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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 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

4th Sunday of Pentecost

Readings: Rom 10:12-21 and Mt 9:36-38

Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples! The apostles addressed themselves to Jesus as a 'Master of Prayer', so that he might reveal to them his secret. We are no less curious to know it. 'For we cannot choose words in order to pray properly' (Rom 8:26). So it is right to hear Christ first on the matter.

'Ask . . . search . . . knock': these verbs underline the insistence of the call to pray with the assurance of being heard! Provided we persevere, we shall receive, we shall find, the door will be opened. Especially, we should not lose courage. Prayer first of all is lastingly patient. Persevered in, it obtains what it seeks. Yet not quite everything, as what follows shows. If an earthly father, with all his faults, will only give his children what is good, how much more will our lies, heavenly Father not fail to give his most precious good to those who ask him; the Holy Spirit. 'The Spirit: this is what we should want, Just as the group of the apostles gathered in the upper room, after the ascension.

By enlightening us on how God responds to prayer, Jesus helps us at the same time to understand prayer itself better! To pray is not to impose our will on God, but to ask him to make us available to his will, to his plan of salvation for the world. To pray, then, is not to wish to change God, but to ask him to change us, to form us as his children. It was not a chance happening that for 'your kingdom come in the Our Father, an old variant reading substituted 'Your Spirit come upon us, make us clean'. The secret of Jesus' prayer is that he speaks of the things which are close to his Father's heart, speaking from his position as Son.

Divine Liturgy Schedule

This 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 and 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 and Family
- ✠ Tom Ferris by Earl & Linda Duffy
- ✠ Special Intention of Lindsay Lenz (Birthday) by Dalton Haas

This weekdays Masses

Monday July 1: No Mass. Pastor's Day off.

Tuesday July 2 at 12:30 p.m.:

- ✠ Deceased of the Thomas, Splatt & Nutter Families by John & Kathy Thomas (MN)
- ✠ Sylvia Long, her husband Arthur, and her son Mark by her last will
- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Will

Wednesday July 3 at 12:30 p.m.:

- ✠ Lottie Elwartoski by her son Richard
- ✠ Living & Deceased of Tom Brock Jr.

Thursday July 4: No Mass. Happy Independence Day

Friday, July 5: No Mass. Pastor's Day off.

Next Weekend, July 6-7: 5th Week of Pentecost

Saturday, July 6:

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

at 4:00 p.m.:

- ✠ Bob Sengewalt by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt

✠ Tom Ferris by Gary Weisner

✠ Special Intention

Sunday, July 7 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

✠ George & Martha Saseen (Anniversary) by Susan and George Saseen and Family

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)

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Platinum Level: \$1,000 & Higher	--Anna Marie Bris Bougher (\$1000.00) --John & Dee Shiben (\$1000.00)
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:

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
 July 26: Anna Marie Duymich
 July 30: Dee Shiben, Susan John Burns

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, 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>	
\$1,060.00	Sunday Collection
31.00	Coffee Hour
231.00	Candles
650.00	Mahrajan
30.00	Donation to Poor Families
\$2,002.00	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



Story

Back in September of 2005, on the first day of school, Martha Cothren, a social studies school teacher at Robinson High School in Little Rock, did something not to be forgotten. On the first day of school, with permission of the school superintendent, the principal and the building supervisor, she took all of the desks out of the classroom.

The kids came into first period, they walked in, and there were no desks. They obviously looked around and said, "Ms. Cothren, where's our desk?" And she said, "You can't have a desk until you tell me how you earn them."

They thought, "Well, maybe it's our grades."

"No," she said.

"Maybe it's our behavior."

And she told them, "No, it's not even your behavior."

And so they came and went in the first period, still no desks in the classroom. Second period, same thing. Third period. By early afternoon television news crews had gathered in Ms. Cothren's class to find out about this crazy teacher who had taken all the desks out of the classroom. The last period of the day, Martha Cothren gathered her class. They were at this time sitting on the floor around the sides of the room. And she says, "Throughout the day no one has really understood how you earn the desks that sit in this classroom ordinarily." She said, "Now I'm going to tell you."

Martha Cothren went over to the door of her classroom and opened it, and as she did 27 U.S. veterans, wearing their uniforms, walked into that classroom, each one carrying a school desk. And they placed those school desks in rows, and then they stood along the wall. And by the time they had finished placing those desks; those kids for the first time I think perhaps in their lives understood how they earned those desks.

Martha said, "You don't have to earn those desks. These guys did it for you. They put them out there for you, but it's up to you to sit here responsibly to learn, to be good students and good citizens, because they paid a price for you to have that desk, and don't ever forget it!

ALLELUIA AND AMEN!

A Time to Laugh (416)

Christian

--If a man cannot be a Christian in the place where he is, he cannot be a Christian anywhere. (Henry Ward Beecher)

--Nobody can teach you how to be a Christian- you learn it on the job.

--A Christian is like ripening corn; the riper he grows the more lowly he bends his head.

--A Christian must carry something heavier on his shoulders than chips.

--Christian: One who believes that the New Testament is a divinely inspired book admirably suited to the spiritual needs of his neighbors.

--If Christians would really live according to the teachings of Christ, as found in the Bible, all of India would be Christian today. (Mahatma Gandhi)

--Christian names are everywhere; Christian men are very rare.

Christianity

The trouble with some of us is that we have been inoculated with small doses of Christianity, which keep us from catching the real thing.

Church

"Why don't you come to my church this next Sunday?"

"Because I belong to another abomination."

Church: A place where you encounter nodding acquaintances.

An usher went up to a man with his hat on in an old-fashioned church and asked him to remove it.

"Thank goodness," said the man. "I thought that would do it. I've attended this church for months, and you are the first person who has spoken to me."

Confession

As any devout Catholic will tell you, going to confession allows people to get a lot off their chests. Sometimes too much. I was waiting my turn at the confessional when I heard a priest admonish one penitent, "Please limit your confession to your own sins."