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Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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Palm Sunday

- *Weekend Masses: Saturdays: Mass at 4:00 p.m.
Sundays: Mass at 10:30 a.m.
- *Weekday Masses: Mondays and Wednesdays: No Mass. Pastor's office work.
Tuesdays and Thursday: Mass at 12:00 Noon
Fridays during Lent: Mass at 5:30 p.m. followed by Stations of the Cross and Benediction
Saturday: 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. or any other time by appointment
- *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, 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

Palm Sunday

Readings: Zec 9:1-17; Phil 1:1-13 and Jn 2:12-22

“Many spread their garments”

“Instead of our garments, let us spread our hearts before him.” (Methodius).

“Others spread leafy branches”

And others cut boughs... and strewed them in the way. They cut branches from the fruit bearing trees with which the Mount of Olives was planted, and spread them in the way; so as to make the crooked ways straight, and the rough ways smooth, that Christ the conqueror of sin might walk straightly and safely into the hearts of the faithful... And when they had done all that was to be done by their hands, they offered also the tribute of their voices; and going before and following after they cry, not in a brief and wordless confession, but with all their might: *“Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord”* (Jerome).

Why Hosanna!

The boys in the Gospel raised aloft their branches as the Savior entered Jerusalem. They kept on crying: *“Hosanna.”*... They borrowed these vesicles from Psalm 117. *Hosanna*, moreover, is the Hebrew for *“O Lord, grant salvation!”* (Jerome)

Jesus performed 37 Miracles.

We will publish them weekly in order to strengthen our faith that Jesus is indeed the Son of God who has divine power to heal and raise the dead by a Word from his mouth. Blessed are those who believe without seeing Him.

Fifth miracle of Jesus when he healed many sick people

When evening came, many people controlled by demons were brought to Jesus. He drove out the spirits with a word. He healed all who were sick. This happened so that what Isaiah the prophet had said would come true. He had said, “He suffered the things we should have suffered. He took on himself the sicknesses that should have been ours.” (Isaiah 53:4) (Matthew 8:16-17)

This Weekend: April 1-2 Palm Sunday

Saturday, April 1 at 4:00 p.m.: Mass & Procession with Palms

✠ Myron Law by Betty Merry

✠ Bob Sengewalt by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt

✠ Special Intention

Sunday, April 2 at 10:30 a.m.: Mass & Procession with Palms

✠ Chamse Rahi (Birthday) by her daughter Alicia Peklinsky and family

✠ Mike & Sue Linton & their parents Joe & Frances Linton by Steve Linton

✠ Myron Law by William Merry

Passion Week & Easter Schedule

Monday of Passion Week, April 3 at 5:30 p.m.:

Rite of the coming to the Harbor & Spiritual Reflection & Mass (No Stations of the Cross)

✠ Michael George (MN) (Birthday) by his sister Margaret

✠ John Shiben by Denna Shiben

✠ Living & Deceased of Tom & Judy Brock, Jr.

Tuesday of Passion Week, April 4 at 5:30 p.m.:

Rite of the Coming to the Harbor & Spiritual Reflection & Mass (No Stations of the Cross)

✠ Sylvia Long, her husband Arthur, and her son Mark by her last will

✠ Bill Dougherty by his wife Carol

✠ Mike & Sue Linton & their parents Joe & Frances Linton by Steve Linton

Wednesday of Passion Week, April 5 at 5:30 p.m.:

Rite of the Lamp & Spiritual Reflection & Mass (No Stations of the Cross)

✠ John Shibben by Denna Shibben

✠ Vincent Jacovetty (Birthday) by George & Patty (Jacovetty) Fahey

✠ Mike & Sue Linton & their parents Joe & Frances Linton by Steve Linton

Thursday of the Mysteries, April 6 at 5:30 p.m.:

Mass of the Lord's Supper & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

✠ Mark Fertig (Anniversary) by Mary Stees and Libby Magnone

✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her last Will

✠ Living & Deceased of Tom & Judy Brock, Jr.

Great Friday of the Crucifixion, April 7:

No Morning or Evening Mass Today in All Catholic Churches

10:30 a.m.: Rite for the Signing of the Chalice (No Mass)

6:00 p.m.: Solemn Burial of the Lord followed by a complimentary Meatless Community Dinner sponsored by the Cedar Club.

Saturday of the Light, April 8:

10:30 a.m.: Rite of Forgiveness & Communal Reconciliation (No Mass)

4:00 p.m.: Easter Vigil Mass & "Rite of Peace"

✠ Janis & George Thomas (Ohio) by their last will

✠ Shirley Elias Nickerson and Deceased members of the Elias Family by Tammy Strong and their loving children

Sunday of the Glorious Resurrection, April 9:

10:30 a.m.: Easter Day Mass & "Rite of Peace."

✠ Myron Law by William Merry

✠ Jim Fahey (Birthday) by George & patty fahey

Coming Parish Events

Sunday, April 2	OLOL Womens' Society Meeting after 10:30 a.m. Mass
2nd week of May	Spring Bake Sale
May 6 to May 14	Mother Day Masses
Sunday, May 7	May Queen Procession. Eva Murad will be the May Queen this year.
Saturday, June 17 after 4pm Mass	Parish Dinner on the occasion of Father Day. Dinner at 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, August 13 until 7:00 pm	Mahrajan (Festival) at Oglebay Park, Levenson Shelter 10:00 a.m. Outdoor Mass at Oglebay (No Mass at the church)

Diocesan Appeal

Many Thanks for those who fulfilled their Easter Obligation this year. May your fasting be accepted and your sins forgiven. May the Blessed Mother reward you many folds.

Ron Weisner, Mark & Kathleen John (VA),

Easter Lillies

Many Thanks to all who donated toward decorating the church during Easter. All donations small or great are appreciated, but only donations greater than \$20.00 are mentioned here. If you need to donate a flower in memory of a beloved family member, please write a note to Msgr. Bakhos

✠ In Memory of Gladys Howard and Louise N. & Louis H. Khourey, Sr., by Lou & Charlotte Khourey and Family

✠ In Memory of the Murad & Tatalovich Families by Liz & Jay & Eva Murad

✠ In Memory of our beloved parents John T. & Cecilia John and D. William Burns by Ron & Susan Burns

✠ In Memory of husband Phil & Deceased Family members of Thomasina Geimer

✠ In Memory of Danny & Milly Manners by their daughter NiNi Miller

✠ In Honor of Chris & Jeannette Wakim

✠ In Honor of Ron Weisner

- ✧ In Honor of Jean Weisner
- ✧ In Honor of Frank & Anna Marie Duymich
- ✧ In Honor of Fran Saseen
- ✧ In Honor of Jackie & Pat Petros
- ✧ In Honor of Dr. & Mrs. Adel Frenn
- ✧ In Honor of Denise Ferris
- ✧ In Honor of Larry & Lillian Siebieda
- ✧ In Memory of Shirley Elias Nickerson and the Deceased of the Elias Family by Tammy Strong
- ✧ In Memory of Chamse Rahi by her daughter Alicia Peklinsky and Family
- ✧ In Memory of Nimon & Miriam Joseph Family by the Joseph and Weisner Families
- ✧ In Memory of the Deceased members of the McLaughlin, Joseph & Miller Families by Mark & Barb McLaughlin
- ✧ In Memory of Abdo & Dorothy Saseen by Jim & Pat Saseen Connell
- ✧ In Memory of Bob Sengewalt by his son Dave and Family

Birthdays Wishes in the Coming Month:

- April 6: Ron Weisner
- April 8: Jesse John
- April 11: Randy Weisner
- April 12: Justin Frenn
- April 13: Adel Frenn
- April 14: Mark McLaughlin
- April 20: Angela Petros
- April 28: Ann Marie Weisner Serafin
- April 29: Linda Hostutler, Jeannette Wakim

From Saturday, May 6 untill Sunday, May 14: Mother Day Masses

Masses for the Deceased Mothers and Grandmothers

- † Deceased of the Togliatti & Harb Families by GiGi Rice
- † Deceased mothers & grandmothers of Jamil Harb (MI)
- † 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
- † Janis & George Thomas (Ohio) by their last will
- † Catherine Arthur by her daughter Carole Burkhart
- † Deceased mothers of the Thomas, Splatt & Nutter Families by John & Kathy Thomas (MN)
- † Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her last Will
- † Mary K. Ferris by her daughter Denise Ferris
- † Pearl I (Nolte) Shutler (mother), Clara Shutler (grandmother), Isabelle (Frey) Nolte (great-grandmother) by Janet Shutler
- † Shirley Elias Nickerson & Amelia Elias by Tammy Strong & their loving Family
- † Wanda Nickerson by her loving Family
- † Martha Saseen by her son George Saseen
- † Elizabeth Harasuik by her daughter Susan Saseen
- † Mary Popovich by Joe & Nikki Popovich
- † Helen Fielding by Joe & Nikki Popovich
- † Laura Z. Wakim by The Wakim Family
- † For all mothers & grandmothers by The Wakim Family

- ✠ Sara McLaughlin & Selma Joseph by Mark & Barb McLaughlin
 ✠ Mary Miller by Mark & Barb McLaughlin
 ✠ Barbara Lenz by PJ, Nikki, Lindsay & Luke Lenz
 ✠ Betty Lou Petros by Jackie & Pat Petros
 ✠ Dolores M. Fahey by Jackie & Pat Petros
 ✠ Ginny & Martha Shia & Anna Shia by their Family
 ✠ Edna Jochum by her Family
 ✠ Angela Henning & Anna Bott by Don & Roberta Henning
 ✠ Cecilia (mother) & Saada (grandmother) by Carol Dougherty
 ✠ Nell Comer Duffy & Rose Shedeed Fadoul by Earl & Linda Duffy
 ✠ Cecilia Ann Murad by her daughter Luane Frazier
 ✠ Margaret Schlog by her daughter Fran Saseen
 ✠ Charlotte George by her daughter Margaret George
 ✠ Lottie Elwartoski by her son Richard Elwartoski
 ✠ Mary (Joseph) Shipley & Salema (Awed) Joseph by Thomasina Geimer
 ✠ LaVerne Thomas and Siham Frenn by Dr Adel, Diane & Justin Frenn & Andreah & Zack Riedel
 ✠ June Fahey by George & Patricia Fahey
 ✠ Agnes Jacovetty by George & Patricia Jacovetty-Fahey
 ✠ Eileen M. Hatty and Cecilia F. Hatty by Judge Michael P. Hatty and Family
 ✠ Mary Ann Hatty by Judge Michael P. Hatty and Family
 ✠ Lucy Gibbons, Ann Otterbeck and Sadie Coury by Ron & Kim Gibbons
 ✠ Ellen Dennis by Annette & Rusty Wetzel
 ✠ Beryl Wetzel by Annette & Rusty Wetzel

Prayers for the Living Mothers and Grandmothers

- ✠ Charlotte Khourey by her children Emmalena & Louie
 ✠ Living mothers and grandmothers of Jamil Harb (MI)
 ✠ My sisters & their daughters in law by Msgr. Bakhos
 ✠ Nikki Jo Lenz by Joe & Nikki Popovich
 ✠ Nikki A. Popovich by Joe Popovich
 ✠ Viola J. Yeater by the Wakim Family
 ✠ Jeannette M. Wakim by her children Laura Chapman & Nathan Wakim
 ✠ Barb McLaughlin by Brad McLaughlin & Kristen & Matt Graney
 ✠ Barb McLaughlin by Nathan Graney
 ✠ Nikki Popovich by PJ, Nikki, Lindsay & Luke Lenz
 ✠ Kristen (McLaughlin) Graney by her son Nathan Graney
 ✠ Diane Frenn and Brenda Riedel by Dr Adel, Diane & Justin Frenn & Andreah & Zack Riedel
 ✠ Patricia Fahey by George Fahey and daughters

<i>Your Church Support Last Week</i>	
\$1,178.00	Sunday Collection
35.00	Diocesan Appeal
10.00	Bake sale
68.00	Candles
40.00	Coffee hour
175.00	Donations to the church
500.00	Festival
\$2,006.00	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)
 Julia Schiess, daughter of Leo Bleifus, Fred Jaquay, Tim Pack, Patty Olinsky, Earl Ragase, Bettie Jane Fadoul, Patrick Sengewalt, 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, Patty Fahey, Fred Schweizer (brother of our organist Mary Lee Porter),

What's New?

Parish Condolences: Viola Yeater

The pastor and the parishioners of Our Lady of Lebanon Church, offer their heartfelt sympathy to the Yeater and Wakim families on the loss of their beloved Viola who passed away in St. Clairsville. Viola was the mother of our beloved parishioner Jeannette Yeater-Wakim. Msgr. Bakhos celebrated the funeral Mass at Altmeyer funeral home on Wednesday, March 29th. May the Blessed Mother intercede for her and lead her to the light of Christ. We extend the parish's condolences to her Family in their time of sorrow.

For your knowledge

With the current inflation and rising prices, some of our church's expenses went up as follow:

- Elevator insurance and maintenance \$4,000.00
- Building insurance \$16,582.00
- one candle cost price is now \$2.00

Please don't call

Please don't call the phone number of Leo Bleifus' daughter who is sick and suffering. She could not take any phone calls. Your prayers for her are enough and highly appreciated.

Rummage Sale

The ladies of the church would appreciate any items to be donated toward the coming rummage sale in June. Please bring your items with you to the church and we will open the basement door for you. Many Thanks.

Mahrajan Update (Sunday, August 13, 2023)

- This year we will celebrate our 90th Lebanese Festival (Mahrajan) at Oglebay Park on Sunday, August 13.
- Outdoor Mass at 10:00 a.m. not 10:30 a.m. There will be no Mass at the church the day of the Festival.
- Many Thanks to Susan & Ron Burns for sponsoring the welcome center tent at the entrance of the Mahrajan (Festival) this year. It is a beautiful 10x10 red and white stripes. May God reward you manyfolds.
- The church purchased 2 refrigerators for pop and water. Also one Sajj (woke) for Lebanese cheese pizza and Zaatar bread.
- The church purchased four red tents 10x15 feet each to be used for our special booths.
- There will be a special booth for Lebanese wine taste.
- If you have a friend or know someone who is interested in receiving correspondence about our Festival, please submit their addresses to Msgr. Bakhos.

Eucharistic Congress (July 17-21, 2024)

The Catholic Church in the United States has launched a **Eucharistic Revival** that began June 19, 2022. The first year is focusing on the Eparchial Eucharistic Revival. The second year will be focusing on the Parish Eucharistic Revival. The third year will call the Church in the United States for a Eucharistic crusade as we will be like the 2 disciples of Emmaus going out to show our love for the Lord present among us fully on the altar, Body, Blood, Soul and divinity as the summit of our life and all our celebrations. A **Eucharistic Congress** will be held for the first time in nearly 50 years in Indianapolis, from July 17 to 21, 2024. Please, reserve this date on your calendar. As Maronites we are urged to renew our deep love for the Holy Eucharist and to show it in our parishes and Eparchy. We are also urged to participate in the Eucharistic Congress at the Lucas Oil Stadium IN INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, where they are expecting over 80,000 people to attend. Please, share in your bulletin and social media the news about this congress and have people start registering their names. Visit www.eucharisticcongress.org/register

See also the attached PDF document Guidelines on Registration and Housing.

Please, submit to me ASAP at abouna@stmaron.com the name of one parishioner who will act as the point person in your parish to help promote this Eucharistic Revival and Congress within your parish.

Please encourage your parishioners to learn more and be involved in this Eucharistic Revival. Visit the website at www.eucharisticrevival.com. Here is the link for travel and housing: Travel and housing :

<https://www.eucharisticcongress.org/travel-and-housing>

There will also be a Eucharistic Process from the four sides of the United States and will meet in Indianapolis.

Here is the website to learn more and to register yourself: <https://www.eucharisticcongress.org/pilgrimage>

Spirituality: I am the Bible

I am the Bible, God's wonderful library.

I am always — and above all — the truth.

To the weary pilgrim, I am a strong staff.

To the one who sits in darkness, I am glorious light.

To those who stumble beneath heavy burdens, I am sweet rest.

To him who has lost his way, I am a safe guide.

To those who are sick in sin, I am healing strength and forgiveness.

To the discouraged, I am a glad message of hope.

To those who are distressed and tossed about by the storms of life, I am an anchor, sure and steadfast.

To those who search for salvation, I reveal the Savior of the world. I am the Bible. --Author Unknown

Wisdom: What is life?

Life is a gift. . . accept it

Life is an adventure. . . dare it

Life is a mystery. . . unfold it

Life is a game. . . play it

Life is a struggle. . . face it

Life is beauty. . . praise it

Life is a puzzle. . . solve it

Life is opportunity. . . take it

Life is sorrowful. . . experience it

Life is a song. . . sing it

Life is a goal. . . achieve it

Life is a mission. . . fulfill it --David McNally

Story: Nail in the fence

There once was a little boy who had a bad temper. His Father gave him a bag of nails and told him that every time he lost his temper, he must hammer a nail into the back of the fence.

The first day the boy had driven 37 nails into the fence. Over the next few weeks, as he learned to control his anger, the number of nails hammered daily gradually dwindled down. He discovered it was easier to hold his temper than to drive those nails into the fence.

Finally, the day came when the boy didn't lose his temper at all. He told his father about it and the father suggested that the boy now pull out one nail for each day that he was able to hold his temper.

The days passed and the young boy was finally able to tell his father that all the nails were gone.

The father took his son by the hand and led him to the fence. He said, "You have done well, my son, but look at the holes in the fence. The fence will never be the same. When you say things in anger, they leave a scar just like this one. You can put a knife in a man and draw it out. It won't matter how many times you say I'm sorry, the wound is still there."

A verbal wound is as bad as a physical one.

Friends are very rare jewels, indeed. They make you smile and encourage you to succeed. They lend an ear, they share words of praise and they always want to open their hearts to us."

A Time to Laugh (56)

He prayed the Rosary

Over a hundred years ago, a university student found himself seated in a train by the side of a person who seemed to be a well-to-do peasant. He was praying the rosary and moving the beads in his fingers. "Sir, do you still believe in such outdated things?" asked the student of the old man. "Yes, I do. Do you not?" asked the old man. The student burst out into a laughter and said: "I do believe in such silly things. Take my advice. Throw the rosary out through this window and learn what science has to say about it."

"Science? I do not understand this science, perhaps you can explain it to me?" the man said humbly with tears in his eyes.

The student saw that the man was deeply moved. So to avoid further hurting the feelings of the man, he said: "Please give me your address and I will send you some literature to help you on the Matter."

The man fumbled in the inside pocket of his coat and gave the boy his visiting card. On glancing at the card, the student bowed his head in shame and became silent. On the card he read: "Louis Pasteur, Director of the Institute of Scientific Research, Paris, France."

Enlightenment

A Captain went out to sea when a great storm arose. One of the slaves on board began to cry out and wail in fear, for the man had never been on a ship before. His crying was so loud and so prolonged that everyone on board began to be annoyed and the Captain was for throwing the man overboard.

But the Chief Advisor who was a sage said: "No. Let me deal with the man. I think I can cure him."

With that he ordered some of the sailors to hurl the man into the sea. The moment he found himself in the sea the poor slave began to scream in terror and to thrash out wildly. In a few seconds the sage ordered him to be hauled on board.

Back on board the slave lay in a corner in absolute silence. When the Captain asked his advisor for the reason, he replied, "We never realize how lucky we are till our situation gets worse."

Relationships

A friend asked Nasruddin for a sum of money. Nasruddin was convinced the money wouldn't be returned. But since he did not want to offend the friend and the sum asked for was a small one, he gave him the money. To his great surprise, exactly one week after the loan was made the man returned the money.

A month later he returned to ask for a slightly larger sum. Nasruddin refused. When the man asked why, he said, "Last time I did not expect you to return the money, and you let me down. This time I expect you to return it, I'm not going to be let down again!"

Defect

"Excuse me, sir," said a timid student. "I couldn't make out what you wrote on the margin of my last paper."

"I told you to write more legibly," said the teacher.

Making Friends or Enemies?!

A course on HOW TO WIN FRIENDS AND INFLUENCE PEOPLE was in progress. A young businessman was explaining to the class how he applied all the principles of the course in an encounter with a business prospect. And it worked marvelously well, not quite!

"I did everything I was told to do here," he added. "I began by greeting him warmly, then I smiled at him and asked him about himself. I paid the closest attention to everything he said. I went out of my way to agree with his views and told him every now and then what a fine person I thought he was. He talked and talked for more than an hour. And when we finally parted company I knew I had made a friend for life."

Everyone in the classroom applauded politely. When the applause died down the speaker said with feeling, "But boy! What an enemy he made!"