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Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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We celebrate Eucharist and evangelize via Catholic doctrine



3rd 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, Wednesday, and Friday No Mass
Tuesday and Thursday at 12:05 p.m. [*Rosary & Litany 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

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Readings: 1Cor 2:1-10 and Jn 14:21-27

John, at the time he was writing his Gospel, must have been one of the few survivors of those who had known Jesus. The first readers of the fourth Gospel therefore would have been in much the same situation that we are today, relying entirely on faith to sustain the conviction that the Risen Christ is present everywhere in the world, a presence in absence. Let's admit that we do find it difficult to adapt ourselves to this divine reticence: more or less consciously, we all carry somewhere within ourselves the old dream of a Kingdom that would be visible and easily distinguishable.

We must realize, however, that Christ's return to His Father has in no way diminished his activity here. His death did not prevent the world from being sown with the seed of his word. This work had hardly begun. But it was necessary for him to leave so that this word, freed from all limitations of time and space, might spread throughout the whole world, adapting itself to every land and that it might burgeon and bear fruit far beyond the country of its origin, in any and every place where it found a welcoming and fertile soil. A living word because from now on breathed by the Spirit who rouses and spurs on our efforts, and who urges us on not endless repetition but to unfold its meaning and to develop new and unrealized inferences. These make themselves apparent whenever we look to the Gospel to judge situations, to make the choices forced upon us, to guide our actions.

The time of presence through absence is also, therefore, the time of responsibility for us: without rigidly clinging to a position which was firmly established in the past, we undertake, in faith and hope, the risk of applying daring solutions to the successive problems which life forever places before us. The risk must be taken in the Spirit. What an extraordinary heady situation we find ourselves in! It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves. (Acts 15:28)

Divine Liturgy Schedule

This Weekend, June 22-23: 3rd week of Pentecost

Saturday, June 22 at 4:00 p.m.:

- ✠ Cathy Sharp Howard (Anniversary) by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt
- ✠ Tom Ferris by Jean & George Weisner
- ✠ Special Intention

Sunday, June 23 at 10:30 a.m.:

- ✠ Mariam Joseph by the Weisner & Joseph Families
- ✠ Deceased of the Rohanna & Seabright Families by Mary Seabright Lish & Family
- ✠ Helen Fielding (Anniversary) by her husband Don (FL)

This weekdays Masses

Monday June 24: No Mass. NAM Convention.

Tuesday June 25: No Mass. NAM Convention.

Wednesday June 26: No Mass. NAM Convention.

Thursday June 27: No Mass. NAM Convention.

Friday, June 28: No Mass. NAM Convention.

Next Weekend, June 29-30: 4th Week of Pentecost

Saturday, June 29 at 4:00 p.m.: Saints Peter & Paul feast Day

- ✠ Bob Sengewalt by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt
- ✠ Tom Ferris by Karen Eisenhauer & Family
- ✠ Helen Fielding by her husband Don (FL)
- ✠ Special Intention

Sunday, June 30 at 10:30 a.m.: Saints Peter & Paul feast Day

- ✠ Dale Seidler Sr., by his wife Nettie & Family
 ✠ Tom Ferris by Earl & Linda Duffy
 ✠ Special Intention of Lindsay Lenz (Birthday) by Dalton Haas

Calendar of Parish Events

Mahrajan (Festival)	<i>Saturday & Sunday, August 10th & 11th.</i>
Spaghetti Dinner	<i>Sunday, September 15th from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.</i>
Women Society Meeting	<i>Sunday, September 22nd, following Mass in the Cedar Hall</i>

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

The Mahrajan Committee decided that all Mahrajan Sponsors will be recognized on five levels in many advertisement spots.

Presenting Sponsor: \$2,500	--Gold Khourey & Turak
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Gold Level: \$500-\$999	
Silver Level: \$250-\$499	--Anonymous (\$250.00)
Bronze Level: \$100-\$249	--Myron & Cynthia Law (OH) (\$150.00) --Jan Thomas (OH) (\$200.00) --Paul Abraham (OH) (\$200.00) --Joseph Baker (FL) (\$100.00) --Larry & Lillian Siebieda (\$100.00) --Paula Jo Perilli (VA) (\$100.00)
Supporters of the Festival	--Anonymous, Dave & Debbie Sengewalt, Michael & Kathryn Kelly, John & Kathleen Kazour,

Please consider making a donation at one of these levels to support the Mahrajan, to help defray its expenses (approx. \$25,000) and to insure its continuation for future generations. --Msgr. Bakhos

Birthdays Wishes in the Coming Month:

- June 23: Mary Beth Weisner
 June 27: Lindsay Lenz
 July 3: Larry Ferrera
 July 5: Bill Committee

- July 11: Kenny DeMuth, Justin Wilson
- July 12: Shaun Hancher
- July 14: Chloe Imer
- July 15: Denny Albaugh
- July 16: Payton Wilson, Pam Obyc
- July 17: Lucille Gibbons
- July 20: Shirley George
- July 22: Grace Klein, Mark Boehm

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)

Jim George, Mary Lish, Patty Fahey, Bill Dougherty, Brian Logan (son-in-law of Larry Siebieda), Judi Blake and Donnie Sigler (cousins of Larry & Lillian Siebieda), Phil Geimer, Debbie Crumpler (sister of Nini Miller), Shirley & Jim George, Justin Frenn, John Shiben

<i>Your Church Support Last Week</i>	
\$1,624.00	Sunday Collection
15.00	Coffee Hour
50.00	Memorial Donation
300.00	Parking
2,855.00	Mahrajan
10.00	Utilities
90.00	Donation to Poor Families
\$4,944.00	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

A Note of Thanks

The annual Rummage Sale profit was \$1,758.05 for our church. Thanks to you for the many donated items that were lovely treasures for customers. With the helping hands of Rex, Mike, Mickey, Louie, Allison, Nini, Shirley, Bill, LouAnne, Father, Susan, Libby, Mary, Thomasina, Susie and Millet. This event was a success. **Thank you all!** Linda & Luane

Congratulation Graduate

Congratulations to Gina Marie Stees who graduated Summa Cum Laude from Long Island University with a combined Bachelor of Science/Master of Science in Athletic Training. Gina also holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Ceramics from Hofstra University in New York. She is the daughter of Mary Zaid and Bill Stees, the niece of Libby G, Magnone, the great-niece of the late Thomas Ferris.



Story

“That best portion of a good man’s life, his little, nameless, unremembered acts of kindness and of love.” (William Wordsworth)

Once when I was a teenager, my father and I were standing in line to buy tickets for the circus. Finally, there was only one family between us and the ticket counter. This family made a big impression on me. There were eight children, all probably under the age of 12. You could tell they didn’t have a lot of money. Their clothes were not expensive, but they were clean. The children were well-behaved, all of them standing in line, two-by-two behind their parents, holding hands. They were excitedly jabbering about the clowns, elephants and

other acts they would see that night. One could sense they had never been to the circus before. It promised to be a highlight of their young lives.

The father and mother were at the head of the pack standing proud as could be. The mother was holding her husband's hand, looking up at him as if to say, "You're my knight in shining armor." He was smiling and basking in pride, looking at her as if to reply, "You got that right."

The ticket lady asked the father how many tickets he wanted. He proudly responded, "Please let me buy eight children's tickets and two adult tickets so I can take my family to the circus." The ticket lady quoted the price.

The man's wife let go of his hand, her head dropped, the man's lip began to quiver. The father leaned a little closer and asked, "How much did you say?" The ticket lady again quoted the price. The man didn't have enough money. How was he supposed to turn and tell his eight kids that he didn't have enough money to take them to the circus?

Seeing what was going on, my dad put his hand into his pocket, pulled out a \$20 bill and dropped it on the ground. (We were not wealthy in any sense of the word!) My father reached down, picked up the bill, tapped the man on the shoulder and said, "Excuse me, sir, this fell out of your pocket."

The man knew what was going on. He wasn't begging for a handout but certainly appreciated the help in a desperate, heartbreaking, embarrassing situation. He looked straight into my dad's eyes, took my dad's hand in both of his, squeezed tightly onto the \$20 bill, and with his lip quivering and a tear streaming down his cheek, he replied, "Thank you, thank you, sir. This really means a lot to me and my family."

My father and I went back to our car and drove home. We didn't go to the circus that night, but we didn't go without. (Dan Clark)

A Time to Laugh (415)

Bored

After a long, dry sermon, the minister announced that he wished to meet with the church board after the service. The first man to arrive was a Stranger.

You misunderstood my announcement. This is a meeting of the board," said the minister.

"I know," said the man. "If there is anyone here more bored than I am, I'd like to meet him."

Bridegroom

The bridegroom, who was in a horribly nervous condition, appealed to the clergyman in a loud whisper at the close of the ceremony: "Is it kisstomary to cuss the bride?"

The clergyman replied: "Not yet, it's a little too soon."

Buddhist

A Buddhist nudist is one who practices yoga bare.

Building Fund

I'm always suspicious of any church that tells you the end is near—and then asks you to sign a three-year building fund pledge.

Cain

Question: Why did Cain have a hard time making his parents happy?

Answer: He wasn't Abel.

Question: What was the reason Cain didn't bring God the proper sacrifice?

Answer: He wasn't Abel.

Cannibals

A resourceful missionary fell into the hands of a band of cannibals. "I suppose you're going to eat me," said the missionary. "Actually, you wouldn't like me."

He took out his pocketknife, sliced a piece from the calf of his leg, and handed it to the chief. "Try it and see for yourself," he urged. The chief took one bite, grunted, and spat. The missionary remained on the island 50 years. The missionary remained on the island 50 years. He had a wooden leg.