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Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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Happy 4th of July

***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, Liz Murad

***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

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Readings: 2 Cor 3:1-6 and Lk 10:1-7

In Luke's gospel, the mission of the seventy-two disciples has a twofold meaning. On the one hand it indicates that the announcing of the kingdom of God was not confined to the twelve apostles: in the Acts we find other missionaries continuing the mission of the seventy-two. On the other hand, for the Jews of Jesus' time the number itself represented the sum of the pagan nations, believed to be seventy-two. It is not a chance happening then that Jesus, several times in his journey to Jerusalem, announces the future salvation of the pagans.

So, we see the seventy-two disciples sent out to conquer the world, they having no hesitations. Here we feel something of the conquering dynamism of the preaching of Christianity under the influence of the Pentecostal word. It is as if the most stable element in that Christianity was the order not to stand still, but always to advance. 'Go further on'! a pope replied to a missionary bishop who asked him how he should develop his diocese. The Church is still only that part of humankind where Christ has begun to find himself at home: there remain all the others who must yet be gained for him.

The end of the apostolic ministry does not consist in personal success as a preacher but in preparing men for their personal meeting with Christ. The missionary is only Christ's precursor: he works for him, he urges men to receive him, and he it is whom he must let shine through all he does. This is a task of prime importance for which God needs men but which nonetheless he directs. This is why prayer is so closely linked with missionary activity, for in the latter there is a 'beyond' which is God's own acting, transcending and raising the apostolate. To pray is to call on that infinitely great 'power that God has exercised for us believers' (Eph 1:19), it is to bore into the depths of humanity in order to make Christ spring forth.

This Weekend, July 3-4: 7th Sunday of Pentecost

Saturday July 3 at 4:00 p.m.:

- ✠ Bob Sengewalt by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt
- ✠ Mark Fertig by Lou & Charlotte Khourey and Family
- ✠ Deceased of the Matiasek Family: Lorena Matiasek, Nora Fleming, Adele Woodard and Robert Matiasek by Terri Peacock

Sunday, July 4 at 10:30 a.m.: Happy 4th of July

- ✠ Living & Deceased members of the Nicholas & Nimnoom Ghaphery Family and the David Abraham Ghaphery Family
- 🕯 Special Prayer for Nicholas Breit (on his Birthday)
- 🕯 Healing Prayer for Mary Stees by Lou & Charlotte Khourey and Family

Weekday Masses Schedule

Monday July 5: No Mass. Pastor's day off.

Tuesday July 6 at 12:05 p.m.:

- ✠ Living & Deceased of Tom & Judy Brock
- ✠ 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 July 7: No Mass. Pastor's day off.

Thursday July 8 at 12:05 p.m.:

- ✠ Living & Deceased of Tom & Judy Brock
- ✠ Khalil & Sadie & Maria Harb and Annette & Al Togliatti by Jamil Harb (Troy, MI) and GiGi
- ✠ Deceased of the Matiasek Family: Lorena Matiasek, Nora Fleming, Adele Woodard and Robert Matiasek by Terri Peacock

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Friday, July 9: No Mass. Pastor's day off.

Next Weekend, July 10-11: 8th Sunday of Pentecost

Saturday July 10 at 4:00 p.m.:

- ✠ Bob Sengewalt by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt
- ✠ Living & Deceased of Tom & Judy Brock
- ✠ Deceased of the Matiasek Family: Lorena Matiasek, Nora Fleming, Adele Woodard and Robert Matiasek by Terri Peacock

Sunday, July 11 at 10:30 a.m.: Happy 4th of July

- ✠ Bill Dougherty by his wife Carol
- ✠ Living & Deceased of the Duffy, Fadoul and Shedeed Families by Earl & Linda Duffy
- ✠ Dale Seidler Sr. by his wife Nettie and Family
- ✠ Virginia Khourey Bryan (Anniversary) by Lou, Charlotte, Emmalena and Louie Khourey

Lebanese Food Festival (Saturday and Sunday, August 14 and 15)

Out of precaution and for the protection of our volunteers and guests, the Mahrajan Committee decided to have a Lebanese Food Festival similar to last year one. All food and pastries that were served at Oglebay Park during the previous Mahrajans will be prepared and served as take-out only from the Cedar Hall of our church on Saturday and Sunday, August 14 and 15 from 11:30 am until 3:00 pm. If you like to receive a Food Order Form, please ask Msgr. Bakhos.

Mahrajan (Festival) Sponsors (Saturday and Sunday, August 14 and 15)

Msgr. Bakhos and the members of the Parish Council appreciate and compliment the following generous sponsors of the Mahrajan (Festival). Their actions mean lot of love and dedication to keep the spirit of our tradition going for the generations to come. The full list of their memorials and donations will be printed and distributed with every food order on August 14 and 15. May God and the Blessed Mother reward you many folds.

Ron & Kim and Kaitlin Gibbons, Gary Weisner, Frank O'Brien (Wheeling Convention & Visitors Bureau), Dr. Dianna M. Vargo, Frank & Anna Mary Duymich, Dennis & Mary Lee Porter, The Holloway Group of Hazlett, Burt & Watson, Marge John, Al Depto & Mary C. Davis, Drs. Rajai & Nahla Khoury, Cave Club, Mark & Barb McLaughlin, Bill & Tricia Committee, John Palotay, George & Patty Fahey, Robert & Paula Gibbons, John & Dee Shiben, Tom & Judy Brock, Denise Ferris, Mr. & Mrs. Wm Blair, David & Cindy Reasbeck, Jerry McGlumphy & Children, Fran Saseen, Alicia Peklinsky, Pat & Jackie Petros, Matt & Vickie Gompers, Melissa Gibbons, Marc & Debbie Abraham, Paula Perilli, Carol Dougherty, Thomasina Geimer, Millet Fadoul, Joe & Henya Betras, John & Sherri Kalkreuth, Barbara Joseph, Grisell Funeral Home, Mary Stees, Rusty & Annette Wetzal, Angele Mansor, Robert Hetzel, Anonymous, Carolee Bentz, John & Tulane Mensore, Jean Weisner, Linda Hostutler, Dr. Adel & Diane Frenn, Earl & Linda Duffy, George & Susan Saseen, Altmeyer Funeral Homes, Myron & Cynthia Law, Dr. & Mrs. Lawrence Wright, Riesbeck Food Market, John & Rose Palmer DDS, Wheeling National Heritage, Thomas Abraham, Larry & Becky Ferrera, Lisa Breiding, Michael & Nicole Breit, Drs. Maryann Cater and Robert Vawter, Kenny & Nancy Joseph, Maryann Carl, Carol Burkhart,

Sunday Mass one time change (Sunday, August 15)

On Sunday, August 15th, Msgr. Bakhos has to drive three hours to Dayton Ohio to officiate a wedding. Please come and attend morning Mass on that day at 9:00 am instead of 10:30 am so that he can drive and reach his destination without rush. There is no 10:30 a.m. Mass that day. Thanks for your cooperation.

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Birthdays Wishes in the Coming Month:

July 5: Bill Committee
 July 11: Justin Wilson
 July 12: Shaun Hancher
 July 14: Chloe Imer
 July 15: Denny Albaugh
 July 16: Payton Wilson, Pam Obyc
 July 20: Shirley George
 July 22: Grace Klein, Mark Boehm
 July 26: Anna Marie Duymich
 July 30: Dee Shiben, Susan John Burns
 August 2: Rosella C. DeMuth

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)

John Frazier, Danny Albaugh and Rita, 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>	
\$943.00	Sunday Collection
228.00	2 nd collection: Peter’s Pence
350.00	Lebanese Food Festival: Sponsorship toward the
648.00	Lebanese Food Festival: Food sale
\$2169.00	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?***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**Our Decision: What is important?**

As we consider and reflect upon our personal Christianity, Christ is asking us to take the loads and burdens of this life and let Him lighten them as we, in their place, take upon ourselves His yoke -being joined with Him in doing the mighty works of God. As we live out our lives, it will force us to decide which is more important or consequential:

- Signing a spiritual commitment or signing up for lessons?
- Walking the fairways or walking a hospital corridor to visit the sick?
- Tending to the altar flowers or to the home flower bed?
- Painting the bathroom or helping in the church events?

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God has a plan for each of our lives. He asks us to follow Him and trust Him to know what He's doing through us, to us and for us. We must give God some of our time because that is the commodity He uses to work through us.

Wisdom

You Know You Are Addicted to Coffee If:

- 1- You sleep with your eyes open.
- 2- The only time you're standing still is during an earthquake.
- 3- You can take a picture of yourself from ten feet away without using the timer.
- 4- You've worn out your third pair of tennis shoes this week.
- 5- Your eyes stay open when you sneeze.
- 6- The nurse needs a scientific calculator to take your pulse.
- 7- You're so jittery that people use your hands to blend their margaritas.
- 8- You can type sixty words per minute with your feet.
- 9- You can jump-start your car without cables.
- 10- You don't sweat, you percolate.
- 11- You walk twenty miles on your treadmill before you realize it's not plugged in.
- 12- You've built a miniature city out of little plastic stirrers.
- 13- People get dizzy just watching you.
- 14- Instant coffee takes too long.
- 15- You channel surf faster without a remote.
- 16- You have a picture of your coffee mug on your coffee mug.
- 17- You can outlast the Energizer bunny.
- 18- You short out motion detectors.
- 19- Your nervous twitch registers on the Richter scale.
- 20- You help your dog chase its tail.
- 21- Your first-aid kit contains two pints of coffee with an I.V. hookup.
- 22- You ski uphill.
- 23- You get a speeding ticket even when you're parked.
- 24- You haven't blinked since the last lunar eclipse.

Story: Heaven

An 85-year-old couple had been married for 60 years. Though they were far from rich, they managed to get by because they watched their pennies.

Though not young, they were both in very good health, largely due to the wife's insistence on healthy foods and exercise for the last decade. One day their good health didn't help when they went on a rare vacation and their plane crashed, sending them off to Heaven.

They reached the Pearly Gates and Saint Peter escorted them inside. He took them to a beautiful mansion furnished in gold and fine silks with a fully stocked kitchen and a waterfall in the master bath. A maid could be seen hanging their favorite clothes in the closet. They gasped in astonishment when he said, "Welcome to Heaven. This will be your home now."

The old man asked Peter how much all this was going to cost. "Why, nothing," Peter replied, "Remember, this is your reward in Heaven." The old man looked out the window and right there he saw a championship golf course, finer and more beautiful than any ever built on Earth. "What are the greens fees?" grumbled the old man. "This is heaven," St. Peter replied. "You play for free, every day...."

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Next, they went to the clubhouse and saw the lavish buffet lunch with every imaginable cuisine laid out before them from seafood to steaks to exotic deserts, free flowing beverages.

"Don't even ask," said St. Peter to the man. "This is Heaven, it is all free for you to enjoy."

The old man looked around and glanced nervously at his wife.

"Well, where are the low fat and low cholesterol foods and the decaffeinated tea?" he asked. "That's the best part," St. Peter replied. "You can eat and drink as much as you like of whatever you like and you will never get fat or sick. This is Heaven!"

The old man pushed, "No gym to work out at?" "Not unless you want to," was the answer. "No testing my sugar or blood pressure or..." "Never again. All you do here is enjoy yourself."

The old man glared at his wife and said, "You and your bran flakes. We could have been here 10 years ago!"

A Time to Laugh (512)

Dead Excuse

A young Palermo man arrested for stealing a car had the year's most novel excuse. He'd found the automobile in front of a cemetery, he explained, and thought the owner was dead.

Clever Excuses

As a teenage boy was trying to sneak his date back into her home-very late-they were met by a very angry father at the head of the stairs. He boomed out, "Young man, didn't I hear the clock strike four when you brought my daughter home?"

The clever boy replied, "Yes, sir, you did. It was going to strike eleven, but I grabbed it and held the gong so it wouldn't disturb you."

The father muttered, "Doggone it! Why didn't I think of that in my day?"

Defensive speeding

One man gave the perfect reason for speeding when he was pulled over by a state highway patrolman. He said, "But officer, I wasn't speeding; I was just trying to stay a safe distance ahead of that truck in back of me."

Can we deceive God?

When our son was in grade school, his route home from school each day took him by an irrigation canal. Because it is not uncommon for youngsters to drown in open waterways, he had been instructed repeatedly not to play around the canal on his way home. One afternoon Jimmy came in later than usual. His pants were wet and muddy, and he was carrying his shoes. He obviously had been in the forbidden canal.

His mother asked the expected question: "Have you been in the canal?"

He had obviously prepared himself for this interrogation and answered, "Yes, ma'am, but I didn't do it on purpose. I just fell in accidentally."

Based on the evidence at hand, his mother then asked, "How is it that if you fell in accidentally, you didn't get your shoes and socks wet?" Quick as a wink, he came back, "Well, I just barely had time to get 'em off before I hit the water!"

Seeing-Eye Chihuahua

A guy with a Doberman pinscher said to a guy with a Chihuahua, "Let's go over to that restaurant and get something to eat."

The guy with the Chihuahua said, "We can't go in there. We have dogs with us."

"Just follow my lead," said the guy with the Doberman.

So they walked over to the restaurant, and the guy with the Doberman put on a pair of dark glasses and started to enter.

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"Sorry, no pets allowed," said the doorman.

The Doberman owner said, "You don't understand. This is my seeing-eye dog."

"A Doberman pinscher?"

"Yes, they're using them now; they're very good."

"Come on in, then," said the doorman.

The guy with the Chihuahua figured, "Oh well, why not?" So he put on a pair of dark glasses and started to walk in.

"Sorry, pal, no pets allowed," said the doorman.

The Chihuahua owner said, "You don't understand. This is my seeing-eye dog."

"A Chihuahua?"

"What?" said the guy. "You mean they gave me a Chihuahua?"