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

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



### ***Commemoration 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 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

## *Commemoration of the Priests*

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

This quality of speaking the truth of Jesus Christ to his people may seem to be a given for any priest, and, granted, it should be. However, because the priest is as human as the next person, he is greatly tempted at times to tell his people what they want to hear instead of what they need to hear. It is extremely tempting to want to be “nice” so that he does not offend anyone and so that, consequently, he will be liked by everyone.

Jesus, Himself, was not “nice.” Had He been “nice” He would never have been crucified because He would have always told people exactly what they wanted to hear. He was not nice! He told the people the truth of God, His Father. This was why He came to earth. This was the Good News. This was the beginning of our salvation and He laid down His life for this Truth. Many did not want to hear it then and many do not want to hear it now. Because, then as now, many people are not living the truth and so they do not want to be reminded of what they are not doing or of what they are doing that they should not. Speaking the truth of God, preaching the Good News, is what the parish priest is called to do. This is not an easy task -and never has been. Lie needs to remember, however, that being a priest is not a popularity contest. To paraphrase a popular bumper sticker: “The priest who dies being liked the most does not win!” When he stands before the Good Lord he will not be asked how many people liked him. He will be asked whether he told his people the Gospel truth. Speaking God’s truth to his people without watering it down may not be very popular at times; but, as we are told by Jesus, Himself, the truth, and only the truth, will set us free. Above all else the parish priest needs to be about the task of setting his people free, even if his people crucify” him for telling them what they need to hear instead of what they want to hear. In his homilies, he needs to preach this Gospel of Truth. He means that he has to avoid using the homily as his “bully pulpit” and that he needs to be careful not to just give his “opinions” or to preach the “gospel” according to himself. Being called to preach the Gospel is truly a gift given to him through the laying on of hands, i.e., ordination. When the priest is preaching the Gospel and challenging his people to live their lives according to the truth of Jesus, he certainly needs to be kind and compassionate in his delivery, “not lording it over them as the pagans do.” He also needs to be merciful and loving, realizing that he, too, is a sinner in need of God’s mercy and love. When he carries out this sacred task, the priest is practicing the virtue of holy boldness.

## *Divine Liturgy Schedule*

### ***This 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 & Libby G. Magnone
- ✠ Good health of Latif Thomas & his Family
- ✠ Special Intention

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

- ✠ Bernadine Elias by her daughter Kathryn McGee
- ✠ Good health of Latif Thomas & his Family

### ***Weekdays Mass Schedule***

**Monday, February 11:** No Mass. Pastor’s Day off

**Tuesday, February 12:** No Mass. Pastor’s day of vacation

#### **Wednesday, February 13 at 12:05 p.m.:**

- ✠ Sylvia Long, her husband Arthur, & her son Mark by her last will
- ✠ Josephine Weidman by Jean & George Weisner

#### **Thursday, February 14 at 12:05 p.m.:**

- ✠ Deceased of the Thomas, Splatt & Nutter Families by John & Kathy Thomas (MN)
- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Will

**Friday, February 15:** No Mass. Pastor’s Day off

## ***Next Weekend, February 16-17:***

### ***Commemoration of the Righteous & Just***

#### **Saturday February 16 at 4:00 p.m.:**

- ✠ Josephine Weidman by Lou & Charlotte Kourey
- ✠ Good health of Latif Thomas & his Family
- ✠ Special Intention

#### **Sunday, February 17 at 10:30 a.m.:**

- ✠ Anna Marie McGlumphy (Anniversary) by Jerry McGlumphy and Children
- ✠ Dale Seidler, Sr., by wife Nettie & family
- ✠ Intentions of the Benefactors of our church & Msgr. Bakhos

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

<b>Msgr. Bakhos Birthday</b>	<i>Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup> Celebration following 10:30 a.m. Mass</i>
<b>Cedar Club Meeting</b>	<i>Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m. in Cedar Hall</i>
<b>Women Society Meeting</b>	<i>Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup>. Following Mass in the Cedar Hall</i>
<b>Work Days for St. Maron Dinner</b>	<i>Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m. (Bake Cookies) Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m. (Cook Chicken) Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m. (Make Kibbee)</i>
<b>Saint Maron Dinner</b>	<i>Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.</i>
<b>Bake Sale</b>	<i>Orders due by Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup> Baking days: Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> &amp; Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, Pick up days: Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, &amp; Thursday May 9<sup>th</sup>.</i>
<b>Mahrajan (Festival)</b>	<i>Saturday &amp; Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup> &amp; 11<sup>th</sup>.</i>

## ***Birthday of Msgr. Bakhos Chidiac*** (Saturday, February 9)

The Cedar Club is sponsoring a light snack to celebrate Msgr. Bakhos' birthday following Mass on Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup>. Please plan to come and offer Msgr. Bakhos birthday greetings.

## ***Masses for the Faithful Departed*** (From Saturday, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> until Thursday, Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>)

On the Week of the Faithful Departed (Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> – Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>) 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:**

*Special Remembrance on special days this Week:*

- ✠ **Leona M. Albaugh** (on her Birthday February 23) by her son **Denny Albaugh**
- ✠ **Robert Rose** (Anniversary February 23) by **Dave & Debbie Sengewalt**
- ✠ **Bess Ferris Garcia** (Birthday February 24) by **Mary Zaid Stees and Libby G. Magnone**
- ✠ **Patricia Gompers** (Birthday February 27) by **Matt, Vicki and Christine Gompers**
- ✠ **Rosella Saseen**, parents **Nancepe & Helen**, grandparents **Shikrey & Helen** by her **Will**
- ✠ **Deceased of the Kourey & 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 & 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*  
 ✠ *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*  
 ✠ *Mary K. Ferris by Tom & Denise Ferris*  
 ✠ *Deceased Members of the Nolte Family by Janet Shutler*  
 ✠ *Deceased Members of the Shutler Family by Janet Shutler*  
 ✠ *Michael Josephs and Deceased members of the Josephs Family by Shawn & Cyndi Josephs-Tobias*  
 ✠ *William and Freda Josephs by Shawn & Cyndi Josephs-Tobias*  
 ✠ *Deceased Members of the Bott and Henning Families by Don & Roberta Henning*  
 ✠ *William Thomas Breit by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Breit and Family*  
 ✠ *Aurora Dorris Lantagne by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Breit and Family*  
 ✠ *Mr. & Mrs. Steve Sofka by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Sofka*  
 ✠ *Mr. & Mrs. Tom Stanton & Mr. Bill Sayre Mr. & Mrs. Michael Sofka*  
 ✠ *Barkett & Sadie Coury and sons Louis & Charles and daughter Eva Coury Moffat and grandson Larry Gibbons by Lucille Coury Gibbons and Family*  
 ✠ *Bob Sengewalt by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt*  
 ✠ *Cathy Sharp Howard by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt*  
 ✠ *Matt & Margaret Simonetti by Richard & Mary Ryncarz*  
 ✠ *Thomas & Stella Ryncarz by Richard & Mary Ryncarz*  
 ✠ *Deceased of the Nimon & Mariam Joseph Family by the Joseph & Weisner Families*  
 ✠ *Deceased of the Weisner, Bishop & Schmeichel Families by Jean & George Weisner*  
 ✠ *Emily & Don Vince by their children*

✠ *Patricia Gompers by Matt & Vicki Gompers*

✠ *Rose & George Fadoul (parents) Terri (niece) & grandparents Fadoul by Millet & Susie Fadoul*

✠ *Elaine & Jay Cybulski, Sharlet Purpura, Annette Tysk, Annette Aprea, Marthann Rinehart, Judy & Paul Doyle by Millet & Susie Fadoul*

✠ *Tom George, Pam Hengler, Jerry Wenner, Carolyn Costain, Josephine Weidman by Millet & Susie Fadoul*

✠ *Bill & Jean Bentz (parents) Dick, Billy & Doug (brothers) & other Bentz family Members by Millet & Susie Fadoul*

## *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.
<b>Good Friday, April 19</b>	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 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>)

### **--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 9: Msgr. Chidiac Bakhos  
 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  
 March 5: Philip Carl  
 March 6: Kristen McLaughlin  
 March 10: Liam George

## ***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)

<b><i>Your Church Support Last Week</i></b>	
\$1,662.00	Sunday Collection
4.00	Bake sale
124.00	Candles
16.00	Coffee hour
70.00	Parking
594.00	Utilities
30.00	Donation to the poor
\$2,500.00	<b>Total Deposits:</b> <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 24<sup>th</sup>)

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

### *Italian Gnocchi Sale*

Where: St. Mary, 20 – N. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Martins Ferry, Ohio

Order due by: April 13<sup>th</sup> (Call 740-633-3877) Pick up date: April 13, 2019



### *Story*

While I was away from the Catholic Church but still a very committed Christian, the conviction grew in me to preach. My wife, Emily, and I were living in Pella, Iowa, at the time. I had worked in Christian radio, and later managed a gas station as a means to meet people and talk to them about Jesus.

My desire ultimately was to become a pastor. So, with Emily's support, I enrolled in a ten-week pastor's training course in Bradenton, Florida. The school, the Institute of Ministry, was located on the Manatee River. It also served as a retreat center and family camp.

Life at school was good but not easy. Emily stayed behind in Iowa while I tried to survive on a meager budget. I rented a small room in an old man's trailer on the grounds of the retreat center, a trailer without air conditioning. During my first month, I ate very sparingly. There was a man at school who was a baker and made what was called "Ezekiel bread" from the ingredients given in the book of Ezekiel. For a dollar a loaf, this high-protein bread made from lentils, honey, and wheat, sustained me quite well. During my first month at school, I survived on one loaf a day. Emily sent me the little bit of money she could scrape together, but it was not much. I did not want her to worry, so I kept my daily menu to myself.

By the end of the month, I was famished (not to mention tired of the bread). Imagine my surprise when the guy who lived with me in the trailer asked if I would like some steak and eggs one morning.

"Yeah!" I exclaimed, my mouth watering.

"Great!" he replied. "That'll be five dollars for the steak." I waited for him to tell me he was just kidding. He did not. I thanked him for his offer and told him I was not so hungry after all.

After surviving a month solely on Ezekiel bread, I brought my hunger to the Lord. "Lord, I need help," I prayed. "I can't go for another two months just eating this bread."

One night shortly thereafter, I was sitting in the trailer studying when I heard a knock at the door. I opened it and there stood, not a flock of quail, but a young Hispanic student at the school. He held a bag of groceries in his arms.

"I was praying and the Lord told me that you needed food," he said. "My dad owns a grocery store, so ... here." He handed me the bag. In it there were more than ten steaks as well as pasta and many other foods. I could not believe it! In fact, I still get choked up thinking about it to this day. There was so much food that I wound up tithing it by giving some to others who were hungry as well. For the next month or so, I had enough

to eat and more. Plus, he later brought over several more loads of food. I firmly believed in Christ's promise: "Ask and you shall receive," but to receive so much was overwhelming. I will never forget this tremendous grace!

## *A Time to Laugh (396)*

### *Comfortable Death*

An old nun who had tried out the new habit was discussing her funeral with the Mother Superior. "I'd like to be buried in the old habit," she said. "Of course," said the Superior, "if you'll be more comfortable in that!"

### *Get Your Own dirt*

God is sitting in heaven when a scientist prays to Him, "God, we don't need you anymore. Science has finally figured out a way to create life out of nothing.

In other words, we can now do what you did in the "beginning."

"Oh, is that so? Tell me ... " replies God.

"Well," says the scientist, "we can take dirt and form it into the likeness of you and breathe life into it, thus creating man."

"Well, that's interesting ... show Me."

So, the scientist bends down to the earth and starts to mold the soil.

"No, no, no ... " interrupts God, "Get your own dirt."

### *How to Deal With Pesky Squirrels?*

There were four country churches in a small TEXAS town: The Presbyterian Church, the Baptist Church, the Methodist Church and the Catholic Church. Each church was overrun with pesky squirrels. One day, the PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH called a meeting to decide what to do about the squirrels. After much prayer and consideration, they determined that the squirrels were predestined to be there and they shouldn't interfere with God's divine will.

In the METHODIST CHURCH the squirrels had taken up habitation in the baptistery Bowl. The deacons met and decided to put a cover on the baptistery bowl and drown the squirrels in it. The squirrels escaped somehow and there were twice as many there the next week.

The CATHOLIC group got together and decided that they were not in a position to harm any of God's creation. So, they humanely trapped the squirrels and set them free a few miles outside of town. Three days later, the squirrels were back.

But the BAPTIST CHURCH came up with the best and most effective solution. They baptized the squirrels and registered them as members of the church. Now they only see them on Christmas and Easter.

### *Don't Mess With the Guard*

When I taught in a prison, one of my students kept missing classes. First it was because he had a tooth pulled; then his tonsils were removed. Finally, he chopped off the tip of his finger in workshop. All of this led one guard to comment, "We better keep an eye on this guy. He seems to be trying to escape one piece at a time."

### *Stupid #1*

A girl asked her Stupid boyfriend:

*"Darling, if we get engaged, will you give me a ring?"*

Sure replied the Stupid. *"What's your phone number?"*

### *Stupid #2*

A Stupid is for the 1st time buying a color TV: *"Do you have color TVs?"*

*"Sure" replies the seller "Give me a green one please*