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Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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4th Sunday of the Resurrection

- *Weekday Masses:** **Mondays and Wednesdays:** No Mass. Pastor's office work.
Tuesdays and Thursday at 12:00 Noon [*Rosary & Litany start 20 minutes before Mass*]
Fridays: No Mass. Pastoral visitations.
- *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, Holly Stahl
- *Bulletin Coordinator:** Thomasina Geimer
- *Altar Server:** Earl Duffy and Joe Roxby
- *Altar Boy:** Christopher AlKhouri
- *Cedar Club:** Linda Duffy, President
- *Women's Society:** Jeannette Wakim, 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

4th Sunday of the Resurrection

Readings: Heb 13:18-25 and Jn 21:1-14

We get discouraged when we don't experience Christ in our midst. We want to return to our former way of life and forget about the whole thing. Others may even say, "We will go with you" (in 2 1:3). Soon we learn that our self-guided enterprises are doomed to failure. In the darkness of our disbelief, we hear a familiar voice and we know, "It is the Lord" (v 7).

Filled with the spirit of the risen Christ, we boldly proclaim his message of repentance and forgiveness. When we speak in his name, we discover that we are not alone. We are surrounded by a myriad of witnesses who cry, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing" (Rev 5:12). "Follow me" (in 21:19), he calls as we go out to feed his lambs and sheep. When we answer "Amen," we are Christ's presence in an unbelieving world.

This Week, May 7-13: Mother Day Masses

- † Cecilia Ann Murad by her daughter Luane Frazier
- † Louise N. Khourey & Gladys Howard by children Lou & Charlotte & grandchildren Emmalena & Louie
- † Emma Nader & Nabiha "Lena" Khourey by Lou, Charlotte, Emmalena & Louie Khourey
- † Minnie Church Riggs & Cassandra "Cassie" Howard by Lou, Charlotte, Emmalena & Louie Khourey
- † Sadie Chidiac (mother), Kathrine & Hasibi (grandmothers) & all my sisters by Msgr. Bakhos
- † Sylvia Long, her husband Arthur, & her son Mark by her last will
- † Catherine Arthur by her daughter Carole Burkhardt
- † Deceased of the Thomas, Splatt & Nutter Families by John & Kathy Thomas (MN)
- † Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her last Will
- † Susie Fadoul by her husband Millet & Family
- † Ray McLaughlin Sr., by Mark & Barb McLaughlin
- † Mary K. Ferris by her daughter Denise Ferris
- † June Fahey by George & Patty Fahey
- † Agnes Jacovetty by George & Patty (Jacovetty) Fahey
- † Cecilia Mays & Saada Habdo by Carol Dougherty
- † Nell Duffy & Rose Fadoul by Mickey & Linda Duffy
- † Charlotte George by her daughter Margaret George
- † Cecilia John by Ron & Susan Burns
- † Sadie John, Tamammie Joseph & Sarah Burns by Ron & Susan Burns
- † Martha & Ginny Shia by Sue Jochum and her grandchildren
- † Anna Shia by Sue Jochum
- † Ruth Shiben & Clara McFarland & Minnie Shiben by John & Dee Shiben
- † Mary Joseph Shipley & Salema (Awed) Joseph by Thomasina Geimer
- † Sophie Moses by her son Jim Moses
- † Pearl Nolte Shutler; Clara Shutler; Isabelle Fry Nolte (great-grandmother) by Janet Shulter
- † Siham Frenn & Laverne Thomas by Dr. Adel & Diane & Justin Frenn & Andreah & Zack Riedel
- † Margaret Schlog and Helen Saseen by Fran Saseen
- † Beloved mother Elizabeth Gaudio by her loving daughter Shirley Bine
- † Shirley Elias Nickerson & Amelia Elias by their loving Family
- † Wanda Nickerson (grandmother) by her loving Family
- † Georgette Joseph by Vickie Joseph
- † Betty Allen and Nancy Valles by Vickie Joseph
- † Rhoda Marie (Ginger) Perilli and Annunziata Perilli by Paula Perilli
- † Mary Jane Chance by Paula Perilli
- † Lottie Elwartoski by her son Richard Elwartoski
- † Laura Z. Wakim by Chris Wakim and Family
- † Viola Belt, Louise Yeater and Viola Reass by Jeannette Wakim and Family

- ✠ Teresa Ferrera, Betty Joseph and Selma Joseph by Larry & Becky Ferrera
 ✠ Mary Jean Ferrera Comas, Janet Rae Ferrera, Edith Joseph, Sara Joseph McLaughlin by Larry & Becky Ferrera
 ✠ Mariam Joseph and Mary Catherine Haded by Jean Weisner and Family
 ✠ Mary Popovich by Joe & Nikki Popovich
 ✠ Helen Fielding by Joe & Nikki Popovich
 ✠ Helen Fieding by her husband Don (FL)
 ✠ Martha Saseen by her son George Saseen
 ✠ Elizabeth Harasuik by her daughter Susan Saseen
 ✠ Sara McLaughlin and Mary Miller by Mark & Barb McLaughlin
 ✠ Theresa Sofka and Elizabeth Machel by Mr. & Mrs. Mike Sofka
 ✠ Mary Jean Stanton by Mr. & Mrs. Mike Sofka
 ✠ Amelia Fitzgerald and Marianna Khoury by Dick & Rosemary Coury
 ✠ Dolores Palotay by the Palotay Family
 ✠ Julia Hodulik, Alice Wilson and Philomena Hodulik by Judy Wilson
 ✠ Helen Schroeder by Mark Schroeder and Jane Wine
 ✠ Mary Demsko and Anna Franks by Rosemary Cornish
 ✠ Lucy Gibbons and Ann Otterbeck and Sadie Coury by Ron & Kim Gibbons
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Living Mother's Day Masses

- ✠ Charlotte Khourey by her children Emmalena & Louie
 ✠ My sisters & their daughters in law by Msgr. Bakhos
 ✠ Susan Board by her daughter Ingrid Hendrickson
 ✠ Diane Frenn & Brenda Riedel by Dr. Adel & Justin Frenn & Andreah & Zack Riedel
 ✠ Shirley Bine by loving son Ken & Family
 ✠ Nancy Valles by Vickie Joseph
 ✠ Viola Jeannette Yeater by Jeannette Wakim and Family
 ✠ Rebecca Ferrera, Andee Ferrera, Deana Ferrera and Melissa Ferrera Renzella by Larry Ferrera Jr.
 ✠ Judy Wilson by Buzz, Chris, Pete Wilson and Bailey
 ✠ Nikki Joe Lenz by Joe & Nikki Popovich
 ✠ Nikki A. Popovich by Joe Popovich
 ✠ Susan Saseen by her children Jena, Matt and Luke Saseen
 ✠ Judy Sofka and Sarah Rinehart and Kelly Kowalski and Christine Machel by Mike Sofka
 ✠ Sandy Sayre and Linda Rinehart by Mr. & Mrs. Mike Sofka

Next Weekend, May 14-15: 5th Sunday of the Resurrection

Saturday, May 14 at 4:00 p.m.:

- ✠ Julian H. McGlumphy (Anniversary) by Jerry McGlumphy and Children
 ✠ In Loving memory of our dear mother Shirley Nickerson (Anniversary) by her loving Family
 ✠ Special Intention

Sunday, May 15 at 10:30 a.m.:

- ✠ Elaine Cybulski, MarthAnn Rinehart and James Hengler (Birthday) by Millet Fadoul & Family
 ✠ Gladys Howard by Lou & Charlotte Khourey and Emmalena and Louie
 ✠ Khalil & Sadie & Maria Harb and Annette & Al Togliatti by Jamil Harb (Troy, MI)

Schedule of Coming Events

Mother Day Masses	From Saturday, May 7 until Friday, May 13
Rummage Sale	Saturday, June 4 th from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.
Father Day Masses	From Saturday, June 18 until Friday, June 24

Flowers to the Blessed Mother during May

Week of 05/08/22	Liz Murad & Susan John-Burns
Week of 05/15/22	Linda Duffy, Becky Ferrera, & Luane Frazier
Week of 05/22/22	Mary Lee Porter, Veronic Mushet, & Jeanette Wakim
Week of 05/29/22	Mary Stees, Libby Magnone, & Pam Obyc

Birthdays Wishes in the Coming Month:

May 9:	Mark Thomas
May 15:	Austin Musilli
May 16:	Jacqueline Petros
May 17:	Tina Kitlak, David Weisner
May 18:	Millet L. Fadoul
May 20:	John Fadoul
May 21:	Ella George,
May 23:	Jim George Jr.,
May 27:	Emmalena Khourey, Brad McLaughlin
May 30:	Josie Stees Fertig
June 1:	Billy Committee
June 2:	Debbie Sengewalt
June 5:	Earl "Mickey" Duffy, Mary Zaid Stees, Kenly George
June 7:	Jean Weisner

Your Church Support Last Week

\$1,744.00	Sunday Collection
269.15	2 nd collection: National Shrine
2,940.00	Bake sale
36.00	Candles
145.00	Donation to the church
6,020.00	Mahrajan
\$11,154.15	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

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)

Renee Beabout (daughter of Marge John), Joe Bryan, Regina Hancher, Thomasina Geimer, Mary Stees, Rex & Rita Strawn, Viola J. Yeater (mother of Jeannette Wakim), Mary Thomas, Jack Hogan (infant son of Mark & Michaela Hogan & great nephew of Lou Khourey), Justin Frenn, Elia Frenn, John Shiben, Patty Fahey, Fred Schweizer (brother of our organist Mary Lee Porter), Ted Olinski, Patricia Corder,

What's New?

Condolences: Mary (George) Myers

The pastor and the parishioners of Our Lady of Lebanon Church, Wheeling, offer their heartfelt sympathy to the Myers and George Families on the loss of their beloved Mary who passed away in Wheeling. Msgr. Bakhos celebrated the Funeral Mass at Our Lady of Lebanon Church on Friday, April 29. The choir of the church served the funeral Mass. May the Almighty God grant repose of the soul to His handmaid and we extend the parish's condolences to her Family in their time of sorrow.

Rummage Sale (Saturday, June 4 from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m.)

Starting on Tuesday, May 10 through Thursday, May 26, every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of each week, the basement hall will be open from 12 Noon until 3:00 p.m., for drop-offs. If a different day and time is needed, please call Linda to make arrangements, 304-242-6853. Thank you for all the donations!

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

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, Aug 14, 2022 and plan on spending the day with us celebrating the Lebanese Mahrajan (Festival) at Oglebay Park!

The Lebanese Festival will begin with an outdoor Mass at 10:00 a.m. followed by the Mahrajan which will begin at 11:30 a.m. (or after mass) and close at 7:00 p.m. The committee will keep you updated on planning progress in the weekly bulletin. We also ask that you please feel free to make any suggestions or share your thoughts with any committee member.



- **Logo.** We have a **NEW Lebanese Festival Logo!** Please log-on to the Lebanese Fest Facebook page to view our NEW logo. **Please "Like" us on Facebook.**

- **Band & Singer** have been booked and contract signed.

- **50/50 Raffle** announcement has been mailed. The 50/50 Raffle will give you an opportunity to win \$5,000 if all tickets are sold! This year, we are only selling 500 numbered tickets. Tickets are \$20 each. You can purchase tickets from any Festival Committee member or call the church at 304-233-1688 for details. We will also be selling tickets after mass on Saturday's and Sunday's leading up to the day of the festival.

- **Festival Ad Book.** We are accepting ads for the Ad Book. If you have purchased an ad in past years, you should have received information in the mail. We are asking you to please consider renewing your previous ad or purchase new ad space for this year.

- **Menu items:** All your favorite Lebanese food items are planned. More details to follow.

- **Volunteers:** We love and need our volunteers! No event can be successful without the help of our volunteers. If you are able to volunteer, please contact any committee member.

Mahrajan Committee:

Liz Murad, Mahrajan Committee Chairperson, Monsignor Bakhos, Lou Khourey, Susan John-Burns, Nick John, Ryan Storm, Ava Murad

NAM's Annual Scholarship Program. (Deadline for application: May 31, 2022)

Same as last year, rather than using only paper applications, we are now using an online application for a majority of the scholarships offered by NAM. The applications for all scholarships offered by NAM can be found online, through NAM's website, www.namnews.org. 1. NAM General Application for Scholarships:

--John A. Solomon Memorial - MYO Scholarship; Two scholarships of \$2000 each, payable over 2 years, available for high school seniors who are active members of MYO

--Massabki Brothers Scholarship; One scholarship of \$2000, payable over 2 years, available for high school seniors

--Naomi & Paul Kassouf Scholarship; Two scholarships of \$2000 each, payable over 2 years, available for high school seniors

--Bouna sharbel Scholarship; One scholarship of \$1000, available for high school seniors

--Gilbert Chagoury Undergraduate Scholarship; One scholarship of \$2000, available for students already in college

--Thomas and Jennie Ayoob Memorial Scholarship; One scholarship of \$2000, payable over 2 years, available for students already in college

--Gilbert Chagoury Graduate Scholarship; One scholarship of \$2000, available for students already in masters or doctorate program The details and eligibility requirements are clearly explained in each application. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me directly at 330-212-9207, email me at namscholarships@gmail.com or contact the NAM Office using the information at the bottom of this page.

The DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS May 31, 2022. This is a “hard and fast” deadline and, in fairness to all applicants, absolutely no applications will be accepted after this date. As always, we encourage your participation in this annual scholarship program, and we look forward to receiving the completed scholarship applications. The scholarship winners will be announced at NAM’s National Convention and via the website. All current applicants and past winners are especially encouraged to attend.

Sincerely yours, Curtis Taylor Chair, Scholarship Committee

Spirituality

The Beautiful Hands Of A Priest

We need them in life's early morning, we need them again at its close.

We feel their warm clasp of true friendship, we seek them when tasting life's woes.

At the altar each day we behold them, and the hands of a king on his throne are not equal to them in their greatness, their dignity stands all alone.

And when we are tempted and wander to pathways of shame and of sin, it's the hand of a priest that will absolve us, not once, but again and again.

And when we are taking life's partner, other hands may prepare us a feast.

But the hand that will bless and unite us is the beautiful hand of a priest.

God bless them and keep them all holy for the Host which their fingers caress.

When can a poor sinner do better than to ask Him to guide you and bless?

When the hour of death comes upon us may our courage and strength be increased by seeing raised over us in blessing the beautiful hands of a priest!

Wisdom

--Eat some fruit every day.

Fruit eaters feel good about what they eat, are less interested in eating junk food, and ultimately feel better about themselves.

--Have you noticed that even though there are magazines that you would never buy and never go out of your way to read, you will pick them up when you're stuck in a waiting room? Out of desperation and convenience, we accept things that do not

appeal to us. The same applies to what we eat. We're in a hurry, and we don't want to spend a lot of energy or time on food. Often, it's like we're in that waiting room, going for the first food we see.

Keep fruit in the house, and eat it as a snack. It's easy, it's cheap, it requires no preparation time, and it's great for you. Study after study shows the physical benefits of eating fruit, and now we know it has emotional benefits as well. Our bodies crave sweet tastes, which originally was an evolutionary advantage, for it led early humans to consume more fruit. Only in modern times, when sugary sweets have become available to us, has our taste for sweets had negative consequences.

--“Eating fruit is associated with a number of positive life habits that contribute to both health and happiness, and eating more fruit is associated with an 11 percent higher likelihood of feeling capable and satisfied.”

Story

“It is one of the most beautiful compensations of this life that no man can sincerely try to help another without helping himself.” (R. Emerson)

I am a public speaker who teaches fellow Canadians creative ways to buy real estate. One of my very first graduates, a policeman named Ray, used my ideas in a most touching way. The story begins years before Ray attended my course. On his regular rounds, he was in the habit of dropping in on an elderly gentleman who

lived in a breathtaking 5,000-square-foot mansion overlooking a ravine. The older man had lived there most of his life and cherished the view, the many mature trees and the creek.

When Ray would check in on him, once or twice a week, the old man would offer him tea and they would sit and chat or stroll for a few minutes through the garden. One such visit was sad. The older man tearfully admitted that his health was failing and he had to sell his beautiful home and move into a nursing home.

By this time, Ray had taken my course and came up with the crazy idea that he might be able to use the creativity of my course to figure out how to buy this mansion. The man wanted \$600,000 for his home, which had no mortgage. Ray had only \$5,000 in savings. Ray was paying \$800 in rent at the time and he had a reasonable policeman's salary. It seemed insurmountable to come up with a plan to create a deal between the man and the hopeful policeman, insurmountable until you take into account the power of love. Ray remembered the words of my course -to find out what the vendor truly wants and give it to him.

After delving as deeply as he could, Ray finally found the key. What the man was going to miss the most was walking through his garden. Ray blurted out: "If you let me buy your house, somehow, I promise to pick you up one or two Sundays a month, bring you back here to your garden and let you sit here and stroll around it with me, like old times."

The old man smiled in wonder and love. The old man told Ray to write up whatever offer seemed fair and he'd sign it. Ray offered all he could afford. The purchase price was \$600,000. The down payment was \$5,000. The vendor took back a \$595,000 first mortgage bearing interest at \$1,000 a month. The old man was so happy that, as a present, he let Ray have all the antique furniture in the whole house, including a baby grand piano.

As amazed as Ray was at his incredible financial victory, the real winner was the happy old man and the relationship that the two of them shared.

A Time to Laugh (9)

Love

Two women friends met after many years. "Tel me," said one, "What happened to your son?" "My son? The poor, poor lad!" sighed the other.

"What an unfortunate marriage he made -to a girl who won't do a stitch of work in the house. She won't cook, she won't sew, she won't wash or clean. All she does is sleep and loaf and read in bed. The poor boy even has to bring her breakfast in bed, would you believe it?" "That's awful! And what about your daughter?"

"Ah -now she's the lucky one! She married an angel, he won't let her do a thing in the house. He has servants to do the cooking and sewing and washing and cleaning. And each morning he brings her breakfast in bed, would you believe it? All she does is sleep for as long as she wishes and spends the rest of the day relaxing and reading in bed."

Love

At the funeral of a very wealthy man a stranger was seen mourning and weeping as loudly as the others. The officiating priest walked up to him and asked, "Are you, perhaps, a relative of the deceased?"

"No".

"Then why are you crying?"

"That's why."

(All grief -no matter what the occasion- is for the self).

Religion

The old miser was overheard at his prayers: "If the Almighty, may His Holy Name be blessed forever, would give me a hundred thousand dollars, I would give ten thousand to the poor. I promise I would. And if the Almighty, may He be glorified forever, were not to trust me, let Him deduct the ten thousand in advance and just send me the balance."

Marxist Lightbulbs

How many Marxists does it take to screw in a lightbulb?

None: The bulb contains within it the seeds of its own revolution.

Lawyer Lightbulbs

How many lawyers does it take to change a lightbulb?

It takes just one lawyer to change your lightbulb into his lightbulb.

Surreal Changes

How many surrealists does it take to change a lightbulb?

It takes two: one to hold the giraffe and the other one to fill the bathtub with brightly colored tools.

Tell me this won't happen to us!

Two elderly ladies had been friends for many decades. Over the year, they had shared all kinds of activities and adventures. Lately, their activities had been limited to meeting a few times a week to play cards.

One day, they were playing cards when one looked at the other and said, 'Now don't get mad at me ... I know we've been friends for a long time, but I just can't think of your name! I've thought and thought, but I can't remember it. Please tell me what your name is. Her friend glared at her for at least three minutes she just stared and glared at her. Finally she said, 'How soon do you need to know?'

Tell me this won't happen to us!

A senior citizen was driving down the freeway, his car phone rang. Answering, he heard his wife's voice urgently warning him, 'Herman, I just heard on the news that there's a car going the wrong way on Interstate 77. Please be careful!' 'Heck,' said Herman, 'It's not just one car. It's hundreds of them!'

Famous Quotes (10)

Antipathy

- A cruel story runs on wheels, and every hand oils the wheels as they run. (Louise Ouida)
- The offender never pardons. (George Herbert)
- All the while you studied revenge, you are tearing your own wound open.

Antiques

- Two kinds of families are likely to have a house full of antique furniture: the kind with money and the kind with children.
- An antique is an object that has made a round trip to the attic.
- If it is hard to dust, it's probably an antique.
- One man's junk is another man's rare antique.
- Antiques aren't always as old as they are cracked up to be.

Anxiety

- Trouble is the common denominator of living. It is the great equalizer. (Ann Landers)
- Neurotic means he is not as sensible as I am, and psychotic means he's even worse than my brother-in-law. (Karl Menninger)
- Anxiety is a thin stream of fear trickling through the mind. If encouraged, it cuts a channel into which all other thoughts are drained. (Arthur Roche)
- The thinner the ice, the more anxious is everyone to see whether it will bear. (Josh Billings)
- Where everything is bad, it must be good to know the worst. (Francis Bradley)
- We have a lot of anxieties, and one cancels out another very often. (Winston Churchill)
- God never built a Christian strong enough to carry today's duties and tomorrow's anxieties piled on the top of them. (Theodore Ledyard Cuyler)
- How much have cost us the evils that never happened! (Thomas Jefferson)
- Borrow trouble for yourself, if that's your nature, but don't lend it to your neighbors. (Rudyard Kipling)

Apartment

- An apartment building is a place where the landlord and the tenant are both trying to raise the rent.
- I finally figured out how to make a landlord paint your apartment—move out.
- The walls in my apartment are so thin that I recently asked a visitor a question and I got three answers.

Apathy

One good thing about apathy is you don't have to exert yourself to show you're sincere about it.

Aphory

- Everything has been said before, but since nobody listens, we have to keep going back and beginning all over again. (André Gide)
- Good things, when short, are twice as good. (Baltasar Gracian)
- Men's maxims reveal their characters. (Marquis de Vauvenargues)
- The only way to read a book of aphorisms without being bored is to open it at random and, having found something that interests you, close the book and meditate. (Prince de Ligne)
- Whatever sentence will bear to be read twice we may be sure was thought twice. (Henry David Thoreau)
- Solomon made a book of proverbs, but a book of proverbs never made a Solomon. (Anonymous)
- All the good maxims already exist in the world; we just fail to apply them. (Blaise Pascal)