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Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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We celebrate Eucharist and evangelize via Catholic doctrine.



4th Sunday after Epiphany

- ***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

4th Sunday after Epiphany

Readings: Rom 7:1-6 and Jn 4:5, 9, 9-26

It is midday at the well of Jacob. There Jesus is resting. He, the Word of God, is hungry and thirsty: “Here begin the mysteries” (St Augustine). We must not fail to recognize them: what is at stake is the faith of a woman and her townspeople, and our own faith too.

A Samaritan woman comes to the well, at an hour when the sun burns high — doubtless in order to avoid meeting anyone, because she was sensitive about her ill-repute. She sees someone there, sitting by the well, but she takes little notice, because he is a Jew, and Jews shun Samaritans ... This is an old story of schism and pagan defilement: Samaria had prostituted itself to idols, and that woman of many men is a personification of her people. The Word of God is thirsty athirst for the woman’s faith. He engages her in a word-play of question and answer until a weakness in her defense is breached and he touches her secret soul. Who is this man who is greater than Jacob? A prophet? The Messiah, perhaps? Now it is the Samaritan woman who is athirst to living water, and who runs to her village to announce the good news of the mystery of Jesus.

The Word, who but now was hungry, hungers no longer. By initiating this woman into the way of faith, by leading true adorers to the Father, he has already begun his mission. The Samaritans are already on the path to salvation, and their acceptance of Jesus, Savior of the world, is a portent for the spreading of the gospel, preached to the ends of the earth. Give me this living water which wells up from your heart, O long-awaited Messiah! I will adore you in truth everywhere on earth. In this age I shall discover the well-springs of the living Waters of the Holy Spirit. Then my hunger will be appeased and my thirst quenched, and I will re-echo your name to all men —Jesus, Messiah and Savior of the world.

Divine Liturgy Schedule

This Weekend, February 2-3: 4th Sunday after Epiphany

Saturday February 2

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

At 4:00 p.m.:

- ✠ Bob Sengewalt by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt
- ✠ Good health of Latif Thomas and his Family
- ✠ Special Intention

Sunday, February 3 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
- ✠ Bob Saseen and Steve Schlog (Birthday) by Fran Saseen

Weekdays Mass Schedule

Monday, February 4: No Mass. Pastor’s Day off

Tuesday, February 5 at 12:05 p.m.:

- ✠ Frances Linton (Anniversary) by her sons Steve and Mike
- ✠ Deceased of the Thomas, Splatt & Nutter Families by John & Kathy Thomas (MN)

Wednesday, February 6: No Mass. Pastor’s day of vacation

Thursday, February 7 at 12:05 p.m.:

- ✠ Deceased of the Saseen and Long Families
- ✠ Josephine Ferris (Anniversary) by Mary Zaid Stees and Libby G. Magnone

Friday, February 8: No Mass. Pastor’s Day off

Next Weekend, February 9-10: St. Maron Feast Day

Saturday February 9 at 4:00 p.m.: St. Maron feast day (actual feast)

- ✠ Izabel Ferris Wolfe (Birthday) by Mary Zaid Stees and Libby G. Magnone

✠ Good health of Latif Thomas and his Family

✠ Special Intention

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

✠ Bernadine Elias by her daughter Kathryn McGee

✠ Good health of Latif Thomas and his Family

Calendar of Parish Events

Saint Maron Dinner	<i>Sunday, March 24th (More information in the coming bulletins)</i>
Bake Sale	<i>Baking days: Monday April 29th, Tuesday 30th and Wed. May 1st Pick up days: Wednesday May 1st and Thursday May 2nd Orders due by Sunday, April 21st</i>
Mahrajan (Festival)	<i>Saturday and Sunday, August 10th and 11th</i>

Masses for the Faithful Departed (From Saturday, Feb. 23rd until Thursday, Feb. 28th)

On the Week of the Faithful Departed (Feb.23rd – Feb. 28th) that immediately precedes the upcoming Great Lent, the church reminds the faithful to offer -along with their fasting, alms and prayers- Masses for the Repose of the Souls of their parents and beloved ones.

We read in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, "From the beginning, the Church has honored the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God."

To remember your beloved ones, please complete the attached Form and drop it in the collection basket.

All Masses will be offered for the following Faithful Departed:

- ✠ Robert Rose (Anniversary) by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt
- ✠ Bess Ferris Garcia (Birthday) by Mary Zaid Stees and Libby G. Magnone
- ✠ Patricia Gompers (Birthday) by Matt, Vicki and Christine Gompers
- ✠ 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
- ✠ 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
- ✠ Helen Fielding and Augie Montalbano by Joe & Nikki Popovich
- ✠ Albert Togliatti by Annette Togliatti
- ✠ Sylvia Long, her husband Arthur, & her son Mark by her last will
- ✠ Ralph & Mary J. Shipley and Robby Hunter by Thomasina Geimer
- ✠ Deceased Family Members of Thomasina Geimer by Thomasina Geimer
- ✠ Elias & Siham Frenn by Dr. Adel, Diane, Andreah and Justin Frenn
- ✠ Evelyn Hall & LaVerne Thomas by Dr. Adel, Diane, Andreah and Justin Frenn
- ✠ Deceased of the Reynolds, Jeneske, Bentz and Bentz Families by Carolee Bentz
- ✠ Sam & Bernadine Elias by Mike & Terri Golebiewski
- ✠ Alphonse & Violet Golebiewski by Mike & Terri Golebiewski
- ✠ William & Amelia Fitzgerald by Dick & Rosemary Coury
- ✠ Deceased of the Maroun Khoury by Dick & Rosemary Coury
- ✠ Tim Shia, Ginny and Martha by the Family
- ✠ Thomas Jochum by the Family

✠ *Bill & Mary E. Daniel by Rebecca & Michael DiFabrizio*

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

✠ *George & Mary Popovich by Joe & Nikki Popovich*

✠ *Leona M. Albaugh by her son Denny Albaugh*

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

✠ *John T. & Cecilia John by Ron & Susan John*

✠ *Deceased of William Burns by Ron & Susan John*

✠ *Tom & Sadie John and David & Tamamie Joseph by Ron & Susan John*

✠ *Louis & Cecilia Ammar, Fred & Rita John, sister Mary Thomasina John and Ronald & Julia Tappe by Ron & Susan John*

✠ *Shirley Elias Nickerson by Tammy, Robbie, Don, Lori, Amma & Eli*

✠ *Deceased of the Elias Family and Nicholas & Amelia, Mary, Helen, Margaret, Madeline, Rose, Jean, Shirley by their loving Family*

✠ *Bob Saseen by his wife Fran and sons*

✠ *Deceased of the Schlog and Saseen Families by Fran Saseen and sons*

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Ash Monday & Wednesday Distribution Schedule

Ash Monday, March 4:

12:05 p.m.: Mass & Blessing with Ash

5:30 p.m.: Mass & Blessing with Ash

Ash Wednesday, March 6:

12:05 p.m.: Mass & Blessing with Ash

5:30 p.m.: Mass & Blessing with Ash

Stations of the Cross & Benediction (All Fridays during Lent after 5:30 p.m. Mass)

Every Friday during Lent, we celebrate the Mass at 5:30 p.m. The Mass will be followed by the Stations of the Cross then the Benediction of the Cross. The “*Stations of the Cross*” is a devotion which consists of following the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ by recalling the fourteen prominent events that took place from the time of the trial under Pontius Pilate until His death and burial on Mount Calvary.

There will be no meatless dinners on Fridays during Lent. The Cedar Club will only sponsor the Lenten Meal on Good Friday, April 19 after the Burial of the Lord.

Friday, March 8	5:30 p.m. Mass followed by Stations of the Cross and Benediction.
Friday, March 15	5:30 p.m. Mass followed by Stations of the Cross and Benediction.
Friday, March 22	5:30 p.m. Mass followed by Stations of the Cross and Benediction.
Friday, March 29	5:30 p.m. Mass followed by Stations of the Cross and Benediction.
Friday, April 5	5:30 p.m. Mass followed by Stations of the Cross and Benediction.
Friday, April 12	5:30 p.m. Mass followed by Stations of the Cross and Benediction.
Good Friday, April 19	6:00 p.m.: Burial of the Lord followed by meatless dinner sponsored by the Cedar Club & Parishioners.

Diocesan Appeal

Many Thanks for those who fulfilled their Easter Obligation for this year. May God reward you manyfolds and bless your fasting.

Msgr. Bakhos Chidiac, Lou & Charlotte Khourey,

Mahrajan Updates (Saturday and Sunday, August 10th and 11th)

--Mahrajan Sponsors

All Mahrajan Sponsors will be listed in the Ad Book (if received before July 15, 2019) and in the Weekly Bulletins until August 11, 2019 on three levels: **Silver** (under \$100); **Gold** (\$100 to \$199); **Diamond**

(\$200 and above). Please consider making a donation at one of these three levels to support the Mahrajan, to help defray its expenses (\$25,000) and to insure the continuation of the Festival for future generations. Please write a little note with your donation and return it in the collection basket. --Msgr. Bakhos

Birthdays' Wishes in the Coming Month:

February 4: Lindsay Carl
 February 9: Msgr. Bakhos Chidiac, Michael DiFabrizio
 February 10: Sandra DeMuth
 February 11: Charlotte Khourey
 February 14: Diane Frenn
 February 15: Nettie Seidler
 February 16: Dave Sengewalt
 February 17: Rebecca DiFabrizio
 February 21: Louie Khourey
 February 27: MaryAnn Carl
 March 2: Ava Murad
 March 4: Jeff 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)

Bill Dougherty, Special Intention, Regina Hancher, Sandra Dusick, Brian Logan (son-in-law of Larry Siebieda), Diane Palotay, Robert A. Nader, (uncle of Lou Khourey), Joe Simon, Jim McGlumphy, Patty Fahey, Phil Geimer, John Frazier (son of Luane Frazier), Austin Strawn (grandson of Rex Strawn), Debbie Crumpler (sister of Nini Miller), Shirley & Jim George, Justin Frenn, John Shiben, Jim Thomas (father of Diane Frenn), Mike O'Kane (brother-in-law of Nikki Popovich)

<i>Your Church Support Last Week</i>	
\$963.00	Sunday Collection
263.00	2 nd collection: Diocesan Appeal
23.00	Candles
19.00	Coffee hour
30.00	Donation to the poor
\$1298.00	Total Deposits: <i>May God reward you abundantly for supporting your spiritual home!</i> The Finance Committee: Lou Khourey, Mary Stees, Linda Duffy & Mike Linton

What's New?

Censor Needed for the Church.

Do you need to leave a Memorial for your beloved ones? Here is the opportunity. The church is in need of a new censor to replace our old one after it is done. It is a special one for the Eastern Rite. It costs \$850 including shipping and handling. Your donation will be tax deductible. Please call Msgr Bakhos 233-1688

Buy Bulletin Ad and help the church.

Would you like to place an Ad on the last page of our Weekly Bulletin? By buying an Ad you help defray the cost of printing the bulletin and promote your business. Please contact Msgr Bakhos at 304-233-1688 or Charlotte at 304-639-1372. Cost is \$120 per year.

Around Us

Spaghetti Dinner (Sunday, February 24th)

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Ukrainian Catholic Church will sponsor a Benefit Spaghetti Dinner for Declan McCombs on February 24, 2019. Declan is a 4 year old area young man that is battling stage 4 Neuroblastoma and has had to make many trips to Columbus for treatment. All proceeds will go to Declan's family to help defray costs that they have incurred. The time will be from 12 noon until 5 pm. The donation for age 11 to Adult is \$8.00 in advance and \$10.00 at the door and for children 3-10 years of age, \$3.00 in advance and \$5.00 at the door. For tickets call 304-639-6105 or 304-232-2168. The dinner will be held at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Ukrainian Catholic Church Hall, 4136 Jacob Street, Wheeling WV 26003.

Thank you and God bless you, OLPH Outreach Committee

Regional NAM Convention

Where: St. Anthony of Padua Maronite church, Cincinnati, Ohio

When: Fri-Sunday, March 8-10

Cost: \$139.00 Group rate

For Information and reservation ask Msgr Bakhos or call 304-233-1688



Story

A frail old man went to live with his son, daughter-in-law, and four-year-old grandson. The old man's hands trembled, his eyesight was blurred, and his step faltered. The family ate together at the table, but the elderly grandfather's shaky hands and failing sight made eating very difficult for him. Peas rolled off his fork onto the floor. When he grasped the glass, milk spilled on the tablecloth.

The son and daughter-in-law soon became very irritated with the mess. *"We must do something about grandfather,"* said his son. *"I've really had enough of his spilled milk, noisy eating, and all that food on the floor!"*

So, the husband and wife set a small table in the corner. There, Grandfather ate alone while the rest of the family enjoyed dinner. Since Grandfather had broken a dish or two, his food was served in a wooden bowl. When the family glanced in Grandfather's direction, sometimes he had a tear in his eye as he sat alone. Still, the only words that the couple had for him were sharp admonitions when he dropped a fork or spilled food. The four-year-old watched it all in silence.

One evening before supper, the father noticed his son playing with wood scraps on the floor. He asked the child sweetly, *"What are you making?"* Just as sweetly, the boy responded, *"Oh, I am making a little wooden bowl for you and Mama to eat your food when I grow up and you grow old."* The four year-old smiled and went back to work. The words so struck his parents that they were speechless. Then, tears started to stream down their cheeks. Though no word was spoken, both knew what must be done. That very evening, the husband took Grandfather's hand and gently led him back to the family table. For the remainder of his days, he ate every meal with his family. And for some reason, neither husband nor wife seemed to care any longer when a fork dropped, a plate was broken, milk spilled, or the tablecloth soiled.

Children are remarkably perceptive. Their eyes ever observe, their ears ever listen, and their minds ever process the messages they absorb. God, let us ever be proud of what they see, hear, and absorb. Amen.

A Time to Laugh (395)

Knitting

A highway patrolman pulled alongside a speeding car on the freeway. Glancing at the car, he was astounded to see that the blonde behind the wheel was knitting! Realizing that she was oblivious to his flashing lights and siren, the trooper cranked down his window, turned on his bullhorn and yelled, 'PULL OVER !' 'NO!' the blonde yelled back, "IT'S A SCARF!"

Parrot and the Plumber

A woman owned a parrot that could say only one thing-"Who is it?" For years and years she had been trying to teach the bird to extend its vocabulary, but it refused to utter anything other than "Who is it?"

One day the woman had sent for the plumber, and because she had to go out shopping, she arranged for him to find the key under the mat outside the front door. The plumber duly arrived, found the key, let himself in, and set to work. Naturally the parrot, hearing someone in the house with an unfamiliar tread, decided to give a recital. "Who is it?" called the parrot.

"The plumber!" called the workman.

Hearing a strange voice the parrot again decided to utter his one and only phrase: "Who is it?"

"The plumber!" came the response.

The parrot was not satisfied; he wanted to see who the stranger was. "Who is it?" he called again, and again the plumber yelled out, "It's the plumber!" Again and again the bird called out, "Who is it?" and again and again the poor bewildered plumber responded, "It's the plumber! It's the plumber! It's the plumber!"

Eventually in a fury the man roamed the house, going from room to room trying to find out who was calling him, but he failed to realize that it was the parrot. For a whole hour he dashed around the house, growing increasingly desperate and shouting out, "It's the plumber!" Finally, the exhausted man fainted in the hall.

Just at that moment the woman of the house entered, saw the unconscious figure on the carpet, and said, "Who is it?"

The parrot replied, "It's the plumber!"

Early Identity

A story is told of a grandmother who proudly presented her two young grandchildren to her friend.

"Oh," remarked the friend, "They're so cute. How old are they?"

The question brought a definite response: "The lawyer is two and the doctor is four."

Small Phone Holes

A little boy ran to answer the phone for his mother. His mother called from the other room, "Who is it?"

The boy answered, "I can't tell who it is, Mommy. The holes in the phone are too small."

Not a Bit of Influence

A market research interviewer was surveying people in the grocery store after they picked up their bread. One man picked up a loaf of Wonder Bread, and the interviewer asked him, "Sir, would you be willing to answer a couple of questions about your choice of bread?"

The man responded, "Yes, I'd be happy to."

"Fine," the man said. "The question I'd like to ask you is this: Do you feel that your choice of Wonder Bread has been at all influenced by their advertising program?"

The fellow looked shocked and said, "Of course not. I'm not influenced by that sort of thing at all!"

"Well then," he said, "could you tell me just why you did choose Wonder Bread?"

He replied, "Of course I can. Because it builds strong bodies in eight ways!"