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## Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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## 7<sup>th</sup> 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

## *7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Resurrection*

Readings: Acts 1:1-14 and Mt 16:15-20

During first Communion preparation class I would bring all the children into the church's sanctuary. I would have each child sit in the celebrant's chair to see what it is like to be the priest. One boy sat in the big chair and proclaimed to his class: "All my life I've wanted to sit in this chair!" I asked him what he wanted to be when he grew up. He looked up and stated: "I want to be a priest!" I invited him then to tell us what would be the first thing he would do as a priest. He gazed around and declared: "I would get a smaller chair!"

The gift of God's call to each of us is certainly a mystery, and sometimes it is awakened by the tiniest of events. Today in our readings we have the mystery of the calls of Peter and Paul: Peter as the head of the Church and Paul as the witness of the risen Christ. This certainly weren't "chairs" in which Peter and Paul willingly chose to sit, but they were hoisted into them by the power of Jesus' word and mission. It took many centuries for the Church to come to a true understanding of what the charisma of these apostles' leaderships would mean.

In honoring Peter and Paul's vocations today we also honor our vocation. Like Peter and Paul we are called to be active members of the Christian community. We are called to be spiritual leaders of our children, our families, and our parish. As Peter and Paul and their successors are called to be true shepherds of the Church, let us also take up our roles as shepherds of the flocks entrusted to us. We pray with the psalmist: "With your rod and your staff... give me courage" (Psalm 23:4).

### ***This Weekend, May 28-29: 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Resurrection***

#### **Saturday, May 28 at 4:00 p.m.:**

- ✠ Bob Sengewalt by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt
- ✠ Living & Deceased of Tom & Judy Brock Jr.
- ✠ Cynthia Law by Jeannine Thomas

#### **Sunday, May 29 at 10:30 a.m.:**

- ✠ Bill Dougherty (Birthday) by his wife Carol
- ✠ Nicholas and Nimnoom Ghaphery and their daughter Wadad by the Ghafari Family in Michigan
- ✠ Khalil & Sadie & Maria Harb and Annette & Al Togliatti by Jamil Harb (Troy, MI)

### ***Next Week Mass Schedule***

**Monday, May 30:** No Mass. Office work.

#### **Tuesday, May 31 at Noon:**

- ✠ Sylvia Long, her husband Arthur, & her son Mark by her last will
- ✠ Cynthia Law by Betty Merry & Family
- ✠ Diane Palotay by Jennifer & Mark Jarrett

**Wednesday, June 1:** No Mass. Office work.

#### **Thursday, June 2 at Noon:**

- ✠ Tom Ferris (Anniversary) by Mary Zaid Stees and Libby G. Magnone
- ✠ Helen Fielding by her husband Don (Florida)
- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her last Will

**Friday, June 3:** No Mass. Pastoral visitations.

### ***Next Weekend, June 4-5: Pentecost Sunday***

#### **Saturday, June 4 at 4:00 p.m.:**

- ✠ Cynthia Law by Mary Slevin
- ✠ Bob Sengewalt by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt
- ✠ Special Intention

#### **Sunday, June 5 at 10:30 a.m.:**

- ✠ Richard W. Frazier (Anniversary) by his wife Luane and sons Rick and John
- ✠ Living & Deceased of Tom & Judy Brock Jr.
- ✠ Khalil & Sadie & Maria Harb and Annette & Al Togliatti by Jamil Harb (Troy, MI)

## *Schedule of Coming Events*

Rummage Sale	Saturday, June 4 <sup>th</sup> 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 05/29/22	Mary Stees, Libby Magnone, & Pam Obyc
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## *Deceased Fathers' Day Masses (Saturday, June 18 until Friday, June 24)*

### Special Remembrance

- on June 19<sup>th</sup>: Annette & Al Togliatti (Anniversary) by their daughter GiGi Rice
- on June 19<sup>th</sup>: Sister Mary Thomasina John by Ron & Susan (John) Burns
- on June 23<sup>rd</sup>: Cathy Sharp Howard (Anniversary) by Dave and Debbie Sengewalt
- ✠ Habib Khourey, Louis Khourey Sr., & Nassif Nader by Lou, Charlotte, Emmalena and Louie Khourey
- ✠ Charles "Pud" Howard, Bruce Cody Riggs and Franklin C. Howard by Lou & Charlotte and Family
- ✠ Richard W. Frazier by his wife Luane Frazier & sons Rick & John
- ✠ Thomas A. Ferris by his daughter Denise Ferris
- ✠ Dennis Fahey by George & Patty Fahey
- ✠ Vincent Jacovetty by George & Patty (Jacovetty) Fahey
- ✠ Bill Dougherty & Charles Habdo by Carol Dougherty & Lisa Kennedy
- ✠ George Fadoul & Joseph Duffy by Mickey & Linda Duffy
- ✠ Bob Sengewalt by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt
- ✠ Anthony George by his daughter Margaret George (MN)
- ✠ Greg George by his sister Margaret George (MN)
- ✠ John T. John & D. William Burns by Ron & Susan Burns
- ✠ Thomas John & David Joseph by Ron & Susan Burns
- ✠ Thomas Jochum by his children & grandchildren
- ✠ Ed Shiben & Ray McFarland & Joseph Shiben by John & Dee Shiben
- ✠ Ralph Shipley & Thomas Moses, Jr. & Namon Joseph & Thomas Moses, Sr. by Thomasina Geimer
- ✠ John B. Moses by his son Jim Moses
- ✠ Jan Hendrickson by his son Josh Hendrickson
- ✠ Robert J. Shutler, Sr.; Fred Shutler; Harry J. Nolte; Jarry F. Nolte (great-grandfather) by Janet Shutler
- ✠ Elias Frenn by Diane & Justin Frenn & Andreah & Zack Riedel
- ✠ Samuel Gaudio (father) Holy Bine (husband) by Shirley Bine
- ✠ Steve Schlog (father) & Bob Saseen (husband) by Fran Saseen
- ✠ Donald A. Nickerson Sr., & Albert Nickerson by their loving Family
- ✠ Nicholas Elias by his loving Family
- ✠ Holly Bine by his wife Shirley & son Ken
- ✠ Mike Joseph & Alphonse Joseph by Vickie Joseph
- ✠ Clay Allen & Albert Valles by Vickie Joseph
- ✠ Louis Valles by Vickie Joseph
- ✠ Silvio (Joe) Perilli & Antonio Perilli by Paula Perilli
- ✠ John A. Tapscott by Paula Perilli
- ✠ Walter Elwartoski by his son Richard Elwartoski
- ✠ Melo J. Wakim by the Wakim Family
- ✠ William M. Yeater & Lawrence J. Belt by Chris & Jeannette Wakim & Family

- ✠ George Popovich by Joe & Nikki Popovich
- ✠ Augie Montalbano by Joe & Nikki Popovich
- ✠ Nimon Joseph & Maroon Habeb by Jean Weisner & Family
- ✠ George Saseen by his son George Saseen
- ✠ Steve Harasuik by his daughter Susan Saseen
- ✠ Steve Sofka & Walter Machel by Mr. & Mrs. Mike Sofka
- ✠ Tim Stanton and Bill Sayre by Mr. & Mrs. Mike Sofka
- ✠ William E. Fitzgerald by Dick & Rosemary Coury
- ✠ John Wilson (husband) & Rudy Theodore Hodulik & Wayne Wilson by Judy Wilson
- ✠ Ray Palotay by the Palotay Family
- ✠ Al Schroeder by Mark Schroeder & Jane Wine
- ✠ Angelo Polsinelli by Rosalie Conti
- ✠ James A. George Sr., by his wife Shirley & Children Tara & Jim Jr.
- ✠ Frank Gray by his daughter Shirley George & grandchildren
- ✠ Adib Chidiac (father) & Nadim Chidiac (brother) by Msgr. Bakhos
- ✠ Deceased of the Thomas, Splatt & Nutter Families by John & Kathy Thomas (MN)
- ✠ Deceased of the Saseen and Schlog Families by Fran Saseen
- ✠ Deceased of the Saseen Family by the last Will of Rosella Saseen
- ✠ Deceased of the Long Family by the Last Will of Sylvia Long
- ✠ Ray McLaughlin, John Miller and George Joseph (Godfather) by Mark & Barb McLaughlin

### ***Prayers for the Living Fathers*** (Saturday, June 18 until Friday, June 24)

- ✠ Lou H. Khourey by his children Emmalena and Louie
- ✠ Trent Jochum by his children
- ✠ Dr. Adel Frenn, Jim Thomas & Mike Riedel by Diane & Justin Frenn & Andreah & Zack Riedel
- ✠ Chris Wakim by Laura W. Chapman & Chris N. Wakim
- ✠ Joe Popovich by Nikki Popovich
- ✠ PJ Lenz by Joe & Nikki Popovich
- ✠ George Saseen by Jena, Matt & Luke Saseen
- ✠ Michael Sofka, Kevin Sofka, Philip Machel, Krzyztof Kowalski by Sarah Rinehart
- ✠ Patrick Rinehart & Terry Rinehart by Sarah Rinehart

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

- 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
- June 9: Ava DeMuth
- June 14: P.J. Lenz, Kathy Boehm
- June 15: Becky Joseph Ferrera
- June 20: Nick Ghaphery, Jr.

<b><i>Your Church Support Last Week</i></b>	
\$558.00	Sunday Collection
100.00	2 <sup>nd</sup> collection: Catholic communication
88.00	Candles
350.00	Donation to the church
635.00	Mahrajan

\$1731.00

Total Deposits: *May God reward you abundantly for supporting your spiritual home!*  
 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?***

### ***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

## ***Spirituality: Redemption***

The tormented minds of today are not the products of our tormented world. Rather, it is our upset minds that have upset the world. There is no such thing as the problem of the atomic bomb; there is, rather, the problem of those who make and use it. Only men and nations whose personalities were already atomized could join forces with external nature to use an atomic bomb in an attack on human existence. Man, by attempting to exist either apart from God or defiant of God, has made the world as delirious as his own mind is neurotic. The

crisis today is so deep in its causes that all social and political attempts to deal with it are bound to be as ineffective as talcum powder in curing jaundice. It is man who has to be remade *first*; then society will be remade by the restored new man. The dictators that have been cast upon the shores of the twentieth century are not the creators of the disorder, but rather its creatures. They are symptoms, not causes, of the universal breakdown of a moral order in the heart of humanity. The constant refusal of man to allow a suprahistoric Divine Power to break into his closed mind is the pride that prepares catastrophe. Most people are intuitively aware that no change other than a spiritual change will be enough: The extreme sensitiveness and ready anger of those who urge revolutions against society and morality as their remedy are proof of the insecurity of their very position. The violence of their opposition to all criticism is a sure sign of the defenselessness of their own position; even they suspect that mankind stands less in need of revolution than redemption.

*Bishop Fulton SHEEN, Peace of Soul, 1949, pp.259-260*

## *Wisdom*

Funny how simple it is for people to trash God, and then wonder why the world is going to hell.

Funny how we believe what the newspapers say, but question what the Bible says.

Funny how everyone wants to go to Heaven provided they do not have to believe, think, say, or do anything the Bible says.

OR IS IT SCARY?

Funny how someone can say "I believe in God" but still follow Satan (who, by the way, also "believes" in God).

Funny how you can send a thousand 'jokes' through e-mail and they spread like wildfire, but when you start sending messages regarding the Lord, people think twice about sharing.

Funny how the lewd, crude, vulgar and obscene pass freely through cyberspace, but the public discussion of Jesus is suppressed in the school and workplace.

FUNNY ISNT IT?

Funny how someone can be so fired up for Christ on Sunday, but be an invisible Christian the rest of the week. Are you laughing?

Funny how when you go to forward this message, you will not send it to many on your address list because you are not sure what they believe, or what they will think of you for sending it to them Funny how I can be more worried about what other people think of me than what God thinks of me.

Are you thinking?

“Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour when the Son of Man comes.” (Matthew 25:13)

## *Story*

A psychotherapist relates this story:

I had a young man come into my practice with bone cancer. His leg was removed at the hip to save his life. He was twenty-four years old when I started working with him, and he was a very angry young man with a lot of bitterness. He felt a deep sense of injustice and a very deep hatred for all well people because it seemed so unfair to him that he had suffered this terrible loss so early in life.

I worked with this man through his grief and rage and pain, using painting, imagery, and deep psychotherapy. After working with him for more than two years, there came a profound shift. He began coming out of himself. Later he started to visit other people who had suffered severe physical losses, and he would tell me the most wonderful stories about these visits.

Once he visited a young woman who was almost his own age. It was a hot day, and he was in running shorts so his artificial leg showed when he came into her hospital room. The woman was so depressed about the loss of both her breasts that she wouldn't even look at him, wouldn't pay attention to him. The nurses had left her radio playing, probably in order to cheer her up. Desperate to get her attention, he unstrapped his leg and began dancing around the room on one leg, snapping his fingers to the music. She looked at him in amazement and then burst out laughing and said, “*Man, if you can dance, I can sing.*”

A year later we sat down to review our work together. He talked about what was significant to him, and then I shared what was significant in our process. As we were reviewing our two years of work together, I

opened his file and there discovered several drawings he had made early on. I handed them to him. He looked at them and said, *“Oh, look at this.”* He showed me one of his earliest drawings.

I had suggested to him that he draw a picture of his body. He had drawn a picture of a vase and running through the vase was a deep black crack. This was the image of his body, and he had taken a black crayon and had drawn the crack over and over again. He was grinding his teeth with rage at the time. It was very, very painful because it seemed to him that this vase could never function as a vase again. It could never hold water.

Now, several years later, he came to this picture and looked at it and said, *“Oh, this one isn’t finished.”* And I said, extending the box of crayons, *“Why don’t you finish it?”* He picked up a yellow crayon and putting his finger on the crack, he said, *“You see, here -where it is broken- this is where the light comes through.”* And with the yellow crayon he drew light streaming through the crack in his body. We can grow strong at the broken places.

## *A Time to Laugh (12)*

### *Genius*

A woodcarver called Ching had just finished work on a bell-frame. Everyone who saw it marveled for it seemed to be the work of spirits. When the Duke of Lu saw it, he asked: “What sort of genius is yours that you could make such a thing?”

The woodcarver replied: “Sir, I am only a simple workman. I am no genius. But there is one thing. When I am going to make a bell-frame I meditate for three days to calm my mind. When I have meditated for three days I think no more about rewards or emoluments. When I have meditated for five days I no longer think of praise or blame, skillfulness or awkwardness. When I have meditated for seven days I suddenly forget my lambs, my body; no, I forget my very self. I lose consciousness of the court and my surroundings. Only my skill remains. In that state I walk into the forest and examine each tree until I find one in which I see the bell-frame in all its perfection. Then my hands go to the task. Having set my self aside, nature meets nature in the work that is performed through me. This no doubt is the reason why everyone says that the finished products is the work of spirits.”

### *Genius*

Said a world famous violinist about his success in playing Beethoven’s Violin Concerto: “I have splendid music, a splendid violin and a splendid bow. All I need to do is bring them together and get out of the way.”

### *The self*

There was a Guru who was looked upon by all as Wisdom Incarnate. Each day he would discourse on various aspects of the spiritual life and it was obvious to all that never had anyone surpassed this man for the variety, the depth and the enticing quality of his teaching.

Again and again his disciples would ask him about the source from which he drew this inexhaustible store of wisdom. He told them it was all written down in a book that they would inherit after he was dead.

The day after his death, the disciples found the book exactly where he told them it would be. There was only one page in that book and only one sentence on that page. It read: “Understand the difference between the container and the content and the fount of wisdom shall be open to you.”

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## *Famous Quotes (13)*

--This may shock you, but I believe the single most significant decision I can make on a day-to-day basis is my choice of attitude. It is more important than my past, my education, my bankroll, my successes or failures, fame or pain, what other people think of me or say about me, my circumstances, or my position. Attitude is that ‘single string’ that keeps me going or cripples my progress. It alone fuels my fire or assaults my hope. When my

attitudes are right, there's no barrier too high, no valley too deep, no dream too extreme, no challenge too great for me. (Charles R. Swindoll)

--To travel hopefully is better than to arrive. (James Jeans)

--Growl all day and you'll feel dog tired at night. (Anonymous)

--Instead of crying over spilt milk, go milk another cow. (Erna Asp)

--Life is a grindstone; whether it grinds you down or polishes you up depends on what you're made of. (Jacob M Braude)

--Poverty consists in feeling poor. (Ralph Waldo Emerson)

--Where there is an open mind, there will always be a frontier. (Ch. Kettering)

--There are really only three types of people: those who make things happen, those who watch things happen, and those who say, What happened? (Ann Landers)

--Always imitate the behavior of the winners when you lose. (George Meredith)

--Your living is determined not so much by what life brings to you as by the attitude you bring to life. (John Homer Miller)

--What we steadily, consciously, habitually think we are, that we tend to become. (John Cowper Powys)

--Whenever you are asked if you can do a job, tell 'em, Certainly, I can! and get busy and find out how to do it. (Theodore Roosevelt)

--The people who get on in this world are the people who get up and look for the circumstances they want and, if they can't find them, make them. (George Bernard Shaw)

--As long as a man imagines that he cannot do a certain thing, it is impossible for him to do it. Benedict Spinoza  
There is little difference in people... the little difference is attitude. The big difference is whether it is positive or negative. (Clement Stone)

--We lost because we told ourselves we lost. (Leo Tolstoy)

--The world is full of cactus, but we don't have to sit on it. (Will Foley)

--At an auction keep your mouth shut. (Spanish proverb)

--The two most engaging powers on an author are to make new things familiar and familiar things new. (W M Thackeray)

--What moves men of genius, or rather, what inspires their work, is not new ideas, but their obsession with the idea that what has already been said is still not enough. (Eugene Delacroix)

--The mind conceives with pain, but brings forth with joy. (Joseph Joubert)

--It is as easy to dream a book as it is hard to write one. (Honore Balzac)

--There is no amount of praise which a man and an author cannot bear with equanimity. Some authors can even stand flattery. (Maurice Baring)

--No tears in the writer, no tears in the reader.

--If you wish to know what a man is, place him in authority. (Yugoslav proverb)

--You cannot endow even the best machine with initiative. (Walter Lippmann)

--Most girls find that the one quality they admire the most in a man is availability.