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Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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Trinity Sunday

***Weekend Masses:**

Saturday at 4:00 p.m. [Rosary & Litany start 20 minutes before Mass]

Sunday at 10:30 a.m. [Rosary & Litany start 20 minutes before Mass]

***Weekday Masses:**

Tuesday and Thursday at 12:05 p.m. [Rosary & Litany start 20 minutes before Mass]

Monday, Wednesday and Friday: No Mass. Pastor's office work.

***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 Kourey, Rita Strawn, Mary Stees, Susan (John) Burns, Mark McLaughlin

***Choir Members:**

Lou Kourey, Robert Harris, Joe Simon, Shelly Hancher, Ted Olinski, Holly Stahl

***Bulletin Coordinator:** Thomasina Geimer

***Altar Server:**

Earl Duffy and Joe Roxby

***Altar Boy:**

Christopher AlKhoury

***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

***Remember the Church in your Last Will & Testament:** Her prayers will accompany you to heaven

Trinity Sunday

Readings: Rom 11:25-36 and Mt 28:16-20

Love is a relationship that cannot be contained in itself. It is a contradiction to assert that one can wholly possess love, for it is not a static, but a dynamic relationship. Far from being the perfection of love, the one who loves himself is selfish. This is the opposite of love, and actually negates it, because, in its truest form love is the relationship formed by the giving of your self to another. Love is by nature a sacrificial extension of yourself, while selfishness or self-love is a drawing inward upon yourself. If you love someone you give of yourself to them in a sharing of life; and if you love some passion like soccer, then you devote yourself in time, energy and resources to becoming a part of that passion as a player, a fan or an instructor. Love contributes something of itself to another. Self-love, on the other hand, gives up nothing of itself, preferring instead to reserve for itself whatever it can gather in greater and greater exclusive solitude.

The Bible tells us that; ***“The man without love has known nothing of God, for God is love.”*** (1John 4:8) This scripture with its Maronite perspective of knowledge as relationship, and not static truth, gives us the secret to understanding God in His Trinity. The perfection of God as love, not only requires, but necessitates a relationship of Divine Persons. God cannot in His Perfection be the epitome of love as the One True God who loves Himself, as if love is a state of being. The reservation of Divine Being to itself is not love, but its opposite, selfishness. Oneness and love are incompatible. Love requires at least two, the lover and the beloved. There must always be the one giving of themselves, the lover, and the person or passion to which the gift of love is given, the beloved.

Almighty God makes a complete and perfect gift of Himself in love. And of course, whom ever receives the complete and perfect gift of God’s Being in love is now no less than completely and perfectly God, Himself. The perfection of God’s love withholds nothing in its gracious, unconditional, sacrificial gift. Thus, the Father, the lover, begets His Son, the beloved, in His love. The Son is no less perfectly and completely God, because the Father gave utterly and entirely of Himself in love to the Son. They are one in the same being in a dynamic relationship. *“God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, one in Being...”* (The Creed).

This Weekend, May 29-30: Trinity Sunday

Saturday May 29 at 4:00 p.m.:

- ✠ Dick Bentz (Birthday) and Susie Fadoul by Millet Fadoul
- ✠ Bob Sengewalt by his grandchildren: Jeff, Courtney and Patrick
- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Will
- ✠ Special Intention

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

- ✠ Bill Dougherty (Birthday) by his wife Carol
- ✠ Mark Fertig by OLOL Women Society
- ✠ Dale Seidler Sr. by his wife Nettie and Family

Weekday Masses Schedule

Monday May 31: No Mass. Pastor’s day off.

Tuesday June 1 at 12:05 p.m.:

- ✠ Tom Ferris (Anniversary) by Mary Zaid Stees and Libby G. Magnone
- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Will
- ✠ Sylvia Long, her husband Arthur, & her son Mark by her last will

Wednesday June 2: No Mass. Pastor’s day off.

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Thursday June 3 at 12:05 p.m.:

- ✠ Deceased of the Thomas, Splatt & Nutter Families by John & Kathy Thomas (MN)
- ✠ Mary Daniel (Anniversary) by her daughter and son-in-law Rebecca & Mike DiFabrizio
- ✠ Khalil & Sadie & Maria Harb and Annette & Al Togliatti by Jamil Harb (Troy, MI) & GiGi

Friday, June 4: No Mass. Pastor's day off.

Next Weekend, June 5-6: 3rd Sunday of Pentecost

Saturday June 5 at 4:00 p.m.:

- ✠ Bob Sengewalt by his wife Sally
- ✠ Living & Deceased of Tom & Judy Brock
- ✠ Robert Matiasek by Lucille Hicks

Sunday, June 6 at 10:30 a.m.:

- ✠ Living & Deceased members of the Nicholas & Nimnoom Ghaphery Family and the David Abraham Ghaphery Family
- ✠ Dale Seidler Sr. by his wife Nettie and Family
- ✠ Jim George Sr. by his wife Shirley & Children
- ✠ Deceased of the Hassan and Nassar Families by Dalton

May Flowers for the Blessed Mother

Our Lady of Lebanon Women's Society will be sponsoring the flowers for the Blessed Mother in May
May 30 Nettie Seidler & Mary Lish

Deceased Father Day Masses (From Sat., June 19 till Friday June 25)

✠ (Special Remembrance) Sara (Joseph) McLaughlin (Birthday 6/21) by Mark & Barb McLaughlin & Family

Please remember your fathers on Father's Day by offering Masses for their souls.

- ✠ Habib Khourey, Louis Khourey, Sr., & Nassif Nader by Lou, Charlotte, Emmalena & Louie
- ✠ Charles "Pud" Howard, Bruce Cody Riggs & Franklin Howard by Lou & Charlotte & Family
- ✠ Vincent Jacovetty & Denis Fahey by George & Patty Fahey
- ✠ George N. Lewis (Anniversary) by Cynthia Lewis Reasbeck
- ✠ Donald Vince by his children and grandchildren
- ✠ Arthur Long and his son Mark Long
- ✠ Nimon Joseph (father) by the Weisner and Joseph Families
- ✠ Maroon Habeb (grandfather) by the Weisner & Joseph Families
- ✠ William Fitzgerald by Rosemary & Dick Coury
- ✠ Joseph John, John Keegan and Louis John by Marge John and Family
- ✠ George A. Fahey and Philip Petros by Jackie & Pat Petros
- ✠ James Dellget and William Schaffer by Rita & Rex Strawn
- ✠ Harold Strawn and John Strawn by Rex & Rita Strawn
- ✠ Bill Dougherty by his daughter Lisa
- ✠ Charles (Darwish) Habdo by his granddaughter Carol Dougherty
- ✠ Robert J. Shutler, Sr. and Harry J. Nolte, Fred Shutler and Harry F. Nolte by Janet Shutler
- ✠ Al Schroeder by Mark Schroeder
- ✠ Bob Saseen & Steve Schlog by Fran Saseen
- ✠ Deceased fathers & grandfathers of Larry Josephs (MN)
- ✠ Bill Daniel by his daughter & son-in-law Rebecca & Michael Difabrizio
- ✠ Tom A. Ferris by his daughter Denise Ferris

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- † Tim Shia by his daughter Sue Jochum
- † Tom Jochum by his children & grandchildren
- † Elias Frenn by Dr. Adel, Diane & Justin Frenn & Andreah & Zack Riedel
- † Ed Shiben and Ray McFarland by John & Dee Shiben
- † Donald A. Nickerson Sr., & Albert Nickerson by their Loving Family
- † Nickolas Elias by his Loving Family
- † Elmer E. Albaugh (father) & Rodney M. Albaugh (brother) by Denny Albaugh
- † Steve Sofka by Mike & Judy Sofka
- † John T. John and D. William Burns by Ron & Susan Burns
- † Thomas John & David Joseph by their Loving grandchildren: David, Tom, Greg, Maryann, Susan & their Families
- † Doug Bentz, Harold Reynolds, Clarence Reynolds, William Bentz by Nathan, Adam & Lee Bentz
- † George T. Fadoul & Joseph P. Duffy by Earl & Linda Duffy
- † Augie Montalbano by Joe & Nikki Popovich
- † George Popovich by Joe & Nikki Popovich
- † George Joseph, Lawrence Ferrera, Edward, Joseph, Elias Joseph by Larry & Becky Ferrera
- † William Thomas Breit by Michael and Nicole Breit
- † Samuel Elias, Albert Elias, Charles George by Mike & Terri Golebiewski
- † Alphonse Golebiewski, Benny Tomaszewski, Stanislaus Golebiewski by Mike & Terri Golebiewski
- † John G. Moses by James Moses
- † Tony George & Salim George by Margaret George
- † Albert Stiles by Margaret George
- † Walter Elwartoski by Richard Elwartoski
- † Jim George Sr., Frank Gray & Abraham George by Shirley George & Children
- † Angelo Palsinelli by Rosalie Conti
- † John Miller, Ray McLaughlin, Sr., Mickey McLaughlin & Gary McLaughlin by Mark & Barb McLaughlin & Family
- † Elias Joseph, George Joseph (godfather) & Edward Joseph by Mark & Barb McLaughlin & Family
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2021 Living Father Day Masses (From Sat., June 19 till Friday June 25)

- † Lou Khourey by his children Emmalena & Louie
- † Dr. Adel Frenn by Diane & Justin Frenn & Andreah & Zack Riedel
- † James Thomas by Dr. Adel, Diane & Justin Frenn & Andreah & Zack Riedel
- † Michael Sofka by Kelly & Kirezytaf Kowalski
- † Terry Rinehart by Sarah & Patrick Rinehart
- † Joe Popovich by Nikki Popovich
- † PJ Lenz by Joe & Nikki Popovich
- † Larry Ferrera, Larry Ferrera III & Tony Ferrera by Becky Ferrera
- † Michael Breit by Nicole Breit & children
- † Msgr. Bakhos Chidiac and all priests (in gratitude for shepherding us) by the Breit Family
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Birthdays Wishes in the Coming Month:

- May 30: Josie Stees Fertig
- June 1: Billy Committee
- June 2: Debbie Sengewalt

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June 5: Earl "Mickey" Duffy, Mary Zaid Stees, Kenly George
 June 7: Jean Weisner
 June 8: Patty Olinski
 June 9: Ava DeMuth
 June 11: Allison Duffy
 June 14: P.J. Lenz, Kathy Boehm
 June 15: Becky Joseph Ferrera
 June 20: Nick Ghaphery, Jr.
 June 23: Mary Beth Weisner
 June 27: Lindsay Lenz

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)

Mary Stees, Ron Gibbons, Diane Palotay, Rex & Rita Strawn, Nick & Judy Bedway, Earl Duffy & his sister Dorothy McKee, Viola J. Yeater (mother of Jeannette Wakim), Louis "Butch" Elias, Mary Thomas, Jack Hogan (infant son of Mark & Michaela Hogan & great nephew of Lou Khourey), Justin Frenn, Elia Frenn, John Shiben, Al Depto, Don Henning, Patty Fahey, Fred Schweizer (brother of our organist Mary Lee Porter), Mary Jo Terry, Barbara Hostage, Phil Geimer,

<i>Your Church Support Last Week</i>	
\$685.00	Sunday Collection
130.00	2 nd collection: Catholic Communication
200.00	Donation to the church
872.00	Bake Sale (deposited in Women Society account)
85.00	Candles
\$1972.00	Total Deposits: <i>May God reward you abundantly for supporting your spiritual home!</i> Finance Committee: Lou Khourey, Mary Stees, Linda Duffy, Susan Burns, Liz Murad

What's New?

Many Thanks

--To the dedicated and responsible parishioners who sanitized the pews and every possible touched item on the way to Mass. May God reward you abundantly.

--To those of you who are wearing Masks properly at all times that you are inside Our Lady of Lebanon Church Building. This is to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and other flu & bacteria. Please note that your Nose & Mouth are to be covered at ALL times – especially when you are within 6 feet of another person.

Rummage Sale Information

Parishioners and friends; you can start bringing items with you on Saturday and Sunday. We can open the basement door before and after mass for the drop-offs. Please remember, no personal clothing.

More information at a later date. For any questions call Linda (304) 242-6853

Spirituality:

God's love is miraculous as a newborn brought into the world.

God's love is more fulfilling than a Thanksgiving dinner.

God's love is nurturing as a mother holding her child in her arms.

God's love is satisfying as a big smile from a loved one.

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God's love is bigger than the blessed Earth and beyond.
 God's love is beyond any love you could imagine.
 God's love is blessed as someone sick that is brought back to health.
 God's love is strong as the Spirit given, that lives within us.
 God's love is more wonderful than all of nature's beauties.
 God's love is as beautiful as the image that He made us.
 God's love is imagery greater than the greatest artist in creation.
 God's love is great as the healing Jesus that He sent us.
 God's love is more healing than the world's most helpful medicine.
 God's love is helpful as a pure heart.
 God's love is pure, as it was given out of pure love.
 And pure love we give back as strong as the souls that he gave us.
 Thank You O Lord for this amazing love that you give us.

Wisdom: Children

- You spend the first 2 years of their life teaching them to walk and talk. Then you spend the next 16 telling them to sit down and shut-up.
- Grandchildren are God's reward for not disowning your children.
- Cleaning your house while your kids are still growing is like clearing the driveway before it has stopped snowing.
- There is only one pretty child in the world and every mother has it. --*Chinese Proverb.*
- I asked Mom if I was a gifted child... she said they certainly wouldn't have paid for me.
- Children are natural mimics, who act like their parents despite every effort to teach them good manners.
- Children seldom misquote you. In fact, they usually repeat word for word what you shouldn't have said.
- The main purpose of holding children's parties is to remind yourself that there are children more awful than your own.
- We child proofed our home 3 years ago and they're still getting in!
- Be nice to your kids. They'll choose your nursing home.**

Story

She is 92 years old, petite, well poised, and proud. She is fully dressed each morning by eight o'clock, with her hair fashionably coifed, and her makeup perfectly applied, in spite of the fact she is legally blind. Today she has moved to a nursing home. Her husband of 70 years recently passed away, making this move necessary. After many hours of waiting patiently in the lobby of the nursing home, where I am employed, she smiled sweetly when told her room was ready. As she maneuvered her walker to the elevator, I provided a visual description of her tiny room, including the eyelet curtains that had been hung on her window. "I love it," she stated with the enthusiasm of an eight-year-old having just been presented with a new puppy. "Mrs. Jones, you haven't seen the room...just wait," I said. Then she spoke these words that I will never forget:

"That does not have anything to do with it," she gently replied. "Happiness is something you decide on ahead of time. Whether I like my room or not, does not depend on how the furniture is arranged. It is how I arrange my mind. I have already decided to love it. It is a decision I make every morning when I wake up. I have a choice. I can spend the day in bed recounting the difficulty I have with the parts of my body that no longer work, or I can get out of bed and be thankful for the ones that do work. Each day is a gift, and as long as my eyes open, I will focus on the new day and all of the happy memories I have stored away...just for this time in my life. I believe, that our background and circumstances may have influenced who we are, but we are responsible for

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who we become.

I believe, that no matter how good a friend is, they're going to hurt you every once in a while and you must forgive them for that.

I believe, that just because someone doesn't love you the way you want them to, doesn't mean they don't love you with all they have.

I believe, that true friendship continues to grow, even over the longest distance.

Same goes for true love.

I believe, that it's taking me a long time to become the person I want to be.

I believe, that you should always leave loved ones with loving words. It may be the last time you see them.

I believe, that you can keep going, long after you can't.

I believe, that either you control your attitude or it controls you.

I believe, that heroes are the people who do what has to be done when it needs to be done, regardless of the consequences.

I believe, that money is a lousy way of keeping score.

I believe, that my best friend and I can do anything or nothing and have the best time.

I believe, that sometimes when I'm angry I have the right to be angry, but that doesn't give me the right to be cruel.

I believe, that maturity has more to do with what types of experiences you've had and what you've learned from them and less to do with how many birthdays you've celebrated.

I believe, that it isn't always enough to be forgiven by others. Sometimes you have to learn to forgive yourself.

I believe, that just because two people argue, it does not mean they don't love each other. And just because they don't argue, it doesn't mean they do.

I believe, that two people can look at the exact same thing and see something totally different.

I believe, that even when you think you have no more to give, when a friend cries out to you, you will find the strength to help.

A Time to Laugh (506)

Quite Organized

A soldier smashed his thumb and went to the infirmary. He went through a series of doors: Illness/Injury-External/Internal; Surgery/Therapy-Major/Minor. The last door put him out back behind the infirmary.

A friend asked him, "Did they help you?"

The soldier answered, "No, but they sure are organized!"

Self-Taught Teachers

Self-taught people may be very successful, but only if they have excellent teachers.

Halfway Through

Once while preaching in David Spencer's church in Long Beach, Mississippi, New Orleans Seminary professor Dr. Vernon Stanfield said, "I studied to be a wit while I was in school, but, as my wife will tell you, I only got halfway through."

Sweep the Store

A young man applied for a job at a supermarket. The manager said, "Yes, I'll give you a job. Sweep out the store." "But," said the young applicant, "I'm a college graduate." The manager quietly replied, "Oh, that's all right. I'll show you how."

Ignorance Is Bliss

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Shortly before his death, former Chief Justice Melville W. Fuller was presiding at a church conference. During the heated debate, a delegate rose and began a tirade against universities and education, giving thanks to God that he had not been corrupted by contact with any college.

"Do I understand the speaker to be thanking God for his ignorance?" interrupted Chief Justice Fuller.

"Well, yes, if you want to put it that way," the man answered.

"All I have to say then," responded the chief justice, "is that you have a great deal to be thankful for."

Hitting the Books

Two fathers were discussing how each of their sons was doing in college. One father said, "My son is so smart that when he writes home I have to go to the dictionary."

"You're lucky," the other father replied. "When my son writes home, I have to go to the checkbook."

Education or Ignorance

If you think a good education is too expensive, consider the alternative: ignorance.

Education or Experience

The difference between education and experience: Education is what you get from reading the small print.

Experience is what you get from not reading it.

Signs of Our Times

In case you don't think we live in times of spiritual ignorance, note this item from *Leadership* magazine. A Denver woman told her pastor of a recent experience that she felt was indicative of the times in which we live. She was in a jewelry store looking for a necklace and said to the clerk, "I'd like a gold cross." The man behind the counter looked over the stock in the display case and said, "Do you want a plain one or one with a little man on it?"

Make Room for the Easter Crowd

Two women dressed to the hilt in their Easter finery were making slow progress in the crowd headed for the church entrance. Finally, one of them burst out impatiently, "Now wouldn't you think that these people who do nothing but go to church Sunday after Sunday would stay home on Easter and leave room for the rest of us?"