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## Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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### 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost

**\*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

## *10<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost*

Readings: 1 Cor 12:1-11 and Mt 12:22-32

Here is an episode in the ministry of Jesus which will not fail to shock us. His mother and his cousins come to Capernaum in order to take charge of him, convinced he was out of his mind'. Is his family blind at this point? Does it realize that it is standing in the way of the Messiah and is trying to stop him from accomplishing his mission?

To understand, one must realize that the first thirty years of Jesus were passed among the common places of an ordinary life. How could they suddenly accept the fact that the one they had known at close quarters was now going round the country making exorbitant claims for himself and correcting the law and various venerable institutions? In truth, this zeal for his Father's house had nothing reasonable about it, and it was understandable that his family should feel worried. He was to disconcert his neighbors and friends more and more. In the end it would be the supreme folly, that of the cross, into which he would draw them all. Mary and some close companions will be at Calvary: they would have needed time to accept what was happening, and even more time to understand.

The scribes cannot be excused so easily: their peremptory judgment is grave and disquieting. There is no doubt in Mark's mind: he sees it as blasphemy against the Holy Spirit, the gravity of which derives from the fact that in this case it is not just an error with regard to the person and quality of Jesus, but a positive and deliberate refusal of grace and revelation. To call the Son of God Satan is to exclude oneself from salvation.

Today the dilemma is posed again: for or against Christ? One needs to be a little mad to follow him, not too reasonable if one wishes to be counted among his true kin: such a relationship finds family and home in him.

### ***This Weekend, July 24-25: 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost***

#### **Saturday July 24 at 4:00 p.m.:**

- ✠ Bob Sengewalt by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt
- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Will
- ✠ Healing Prayers for a Special Intention

#### **Sunday, July 25 at 10:30 a.m.:**

- ✠ George Weisner (Anniversary) by his wife Jean and Children
- ✠ Susie Fadoul by Dorothy & Chuck McKee
- ✠ Jim Henglen (Anniversary) and Susie Fadoul by Millet Fadoul & Family

### ***Weekday Masses Schedule***

**Monday July 26: No Mass. Pastor's day off.**

#### **Tuesday July 27 at 12:05 p.m.:**

- ✠ Organist Evelyn Ghaphery by Sam Nazaro
- ✠ 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 28: No Mass. Pastor's day off.**

#### **Thursday July 29 at 12:05 p.m.:**

- ✠ Bob Sengewalt by his grandchildren: Jeff, Courtney and Patrick Sengewalt
- ✠ 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

**Friday, July 30: No Mass. Pastor's day off.**

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## ***Next Weekend, July 31-August 1: 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost***

### **Saturday July 31 at 4:00 p.m.:**

- ✠ William Bentz (Birthday) and Susie Fadoul by Millet Fadoul
- ✠ George Weisner (Anniversary) by his wife Jean and Family
- ✠ Prayers for Special Intentions

### **Sunday, August 1 at 10:30 a.m.:**

- ✠ Living & Deceased members of the Nicholas & Nimnoom Ghaphery Family and the David Abraham Ghaphery Family
- ✠ Organist Evelyn Ghaphery by Carol Dougherty

## ***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 Shibben, 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 Wetzel, 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, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Sofka, Nick Ghaphery, Michael & Kathryn Kelly, Don & Lori Nickerson, Chris & Jeannette Wakim, Vickie Joseph, Tom & Sharon Beatty, Mary Seabright-Lish, Rose Hankish, Nettie Seidler, Mary Beth Weisner, Ron & Susan Burns, Dave & Debbie Sengewalt,**

## ***Sunday Mass one time change*** (Sunday, August 15)

On Sunday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, 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.

## ***Birthdays Wishes in the Coming Month:***

July 26: Anna Marie Duymich

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July 30: Dee Shiben, Susan John Burns  
 August 2: Rosella C. DeMuth  
 August 7: Rita Strawn  
 August 10: Kory Bratton, Thomasina Geimer  
 August 14: Mary Thomas  
 August 16: Tara George Musilli  
 August 17: Judy Bedway  
 August 20: Tricia Committee  
 August 23: Georgene Weisner Manning  
 August 25: Al Depto

### ***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, 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 Kourey), Justin Frenn, Elia Frenn, John Shiben, Patty Fahey, Fred Schweizer (brother of our organist Mary Lee Porter), Barbara Hostage, Phil Geimer,

<b><i>Your Church Support Last Week</i></b>	
\$989.00	Sunday Collection
60.00	Candles
1,130.00	Donation to church in memory of Evelyn Ghaphery
280.00	Donation to the church
1,464.00	Lebanese Food Festival: Food Sale
650.00	Lebanese Food Festival: Sponsorships
30.00	utilities
\$4,603.00	Total Deposits: <i>May God reward you abundantly for supporting your spiritual home!</i> Finance Committee: Lou Kourey, Mary Stees, Linda Duffy, Susan Burns, Liz Murad

### ***What's New?***

#### ***Rummage Sale Information*** (Saturday, July 31 from 8:00 am until 2:00 pm)

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.

Open to the public on Saturday, July 31 from 8:00 am until 2:00 pm

Antiques, jewelry, housewares, toys, seasonal decorations, glassware, books, purses and more.

Treasures for everyone. Please masks optional.

For any questions call Linda (304) 242-6853

#### ***Parish Condolences: Latif Thomas***

The pastor and the parishioners of Our Lady of Lebanon Church, offer their heartfelt sympathy to the Thomas Family on the loss of their beloved Latif who passed away in Lexington, KY. May the Blessed Mother intercede for him and lead him to the light of Christ. We extend the parish's condolences to his Family in their time of sorrow. Our Lady of Lebanon church is so grateful to Latif Thomas' family for directing all memorial contributions toward the Maintenance of the church. May his Memory be eternal. AMEN

***Spirituality: Grace***

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God never refuses grace to those who honestly ask for it. All He asks is that the vague thirst for the Infinite which has urged the soul on to seek its good in a succession of pleasures shall now be transformed into a thirst for God Himself. All we need do is to voice these two petitions: Dear Lord, illumine my intellect to see the Truth, and give me the strength to follow it. It is a prayer that is *always* answered. And it makes no difference whether the desire for God we voice has come from our disgust, satieties, and despair or whether it is born of our love of the beautiful, the perfect. God is willing to take either our old bones or our young dreams, for He loves us, not because of the way we are, but because of what we can be through His grace.

*Bishop Fulton SHEEN, Peace of Soul, 1949, p.241.*

## ***Wisdom: Stop Complaining***

Although things are not perfect, Because of trial or pain;  
Continue in thanksgiving, Do not begin to blame.  
Even when the times are hard, Fierce winds are bound to blow;  
God is forever able, Hold on to what you know.  
Imagine life without His love, Joy would cease to be;  
Keep thanking Him for all the things, Love imparts to thee.  
Move out of "Camp Complaining", No weapon that is known;  
On earth can yield the power, Praise can do alone.  
Quit looking at the future, Redeem the time at hand;  
Start every day with worship, To "thank" is a command.

## ***Story: When Hell Freezes***

Temperature Conversion Chart

60 Above: New Jerseyites try to turn on the heat, People in Minnesota plant gardens.  
50 Above: Californians shiver uncontrollably, People in Minnesota Sunbathe.  
40 Above: Italian and English cars won't start, People in Minnesota drive with the windows down.  
32 Above: Distilled water freezes, Lake *Mille Lacs* water gets thicker.  
20 Above: Floridians don coats, thermal underwear, gloves and woolly hats, People in Minnesota throw on a flannel shirt.  
15 Above: Philadelphia landlords finally turn up the heat, People in Minnesota have the last cookout before it gets too cold.  
Zero: People in Miami all die, Minnesotans lick the flagpole.  
20 Below: Iowans fly away to Mexico, People in Minnesota get out their winter coats.  
40 Below: Hollywood disintegrates, the Girl Scouts in Minnesota are selling cookies door to door.  
60 Below: Polar bears begin to evacuate the Arctic, Minnesota Boy Scouts postpone classes until it gets cold enough.  
80 Below: Mt. St. Helen's freezes, people in Minnesota rent some videos.  
100 Below: Santa Claus abandons the North Pole, Minnesotans get frustrated because they can't thaw the keg.  
297 Below: Microbial life no longer survives on dairy Products, cows in Minnesota complain about farmers with cold hands.  
460 Below: All atomic motion stops (absolute zero on the Kelvin Scale), people in Minnesota start saying "cold nuff for ya?"  
500 Below: Hell freezes over, the Minnesota Vikings win the Super Bowl.

## ***A Time to Laugh (515)***

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## ***Anything for a Grade***

Early in the semester a student stopped by during the professor's office hours.

He bid her enter.

She glanced up and down the hall, stepped in, closed the door and said, "I would do anything to pass this class." She stepped closer to his desk, flipped back her hair, and gazed into his eyes. "I mean," she whispered, "I would do ... anything."

He returned her gaze. "Anything?"

"Anything!" she replied.

The professor's voice dropped to a whisper, and he said, "Would you... study?"

## ***Really Dead Debtors***

My sermon for the morning was on the fifth petition of the Lord's Prayer: "Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors." The children are always excused just before my sermon for their own children's church, where the leaders use my text for their lesson. So during the course of the session they asked the children, "What is a debtor?"

Rachel, a five-year-old, responded, "It's someone who is really, really dead. There's dead and then there's really, really dead."

## ***Her Own Way***

Only two things are necessary to keep one's wife happy: One is to let her think she is having her own way; the other is to let her have it.

## ***On the Losing Side***

A ten-year-old boy answered the doorbell at his home one day. When he opened it, he discovered a strange man on the porch.

The man said, "Son, you don't know me, do you?"

The boy agreed that he did not know the man.

The man replied, "Well, I am your uncle on your father's side.

To this the young fellow replied, "Well, I'm glad to meet you, but you are certainly on the losing side."