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Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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2nd Sunday of Pentecost

- *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

2nd Sunday of Pentecost: Trinity Sunday

Readings: Rom 11:25-36 and Mt 28:16-20

And a Child Shall Lead

One day St. Augustine was walking along the shore of the Mediterranean Sea, meditating on the mystery of the Holy Trinity. He hoped to understand it more fully so he could explain it in a work he was about to compose. He was lost in his thoughts when he came across a little boy playing at the side of the sea. The young lad was running back and forth, using a shell to carry water from the sea into a hole he had dug in the sand.

“What’s that you’re doing, young friend?” Augustine asked. “I’m trying to put all the water from the sea into this little hole,” the boy replied. Augustine smiled. “But that’s impossible,” he said gently. “Can’t you see that the hole is too small, and the sea too large?” “So you think I can’t do it?” the boy asked, looking up directly at Augustine. “Let me assure you of this: it will be easier for me to put all the water of the sea into this little hole than it will be for you to comprehend or explain the doctrine of the Holy Trinity!”

No sooner had the boy spoken these words than he disappeared -an angel, in fact, who had taken the form of a child to give St. Augustine this important lesson. The learned doctor thanked God for such a favor, and gave himself no further trouble trying to penetrate inscrutable mysteries.

This Weekend, June 11-12: 2nd Sunday of Pentecost

Saturday, June 11 at 4:00 p.m.:

- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her last Will
- ✠ George Joseph (Anniversary) by Larry & Becky Ferrera
- ✠ Bob Sengewalt by his grandchildren: Jeff, Courtney and Patrick Sengewalt
- ✠ Special Intention

Sunday, June 12 at 10:30 a.m.:

- ✠ Bill Dougherty by his wife Carol
- ✠ Diane Palotay by Lou & Charlotte Khourey and Family
- ✠ Khalil & Sadie & Maria Harb and Annette & Al Togliatti by Jamil Harb (Troy, MI)

Next Week Mass Schedule

Monday, June 13: No Mass. Office work.

Tuesday, June 14 at Noon:

- ✠ Sylvia Long, her husband Arthur, & her son Mark by her last will
- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her last Will
- ✠ Diane Palotay by Jennifer & Mark Jarrett

Wednesday, June 15: No Mass. Office work.

Thursday, June 16 at Noon:

- ✠ Don & Helen Fielding
- ✠ Diane Palotay by Chamse Rahi
- ✠ Living & Deceased of Tom & Judy Brock Jr.

Friday, June 17: No Mass. Pastoral visitations.

Father Day Masses from June 18 until 24

Deceased Fathers

Special Remembrance

--on June 19th: Annette & Al Togliatti (Anniversary) by their daughter GiGi Rice

--on June 19th: Sister Mary Thomasina John by Ron & Susan (John) Burns

--on June 23rd: Cathy Sharp Howard (Anniversary) by Dave and Debbie Sengewalt

✠ Habib Khourey, Louis Khourey Sr., & Nassif Nader by Lou, Charlotte, Emmalena & Louie Khourey

✠ Charles “Pud” Howard, Bruce Cody Riggs and Franklin C. Howard by Lou & Charlotte & 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 & 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 & George Joseph (Godfather) by Mark & Barb McLaughlin

✠ George Joseph, Lawrence Ferrera, Edward Joseph, Elias Joseph by Larry & Becky Ferrera
 ✠ Gerard Joseph, Gary McLaughlin, Mickey McLaughlin, Ray McLaughlin by Larry & Becky Ferrera

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

✠ Lou H. Khourey by his children Emmalena & 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
 ✠ Larry Ferrera III, Tony Ferrera, Tony Renzella, Larry Ferrera, Jr, Mark McLaughlin by Becky Ferrera

Women Society Meetings (Sunday, June 12 after Mass)

The Women's Society will have a meeting on Sunday, June 12 after Mass. Then the monthly meeting will be held every first Sunday of the month after the 10:30 am Mass at the Cedar Hall. -- Jeannette Wakim

Birthdays Wishes in the Coming Month:

June 14: P.J. Lenz, Kathy Boehm
 June 15: Becky Joseph Ferrera
 June 20: Nick Ghaphery, Jr.
 June 23: Mary Beth Weisner
 June 27: Lindsay Lenz
 July 3: Larry Ferrera
 July 5: Bill Committee
 July 11: Justin Wilson
 July 12: Shaun Hancher

<i>Your Church Support Last Week</i>	
\$1,320.00	Sunday Collection
41.00	Candles
51.00	Coffee Hour
1,500.00	Donation to the church
1,160.00	Mahrajan
318.00	Utilities
1,856.00	Rummage Sale
\$6,246.00	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

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)
 Emily Harris, 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?

Volunteers Needed at Spaghetti Dinner (Sunday, June 12 from noon to 5 pm)

The 26th Annual Spaghetti Dinner benefiting the Catholic Charities Neighborhood Center will take place on **Sunday, June 12th from Noon-5p.m.** The dinner will be a curbside take-out event for 2022. This fundraiser provides a significant portion of the Center's budget each year.

Dinner servers are needed. We could really use 2 people every day Monday-Friday from 2:45 to 3:45 to help serve our neighbors at dinner time. Thank you for all you do to help us here.

--In gratitude, Betty Simeth, Food Program Manager

Win Cash – NAM Raffle

If you want to share in the Raffle of the 2022 Maronite Convention in Minneapolis, please call Msgr Bakhos at 304-233-1688 and purchase a book of 5 tickets for \$20.00. Good luck.

1 st Prize	\$4,000
2 nd Prize	\$1,000
3 rd Prize	\$700

Health Department-Food Handlers Classes

All Ladies from the church who are working with food and food service at all events inside the church and at the Festival are required to have a current food handler card issued by the Health Department. Below are the dates of the classes:

Tuesday, June 7	6:00 p.m.	Wheeling Park White Palace
Wednesday, June 15	4:00 p.m.	Wheeling Park White Palace
Thursday, June 23	10:30 a.m.	Wheeling Park White Palace
Tuesday, July 5	6:00 p.m.	Wilson Lodge (Oglebay Resort)
Wednesday, July 13	4:00 p.m.	Wilson Lodge (Oglebay Resort)
Thursday, July 21	10:30 a.m.	Wilson Lodge (Oglebay Resort)

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.

-**Table Reservations:** 1 table seating 8 people under tent (cost price: \$130.00; 1 open-air wooden picnic table: \$65.00. Reservation due date is June 29th.

- **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: Road to Life

At first, I saw God as my observer, my judge, keeping track of the things I did wrong, so as to know whether I merited heaven or hell when I die. He was out there sort of like a president. I recognized His picture when I saw it, but I really didn't know Him. But later on when I met Christ, it seemed as though life were rather like a bike ride, but it was a tandem bike, and I noticed that Christ was in the back helping me pedal. I don't know just when it was that He suggested we change places, but life has not been the same since.

When I had control, I knew the way. It was rather boring, but predictable it was the shortest distance between two points. But when He took the lead, He knew delightful long cuts, up mountains, and through rocky places at breakneck speeds. It was all I could do to hang on!

Even though it looked like madness, He said, "Pedal!" I worried and was anxious and asked, "Where are you taking me?" He laughed and didn't answer, and I started to learn to trust. I forgot my boring life and entered into the adventure, and when I'd say, "I'm scared," He'd lean back and touch my hand. I gained love, peace, acceptance and joy; gifts to take on my journey, My Lord's and mine. And we were off again.

He said, "Give the gifts away. They're extra baggage, too much weight." So I did, to the people we met, and I found that in giving I received, and still our burden was light.

I did not trust Him, at first, in control of my life. I thought He'd wreck it; but he knows bike secrets, knows how to make it bend to take sharp corners, knows how to jump to clear high rocks, knows how to fly to shorten, scary passages. And I am learning to shut up and pedal in the strangest places, and I'm beginning to enjoy the view and the cool breeze on my face with my delightful constant companion, Jesus Christ. And when I'm sure I just can't do it anymore, He just smiles and says... "Pedal."

YOUR CROSS

Whatever your cross, Whatever your pain
There will always be sunshine, After the rain.
Perhaps you may stumble, Perhaps even fall,
But God's always there, To help you through it all.

Wisdom: Old Geezers

Geezers (slang for an old man) are easy to spot:

At sporting events, during the playing of the National Anthem, Old Geezers hold their caps over their hearts and sing without embarrassment. They know the words and believe in them.

Old Geezers remember World War I, the Depression, World War II, Pearl Harbor, Guadalcanal, Normandy and Hitler. They remember the Atomic Age, the Korean War, the Cold War, the Jet Age and the Moon Landing, not to mention Vietnam.

If you bump into an Old Geezer on the sidewalk, he will apologize. If you pass an Old Geezer on the Street, he will nod or tip his cap to a lady.

Old Geezers trust strangers and are courtly to women.

Old Geezers hold the door for the next person and always, when walking, make certain the lady is on the inside for protection.

Old Geezers get embarrassed if someone curses in front of women and children and they don't like violence and filth on TV or in movies.

Old Geezers have moral courage. They seldom brag unless it's about their grandchildren.

It's the Old Geezers who know our great country is protected, not by politicians or lawyers, but by the young men and women in the military serving their country.

This country needs Old Geezers with their decent values. We need them now more than ever. Thank' God for Old Geezers!

Story

Little Harry came into the kitchen where his mother was making dinner. His birthday was coming up and he thought this was a good time to tell his mother what he wanted. "Mom, I want a bike for my birthday."

Little Harry was a bit of a troublemaker. He had gotten into trouble at school and at home. His mother asked him if he thought he deserved to get a bike for his birthday. Harry, of course, thought he did.

His mother, being a Christian woman, wanted Harry to reflect on his behavior over the last year. "Go to your room, Harry, and think about how you have behaved this year. Then write a letter to God and tell Him why you deserve a bike for your birthday."

Harry stomped up the steps to his room and sat down to write God a letter.

Letter 1: "Dear God, I have been a very good boy this year and I would like a bike for my birthday. I want a red one. Your friend, Harry."

Harry knew this wasn't quite true. He had not been a very good boy this year, so he tore up the letter and started over.

Letter 2: "Dear God, This is your friend, Harry. I have been a pretty good boy this year and I would like a red bike for my birthday. Thank you. Your friend, Harry."

Harry knew this wasn't really true, either. So, he tore up the letter and started again.

Letter 3: "Dear God, I have been an "ok" boy this year. I still would really like a red bike for my birthday. Harry."

Harry knew he couldn't send this letter to God either. So, he wrote another.

Letter 4: "God, I know I haven't been a good boy this year. I am very sorry. I will be a good boy if you just send me a red bike for my birthday. Please! Thank you, Harry."

Harry knew, even if what he wrote was true, this letter was not going to get him a bike. By now, he was very upset. He went downstairs and told his mom that he wanted to go to church. Harry's mother thought her plan had worked as Harry looked very sad.

"Just be home in time for dinner," his mother said. Harry walked down the street to the church on the corner. He went into the church and up to the altar and looked around to see if anyone was there. Not seeing anyone, he bent down and picked up a statue of the Virgin Mary. He slipped it under his shirt and ran out of the church, down the street, into the house, and up to his room. He shut the door to his room and sat down with a piece of paper and a pen.

Letter 5: "God, I'VE GOT YOUR MAMA. IF YOU WANT TO SEE HER AGAIN, SEND THE BIKE."

A Time to Laugh (14)

Grace

One Sunday morning after Church God and St Peter went to play golf. God teed off. He gave a mighty swipe and sliced the ball off into the rough beside the fairway.

Just as the ball was about to hit the ground, a rabbit darted out of a bush, picked it up in his mouth and ran with it down the fairway. Suddenly an eagle swooped down, picked the rabbit up in its claws and flew it over the green. A man with a rifle aim and shot the eagle in mid-flight the eagle let go of the rabbit. The rabbit fell onto the green and the ball rolled out of its mouth into the hole.

St. Peter turned to God in annoyance and said: "*Come on now! Do you want to play golf or do you want to fool around?*"

Ohhhhhhhhhh!!!

An enthusiastic young man who had just graduated as a plumber was taken to see Niagara Falls. He studied it for a minute, then said: *"I think I can fix this."*

The Self

The choir was going through its final rehearsal in the midst of pandemonium because the stage crew was busy putting the finishing touches to the stage.

When one young fellow began hammering away so loudly that the din became intolerable, the conductor stopped the singing and looked at him pleadingly.

"Go right ahead with the singing, conductor," the merry worker said. *"They've not disturbing me."*

The Self

"What is that door doing under your arm?"

"It's the front door of my house. I lost the key, and am taking it to have a fresh key made."

"Make sure you don't lose the door now, or you won't be able to enter your house."

"Well, I left a window open just to be on the safe side."

Truth

Judge: *"What's your age?"*

Convict: *"Twenty-two sir."*

Judge: *"That's what you've been telling us for the last ten years."*

Convict: *"That's right, sir. I'm not the type that says one thing today and another tomorrow."*

Anatomy of a Committee

A committee has six or more legs and no brain.

Mark 17

A minister told his congregation, "Next week I plan to preach about the sin of lying. To help you understand my sermon, I want you all to read Mark chapter 17."

The following Sunday, as he prepared to deliver his sermon, the minister asked for a show of hands. He wanted to know how many had read Mark chapter 17. Every hand went up.

The minister smiled and said, "Mark has only sixteen chapters. I will now proceed with my sermon on the sin of lying."

Famous Quotes (15)

--Before beginning, prepare carefully. (Cicero)

--I start where the last man left off. (Thomas Edison)

--Begin it, and the work will be completed. (Johann Goethe)

--Once begun, a task is easy. (Horace)

--Great is the art of beginning, but greater is the art of ending. (H. Longfellow)

--The beginning is the most important part of the work. (Plato)

--Believe not all that you see nor half what you hear.

--What a man desires he easily believes.

--Seeing is believing.

--Every man who attacks my belief diminishes in some degree my confidence in it, and therefore makes me uneasy, and I am angry with him who makes me uneasy. (Samuel Johnson)

--If you love not the noise of bells, why do you pull the ropes?

--A full belly is the mother of all evil.

--An empty belly hears nobody.

--When the belly is full, the mind is amongst the maids.

--To accept a benefit is to sell one's freedom. (Latin proverb)

--If you stop to think about it, there are very few benefits in your life for which you can take sole credit. (Gary Smalley)

--The Bible in 50 Words!

God made, Adam bit, Noah arked, Abraham split, Joseph ruled, Jacob fooled, Bush talked, Moses balked, Pharaoh plagued, People walked, Sea divided, Tablets guided, Promise landed, Saul freaked, David peeked, Prophets warned, Jesus born, God walked, Love talked, Anger crucified, Hope died, Love rose, Spirit flamed, Word spread, God remained.

--Whom to Blame? The reason people blame things on previous generations is that there is only one other choice.

--Budget Analysis: A well-planned budget is the best way to know why you went broke.

--Economic Equation: If your outgo exceeds your income, then your upkeep will be your downfall.

--Income for One: The young man asked his girlfriend, "If we get married, will you be able to live on my income?"

--His girlfriend answered, "I think so, but what will you live on?"

--Test with One Foot: No one tests the depth of a river with both feet.

--Crocodile Confusion: Don't think there are no crocodiles because the water is calm.

--Recalled by Maker: Drive carefully, it's not only cars that can be recalled by their maker.

--Pandora's Box Lesson: From Greek mythology comes a great lesson. Pandora opened the box that unleashed all kinds of evil. The lesson is this: Don't open any box that you did not close.

--Creative Maturity: To exist is to change; to change is to mature; to mature is to create oneself endlessly. (Henri Bergson)

--True words then and true words now!

--When we get piled upon one another in large cities, as in Europe, we shall become as corrupt as Europe. (Thomas Jefferson)

--The democracy will cease to exist when you take away from those who are willing to work and give to those who would not. (Thomas Jefferson)

--It is incumbent on every generation to pay its own debts as it goes. A principle which if acted on would save one-half the wars of the world. (Thomas Jefferson)