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Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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Consecration of the Church

***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

Consecration of the Church

Readings: Heb 9:1-12 and Mt 16:13-20

There is one God, and one Christ, and his Church one, and the faith one, and a people joined in solid oneness of body by a cementing concord. Unity cannot be sundered, nor can one body be divided by a dissolution of its structure, nor be cast piecemeal abroad with vitals torn and lacerated. Parted from the womb, nothing can live and breathe in its separated state; it loses its principle of health. The Holy Spirit warns us and says, *“What man is he that lusted to live, and would fain see good days? Refrain your tongue from evil and your lips that they speak no guile. Eschew evil and do good, seek peace and ensue it.”* Peace ought the son of peace to seek and to ensue; he who understands and cherishes the bond of charity, should refrain his tongue from the evil of dissent. Among his divine commands and saving instructions, the Lord now nigh to passion spoke this beside, *“Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you.”* This is the legacy that Christ has given us; all the gifts and rewards that he foretokens to us, he promises to the preserving of peace. If we are Christ’s heirs, let us abide in the peace of Christ; if we are sons of God we ought to be peacemakers; *“Blessed,”* he says, *“are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the sons of God.”* The sons of God ought to be peacemakers, mild in heart, simple in word, agreed in feelings, faithfully entwining one with another by links of unanimity. Under the apostles of old there was this oneness of mind; it was thus that the new congregation of believers, keeping the commandments of the Lord, preserved its charity. Divine scripture proves it, which says, *“The multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul.”* and again; *“These all continued with one mind in prayer with the women, and Mary the Mother of Jesus, and with his brethren.”* Therefore they prayed with effectual prayers, and were with confidence enabled to obtain whatsoever they required of the Lord’s mercy.

--St Cyprian, *On the Unity of the Church*.

This Weekend, Nov. 6-7: Consecration of the Church

Saturday November 6 at 4:00 p.m.:

- ✠ Bob Sengewalt by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt
- ✠ Deceased Family members of Rosella Saseen and Sylvia Long by their Last Will.
- ✠ Special Intentions of A Friend

Sunday, November 7 at 10:30 a.m.:

- ✠ Living & Deceased members of the Nicholas & Nimnoom Ghaphery Family and the David Abraham Ghaphery Family
- ✠ Larry Breiding (Anniversary) by his grandson Dalton and Deceased of Nassar & Hassan families

Weekday Masses Schedule

Monday November 8: No Mass. Pastor’s day off.

Tuesday November 9 at 12:05 p.m.:

- ✠ Elizabeth Ferris Magnone (Birthday) by Mary Zaid Stees and Libby G. Magnone
- ✠ Simon & Lottie George
- ✠ Deceased Family members of Rosella Saseen and Sylvia Long by their Last Will.

Wednesday November 10: No Mass. Pastor’s day off.

Thursday November 11 at 12:05 p.m.:

- ✠ Jerbear McGlumphy Jr. (Anniversary) by Jerry McGlumphy & Children
- ✠ Living & Deceased of Tom & Judy Brock Jr.

Friday, November 12: No Mass. Pastor’s day off.

Next Weekend, Nov. 13-14: Renewal of the Church

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Saturday November 13 at 4:00 p.m.:

✠ Living & Deceased of Tom & Judy Brock Jr.

✠ Special Intentions of A Friend

Sunday, November 14 at 10:30 a.m.:

✠ Joseph A. Benline by his wife Helen

✠ Bill Dougherty by his wife Carol

30th Anniversary to the Priesthood (Sunday, Dec. 19 after 10: 30 am Mass)

This year, Msgr. Bakhos reached his 70th Birthday (February 9th) and his 30th Anniversary to the priesthood will be on (December 21). He was ordained in Sydney, Australia on December 21, 1991. He designed the church of Saint Joseph in Croydon -which is a suburb of Sydney, Australia- and he handled the building project to the parish council over there before he moved to the United States in 1994. He served in Lawrence (Massachusetts), Dayton (Ohio), St. Paul (Minnesota), in many Missions and he spent the last 20 years serving Our Lady of Lebanon in Wheeling. A brunch will be served on Sunday, December 19th following the 10:30 am Mass at the Cedar Hall. All parishioners and Friends are cordially invited to attend. Please call Linda at 304-242-6853 and let her know how many guests are attending so that the ladies can prepare food for everyone. Please plan to attend because Msgr. Bakhos likes to see you there.

Birthdays Wishes in the Coming Month:

November 9: Liz Murad, Cindy Thomas

November 11: Ryan Murad

November 15: Rena Bratton

November 24: Rex Strawn

November 26: Mary Lish

December 3: Joey John

December 7: Christina Committee Zdilla

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)

Carol Dougherty, Shirley George, Harper Musilli, John Frazier, Dennis Porter, Mary Stees, Diane Palotay, Rex & Rita Strawn, Nick & Judy Bedway, 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 Shibben, Patty Fahey, Fred Schweizer (brother of our organist Mary Lee Porter), Barbara Hostage, Phil Geimer, Anthony Chockery, Ted Olinski & Family, Corey Armstran,

<i>Your Church Support Last Week</i>	
\$1,268.00	Sunday Collection
360.00	Bulletin ads
43.00	Candles
4,393.00	Thanksgiving Lebanese food sale
\$6,064.00	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?

Many Thanks

To our Heating and Cooling Jay Murad who is taking care of our church. He is doing an excellent Job. We advise all our parishioners and friends to call him at 304-281-6241 when needed.

Bulletin Ads

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If you wish to place a memorial Ad or business Ad on the back of our 2022 weekly church bulletin, please contact Msgr. Bakhos 304-233-1688 or Charlotte 304-639-1372 for more information.

Help needed to sanitize pews

Dear parishioners,

Our goal is to protect you inside and outside the church. We are asking for two volunteers after every Mass to help sanitizing the pews and railings and door handles, etc. Please stay after Mass in the church for five minutes and join those who are sanitizing. May the Blessed Mother protect you and reward you. Msgr Bakhos

2022 Mahrajan (Festival) (Sunday, August 14, 2022)

Dear Parishioners, The Mahrajan committee decided to have the 2022 Mahrajan at Oglebay Park on Sunday, August 14, 2022. There will be only one day festival instead of two. More details will be published in the coming bulletins.

Spirituality: Just checking in

A minister passing through his church
In the middle of the day,
Decided to pause by the altar
And see who had come to pray.
Just then the back door opened,
A man came down the aisle,
The minister frowned as he saw
The man hadn't shaved in a while.
His shirt was kinda shabby
And his coat was worn and frayed,
The man knelt, he bowed his head,
Then rose and walked away.
In the days that followed,
Each noon time came this chap,
Each time he knelt just for a moment,
A lunch pail in his lap.
Well, the minister's suspicions grew,
With robbery a main fear,
He decided to stop the man and ask him,
"What are you doing here?"
The old man said, he worked down the road.
Lunch was half an hour
Lunchtime was his prayer time,
For finding strength and power.
"I stay only moments, see,
Because the factory is so far away;
As I kneel here talking to the Lord,
This is kinda what I say:
"I JUST CAME AGAIN TO TELL YOU, LORD,
HOW HAPPY I'VE BEEN, SINCE WE FOUND EACH
OTHER'S FRIENDSHIP AND YOU TOOK AWAY MY SIN.
DON'T KNOW MUCH OF HOW TO PRAY,
BUT I THINK ABOUT YOU EVERYDAY.
SO, JESUS, THIS IS JIM CHECKING IN TODAY."

The minister feeling foolish,
Told Jim, that was fine.
He told the man he was welcome
To come and pray just anytime.
Time to go, Jim smiled, said "Thanks."
He hurried to the door.
The minister knelt at the altar,
He'd never done it before.
His cold heart melted, warmed with love,
And met with Jesus there.
As the tears flowed, in his heart,
He repeated old Jim's prayer ...
Past noon one day, the minister noticed
That old Jim hadn't come.
As more days passed without Jim,
He began to worry some.
At the factory, he asked about him,
Learning he was ill.
The hospital staff was worried,
But he'd given them a thrill.
The week that Jim was with them,
Brought changes in the ward.
His smiles, a joy contagious.
Changed people, were his reward.
The head nurse couldn't understand
Why Jim was so glad,
When no flowers, calls or cards came,
Not a visitor he had.
The minister stayed by his bed,
He voiced the nurse's concern:
No friends came to show they cared.
He had nowhere to turn.

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Looking surprised, old Jim spoke up And with a winsome smile; "the nurse is wrong, she couldn't know, That in here all the while everyday at noon He's here, a dear friend of mine, you see, He sits right down, takes my hand, Leans over and says to me:

"I JUST CAME AGAIN TO TELL YOU, JIM, HOW HAPPY I HAVE BEEN, SINCE WE FOUND THIS FRIENDSHIP, AND I TOOK AWAY YOUR SIN. ALWAYS LOVE TO HEAR YOU PRAY, I THINK ABOUT YOU EACH DAY, AND SO JIM, THIS IS JESUS CHECKING IN TODAY."

Wisdom: Dust if you must

Dust if you must but wouldn't it be better
 To paint a picture or write a letter,
 Bake a cake or plant a seed.
 Ponder the difference between want and need.
 Dust if you must but there's not much time,
 With rivers to swim and mountains to climb!
 Music to hear and books to read,
 Friends to cherish and life to lead.
 Dust if you must but the world's out there
 With the sun in your eyes, the wind in your hair,
 A flutter of snow, a shower of rain.
 This day will not come around again.
 Dust if you must but bear in mind,
 Old age will come and it's not kind.
 And when you go and go you must,
 You, yourself, will make more dust.
 Remember, a house becomes a home when
 you can write, "I love you" on the furniture....

Story: Do you believe in God?

if someone had a gun held in front of your face and asked you if you believe in God, what would you do? Say no and feel ashamed the rest of your life, or say yes, I do, and die standing up for God?

This is a true article that was printed in a southern newspaper less than a year ago. Take a deep breath before reading this.

There was an atheist couple who had a child. The couple never told their daughter anything about the Lord. One night when the little girl was 5 years old, the parents fought with each other and the dad shot the Mom, right in front of the child. Then, the dad shot himself. The little girl watched it all. She then was sent to a foster home. The foster mother was a Christian and took the child to church.

On the first day of Sunday School, the foster mother told the teacher that the girl had never heard of Jesus, and to have patience with her. The teacher held up a picture of Jesus and said, "Does anyone know who this is?" The little girl said, "I do, that's the man who was holding me the night my parents died."

If you believe this little girl is telling the truth that even though she had never heard of Jesus, he still held her the night her parents died.

A Time to Laugh (530)

Air Glutton

It has been said that the first Scotsman to use free air at a service station blew out four tires.

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Let's Talk Aggravation

Hardly anything is as upsetting as picking up a lunch check for someone who is too rich to carry money.

Why Jesus Walked on Water

A Scotsman was traveling in the Holy Land on a vacation when he came to the Sea of Galilee. Inquiring the price of a pleasure boat in which he might see the sights, he found it was five dollars per hour.

"Five dollars per hour?" he exclaimed. "Why, I rent a boat in Aberdeen for less than half as much."

"Ah, but this is Palestine," replied the boatman, "and these are the waters on which our Lord walked."

"No wonder he walked!" said the Scotsman in disgust.

Psychic Frog Line

It is not always in our best interest to know the future. A frog called a psychic hotline for frogs. The phone psychic told the frog that he was about to meet a beautiful young woman who would want to know all she could about him.

The frog was excited to hear this news and asked the psychi "When will I meet this beautiful woman?"

The psychic answered, "You will meet her next week."

"And where will we meet?" the frog probed.

The psychic hesitated and then told the frog, "You will meet this woman in her biology class."

Math Tax

The lottery is a tax on people who are bad at math.

The Loser Is Five Bucks Richer

Two old men were sitting around talking, and the first one said, "Let's go get some lottery tickets. The jackpot is up to thirty million."

The second old guy said, "I don't buy those things."

"But that's a whole pile of money. Don't you think it's worth spending five bucks to win?" asked the first.

The second old guy said, "No! You've only got a 1 in 5.4 million chance to win. That puts the odds of proving you're a loser at almost 100 percent."

"Well, not playing at all makes you an automatic loser," answered the first.

"That's okay," said the second guy. "At least I'll still have my five bucks."

Psychic Limitations

How come you never see a headline that reads: "PSYCHIC WINS LOTTERY"?

Were You Gambling?

A rabbi, a minister, and a priest were playing poker when the police raided the game. Turning to the priest, a police officer asked, "Father O'Connor, were you gambling?"

Turning his eyes to heaven, the priest whispered, "Lord, forgive me for what I am about to do." To the police officer, he then said, "No, Officer; I was not gambling."

The officer then asked the Protestant minister, "Pastor . Thompson, were you gambling?"

Again, after an appeal to heaven, the minister replied, "No, Officer; I was not gambling."

Turning to the rabbi, the officer asked, "Rabbi Epstein, were you gambling?"

Shrugging his shoulders, the rabbi replied, "With whom?"