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Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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Renewal 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

Renewal of the Church

Readings: Heb 9:11-15 and Jn 10:22-42

It is also said that the sheep heed the Shepherd, because they know his voice. It is true that men recognize Christ's call and respond to it? In one sense it must be, for he has said so; yet much in me qualifies the statement. Actually, I respond much more readily to the call of "THE OTHERS"; I neither really understand Christ's summons nor follow it. Therefore, in order that I may hear, he must not only speak, but also open my ears to his voice. Part of me, the profoundest part, listens to it, but superficial, loud contradiction often overpowers it. The opponents with whom God must struggle in order to win us are not primarily "THE OTHERS", but ourselves; we bar his way. The wolf who puts the hireling to fight is not only outside; he is also within. We are the arch-enemy of our own salvation, and the Shepherd must fight first of all with us -for us.

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

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

- ✠ Living & Deceased of Tom & Judy Brock Jr.
- ✠ Special Intentions of George & Patty Fahey on their 50th Wedding Anniversary

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

- ✠ Joseph A. Benline by his wife Helen
- ✠ Bill Dougherty by his wife Carol

Weekday Masses Schedule

Monday November 15: No Mass. Pastor's day off.

Tuesday November 16 at 12:05 p.m.:

- ✠ Living & Deceased of Tom & Judy Brock Jr.
- ✠ Deceased Family members of Rosella Saseen and Sylvia Long by their Last Will.

Wednesday November 17: No Mass. Pastor's day off.

Thursday November 18 at 12:05 p.m.:

- ✠ Emily Vince (Birthday) by her Children and Grandchildren
- ✠ Living & Deceased of Tom & Judy Brock Jr.

Friday, November 19: No Mass. Pastor's day off.

Next Weekend, Nov. 20-21: Announcement to Zechariah

Saturday November 20 at 4:00 p.m.:

- ✠ George Joseph (Birthday) by Larry & Becky Ferrera
- ✠ Josephine Ferris (Birthday) by Mary Zaid Stees and Libby G. Magnone
- ✠ Special Intentions of A Friend

Sunday, November 21 at 10:30 a.m.:

- ✠ Harry Seabright, Ernest, Edwin and Frank Lish (Anniversary) by Mary Seabright Lish and Family
- ✠ Dale Seidler Sr. by his wife Nettie and Family
- ✠ John T. & Cecilia John by their Loving Children: David, Tom, Greg, Maryann, Susan and Families

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

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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 15: Rena Bratton
 November 24: Rex Strawn
 November 26: Mary Lish
 December 3: Joey John
 December 7: Christina Committee Zdilla
 December 12: Lou Khourey

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)

Mark Boehm, 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 Khourey), 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> | |
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| \$2,417.00 | Sunday Collection |
| 600.00 | Bulletin ads |
| 42.00 | Candles |
| 500.00 | Donation to the church |
| 304.00 | utilities |
| 1,567.00 | Thanksgiving Lebanese food sale |
| \$5,430.00 | 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?

Register to Vote in Lebanon election

If you a Lebanese national holding an identity card or valid passport, you are eligible to vote in the coming parliament election. Please make sure that you must register before Saturday, November 20th, 2021. For more information, please ask Msgr. Bakhos or call at 304-233-1688

Bulletin Ads

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

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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:

Mortification is based, not on hatred, but on preference. The mother sacrifices the bloom in her cheek to put it on the cheek of an infant daughter; the scholar surrenders any hope he held for the development of his muscles; the moral life demands our saying: "No" to false ideals that glorifies power and egotism. It is quite a wrong thing, therefore, to say that you "give up" something during Lent. Our Lord never asked us to give up something; He asked us to exchange: "***What exchange shall you give for your soul?***" When someone is in love with God, he finds that there are some things he can get along without (his own pleasure), and something else he cannot get along without, namely, the peace of soul that comes from obeying God's Will. So he exchanges the one for the other, surrenders the lesser good to gain a Kingdom. He makes such a series of profitable exchanges every day he lives.

Love of God thus becomes the dominant passion of life; like every other worthwhile love, it demands and inspires sacrifice. But love of God and man, as an ideal, has lately been replaced by the new ideal of tolerance that inspires no sacrifices. Why should any human being in the world be merely tolerated? What human has ever made a sacrifice in the name of tolerance? It leads people, instead, to express their own egotism in a book or a lecture that patronizes the downtrodden group. One of the cruelest things that can happen to a human being is to be tolerated. Never once did Our Lord say: "Tolerate your enemies!" But He did say: "***Love your enemies; do good to them that hate you***" (Mt 5:44). Such love can be achieved only if we deliberately curb our fallen nature's animosities. --*Bishop Fulton SHEEN, Peace of Soul, 1949, p.187.*

Wisdom:

Did you know that an eagle knows when a storm is approaching long before it breaks? The eagle will fly to some high spot and wait for the winds to come. When the storm hits, it sets its wings so that the wind will pick it up and lift it above the storm. While the storm rages below, the eagle is soaring above it. The eagle does not escape the storm. It simply uses the storm to lift it higher. It rises on the winds that bring the storm. When the storms of life come upon us - and all of us will experience them - we can rise above them by setting our minds and our belief toward God. The storms do not have to overcome us. We can allow God's power to lift us above them.

God enables us to ride the winds of the storm that bring sickness, tragedy, failure and disappointment in our lives. We can soar above the storm. Remember, it is not the burdens of life that weigh us down, it is how we handle them.

The Bible says, "*Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles.*" (Isaiah 40:31)

Story:

Fred hated school. Having grown up on a farm near Alliston, Ontario, Fred was a good worker but felt uncomfortable and unaccepted in a town school. Although he tried hard, he was not a good student. In order to graduate, he had to repeat some of his exams. An academic career just did not seem to be in the cards for Fred but he had a persistent streak.

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After graduation, he began studies to become a minister. When that did not go well, he changed his goal to medicine, working strenuously to become an orthopedic surgeon. World War I arrived, and the great need for field medics facilitated the early graduation of many doctors, including Fred.

After the War, the young Canadian doctor returned home to set up his practice. To his dismay, business was slow to nonexistent. He waited a whole month before treating his first patient, and his payment was the grand sum of four dollars! Fred had so much time on his hands as he waited for patients to materialize that he whiled away the hours reading medical journals. He began to focus on articles on diabetes, a disease that had claimed the life of a neighbor's child.

Realizing that research might solve the problem of this disease, Fred decided he needed a laboratory. He approached Dr. J. J. R. Macleod at the University of Toronto. Dr. Macleod was initially uninterested - he figured Fred knew nothing about research and refused to waste laboratory facilities on him. But Fred stubbornly persisted and eventually convinced Dr. Macleod to support him. In 1920, Fred happily entered a poorly equipped laboratory and was given a young assistant named Charles Best.

In those days there was no support in the medical and scientific communities for an unknown surgeon's research. Fred and his assistant were given lab animals left over from other scientists' studies. But they dedicated themselves to working long hours without pay, and Fred even sold his car to finance the needed experiments. Dr. Macleod soon grew more interested in the team's work, and he eventually became involved in the research.

Fred and Charles worked day and night, but early results in producing the hormone preparation they called insulin were discouraging. Many of the animals they treated died, but finally, one animal survived for several weeks. The team appeared to be finally getting somewhere and it was time to move on to human subjects. Before treating human patients, however, Fred and Charles tested the safety of their insulin on each other. Their tests were a resounding success.

The first patient to be treated with Fred and Charles's insulin formulation was a fourteen-year-old boy named Leonard. The year was 1921. For two years, Leonard had been on the "Allen diet" - a starvation diet for diabetics that allowed only 450 calories a day. The poor boy weighed only seventy-five pounds, and he was barely alive. But the new insulin treatment administered by Fred and Charles was a great success. Leonard gained weight, and his health dramatically improved. History shows that Leonard, the very first insulin patient, actually lived to adulthood.

By now, interest in insulin was growing rapidly. Charles Best developed methods for quick, large-scale production, and by the end of 1922, diabetics from all over the world were coming to Toronto for treatment. It had been only two short years from the first, rudimentary experiments with animals to the successful widespread treatment of diabetics.

In 1923, the Nobel Prize in Medicine was awarded jointly to Canadian Doctors Frederick Banting and J. J. R. Macleod. In keeping with his character, Fred gave half of his \$20,000 prize money to his assistant and friend, Charles Best. Fred put his share of the money right back into research, establishing the Banting Research Foundation and the Banting Institute at the University of Toronto.

Fred could have made himself a millionaire with his discovery. Instead, he sold his patent for the production of insulin to the University of Toronto - for one dollar - so that the drug could be marketed cheaply and thousands of lives could be saved and improved.

Since 1922, millions of lives worldwide have been saved by insulin, and because of Fred, diabetics are able to live normal lives where before it was impossible.

Fred - Dr. Frederick - was just an ordinary man in many respects, but he was a man with a vision and the stubborn will to pursue his goal. He had the heart of a true Canadian hero.

A Time to Laugh (531)

ATM Winnings

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A young girl went with her mother to get some money from an automated teller machine. The mother helped her daughter push the correct account numbers and personal identification numbers. When she finished entering the numbers, the money came out of the tray.

This was the first time the young girl had seen this, and she was quite excited. She screamed, "Look, Mommy! We hit the jackpot!"

Men and Computers

Men are like computers: hard to figure out and they never have enough memory.

Simply Irresistible

A guy was walking along the beach when he came across a lamp. He picked it up, rubbed it, and, of course, a genie popped out. The genie told his new master he would grant the man three wishes.

"First," the guy began, "I'd like a million dollars." *Poof!* A million dollars was suddenly showing on his checkbook balance.

"Second," he continued, "I'd like a new Mercedes." *Poof!* A Mercedes appeared right in front of him.

"Third," the guy smirked, "I'd like to be irresistible to women." *Poof!* He turned into a box of chocolates.

Of Cats and Men

I've never understood why women love cats. Cats are independent; they don't listen; and they don't come in when you call them. They like to stay out all night, and when they do come home, they expect to be fed; then want to be left alone to sleep. In other words, every quality that women dislike in a man, they love in a cat.

Better Verbal Skills

A study in *The Washington Post* says that women have better verbal skills than men. I just want to say to the authors of that study: Duh! --Conan O'Brien

Quick Wit

A tourist traveling down a country road in the Deep South passed a young boy walking down the road wearing only one shoe.

The tourist stopped the car and asked the boy, "You lose a shoe?"

"Nope," the boy replied, "just found one."

Gift Wrap It?

After spending over three hours enduring the long lines, surly clerks, and insane regulations at the Department of Motor Vehicles, I stopped at a toy store to pick up a gift for my son. I brought my selection – a baseball bat – to the cash register.

"Cash or charge?" the clerk asked.

"Cash," I snapped. Then apologizing for my rudeness, I explained, "I've spent the afternoon at the Motor Vehicle Bureau."

"Shall I gift wrap the bat?" the clerk asked sweetly. "Or are you going back there?"

Looking for a Gun

A woman went to a gun shop and told the clerk, "I'm looking for a gun for my husband."

The clerk asked the woman, "Did your husband tell you what kind of gun he wants?"

"Oh no," the woman answered, "He doesn't even know that I'm going to shoot him."

Give Them Our Aunt

A mother appealed to her children to care for orphan children. "These poor children don't have a mother, a father, or even aunts and uncles. Would you children like to give anything to them?"

The children discussed this among themselves and then announced their decision: "Let's give them Aunt Martha!"