said he never uses 'shalt not.' May he change the words a little bit?" "Yes, Moses, as long as he does not change the meaning." "And what about the guy who thought your stance was a little harsh, and recommended calling them the 'Ten Suggestions,' or letting people pick one or two to try for a while?" "Moses, I will act as if I did not hear that." "I think that means 'no.' Well, what about the guy who said I was scamming him?" "I think the term is 'spamming,' Moses." "Oh, yes. I e-mailed him back and told him I don't even eat that stuff, and I have no idea how you can send it to someone through a computer." "And what did he say?" "You know what he said. He used Your name in vain. You don't think he might have sent me one of those -- err -- plagues, and that's the reason I lost those ten 'things', do you?"

"They are not plagues; they are called 'viruses,' Moses." "Whatever! This computer stuff is just too much for me. Can we go back to those stone tablets? It was hard on my back taking them out and reading them each day, but at least I never lost them." "We will do it the new way, Moses; using computers!!!" "I was afraid you would say that, Sir." "Moses, what did I tell you to do if you messed up?" "You told me to hold up this rat and point it toward the computer."

"It's a mouse, Moses, not a rat. Mouse! Mouse! And did you do that?"

"No, I decided to try calling technical support first. After all, who knows more about this stuff than you? And I really like your hours. By the way, Sir, did Noah have two of these mice on the ark?" "No, Moses." "One other thing. Why did you not name them 'frogs' instead of 'mice,' because did you not tell me the thing they sit on is a pad?" "I did not name them, Moses. Man did, and you can call yours a frog if you want to." "Oh, that explains it. I bet some woman told Adam to call it a mouse. After all, was it not a woman who named one of the computers 'Apple?'" "Say good night, Moses." "Wait a minute, Sir. I am pointing the mouse, and it seems to be working. Yes, a couple of the ten 'things' have come back." "Which ones are they, Moses?" "Let me see. 'Thou shalt not steal from any grave an image' and 'Thou shalt not uncover Thy neighbor's wife.'"

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### *Love*

A Sunday school teacher told her children she was going to write their names on the blackboard. After each name she would write the one thing that particular child was the most grateful for. One little boy was thinking hard when his name went on the board. When he was asked what should go after his name, he finally said: "Mother." So that's what the teacher wrote. She was starting to write the next name when the boy began to wave his hand frantically. "Yes?" said the teacher. "Please cancel Mother and write dog." said the little boy.