

September 23, 2018

Bulletin #38

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

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



### ***2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the Holy Cross***

- \***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 thru Thursday at 12:05 p.m. [*Rosary 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, Lou Khourey, 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
- \***Women's Society:** Carol Dougherty, President



- \***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 adjacent to church** is for parishioners and visitors all the time.
- \***Remember the Church in your Last Will & Testament:** Her prayers will accompany you to heaven

## ***2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the Holy Cross***

Readings: 1Cor 15:19-34 and Mt 24:1-14

If we think of the terrible crimes that we have witnessed in our time (drive-by shootings, deadly rampages in our public schools, mass murders, drug addiction, and all forms of demonic behavior), these magic people did not just suddenly wake up one morning and decide out of the blue that they were going to do these terrible things; it was the result of years of wrongful thinking on their part, wrongful imagery.

We have seen over the last few years younger and younger people committing terrible atrocities. The recent wave of school shootings is really only a symptom of the way our society is going. Make no mistake: these young people are not the lunatic fringe, they are our children, pointing out the direction our society is headed. Take a look at the images the world is presenting to our youth: images of graphic violence and lack of respect for human life. Images that make ugliness and disharmony seem normal. Images that desensitize our youth to the hideous and the harmful. Children play computer games that expose them to murderous destruction, developing sniper skills with which they shoot people for fun. In our society abortion is considered normal, and it is taught that it is a woman's right to murder her own child. Is it any wonder that these things are happening?

We need to return to God. We need to provide our youth with healthy and healing images. We need to allow them to stand before the Living God and gaze upon His countenance.

### ***Divine Liturgy Schedule***

#### ***This Weekend, Sep. 22-23: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the Holy Cross***

##### **Saturday September 22 at 4:00 p.m.:**

- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Will
- ✠ Bob Sengewalt by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt
- ✠ Special Intention

##### **Sunday, September 23 at 10:30 a.m.:**

- ✠ Sue Brubach by Lou & Charlotte Kourey & Family
- ✠ John, Sally, Jake, Fuzzy Jacobs by Sandra Dusick

#### ***Weekdays Masses***

**Monday September 24:** No Mass. Pastor's Day off

##### **Tuesday September 25 at 12:05 p.m.:**

- ✠ Intentions of Dr. A.D.Ghaphery

**Wednesday September 26:** No Mass. Pastor's Vacation day

##### **Thursday September 27 at 12:05 p.m.:**

- ✠ Sylvia Long, her husband Arthur, & her son Mark by her last will
- ✠ Sue Brubach by Patricia Pagendarm

**Friday, September 28:** No Mass. Pastor's Day off

#### ***Next Weekend, Sep. 29-30: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after the Holy Cross***

##### **Saturday September 29 at 4:00 p.m.:**

- ✠ Sue Brubach by Don & Roberta Henning
- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Will
- ✠ Special Intention

##### **Sunday, September 30 at 10:30 a.m.:**

- ✠ Mike Joseph (Birthday) by Vickie, Lauren & Michael Joseph
- ✠ Deceased of the Breiding, Nassar & Hassan Families by Dalton Haas

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

<b>Women's Society Meeting</b>	<i>Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> in Cedar Hall following Mass</i>
<b>Spaghetti Dinner</b>	<i>Sunday, October 14 (more information in coming bulletins)</i>
<b>Hall Rental</b>	<i>Sunday, November 4 (1-4 p.m.)</i>
<b>Christmas Party</b>	<i>Sunday, December 9. (more information in coming bulletins)</i>
<b>Hall Rental</b>	<i>Saturday, December 22 (5-9 p.m.)</i>

### ***All Souls Masses (From Thu. Nov. 1 until Thu. Nov. 8)***

- † Living & Deceased members of the Nicholas & Nimnoom Ghaphery Family & the David Abraham Ghaphery Family
- † Dale Seidler Sr., by his wife Nettie and Family
- † Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Will
- † Catherine Arthur by her daughter Carol Burkhart
- † Deceased of the Khourey & Howard Families by Lou, Charlotte, Emmalena and Louie Khourey
- † Virginia Khourey Bryan & Deceased of the Nabiha & habib Khourey Family by the Khourey Family
- † Sylvia Long, her husband Arthur, & her son Mark by her last will
- † Deceased of the Thomas, Splatt & Nutter Families by John & Kathy Thomas (MN)
- † Tom Jochum by his Family
- † Tim, Ginny & Martha Shia by the Family
- † Beloved parents John & Cecilia John & D. William Burns by Ron & Susan Burns
- † Beloved grandparents Tom & Sadie John & David & Tamamie Joseph by Ron & Susan Burns
- † Beloved Aunts and uncles Fred & Rita John, Louis & Cecilia Ammar, Sister Mary Thomasina John and Roland & Julia Tappe by Ron & Susan Burns
- † Ralph & Mary J. Shipley & Robby Hunter by Thomasina Geimer
- † Deceased Family of Thomasina Geimer
- † 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
- † The Habdo & Dougherty Families by Bill & Carol Dougherty
- † Mary C. Ritts by John & Opal Ritts
- † John & Ritts by John & Opal Ritts
- † LaVerne Thomas and Evelyn Hall by Dr. Adel, Diane, Andreah & Justin Frenn
- † Elias & Siham Frenn by Dr. Adel, Diane, Andreah & Justin Frenn
- † Mary K. Ferris by Tom & Denise Ferris
- † Mike Joseph by Vickie Joseph
- † Alphonse Joseph by Vickie Joseph
- † Georgette Joseph by Vickie Joseph
- † Michael, Freda & William Josephs by Shawn & Cyndi Josephs-Tobias
- † Deceased members of the Josephs Family by Shawn & Cyndi Josephs-Tobias
- † Frank Duymich Sr. by his son Frank Duymich Jr.
- † Mary lou Duymich by her son Frank Duymich Jr.
- † Deceased of the Strawn Family by Rex & Rita Strawn
- † Deceased of the Dellget and Thomas Families by Rex & Rita Strawn
- † Robert Rose by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt
- † Bob Sengewalt by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt
- † George & Mary Popovich by Joe & Nikki popovich
- † Helen Fielding and Augie Montalbano by Joe & Nikki popovich
- † Gerard Joseph by Stephanie Joseph
- † Deceased of the Elias and Selma Joseph by Stephanie Joseph

- ✝ Jean, Bill, Doug, Billy, Dick, Ed Jr. and Sr. and Elizabeth Bentz by Millet & Susie Fadoul
- ✝ Mathanne Rinehart, Sharlet Purpura, Elaine & Jay Cybulski, Annette Tysk, Annette Aprea, Paul Doyle and Tom George and Jerry Werner by Millet & Susie Fadoul
- ✝ George Fadoul, Rose Fadoul, Terri Fadoul & our grandparents Fadoul by Millet & Susie Fadoul
- ✝ Wilma Betras & Denny Bartolovick by Millet & Susie Fadoul
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***Birthdays’Wishes in the Coming Month:***

- September 24 Luane Frazier
- October 6: Joe Popovich, Frank Duymich
- October 9: Susie Fadoul
- October 10: Linda Duffy
- October 12: Gina Haas
- October 15: Denise “Nini” Miller
- October 16: Karen John, Natalie DeMuth Mulvey
- October 20: Courtney Sengewalt

***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)*  
 John Frazier (son of Luane Frazier), Austin Strawn (grandson of Rex Strawn), Debbie Crumpler (sister of Nini Miller), Shirley & Jim George, Justin Frenn, Sandra Dusick, John Shiben, Diane Palotay, 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>	
\$1,240.00	Sunday Collection
50.00	Flowers
77.00	Candles
897.00	Spaghetti Dinner
150.00	Parking
136.00	Donation to the poor
\$2,550.00	<b>Total Deposits:</b> <i>May God reward you abundantly for supporting your spiritual home!</i> The Finance Committee: Lou Kourey, Mary Stees, Linda Duffy & Mike Linton

***Around Us***

***Spaghetti Dinner*** (Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>)

Where: Soup Kitchen, 1610 Eoff Street  
 Cost: \$8.00 adult and \$4.00 children

***Bridge of Life Bereavement Support*** (Sep.24)

Bridge to Life Bereavement Support and Education Group will meet at St. John Church located at 1300 Charles Street in Wellsburg. This is a six-week session for mothers who have experienced the death of a child. Our next group will begin on Monday, September 24, 2018 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. and will continue each Monday through October 29th. For additional information, or to register for this free support and education group, please contact Judith Aracich at 304-650-3056 or Terry Yost Aracich at 304-650-8971.



## Story

Attitude -One of Life's Choices: "A happy person is not a person in a certain set of circumstances, but rather a person with a certain set of attitudes." (Hugh Downs)

My wife, Tere, and I purchased a new car in December. Even though we had tickets to fly from California to Houston to visit her family for Christmas, we decided to drive to Texas to break in the new car. We packed the car and took off for a wonderful week with Grandma.

We had a wonderful time and stayed to the last possible minute visiting with Grandma. On the return trip we needed to get home in a hurry, so we drove straight through -one person driving while the other one slept. After driving in a hard rain for several hours, we arrived home late at night. We were tired and ready for a hot shower and a soft bed. I had the feeling that no matter how tired we were, we should unpack the car that night, but all Tere wanted was the hot shower and the soft bed, so we decided to wait and unload the car in the morning.

At seven o'clock in the morning, we got up refreshed and ready to unpack the car. When we opened the front door, there was no car in the driveway! Tere and I looked at each other, looked back at the driveway looked at each other, looked back at the driveway, and looked at each other again. Then Tere asked this wonderful question, "Well, where did you park the car?"

Laughing, I answered, "Right in the driveway." Now we knew where we had parked the car, but we still walked outside, hoping that maybe the car had miraculously backed out the driveway and parked itself by the curb, but it hadn't. Stunned, we called the police and filed a report that supposedly activated our high-tech tracking system. To be on the safe side, I also called the tracking system company. They assured me they had a 98 percent recovery rate within two hours. In two hours, I called again and asked, "Where's my car?" "We haven't found it yet, Mr. Harris, but we have a 94 percent recovery rate within four hours."

Two more hours passed. I called again and asked, "Where's my car?" Again they answered, "We haven't found it yet, but we have a 90 percent recovery rate of finding it within eight hours." At that point I told them, "Your percentage rate means nothing to me when I'm in the small percentage, so call me when you find it."

Later that day, a commercial aired on television with the automaker asking, "Wouldn't you like to have this car in your driveway?" I responded, "Sure I would! I had one yesterday." As the day unfolded, Tere became increasingly upset as she remembered more and more of what had been in the car -our wedding album, irreplaceable family photos from past generations, clothes, all of our camera equipment, my wallet and our checkbooks, just to name a few. These were items of little importance to our survival, yet they seemed of major importance at that moment.

Anxious and frustrated, Tere asked me, "How can you joke about this when all of these things and our brand new car are missing?" I looked at her and said, "Honey, we can have a stolen car and be all upset, or we can have a stolen car and be happy. Either way, we have a stolen car. I truly believe our attitudes and moods are our choice and right now I choose to be happy."

Five days later our car was returned without a trace of any of our belongings, and with over \$3,000 worth of damage to the car. I took it to the dealer for repair and was happy to hear they would have it back to us within a week. At the end of that week, I dropped off the rental and picked up our car. I was excited and relieved to have our own car back. Unfortunately, these feelings were short-lived. On the way home, I rear-ended another car right at our freeway exit ramp. It didn't hurt the car I ran into, but it sure hurt ours -another \$3,000 worth of damage and another insurance claim. I man-aged to drive the car into our driveway, but when I got out to survey the damage, the left front tire went flat. As I was standing in the driveway looking at the car, kicking myself in the tail for hitting the other car, Tere arrived home. She walked up to me, looked at the car, and then at me. Seeing I was beating myself up, she put her arm around me and said, "Honey, we can have a wrecked car and be all upset, or we can have a wrecked car and be happy. Either way, we have a wrecked car, so let's choose to be happy." I surrendered with a hearty laugh and we went on to have a wonderful evening together.

## *A Time to Laugh (377)*

### *Only in America*

Only in America ... Why do drugstores make the sick walk all the way to the back of the store to get their prescriptions while healthy people can buy cigarettes and candy bars at the front.

Only in America ... do people order double cheeseburgers, large fries, and a diet coke. While contemplating surgery for being too fat.

Only in America ... do banks leave both doors open and then chain the pens to the counters. Plus hire a rent a cop with a gun that would make Barney Fife look like Dirty Harry.

Only in America ... do we leave cars worth thousands of dollars in the driveway and put our useless junk in the garage.

Only in America ... do we buy hot dogs in packages of ten and buns in packages of eight. Don't forget screws in three's and nails by the dozen.

Only in America ... do we use the word 'politics' to describe the process so well: 'Poli' in Latin meaning 'many' and 'tics' meaning 'bloodsucking creatures'.

Only in America ... do they have drive-up ATM machines with Braille lettering.

EVER WONDER,

Why the sun lightens our hair, but darkens our skin?

Why women can't put on mascara with their mouth closed?

Why don't you ever see the headline "Psychic Wins Lottery"?

Why is "abbreviated" such a long word?

Why is it that doctors and lawyers call what they do "practice"?

Why is lemon juice made with artificial flavor, and dish washing liquid made with real lemons?

Why is the man who invests all your money called a broker?

Why is the time of day with the slowest traffic called rush hour?

Why isn't there mouse-flavored cat food?

Why didn't Noah swat those two mosquitoes?

Why do they sterilize the needle for lethal injections?

You know that indestructible black box that is used on airplanes? Why don't they make the whole plane out of that stuff?

Why don't sheep shrink when it rains?

Why are they called apartments when they are all stuck together?

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### *Grace*

An old woman observed how, with scientific precision, her rooster would begin to crow just before the sun rose each day. She therefore came to the conclusion that the crowing of her rooster caused the sun to rise.

So when her rooster suddenly died she hastened to replace it with another lest the sun fail to rise the following morning.

One day she fell out with her neighbors and threatened to move out of the village with her sister several miles away.

When her rooster started to crow next day, a little later, the sun began to rise serenely above the horizon, she was confirmed in what she had known all along: the sun was now rising here and her village was in darkness.

Well, they had asked for it!

It did cause her to wonder, though, that her former neighbor never came to beg her to return to the village with her rooster. She just put it down to their stubbornness and stupidity.

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