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## Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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## Revelation to St. Joseph

**\*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 Khourey, Mary Stees, Susan (John) Burns, Mark McLaughlin, Liz Murad

\***Choir Members:** Lou Khourey, 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

## *Revelation to Saint Joseph*

Readings: Is 7:10-16; Eph 3:1-13 and Mt 1:18-25

How many restless nights preceded the night of Joseph's blessed dream? Yes, he was her husband -the wedding contract had been drawn. It was the fruit of long and prayerful discernment, coming to what was a difficult decision for a vibrant young man: a virginal marriage with a very beautiful woman. They took time to come to that discernment, and it seemed in the end so clear and clearly a thing of grace. This beautiful young woman was truly one of God's chosen and he had been chosen to share life with her in a most special way. And now this! So incomprehensible. How could she possibly be pregnant? And yet the fact was undeniable. What did God want of him now?

Yes, there were many sleepless nights. Everything had been so clear, so beautiful. And now it was all a nightmare. Painfully, at last, the young man, a just man who truly wanted what God wanted, came to a decision and fell into a fitful sleep. And then came the dream. Only after he had done his very best to discern and say "YES" to God, did God finally allow him to enter into the mystery of love and give him the sure guidance he had so earnestly sought. Joseph would certainly understand the pain and confusion we sometimes experience in our quest for inner peace in the knowledge and fulfillment of God's holy will. His experience can assure us that if we do our best to know and do God's will, in the end the Lord will not let us down.

*PRAYER: Lord, I do want to do Your will. I don't always get it right. But I trust that in the end You will make the way clear to me.*

### ***This Weekend, Dec 10-11: Revelation to St. Joseph***

#### **Saturday, December 10: Mass at 4:00 p.m.: (Christmas Novena after Communion)**

- ✠ Bob Sengewalt by his grandchildren: Jeff, Courtney and Patrick Sengewalt
- ✠ Living & Deceased of Tom & Judy Brock, Jr.
- ✠ Special Intention

#### **Sunday, December 11: Mass at 10:30 a.m.: (Christmas Novena after Communion)**

- ✠ Intentions of the Benefactors and Volunteers of our church
- ✠ Deceased of our parishioners

### ***Next Weekdays Mass Schedule***

**Monday, December 12:** No Mass. Pastor day off.

#### **Tuesday, December 13: Mass at Noon**

- ✠ Bob Sengewalt (Anniversary) by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt
- ✠ Sylvia Long, her husband Arthur, & her son Mark by her last will
- ✠ Mike & Sue Linton & their parents Joe & Frances Linton by Steve Linton

**Wednesday, December 14:** No Mass. Office work

#### **Thursday, December 15: Mass at Noon**

- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her last Will
- ✠ Mike & Sue Linton & their parents Joe & Frances Linton by Steve Linton
- ✠ Living & Deceased of Tom & Judy Brock, Jr.

**Friday, December 16:** No Mass. Visitation of the sick.

### ***Next Weekend, Dec 17-18: Genealogy of Jesus***

#### **Saturday, December 17: Mass at 4:00 p.m.: (Christmas Novena after Communion)**

- ✠ Lawrence Ferrera (Birthday) by Larry & Becky Ferrera
- ✠ Joann Ferrera Slack (Anniversary) by Larry & Becky Ferrera
- ✠ John Wilson by Judy Wilson

#### **Sunday, December 18: Mass at 10:30 a.m.: (Christmas Novena after Communion)**

- ✠ Susie Fadoul (Anniversary) by her husband Millet and Family

- ✠ Tom & Sadie John by their Loving grandchildren  
 ✠ Bill Dougherty by his wife Carol (OK)

## ***Christmas Masses Schedule***

### **Saturday, December 24:**

- 4:00 p.m.: Christmas Eve Mass (Choir will sing)  
 10:00 p.m.: Christmas Midnight Mass (Choir will sing)

### **Sunday, December 25th: Day of Obligation**

- 10:30 a.m.: Christmas Day Morning Mass (Choir will sing)

## ***New Year Masses Schedule***

### **Saturday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022:**

- 4:00 p.m.: New Year's Eve Mass (No Midnight Mass)

### **Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023: New Year's Day (Day of Obligation)**

- 10:30 a.m.: New Year's Day Mass (Choir will sing)

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

## ***Schedule of Upcoming Events***

Sunday, December 11 <sup>th</sup>	OLOL Women's Society Meeting after 10:30 a.m. Mass
Sunday, December 18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Drawing</b> for the Winner of the Women's Society <b>50/50 Raffle</b>
Sunday, December 18 <sup>th</sup> Msgr. Bakhos 31 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary	Msgr. Bakhos will celebrate his 31 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary to the Priesthood on Sunday, December 18 <sup>th</sup> . He was ordained in Sydney, Australia on December 21 <sup>st</sup> , 1991. He has served our church for 21 years.

## ***Christmas Poinsettias in Memory of:***

Please donate toward decorating the altar with poinsettias during Christmas. Every poinsettia cost \$25.00

- ✠ Louis N. & Louis H. Kourey, Sr. & Gladys Howard by Lou & Charlotte Kourey & Family
- ✠ In Memory of Leslie & Jerry Jr. by Jerry McGlumphy
- ✠ In Memory of Tom Ferris by his daughter Denise Ferris
- ✠ In Memory of Mary K. Ferris by her daughter Denise Ferris
- ✠ In Memory of Bob Sengewalt by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt and Family
- ✠ In Memory of Ray, Sara, Nick & Gary McLaughlin by Mark & Barb McLaughlin
- ✠ In Memory Elias & Selma Joseph Family by Mark & Barb McLaughlin
- ✠ In Memory John & Mary Miller by Mark & Barb McLaughlin
- ✠ In Honor of Mary Lish
- ✠ In Memory of Rita Strawn by Rex Strawn
- ✠ In Memory of the Strawn & Thomas Families by Rex Strawn
- ✠ In Memory of Danny & Milley Manners by NiNi Miller
- ✠ In Memory of Nimon & Mariam Joseph Family by the Joseph & Weisner Families
- ✠ In Honor of Frank, Anna Marie and Michael Duymich
- ✠ In Memory of the Wakim Family by Chris & Jeannette Wakim
- ✠ In Memory of the Yeater Family by Chris & Jeannette Wakim
- ✠ In Memory of the AlKhouri & AlAhmar Families by Dr Alkhouri and Family
- ✠ In Memory of my husband Rick Frazier by his wife Luane Frazier & my mother Cecilia Ann Murad
- ✠ In Memory of Ralph & Mary Joseph Shipley & Deceased Family by Thomasina Geimer
- ✠ In Memory of Phillip Geimer by his wife Thomasina Geimer
- ✠ In Memory of Adboo and Dorothy Saseen by Jim & Patty Saseen Connell
- ✠ In Memory of the Saseen and Schlog Families mainly Bob by Fran Saseen
- ✠ In Memory of Shirley Elias Nickerson and Deceased Members of the elias Family by Tammy Strong

☼ In Honor of Ron Weisner

☼ In Memory of Mary Murad by Jay and Liz and Eva Murad

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

December 12: Lou Khourey

December 19: Chris Wakim

December 21: Millet C. Faddoul Jr.

December 22: Millet C. Fadoul

December 25: Shelly Hancher

December 27: Luke Lenz, Jay Murad

December 29: Jeff Bentz

January 1: Nancy Joseph

January 3: Rosemary Coury

January 6: Gina Stees

January 7: Jacob Fadoul Wilson

January 10: Marjorie John, Mary Petros-Hill

January 11: Jennifer Klein

## ***Your Church Support Last Week***

\$1,221.00	Sunday Collection
275.00	2 <sup>nd</sup> collection: Patriarchal charities
720.00	Bulletin Ads
48.00	Candles
38.00	Coffee Hour
80.00	Christmas Dinner
200.00	Donation to the church
25.00	Christmas poinsettias
60.00	Raffles
\$2,667.00	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)*

Patrick Sengewalt, Julia Schiess (FL) daughter of Leo Bleifus, (Renee Beabout (daughter of Marge John), Mary Stees, Rex 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 Shibben, Patty Fahey, Fred Schweizer (brother of our organist Mary Lee Porter),

## ***What's New?***

### ***Parish Condolences: John Shibben***

The pastor and the parishioners of Our Lady of Lebanon Church, offer their heartfelt sympathy to the Shibben Family on the loss of their beloved John who passed away in Wheeling. Msgr. Bakhos celebrated the funeral service on Saturday, December 10th. May the Blessed Mother intercede for him and lead him to the light of Christ. We extend the parish's condolences to his Family in their time of sorrow.

### ***Bulletin Ad Page***

We are preparing the ad page at the back of our weekly bulletin. It is a good way to advertise your business and to support the church in defraying the cost of printing the bulletins. Please call Msgr Bakhos if you would like to place a personal or business ad. Cost is \$120.00 for a single space ad for the entire year. You can purchase more adjacent ads.

## ***50/50 Christmas Raffles***

The **50/50 Raffle Drawing** has been scheduled for **Sunday, December 18**. Net Prize is \$660.00 so far Please be sure to complete and return the completed stubs your donation for the chances to our church before the drawing date. Chances are \$1.00 for one; \$5.00 for 6; or \$10 for all 18 tickets.

## ***Mahrajan Update*** *(Sunday, August 13, 2023)*

### **Next year's date:**

Next year we will celebrate our 90<sup>th</sup> Lebanese Festival (Mahrajan) at Oglebay Park on Sunday, August 13, 2023.

### **Mahrajan Mailing List:**

If you have a friend or know someone who would be interested in receiving correspondence about next year's Festival, please submit their addresses to Msgr. Bakhos.

## ***Spirituality: On the Blessed Virgin Mary***

Fulgens Corona

His Holiness Pope Pius XII

Encyclical Proclaiming a Marian Year, September 8, 1953 *(continued)*

21. And so these two very singular privileges, bestowed upon the Virgin Mother of God, stand out in most splendid light as the beginning and as the end of her earthly journey; for the greatest possible glorification of her virgin body is the complement, at once appropriate and marvelous, of the absolute innocence of her soul, which was free from all stain; and just as she took part in the struggle of her only-begotten Son with the wicked serpent of Hell, so also she shared in His glorious triumph over sin and its sad consequences.

22. Yet this centenary celebration should not only serve to revive Catholic Faith and earnest devotion to the Mother of God in the souls of all but Christians should also, in as far as possible, conform their lives to the image of the same Virgin. Just as all mothers are deeply affected when they perceive that the countenance of their children reflects a peculiar likeness to their own, so also our Most Sweet Mother wishes for nothing more, never rejoices more than when she sees those whom, under the cross of her Son, she has adopted as children in His stead, portray the lineaments and ornaments of her own soul in thought, word and deed.

23. But if this devotion is not to consist of mere word, is not to be counterfeit coin of religion or the weak and transitory affection of a moment, but is to be something sincere, true and efficacious, it is necessary that each one of us should according to his condition of life, avail of it for the acquisition of virtue. The commemoration of the mystery of the Most Holy Virgin, conceived immaculate and immune from all stain of original sin, should, in the first place, urge us to that innocence and integrity of life which flees from and abhors even the slightest stain of sin.

24. And it seems to Us that the Blessed Virgin, who throughout the whole course of her life--both in joys, which affected her deeply, as in distress and atrocious suffering, through which she is Queen of Martyrs--never departed from the precepts and example of her own Divine Son, it seems to us, We say, that she repeats to each of us those words, with which she addressed the servers at the wedding feast of Cana, pointing as it were to Jesus Christ: "Whatsoever He shall say to you, do ye" John. 2. 5).

25. This same exhortation, understood, of course, in a wider sense, she seems to repeat to us all today, when it is evident that the root of all evils by which men are harshly and violently afflicted and peoples and nations straitened, has its origin in this especially, that many people have forsaken Him "the fountain of living water and have dug for themselves cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water" (Jer. 2. 13). They have forsaken Him Who is the "Way, the truth and the life" (John XIV, 6). If, therefore, there has been a wandering, there must be a return to the straight path. If the darkness of error has clouded minds, it must be dispersed immediately by the light of truth. If death, death in the true sense, has seized upon souls, eagerly and energetically must life be taken hold of. We mean that heavenly life which knows no ending, since it comes forth from Jesus Christ; which, if we faithfully and confidently pursue in this mortal exile, we shall surely enjoy for ever with Him in the happiness of the eternal home. This is what she teaches us; to this the Blessed Virgin Mary exhorts us, our Most Sweet Mother who, with true charity, loves us more than any earthly mother.

26. Today, as you well know, venerable brethren, men are greatly in need of these exhortations and invitations by which they are admonished to return to Christ and diligently and effectively to conform their lives to the Commandments, since many are trying to root out the Christian Faith from their souls, either by cunning and secret snares, or else by open and arrogant preaching of those errors of which they wantonly boast, as if they were to be considered the glory of this progressive and enlightened age.

27. But once holy religion is rejected, once the Divine Majesty, establishing what is good and evil, is ignored, it is plain that laws and public authority have little or no value. Then again, once hope and expectation of eternal reward are lost through these fallacious doctrines, men will greedily and without restraint seek the things of earth, vehemently covet their neighbor's goods, and even take them by force as often as occasion or opportunity is given. Hence hatred, envy, discord and rivalries arise among men; hence public and private life is perturbed; hence the very foundations of society which can scarcely be held together and maintained by the authority of government are gradually undermined; hence, deformation of morals by evil theatrical performances, books, periodicals and actual crime.

28. We do not doubt that much can be done in this cause by those who hold the reins of government. However, the remedy for such great evils is to be sought from a higher source; namely, a power that is greater than human must be called in as aid, which will illumine minds with heavenly light, which will touch souls and renew them with Divine grace and render them better by its inspiration.

29. Then only can it be hoped that Christian morality will everywhere again flourish; that the true principles upon which society depends will become consolidated; that mutual, impartial and sincere estimation of values, together with justice and charity, will be established among the classes; that finally hatred will be quelled, whose seeds bring forth new miseries, and not rarely provoke exasperated souls to the shedding of blood--that, in fine, having mellowed and settled the contentions between the upper and lower classes, the sacred rights of both parties be composed with equity, and by mutual agreement and reasonableness be made conformable and consistent with the public utility.

30. Without doubt, all these principles of Christianity, which the Virgin Mother of God incites us to follow with eagerness and with energy, can be entirely and lastingly productive only when actually put into practice. Taking this into consideration, We invite each and every one of you, Venerable Brethren, by reason of the office that you exercise, to exhort the clergy and people committed to you to celebrate the Marian Year which We proclaim to be held the whole world over from the month of December next until the same month of the coming year just a century having elapsed since the Virgin Mother of God, amid the applause of the entire Christian people shone with a new gem, when, as We have said, Our predecessor of immortal memory, Pius IX, solemnly decreed and defined that she was absolutely free from all stain of original sin. And we confidently trust that this Marian celebration may bring forth those most desired and salutary fruits which all of us long for.

*(To be continued in the next bulletin)*

### ***Wisdom: Be a Lamplighter***

Several parents were sitting on a neighbor's porch discussing their children. They were talking about the negative environment in which the kids had to grow up -an environment filled with drugs, violence, and a pervading feeling of hopelessness. How could they, the parents, bring any light into their children's world since it seems so dark and hopeless? Could they be enough of a positive influence in their children's lives that the children would not just survive, but possibly work to change the world around them? The discussion went on for some time.

One of the parents, a science teacher, remarked, "I think we can make a difference in our children's lives if we become lamplighters."

"Lamplighters? What do you mean?" the others asked.

She explained. "Around the turn of the century a lamplighter went around the streets lighting the streetlamps. He carried a long pole that had a small candle on top with which he would reach up to light the kerosene-fed lamps. But from a distance you could not see a lamplighter very well. The light from one small candle was not very bright in the surrounding darkness of night.

"However," she continued, "you could follow the progress of the lamplighter as he went along a street. The presence of his candle was barely visible until it joined with the flame of the streetlamp being newly lit. A

radiant glow erased a portion of the night's darkness, and looking back down the street, you could see that the light from the glowing streetlamps made the entire street bright as day. The darkness was held at bay."

Almost as a chorus the parents exclaimed, "That's it! We'll be lamplighters for our children. We'll be their role models. We'll share from our own flame in order to light each child's individual lamp of wisdom, and by our love provide the fuel necessary to nourish and sustain its flame. Then we will have helped them become bright enough themselves so that they can conquer the darkness and hopelessness of their world."

### ***Story: the cost of a miracle***

Tracey was a precocious eight-year-old when she heard her mom and dad talking about her little brother, Andrew. All she knew was that he was very sick and they were completely out of money. They were moving to an apartment complex next month because daddy didn't have the money for the doctor's bills and our house.

Only a very costly surgery could save him now and it was looking like there was no one to loan them the money. She heard Daddy say to her tearful Mother with whispered desperation, "Only a miracle can save him now."

Tracey went to her bedroom and pulled a glass jelly jar from its hiding place in the closet. She poured all the change out on the floor and counted it carefully. Three times, even. The total had to be exactly perfect. No chance here for mistakes. Carefully placing the coins back in the jar and twisting on the cap, she slipped out the back door and made her way 6 blocks to the Drug Store with the big red Indian Chief sign above the door.

She waited patiently for the pharmacist to give her some attention but he was too busy at this moment. Tracey twisted her feet to make a scuffing noise. Nothing. She cleared her throat with the most disgusting sound she could muster. No good. Finally, she took a quarter from her jar and banged it on the glass counter. That did it!

"And what do you want?" the pharmacist asked in an annoyed tone of voice. "I'm talking to my brother from Ney York whom I haven't seen in ages," he said without waiting for a reply to his question. "Well, I want to talk to you about my brother," Tracey answered back in the same annoyed tone. "He's really, really sick... and I want to buy a miracle." "I beg your pardon?" said the pharmacist. "His name is Andrew and he has something bad growing inside his head and my Daddy says only a miracle can save him now. So how much does a miracle cost?" "We don't sell miracles here, little girl. I'm sorry but I can't help you," the pharmacist said, softening a little.

"Listen, I have the money to pay for it. If it isn't enough, I will get the rest. Just tell me how much it costs." The pharmacist's brother was a well-dressed man. He stooped down and asked the little girl, "What kind of a miracle does your brother need?" "I don't know," Tracey replied with her eyes welling up. "I just know he's really sick and Mommy says he needs an operation. But my Daddy can't pay for it, so I want to use my money". "How much do you have?" asked the man from Ney York.

"One dollar and eleven cents," Tracey answered barely audibly. "And it's all the money I have, but I can get some more if I need to. "Well, what a coincidence," smiled the man. "A dollar and eleven cents-the exact price of a miracle for little brothers."

He took her money in one hand and with the other hand he grasped her mitten and said "Take me to where you live. I want to see your brother and meet your parents. Let's see if I have the kind of miracle you need." That well dressed man was Dr. Armstrong, a surgeon, specializing in neuro-surgery. The operation was completed without charge and it wasn't long until Andrew was home again and doing well. Mom and Dad were happily talking about the chain of events that had led them to this place. "That surgery," her Mom whispered, "was a real miracle. I wonder how much it would have cost?"

Tracey smiled. She knew exactly how much a miracle cost... one dollar and eleven cents ..... plus the faith of a little child.

### ***A Time To Laugh (40)***

***Why men lie?!!!***

One day, while a woodcutter was cutting a branch of a tree above a river, his axe fell into the river. When he cried out, the Lord appeared and asked, "Why are you crying?" The woodcutter replied that his axe has fallen into water. The Lord went down into the water and reappeared with a golden axe.

"Is this your axe?" the Lord asked. The woodcutter replied, "No."

The Lord again went down and came up with a silver axe. "Is this your axe?" the Lord asked. Again, the woodcutter replied, "No." The Lord went down again and came up with an iron axe. "Is this your axe?" the Lord asked. The woodcutter replied, "Yes." The Lord was pleased with the man's honesty and gave him all three axes to keep, and the woodcutter went home happily.

One day while he was walking with his wife along the riverbank, the woodcutter's wife fell into the river. When he cried out, the Lord again appeared and asked him, "Why are you crying?" "Oh Lord, my wife has fallen into the water!" The Lord went down into the water and came up with Jennifer Lopez. "Is this your wife?" the Lord asked. "Yes," cried the woodcutter. The Lord was furious. "You cheat! That is an untruth!" The woodcutter replied, "Oh, forgive me, my Lord. It is a misunderstanding. You see, if I said 'no' to Jennifer Lopez, You will come up with Catherine Zeta-Jones. Then if I also say 'no' to her, You will thirdly come up with my wife, and I will say 'yes,' and then all three will be given to me. But Lord, I am a poor man and I will not be able to take care of all three wives, so that's why I said yes this time." [The moral of the story is ..... whenever a man lies, it is for an honorable and useful reason.]

## *God's road signs*

New billboards are getting attention in Arizona. Some reported seeing one or two messages, but the newspaper listed all of them. Here's a list of all variations of the "God Speaks" billboards. The billboards are a simple black background with white text. No fine print or sponsoring organization is included. These are awesome. enjoy.

Tell the kids I love them. -God

Let's meet at my house Sunday before the game. -God

C'mon over and bring the kids. -God

What part of "Thou Shalt Not..." didn't you understand? -God

We need to talk. -God

Keep using my name in vain, I'll make rush hour longer. -God

Loved the wedding, invite me to the marriage. -God

That "Love Thy Neighbor" thing... I meant it. -God

I love you and you and you and you and... -God

Will the road you're on get you to my place? -God

Follow me. -God

Big bang theory, you've got to be kidding. -God

My way is the highway. -God

Need directions? -God

You think it's hot here? -God

Have you read my #1 best seller? There will be a test. -God

Do you have any idea where you're going? -God

(And my personal favorite...)

Don't make me come down there. -God.

## *Famous Quotes (40)*

--It is good to be zealously affected always in a good thing. Galatians 4:18

--Zeal without knowledge is a runaway horse.

--There is no greater sign of a general decay of virtue in a nation, than a want of zeal in its inhabitants for the good of their country. Joseph Addison

--Jesus: You have heard that it was said, you shall not commit adultery. But I tell you that he who casts his eyes on a woman so as to lust after her has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye is the occasion of your falling into sin, pluck it out and cast it away from you; better to lose one part of your body than



to have the whole cast into hell. And if your right hand is an occasion of falling, cut it off and cast it away from you; better to lose one of your limbs than to have your whole body cast into hell. It was said, too, whoever will put away his wife must first give her a writ of separation. But I tell you that the man who puts away his wife (setting aside the matter of unfaithfulness) makes an adulteress of her, and whoever marries her after she has been put away, commits adultery. (Matthew 5: 28-32)